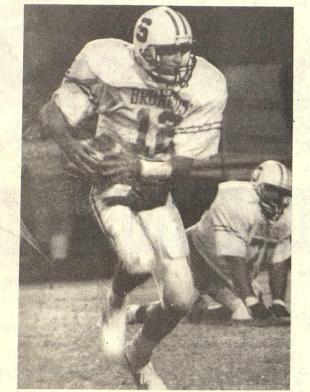


BRONCOS RUN OVER KERMIT. 48-25 by Charles Carroll



Trini Banda finishes a good block and watches

pass to Davis Hale for a first down.

The Sonora Broncos entered their first district game of the year against preseason favorite Kermit with full knowledge that this was a big game. The Broncos, beaten by the Mason Punchers the week before and still not having played a quality AAA opponent, needed a win to get their season back on track and move to 4-2, but more than that needed a win to restore their confidence.

Kermit also needed a win badly; the Yellow Jackets had worked themselves into an unenviable position; they had a losing record going into district play, and while still believing themselves to be a good team hadn't played like one. A win over Sonora could very well be the catalyst Kermit needed to pull a past-sinking season back above water.

When teams like this meet on Friday nights in Texas, stars seldom dominate the game Teams have practiced to cover, tackle, and block their opponent's best players, and in games like this it is the team whose situational, second-team, and special team players rise to the occasion which usually as quarterback Josh Burnam prepares to complete a Mike House, Adrian Mata, Jesse

Capuchina, and Louis Massey on defense

made huge contributions, helping their teammates to a 48-25 win, and in so doing demonstrating that football is still a team sport, and that on good teams all players can rise to the challenges presented by a superior opponent.

Faced with probably the best athlete in the district in guarterback Devalon Bryant from Kermit, the Bronco defense, led by excellent plays from Capuchina, Jason Morley, and Davis Hale, played hard to stop the Jackets first offensive possession, but a fumble on the snap by the Broncos after the Kermit punt was recovered by Kermit at the Sonora 19, and the defense found itself immediately backed into a corner. The Kermit offense required only three plays to score against the rattled Broncos, but the PAT was blocked by Massey from the corner of the Bronco defense.

An odd kickoff strategy by the Yellow Jackets put a most unlikely player for the Broncos in the spotlight; Mike House, fullback for the Broncos, caught or recovered five (5) on side kick attempts by Kermit, not muffing any attempts and taking several hard shots in the process. His dependability at his position gave the Broncos consistently excellent field position and kept the ball away from Kermit.

The second Sonora possession was also ruined by a fumble at the Sonora 42; the Yellow Jackets again required only three plays to score, but missed their attempt for two points following the score. The Jackets led 0-12 with 6:45 remaining in the 1st quarter, and the Broncos appeared to be in for a long night. The Broncos, as they have done all year, however, decided to start really playing after spotting Kermit a 12-point lead, and while the lead looked commanding in the 1st

quarter, it wouldn't be nearly enough to withstand the offensive display the Broncos would put on for the remainder of the game.

MIERS HONORED AT TEXAS STATE FAIR Robert Lee "Bob" Miers (1872-1972) was recently

depend totally on sheep.



Robert Lee "Bob" Miers

founder of Texas & Southwest Cattle Raisers Association.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Mayer (granddaughter and grandson-in-law), Robert Mayer (greater grandson), Mr. and Mrs. Curry Campbell (great-granddaughter and great-grandson-in-law) and Chelsey Lou (great-great-granddaughter) of Sonora attended the gala among eighteen other family members from Del Rio, Austin and Roswell, New Mexico.

Proceeds from the ceremony, "Texans Tall in the Saddle, A Celebration of the Lone Star State", will benefit the State Fair of Texas Youth Scholarship Fund.

ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL SET

by Melett Rowland

The Sonora Independent School District will hold its annual Fall Festival Tuesday, October 18; 1994 from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Booths will be located in the 200 block of East Main Street in downtown Sonora.

The festival will begin at 4:00 with a parade of children ages preschool through fifth grade in their costumes. The parade will begin at the base of the Courthouse steps and proceed west down Main to the stage located just west of the Concho Avenue and Main Street intersection (between) Westerman's and the First National Bank).

After the parade reaches the stage, the Fall Festival Queen will be crowned and the booths can open for business. The booths will open at approximately 4:45 p.m. and close promptly at 8:00 p.m.

Those who marched in the parade will remain at the stage area to have their costumes judged in the following categories: preschool, prekindergarten, kindergarten, first grade, second grade, third grade, fourth grade, and fifth grade. Prizes will be given for first, second and third in each age group.

School will be let out at 2:30 p.m. that day to prepare for the festivities. All of the 200 block and a portion of the 100 block of East Main will be closed at 2:00 p.m. Both the north and south 100 blocks of Concho Avenue will be closed at this time as well.

The entire community is invited to participate in the Fall Festival to help the Sonora youth in this annual fund raiser. Costumes are encouraged but not required.

Some of the booths include a concession stand, dunking booth, cake walk, limbo contest, face painting, photos, fishing, golfing, two different basketball tosses, toilet bowl ball, and the ever popular bingo.

The Sonora Independent School District and the Sonora Main Street Project would like to invite ryone to the Fall Festival for food, fun and fellowship.

Company, J. Evetts Haley renowned western and historical writer and author of Charles Goodnight: Cowman and Plainsman, among other books, John S. Justin, Jr. president of Justin Boot Company, George Washington Littlefield (1842-1920) whose gifts developed and expanded the University of Texas at Austin, and Colonel Christopher Columbus Slaughter (1837-1919)

inducted in the Texas Heritage Hall of Honor at the

Second Great State Fair of Texas Gala in Dallas September

17, 1994. Mr. Miers was a key player in developing the

Del Rio Wool and Mohair Company and served as

chairman of the board of the Del Rio Bank and Trust. He

was one of the first ranchers in Val Verde County to

Six other inductees were honored during the gala. John

B. Armstrong of King Ranch, Isaac Leonard Ellwood

(1833-1910) co-founder of Superior Barbed Wire

Taking possession of the ball at the Kermit 45, thanks to a kick recovery by House and a 15yard personal foul penalty on Kermit, the Broncos marched down the field led by senior running backs Gilbert Vara and Jason Morley, taking only four plays to score on a 15-yard run by Morley right up the middle of the Kermit defense. The PAT was no good, and with 5:08 left in the 1st quarter, the score was 6-12.

Sonora and Kermit punted back and forth to take up most of the remainder of the 1st guarter, and the Bronco defense did a solid job stopping and frustrating a dangerous Kermit attack. Shane Deel, Cody Dupree, Casey Fitzgerald, and Jesse Capuchina all made solid stops on Kermit ball carriers when Kermit attempted to run, and when the Jackets attempted to move the ball through the air Davis Hale and Louis Massey were there to knock away passes thrown by Bryant, usually **Continued on Page 8**

BONILLA TOWN MEETING

submitted



Henry Bonilla, United States Representative, came to Sonora Monday, October 10, 1994 to report on recent developments in the House of Representatives and to discuss the issues that are important to West Texans.

Bonilla said some of the highlights of his first term include battling agriculture opponents who wanted to pull the rug out from under wool and mohair producers, fighting to protect private property rights, helping to pass the sheep checkoff program, and

securing funds for the Animal Damage Control program.

"The accomplishments we've been able to realize have been because of your letters, phone calls, and hard work," Bonilla said. "When you get involved in your government, you really do see results."

In the case of bad weather, the festival will be held in the Junior High Gyms. That decision will be made by 2:00 p.m. October 18, 1994.

4-H AWARDS BANQUET HELD

submitted

Sutton County 4-H members held their 1994 Awards Banquet and Dance at the Clint Langford 4-H Center on Saturday October 8, 1994. John Jones, Senior President was the program master of ceremonies. The coveted Earwood Award which is presented to the outstanding senior age 4-H member based on project variety, leadership, and citizenship was presented to David Fisher. The Glasscock Award presented for the same criteria to a junior age 4-H member was presented to Ashley Brockman. The outstanding 4-H member in home economics was Robin Conner. The sweetheart elected by the 4-H membership went to Shawna Faris and on a tie vote the two beaus named were David Fisher and John Jones. The Silver Spur Awards are presented annually to a man and woman who have given the club outstanding leadership and support. The award is selected by older 4-H members and this year was presented to Glen Fisher and Linda Fisher.

Project award medals were presented to the following 4-H members in the following categories: clothing - Robin Conner; range management - Landon Brockman; photography - Shawna Faris; sheep - Bill Renfro; swine - Brad Mogford; horse - Blair Crain, Kim Geske, Brooke Tiffee, and Tommy Tiffee; agriculture - Thomas Schenkel; agricultural achievement - Ashley Brockman and Brady Lock; leadership - David Fisher and John Jones. Project certificates of special recognition went to Josh Payton for swine, Johnna Wade for foods and nutrition, and to Graham Bloodworth and Anthony Renfro for agricultural achievement. All project medals, project certificates, and special awards are selected by an awards selection committee made up of 4-H adult leaders.

4-H members who completed current year overall 4-H records gualified for year pins. First year pins went to Brooke Tiffee, Tommy Tiffee and Landon Brockman; third year pin to Thomas Schenkel, fourth year pins to Brad Mogford and Brady Lock; fifth year pins to Ashley Brockman and Blair Crain, sixth year in to Kim Geske and seventh year pins to Shawna Faris and David Fisher.

Flag bearers for the evening were Ashley Bible and Thomas Bloodworth. The pledge and opening ceremonies were led by Graham Bloodworth and Sara Cook. The invocation was offered by Shawna Faris

Some 150 members, parents, leaders and friends enjoyed the evening which culminated with the annual 4-H dance.

Electronics Course Offered

Open House

hursday, October 13, 1994 at 1005

aton from 2:00 - 6:00 p.m. for Texas

Department of Human Services,

Texas Department of Health, and

onora Housing Authority.

An open house is scheduled for

the community.

Sonora High School is currently offering an electronics class on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from :00 until 9:00 p.m. We have space in the class for several more students and anyone interested in taking the course can contact Mr. Marrs at the High School. Mastery of Algebra II skills is recommended as a prerequisite for this class. There is no charge for the class and we would welcome the opportunity to provide this service for members of

4-H Shooting Sports Project

The 4-H Shooting Sports Project Group is getting ready for the 94-95 season. All pre-Junior, Junior and Senior age students who are interested should contact the County Extension Office at 301 Crockett or call 387-3101 for more information.

It's Popcorn Time!

The Sonora Cub Scouts are now selling popcorn. This the biggest fund-raiser for the year. This popcorn makes wonderful gifts, so please order yours today! If a scout has not contacted you please call Ronda Hall (popcorn chairman) at 387-2891 or 387-2830. The Scouts appreciate your support!

Early Voting

Wednesday, October 19th is the first day to vote early in person for the November General Election.

Early Dismissal

School will be dismissed at 2:30 on Tuesday, October 19th for the Annual Fall Festival. Busses will run at this time

Senior Center Birthday Party

will be at the Senior Center on the 20th to provide entertainment for the Birthday Party. They will be adopting a grandparent to help them with the Spanish language and to help each other.

District Band Contest

The Sonora High School Marching Band will participate in District Marching Contest on Saturday, October 22nd in Brady, Texas at approximately 3:45 p.m.

New Life Women's Ministry

The New Life Women's Ministry will hold garage sale on Saturday, October 15th at 306 N.W. 4th Street beginning at 8:00 a.m.

They will also be selling brisket plates for \$5.00 each. Plates will go on sale at 10:30 a.m. Delivery will be offered for shut-ins by calling 387-2898

Pesticide Recertification Training

Five (5) CEU's can be obtained by attending the Pesticide Recertification Training at the Sutton County 4-H Center beginning at 8:30 a.m., October 19, 1994. Any questions should be directed to Preston Faris at 387-3101, or Tom Payton or Virgil Polocek at 387-2730

1st Annual Country Christmas

Crafters, be a part of the 1st Annual Country Christmas sponsored by the Caverns of Sonora! This event will take place on Saturday, December 10th from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Caverns of Sonora. For more information, call (915) 387-6507, or stop by The Craft Cottage at 209 W. 5th Street, Sonora, TX 76950 and pick up an entry form. Some of the items planned are: hand crafts, singing Christmas tree, living nativity scene, coffee, hot cider, homemade fudge, sleigh rides, southwest Santa, plus the beauty of the Caverns! Booth spaces are \$20.00 for inside and \$15.00 for covered outside spaces. All booth money will be used for advertising in area papers, etc. Call 387-3105 to have forms mailed to you. The entry deadline is Tuesday, Nov. 15th.

The High School Spanish Class

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Our Sympathy

Harold Claude Dutton

Harold Claude Dutton, 92, died on Wednesday, October 5, 1994, in Kimble County Hospital.

Harold was born on January 13, 1902, in East Sweden, in McCulloch County, to William F. Dutton and Annie Mary Johnson. He attended Brady schools and graduated from Toby Business College. He had been a longtime resident of Kimble County, residing on the Dutton Ranch since 1921 with the exception of the last few years.

Harold was married to Velma E. Rape on February 25, 1926 in Ozona, Texas.

Survivors include his wife; one brother, George W. Dutton of San Angelo; three sons and daughters-in-law, Duane D. and Fern of Mule Creek, N.M., Vernon C. and Alta of Rocksprings and Jerry R. and Jan of Mason; one daughter and son-in-law, Winona A. and Ralph Murr of Huntsville, Arkansas; 12 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held Friday, October 7th at 4:00 p.m. in the Bear Creek Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of Aubrey Fife Funerals.

Bonnie Ruth Pool

Bonnie Ruth Pool, 71, died Thursday, October 6, 1994, in Angelo Community Hospital in San Angelo.

Graveside services were held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 8th in the Valley Mills Cemetery in Valley Mills, Texas. Arrangements were by Kerbow Funeral Home in Sonora and Foss Funeral Home in Valley Mills.

She was born Bonnie Ruth Crump on March 14, 1923, in Cove, Arkansas. Bonnie married Cecil B. "Snooky" Pool in Borger, Texas, in 1945. She and Snooky lived and raised their families in Borger and Monahans, Texas. After Snooky's death in 1975, she moved to Belton, Texas. Bonnie was a Baptist and a member of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary in Belton.

Survivors include a son, Ben Pool of Sonora; two daughters, Jimmie Ann Howorth of Houston and Sheila Sue Cooper of Robinson; son-in-law, Max Howorth of Houston; daughter-inlaw, Lenora Pool of Sonora; grandchildren, Sheila Lynn Velarde of Mexico City, Mexico, Darren Cooper, Tiffany Cooper and Jake Cooper, all of Robinson, Rachel Pool of Odessa, Shannon Rushing and Brian Pool, both of San Angelo, Trey Rushing and Levi Pool, both of Sonora; great-grandchildren, Molly Ann Cooper and Taylor Christian Velarde; sisters Bennie Josefy of Grandfield, Oklahoma, and Marie Kelley of Eunice, New Mexico; and special friends, Bill and Helen Rains of Odessa.

Memorials may be made to the donor's favorite charity.

Harvey E. DuRussel

Harvey E. DuRussel, 82, of Sonora died Saturday, October 8, 1994, in Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital in Sonora.

Rosary was held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 11th in Kerbow Funeral Chapel. Funeral Mass was held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 12, 1994, at St. Ann's Catholic Church with the Rev. Dan Dillabough and Father Henry, DuRussel officiating. Burial followed in Sonora Cemetery under the direction of Kerbow Funeral Home.

Harvey was born on May 11, 1912, in Munger, Michigan. He was retired, having farmed all of his life. He was married to Monica Davis on September 21, 1970, in Sonora. He was a member of the Sonora Golf Club and spent many enjoyable times on the course. He was a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church.

He is survived by his wife, Monica, of Sonora; four brothers

THE River NEWS

Dear Editor,

Dear Editor,

We would like to thank everyone who came to Homecoming 1994, over 200 to both the noon and evening meals. It was wonderful having so many exes from 1928 through the 70's. Please come again next year.

We would also like to thank all the people who helped: from the merchants who donated prizes, including Tedford Jewelry who donated the Queen's crown and Cindy Hayes for her help with the gifts; to all the exes who prepared and donated food for the evening meal.

A special thanks to Marti McLain for the wonderful noon program, and to Bill Savell and George Wallace for their part of that program. Sharon Keys and the Chamber of Commerce helped us with duplicating and postage for the letters to exes, plus helped make the parade the best ever. We appreciate <u>everyone</u> who participated in the parade, especially the students, and the judges. Thanks to the casino dealers, Bill Cascadden, Ben Pool, Glen Fisher, and Lola Beth Jones. Others who helped with addresses, posters, calls to encourage attendance, and photos this year were Jane Sawyer Davis, Wanda Turner, Wanda Neville, Robbie Teaff, Jane Neill Cooper, Rita Hale, Celeste Prugel, Charlotte Wilson, Bobbie Smith, Alice Cox, and Elaine Miears Roberson.

A number of people work at specific jobs to put on homecoming, but they really do many tasks to make one continuous weekend of events.

Joyce Chalk, school participation, half-time program, poster display, after game reception, treasurer; Barbara Jennings, addresses, correspondence, honorees; Vivian Miears, addresses and evening meal; Nancy Wilson Davis, noon meal; Edwina Friess, school open house and classroom participation; Rex Ann Friess, casino, special guest; Linda Fisher, trophy cases display; Roy Jean Johnson, parade; Elaine Donaldson, prizes; Diana Condra, registration and special guest; Francine Hardeman, special guest; Cleve T Jones, casino; Tommy Love, Jack Johnson, Tracy Crites, Eddie Smith, and Corky Schwiening, barbecue and beans.

Thanks to your newspaper for helping us promote Homecoming.

The Homecoming Committee

Jim and Cammille Ross announce the birth of their daughter, Mary Katherine. Katie was born on September 30th at 2:56 p.m. at Angelo Community Hospital in San Angelo. She weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Katie was welcomed home by her brother James and her sister Elizabeth.

Proud grandparents are Jiggs and Evelyn Mann of Clarendon, Texas

and E.L. and Ruby Ross of Brady, Texas.

School Breakfast & Lunch Menu

All meals are served with milk.

BREAKFAST

Mon., Oct. 17th French Toast w/Syrup, Juice Tues., Oct. 18th Blueberry Muffin, Sausage, Fruit Wed., Oct. 19th Oatmeal, Toast & Jelly, Juice Thurs., Oct. 20th Ham & Eggs on Biscuit, Fruit Fri., Oct. 21st Scrambled Egg, Nutri Grain Bar LUNCH Mon., Oct. 17th Burritos w/Chili, Tossed Salad, Mexicali Corn, Chocolate Pudding w/Topping

Tues., Oct. 18th Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce, English Peas, Waldorf Salad, Cheese Roll, Mixed Fruit

Wed., Oct. 19th Chalupas (Bean & Cheese), Cole Slaw, Spanish Rice, Sliced Peaches

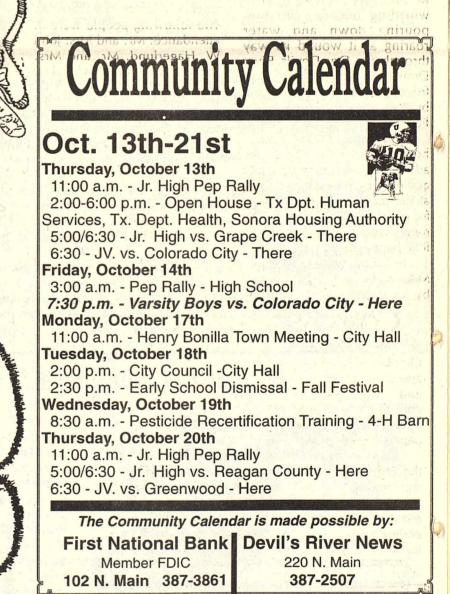
Thurs., Oct. 20th Breaded Fried Chicken, Broccoli-Rice Casserole, Ice Cream, Biscuits

Fri., Oct. 21st Fish Burger w/Tartar Sauce, Potato Cubes, Green Beans, Jell-O w/Fruit



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Cherry Cobbler <u>Thursday, October 20</u> Polish Sausage, French Baked Potato Slices, Sweet Potato Muffins, Blushing Pear <u>Friday, October 21</u> Roast Beef w/Brown Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Coleslaw, Hot Rolls, Brownie w/Nuts



Bernard and wife, LaVerne, of Reese, Michigan; Roy DuRussel and wife, Angeline, and Fred DuRussel, all of Munger, and Father Henry DuRussel of Midland; five stepdaughters, Yvonne, Meitezen, Mary Howell, Irene Davis, Maxine Klein and Beth Edington; and two brothers-in-law, Charles Hirschman and Floyd Dillabough, both of Reese.

He was preceded in death by two sisters, Dorothy Hirschman and Marian Dillabough.

The family requests that memorials be sent to the St. Elizabeth Church Fund in Reese, Michigan, or to a favorite charity.

John J. "Johnnie" Decker

John J. "Johnnie" Decker, 78, passed away Thursday, October 6, 1994, at his home in Talpa.

Funeral services were held at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, October 8th, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Menard with burial in Rest Haven Cemetery in Menard. Arrangements were by Heritage Funeral Home.

Johnnie was born on December 11, 1915, in Menard. Johnnie and "Dulce" Smith were married on January 20, 1940, in Mason. They lived in Menard until 1955, at which time they moved with their children to Talpa. Johnnie was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Ballinger. Johnnie was in the wool and mohair business, working at Western Wool and Mohair in Menard, and later was the owner and operator of Talpa Wool Warehouse in Talpa until his retirement in 1980.

He is survived by his wife, "Dulce" Decker of Talpa; his children, John A. Decker and his wife, Linda, of San Angelo, Mike Decker and his wife, Patti, of San Angelo, Phillip Decker and his wife, Jo Anna, of Rockport, and Dinah and her husband, Howard Taff of Ballinger; eight grandchildren, Regina Bates, Chad Decker, Alexis Decker, Bonnie Decker, Matthew Decker, Jonna Taff, Jeffi Taff and Jake Taff; one great-granddaughter, Kelsey Bates; and one sister, Pauline Thompson of Sonora.

Pallbearers were Johnnie's nephews: Douglas Decker, Larry Decker, Jimmy Decker, Pat Thompson, Jerry Don Smith, Jeffrey Smith, Bill Smith and Felix Esquivel.

The family requests memorials be sent to New Horizon Children's Home in Goldthwaite or the West Texas Rehabilitation Center.

Card of Thanks

We would like to express our sincere appreciation to our church family, friends, local businesses, and Sonora I.S.D. Thank you for the prayers, support, concern, and kindness shown to our family during Blaine's recovery from his accident. We would also like to extend a special thank you to the E.M.S. crew, Dr. Pajestka and Lisa, and the entire Hudspeth Memorial staff for the expedient, superior care which insured Blaine's well being.

> Sincerely, Mark, Joann, and Blaine Wilkinson Stanley and Nelda Mayfield

It's A Boy! Zane Cole Graves was born to Caren and Barry Graves of McKinney, Texas. He arrived at 11:53 a.m. on Friday, September 30, 1994, at HCA Hospital in Plano, Texas. He weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces and was 201/4 inches long. His big brother, Charles Zachary, had been born two years earlier at the same hospital, and was there to supervise the event. His grandparents are Janice and Monte Cole of Fairfield, Texas and Joella and Charles Graves of Sonora, Texas.

It's A Boy

Felipe and Lynn Onofre are proud to announce the

arrival of their son, Phillip Peter. Phillip was born at

Angelo Community Hospital on September 21, 1994 at

5:09 p.m. He weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces and measured 20 1/4 inches long. Phillip Peter is welcomed home by his big sister, Shelby

Maternal grandparents are Pedro and Alicia Virgen of

Paternal grandmother is Germana Onofre of Ozona.

Proud aunts and uncles are Alex and Norma Gonzales

of Sonora, Alfredo and Viola of Harvey, LA, and Terri

Perez of Dallas.. Very proud cousins are Edward

Virgen, Marc Alfred, Alex (A.J.), Crystal Nicole and

Great-grandmother is Frances Guajardo of Sonora.

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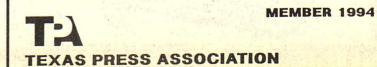
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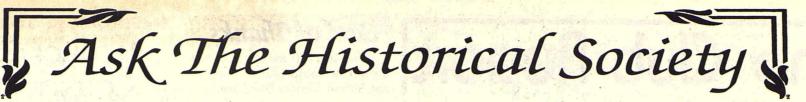
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DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS CELEBRATES 104TH BIRTHDAY



by Jo-Ann E. Palmer, Secretary, Sutton County **Historical Society**

Mike Murphy was born in Canada in 1868. The people of Sonora were very lucky that he decided to move to West Texas and settled in Sonora in 1890. He published the first issue of the Devil's River News on October 18, 1890.

Mike Murphy really had to rough it when he first came to Sonora. He lived in a tent on the corner of Concho and Main, about where Westerman Drugstore is now located, until he could raise enough money to have an office built on the site. The press was far too valuable to be kept in a leaky tent and was given a place of honor in the back room of a bar that was located just about where the current Devil's River News office is now.

Early issues tell of his sitting in the tent, with the wind whistling outside, the rain pouring down and water roaring as it wound its way through the Dry Devils River Draw. His fingers were half frozen but he persevered and built up the circulation of his little paper.

Mike would eat at local hotels in exchange for advertising whenever he could

We might note here that another brother, J. G. "Pat" Murphy became the owner and manager of the San Angelo Standard.

Christmas dinner in 1890 found Mike a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Stewart. The bachelor newsman was invited out on many occasions to dances, weddings, socials and dinners. The entrepreneur was considered by the local mothers to be a "good catch."

In the February 14, 1891 'issue of the Devil's River News we find that "news office warming" was held in the new offices of the Devil's River News. There was a dance, with refreshments, gotten up by Mike's friends, Max Mayer and John F. Steagall. Ladies honored for the evening were Miss Ella Winson and Miss Dee Drake. Mr. Felix Vander Stucken was the floor manager. The following people were in attendance: Mr. and Mrs. John W. Hagerlund, Mr. and Mrs. James Hagerlund, Mr. and Mrs. O. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Lon Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sowell, Justice and Mrs. Traweek, Mrs. J. M. G. Baugh, Mrs. Carson, Misses Dee Drake, Ella Winson, Lucille Adams, Bessie Baugh, Alice Fulcher, Cotter Dunagan, Minnie Thomas, Lonie Wyatt, lennie Mitchell, Annie Mathews, and Messrs, Max Mayer, Felix Vander Stucken, Col. W. L. Black, Judge Ball, John F. Steagall, Steve Murphy,

J. P. McConnell, Herb Maddox, H. C. Reynolds, W. H. Cusenbary, W. R. Rudicil, M. Parker, C. Whitfield, John Thomas, Mark Baugh, Lee Russell, B. Barfield, M. W. Sellers, R. E. Erwin, Lee Dunagan, Jerry Robinson, John Sowell, Rodger Hemphill, William Drennan and Mike Murphy, the Devil's River News man.

Mike and Steve Murphy came to love Sonora and their adopted country. On February 23, 1894 Mike became a citizen and his brother Steve became a citizen on September 25, 1896. They prospered in their new country.

Mike Murphy married a widow, Mrs. Clara Lee Hagerlund on May 3, 1920. He died in 1922 and was buried in the Hagerlund plot in the Fairmont Cemetery in San



Angelo. His brother Steve never married and died in Sonora on July 12, 1934. He too was buried in the Hagerlund pint in San Angelo.

Mrs. Clara Lee Hagerlund Murphy had contributed to the social pages of the Devil's River News for many years before her marriage to Mike and continued to do so for many years after. Clara too is buried in the Hagerlund plot.

We owe a debt of gratitude to Mike, Clara and Steve Murphy. Their dedication to reporting the happenings in and around Sutton County have left a wonderful legacy to the people of Sutton County. We have a superb written record of 104 years of history in Sutton County thanks to these individuals, and many others who have run the paper through the years.

The Devil's River News is the oldest continual business on Main Street in Sonora. We wish them a very happy birthday and know that the current owners, Gary and Cathy Smith will continue to serve Sutton County, with the same dedication to service to the community as their predecessors, for many many years to come.

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 give us a call at 915-387-5144 or 387-2855 after noon please.





AUTUMN ON OLD MAIN STREET SET IN ELDORADO

by JoAnn Sproul

Another fun day for all ages is in the mill! October 15, 1994 the Chamber Pride Committee (CPC) will again sponsor "Autumn On Old Main Street". Bring your friends and families and enjoy games, rides, food and special entertainment as well as shopping and browsing through a variety of outstanding booths.

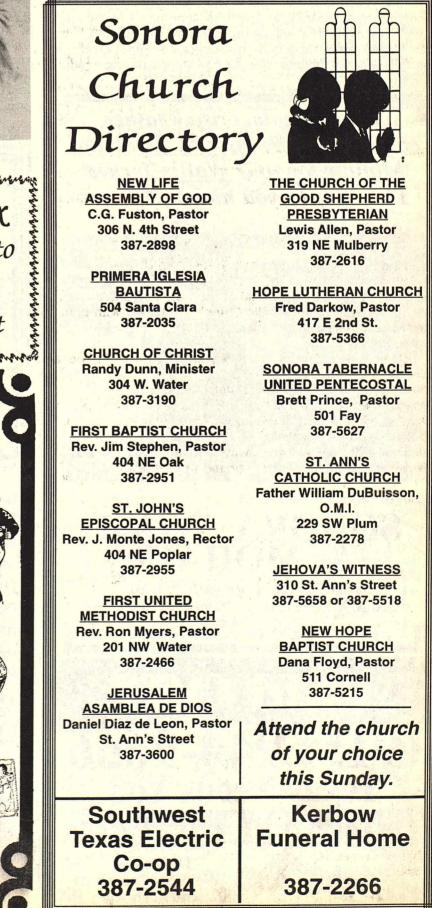
The parade will begin at 10:00 a.m. There will be arts and crafts booths, a washer pitching tournament, an art show, and an open stage with local and out-of-town musicians entertaining throughout the day. There will also be a walking tour of historical buildings.

Gormet sack lunches will be served between 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. in the Historic 1907 Bank Building.

The Way Off Broadway Player (WOBP) will present their first production in the Tom Ratliff Civic Theater. Seeing the historic building in its renovated state will thrill you, and the play "Faith County", by Mark Landon Smith, will keep you laughing. Performances will be at 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. For tickets, call (915) 853-3343.

This event is one of the two annual fund raisers for the CPC. The WOBP needs your support and attendance to help pay for the renovation of their new building. Plan to be there.

To reserve arts and crafts booths, call Patsy Kellogg at (915) 853-20079 or 1-800-657-9225 and leave a message with Sherry Lux



and even managed to tip a few at the local pubs in exchange for plugs in his paper. It was a rough beginning but luckily the little paper caught on quickly.

In late November of 1890, Mike was joined in his venture by his brother Steve Murphy.

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Commissioner's Court Met

The Sutton County Commissioner's Court met Tuesday, October 11, 1994. Minutes from the prior meeting were approved. Reports read and accepted were the Justice of Peace and treasurer's reports. Authorizations were given for consideration of purchasing a facsimile machine for the Annex, advertising for an outside audit, and increase Sheriff's fee for papers served for law suits to \$50.

Other items on the agenda included Donna Keese's report of the Emergency Medical Service updating mutual aides with surrounding counties. The bid for the purchase of the library building on Concho was read and rejected. Rex Ann Friess reported 99% of the base tax was collected for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1994. Ms. Friess also revealed, with the inclusion of delinquent taxes, 100% of taxes were collected

If you're looking for the latest movie releases,

look no further than the VIDEO STORE!!

NEW RELEASES FOR

THIS WEEK ARE:

The Paper **Medicine** River Where The River Flows North



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THE River NEWS

Card of Thanks The 4-H Cooking Class

Group 3 would like to thank

the Sutton County Steakhouse for allowing us into their

kitchen to bread our own

chicken and beef strips and for

providing gravy, rolls, and soft

drinks for each of us. Thanks

to Linda and Roy for making us

Cooking Class

Group 3

Card of Thanks

community of Sonora for all

their great support. Special

thanks to Mr. Russell, Mrs.

Patton, and the Sonora

Independent School District for

the benefit supper that was

held for Joshua. We really

appreciate everything that

and Joshua Noriega

Card of Thanks

To the wonderful people of

With love,

Myrtle Bridges

May God Bless You All,

Jessie, Cyndee, Anthony

everyone has done for us.

Sonora,

all of you.

We would like to thank the

feel like real chefs.



¹³ If you would like to print the information about your club or organization, please call the Devil's River News at 387-2507. Forms are available for your convenience.

BOY SCOUT UPDATE

by Maria Miller, Reporter

The Boy Scouts of Pack 19 will be going throughout the neighborhoods for their annual "Scouting for Food" on Saturday, October 15, 1994 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. They will be collecting any canned goods to be distributed to area churches. If you would like to donate but have previous plans, you could just set the goods outside your home in a brown paper bag and they will also collect those.

The Tiger Cubs met Monday, September 26, 1994 for their first monthly meeting to discuss their plans and activities for the year. All the new Tiger Cubs this year include from Group 1: Brandon Munn, Michael Ashton, Steven Barthelemy, Patrick Shahan, Cody Shurley, Joshua Dunn, C.J. Turney, and Ty Love. Group 2 new members are Cameron Cox, Aaron Warren, Cullen Parker, Walsh Hearn, Cody Day, Tyler Talley, Embre Smith, Younger Fawcett, and Roland Solis.

4-H REPORT

The Ewe Lamb Show is scheduled for Saturday, October 15, 1994. Lambs must be at the 4-H Center by 8:00 a.m. on Saturday. We will begin measuring fleeces shortly after that. The lambs will then be shorn and fleeces rolled. Lambs will then be weighed. Judging of the sheep and fleeces will begin at 1:00 p.m. The show should conclude by 3:00 p.m.

To prepare for statewide validation next year, we will be holding a county validation program this year. All lambs must be brought to the 4-H Center on either Friday, October 14th, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. or on Saturday, October 15th, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. We will probably have a shearer on hand if you would like to get your lambs shorn but we need to know if you plan to have that done.

Glen Fisher, coordinator of the sheep project group has set Saturday morning at 9:30 a.m., October 15th as the time for the first meeting. The group will elect officers, have an educational program and will end with a showmanship clinic. All 4-H members with lambs are encouraged to attend.

SENIOR CENTER EXPANDS SERVICES

submitted

Sonora's senior citizens can now begin their day by taking advantage of the Sonora Senior Center's continental breakfast. Starting at 9:00 a.m. every weekday morning, the Senior Center is serving coffee and a rotating variety of continental breakfast offerings.

Such items as hot cinnamon rolls, donuts, and breakfast burritos are among the food items available for a modest charge of fifty cents. Following the morning "coffee break", organized activities such as dominoes, card games, lotteria, and checkers are provided. Senior citizens may participate in these activities, or simply socialize with their friends while watching their favorite television program in the Cauthorn Addition lounge.

"We want the senior citizens to know that we are not just here to provide a hot lunch," said Acting Director Juanita Mesa. "We want our clients to take full advantage of this facility, and to feel that they are welcome here anytime."

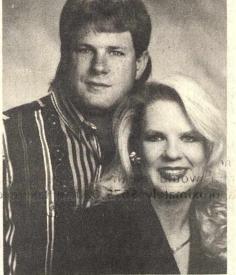
Other expanded services are in the planning stages, according to Ms. Mesa, and will be announced in the near future. Anyone with a suggestion as to how the Senior Center may further meet the needs of Sonora's senior citizens is cordially encouraged to contact Ms. Mesa during regular business hours.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENT Mr. and Mrs. Bill Keel announce the

engagement of their daughter Kristin to Mr. Joel S. Nixon of Hobbs, New Mexico. Mr. Nixon is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Nixon, also of Hobbs.

Ms. Keel is a 1987 graduate of Sonora High School and a 1991 graduate of Aliged and Staten University with a Bachelor of Arts in English/Journalism. She is a teacher at Caton Junior High School in Eunice, New

Mexico.



Joel Nixon and Kristen Keel

Mr. Nixon is a 1986 graduate of Hobbs High School and a

ALCOHOL & DRUG ABUSE COUNCIL OFFERS SERVICE

submitted by Alcohol & Drug Abuse Council for the **Concho Valley**

Do you know someone who has a problem with drugs or that drinks too much? Are you looking for help and want to know what your options are?

Help is available, the Alcohol & Drug Abuse Council for the Concho Valley is treating chemical dependency through education, prevention, and rehabilitation. The Council has expanded its outreach services to the Concho Valley, and will have a counselor in Sutton County every Friday afternoon between 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. The counselor may be contacted at the courthouse in Sonora, or you can call the Council office in San Angelo, at 655-9641, to set up an appointment. The Council is here to perform screenings, answer questions, and assist the residents of Sutton County. The counselor is Kalton and would like to visit during these times to see how to best serve Sutton County.

The Council operates 3 alcohol and drug treatment facilities in San Angelo, all are licensed, and include detoxification, residential, and outpatient services. We offer crisis counseling, screening and referral services, to identify substance abuse problems, and provide options to deal with those problems. Informed speakers are available to speak to groups about issues relating to drugs and alcohol, and to provide a variety of educational literature. Short term crisis counseling is available for anyone effected in any way by alcohol or other drug abuse, call the Crisis Hotline Number 800-880-9641 anytime day or night.

The Alcohol & Drug Abuse Council for the Concho Valley is Thank you for making my visit funded by many organizations, businesses, and individuals. The to homecoming such an Council receives funding form the United Way of the Concho enjoyable experience. I was so Valley, the Texas Commission on Alcohol & Drug Abuse, the City happy to see so many friends of San Angelo, and special grants.

and ex-pupils while I was in The Council welcomes questions about drugs and alcohol, if Sonora. I'll cherish that you would like more information about the Council and its experience as I cherish each of services our address is: Alcohol & Drug Abuse Council for the you. With fond memories of Concho Valley, 1009 Caddo, San Angelo, Texas 76901, 915-655-3361.



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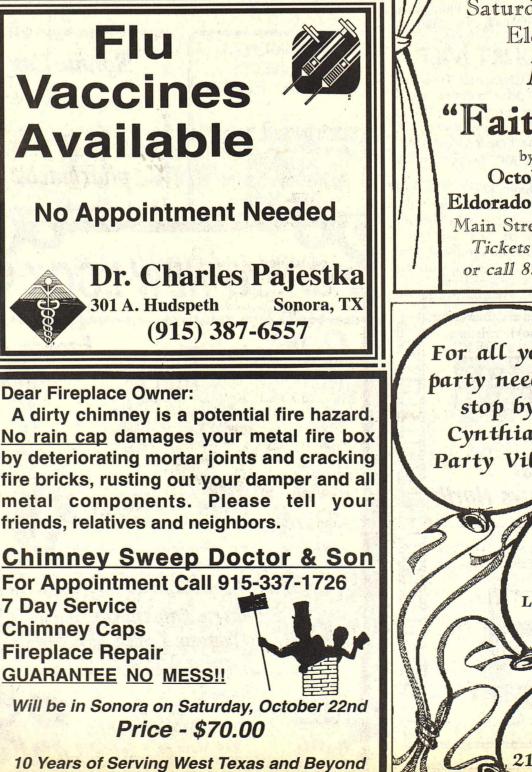
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1989 graduate of the High Tech Institute in Phoenix, Arizona with an Associate Degree in computer electronics. He is co-owner of Southwestern Trailer in Hobbs.

Wedding vows will be exchanged on December 17th at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Presbyterian in Sonora.



Autumn On Old Main Street Saturday, October 15th Eldorado, Texas Presents "Faith County" by Marh L. Smith October 15. 22 & 23 Eldorado CommunityTheater Main Street • Eldorado, Texas Tickets available at the door or call 853,3343 or 853,3411. Sandwich & Soup Lunch For all your Tuesday-Friday party needs ... 11:00-1:00 stop by Autumn Bake Sales Every Friday Cynthia's 9:00-5:00 (beginning Oct. 21st) Party Villa. Where you can order your fresh baked cakes for all occasions. Offering a variety of Latex and Mylar Balloons Balloon Bouquets Party Packages Cynthia's Party Villa 387-3624 218 E. Main

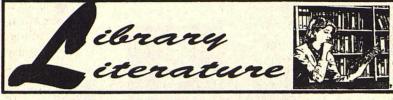
HIGH SCHOOL DRAMA TEAM PLACES RUNNER-UP SWEEPSTAKES

The Sonora High School Speech and Drama Team competed at Lakeview High School on Saturday, October 8th. The team won runner-up sweepstakes, competing against Central High School and Midland High School.

Following are those students who were finalists in their competition: Duet Improvisation: 3rd - Nick Theaux and Casey Thorp, 4th - Rocky Riley and Johnna Adams; Duet Acting: 3rd -Becca Fields and Callie Moore; Dramatic Finals: 4th - Kathleen McManus, 5th - Callie Moore; Humorous: 2nd - Callie Moore, 4th - Becca Fields; Poetry: 4th - Casey Thorp; Bible Reading: 2nd - Callie Moore, 3rd - Becca Fields; Domestic Extemporaneous Speaking: 5th - Ben Taylor.

The following students were semi-finalists in their competition: Kelli Downing, Becca Fields, Amanda Riley, Rocky Riley, Casey Thorp, Kathleen McManus and Ben Taylor.

Paula Rodriguez is the High School Drama coach.



submitted

The Sutton County Public Library has received new reading material. The following are adult selections. All Our Yesterdays by Robert B. Parker; Promise Me Forever, Janelle Taylor; Until You, Judith McNaught; The Body Farm, Patricia Cornwell; Pearl in the Mist, V.C. Andrews; The Dolphins of Pern, Anne McCaffrey; Nothing Lasts Forever, Sidney Sheldon; One True Thing, Anna Quindlen; Hollywood Kids, Jackie Collins; The Proud and the Free, Janet Dailey; The Intruders, Stephen Coonts; Real Moments, Barbara DeAngelis.

The children and youth section received: The Magic Word is Please, Careers in Social Work, Careers in Comedy, Arrivals and Departures, The Telephone, Destinations, Applications, What Makes a Shadow, Be a Friend to Trees, Kids in the Kitchen, The Kids Can Do It Book, and 101 Things to Make.

THE IMPORTANCE OF A PUBLIC LIBRARY

submitted

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Libraries do more than store information. Libraries are active cultural, educational, social, and economic catalysts for communities.

Libraries are also, unfortunately, often overlooked in local economic and community development. But they should not be.

Libraries draw people downtown. Studies show that libraries are used by a wider cross-section of the local population than almost any other public, commercial or retail enterprise in a downtown area.

Libraries are a key criteria in business relocation and expansion decisions. *Money Magazine* uses the quality of local libraries as a factor in its annual ranking of the most livable cities.

Special events at the library, especially outdoor events, add to the animation of downtown.

Libraries are valuable technological resources for local businesses. They can provide computer access to regional, national, and even global information services such as teleconferencing communications that might be beyond the reach

THE River NEWS



Campus Corner

THREE ATTEND DELTA KAPPA GAMMA CONVENTION

Pat Russell, Tracey Furgeson and Glenda Barton, all of Sonora, attended the 65th annual convention of the Texas State Organization of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International June 23-25 at the Amarillo Civic Center. The honor society for women educators promotes excellence in education and personal and professional growth of women educators, leading in the field of graduate scholarships given to members and emphasizing leadership development for its more than 160,000 members in the United States and 13 other countries.

Outstanding, key women educators are invited into the Society in recognition of their contributions to education.

A pre-convention seminar dealt with vital issues for educational leaders and featured a dramatic presentation on Delta Kappa Gamma members as educational leaders; information on communications; a current state issues update given by State Board of Education member Mary Knotts Perkins; pointers on projecting a professional image; and a challenge to make room for humor, imagination and creativity.

In addition to intensive leadership development sessions for Texas' more than 300 incoming chapter presidents, there were educational and special interests sessions for all members attending the convention.

The founding of Delta Kappa Gamma took place at the Faculty Women's Club, University of Texas, in May 1929. Dr. Annie Webb Blanton, professor of rural education at the university, was the organizing founder. Earlier, beginning in 1916, she had served as president of the Texas State Teachers' Association, the first woman to serve Texas State Superintendent of Public Instruction, having been elected to that post in 1918.

The official international representative to the Texas convention was Berneil Drake, international second vice-president and accomplished flautist, who provided musical entertainment and informative speeches.

The closing event of the convention was a reception honoring Arizona's aforementioned international leader Berneil Drake and Texas' own renowned storyteller Ruth Holladay.

The local chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma meets on the third Monday of each month with Rocksprings.

SISD ROLLBACK ELECTION INFORMATION

by Charles Russell

The rollback election, scheduled for Monday, October 24, will determine whether the Sonora Independent School District is allowed to retain the adopted tax rate of \$1. 11 per \$100 or if the rate will be reduced to \$.97 per \$100. A reduction in the tax rate would mean that the school district would lose approximately \$675,000 in tax revenue for this year. The adopted rate of \$1.11 is the same tax rate as the one adopted last year; however, because of an increase in appraisal values and a large discrepancy between local and state values, the effective rate has been lowered to the point where a rollback election is required.

Several key points need to be understood about the impact of the rollback election:

I. The Sonora ISD will be allowed this year (because of the

OZONA TEACHERS VISIT SISD

Seven teachers and one administrator from the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District visited the Sonora Independent School District on Wednesday, October 5th, The purpose of the visit was to allow them to observe the programs that Sonora has in place and to gain ideas for implementing them into their school district.

The Ozona teachers were looking for ideas and help in answering questions about scheduling when placing these programs into effect.

The programs that were observed were: Inclusion - including special needs children in the regular classroom programs as much as possible; Content Mastery/Learning Lab - presenting content from the regular classroom in different ways, special help in any area that is available for any child; Spanish - conversational Spanish offered to grades Kindergarten through 5th; and Multi-Age Classrooms - organizing children by developmental stages within age spans of two or three years, providing them with extended time to acquire in-depth understanding at particular curricular levels, and expanding social opportunities for learning as younger children can interact over long periods of time with older children.

The teachers spent the morning observing in the primary school and the afternoon in the Junior High.

Come & Go Birthday Party

Devil's River News - 104 Years Old

Thursday, October 20th

1:00-5:00 p.m. - 220 N.E. Main - Sonora



Rachel Lira

Rachel is the freshman daughter of Narciso and Evangelina Lira. She plays the trumpet in the Sonora High School Band. She has been in band for three years.

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of many small businesses.

Libraries are essential to the downtown image. Both residents and visitors consider public libraries an important part of the public image, which translates into greater use of the library and downtown.

Libraries are safe environments in which to meet people, sit, and browse or use without payment or pressure. Safe public space is a rare commodity downtown, and it is particularly important for children and the elderly.

Libraries can generate tourism. A library is often a destination point for visitors. Libraries that position themselves as part of the local tourism industry help themselves, local residents, and businesses.

Libraries are guardians of the local heritage. Historical archives rooms make individual research possible and can provide technical assistance from knowledgable volunteers.

Libraries are centers for education and life long learning. The public library is the only educational institution available to every preschool child. Each week more than 42.4 million preschoolers use public libraries.

Libraries are traditional centers for adult literacy training. Illiteracy costs the country about \$4.220 billion a year. Libraries are an important part of the battle against illiteracy.

Libraries can provide important job related services. Library volunteers can help with resumes, job referrals, job training, and career counseling.

The library is usually the first stop for newly arrived immigrants; that is where they find information on education, jobs, and the English language.

For those with vision and foresight, the new Sutton County Public Library will be the most viable, cost effective, and long term investment possible in the future of Sonora and Sutton County.

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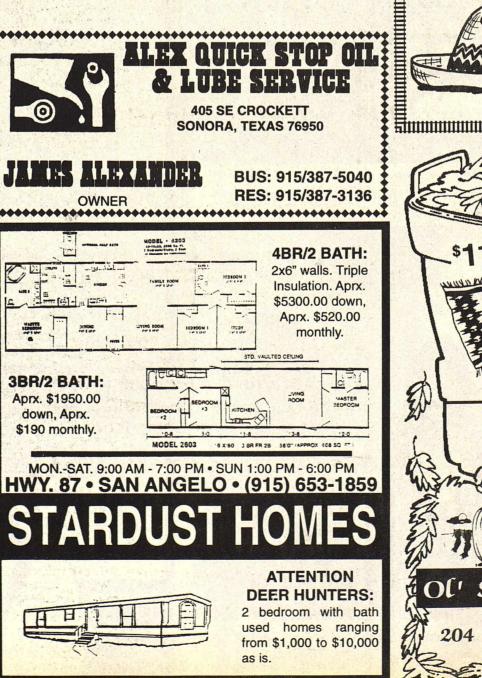
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low state appraisal values) to keep all tax revenue in contrast to last year having to send \$267,000 to Austin.

II. If the tax rate is reduced to \$.97 this year, it will mean that next year's tax, to operate the district in a similar manner as we now do, will need to be approximately \$1.35.

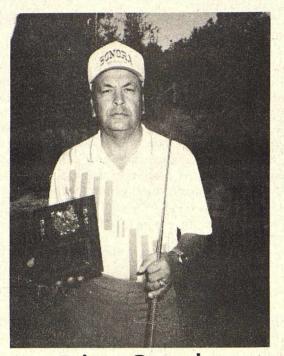
III. 90% of the school districts in Texas have a tax rate greater than \$1.11.

IV. Homeowners will be granted a 20% exemption this year, resulting in lower taxes unless appraisal values have been increased.





FACES OF SONORA



Primo Gonzales 1994 Sonora Golf Club Champion



Sherry Turner, Kate Jennings and Cash Jennings wave good-bye as they get on the bus to go to Kermit to see the Mighty Broncos sting the Yellow Jackets.



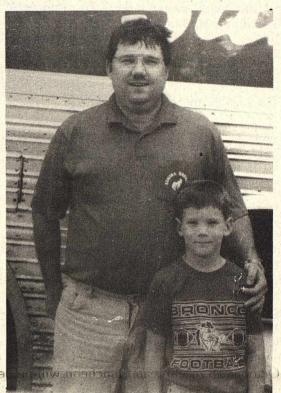
Coach Sessom works with Shawn Odom, Justin Routh and James Riso on a Wellness project at the Middle School. They are seen here studying a diagram of the human heart.



Erich Nicholas enjoys cake and ice cream at Tuesday night's ice cream supper. The event was sponsored by the Bronco Band Booster Club. The supper was followed by a an outdoor concert by the bis Mighty Bronco Band.



Melissa O'Harrow 1994 Sonora Golf Club Woman's Champion



Bronco supporters, Jack and Embre Smith, are on a father/son outing to watch the Broncos gig Kermit last Friday night.



Karole Hunt and Lester Ranier recieve a contribution from JoAnn Jones of the First National Bank of Sonora. The money was collected at the FNB popcorn wagon.



Sweetheart surrounded by Beaus-- John Jones, Shawna Faris and David Fisher. Shawna was selected 4-H Sweetheart. John and David were named Beaus.

BENEFIT GOLF MIX SCRAMBLE

For Lisa Wagoner Saturday, October 15, 1994 1:00 p.m. Tee Time \$25.00 Entry Fee (green fees waived) Supper Served Four Hole Prizes • 1st, 2nd, 3rd Place Team Prizes Margaritas on the Course

To Sign-up Call (915) 387-3680 or come by the Pro Shop - Sonora Golf Club - Sonora, TX Sign-up Cut-off Time 12:00 Noon, Oct. 15, 1994 Call 387-5711 or 387-3450 for questions or donations, or write: P.O. Box 942 Sonora, TX 76950

TEE UP & TEE OFF

All donations will go to the Sutton **County Trust** Fund at First

National Bank.



SWCD ELECTION & TOUR HELD



submitted by the Edwards Plateau Soil & Water Cons. District

The Edwards Plateau Soil and Water Conservation District's election for Zones 1 and 2 was held at the Wool House in Sonora at 8:30 a.m., on Thursday, October 6, 1994. Those elected were: The previous director for Zone 1 was Edward Earwood, and for Zone 2 was Norm Rousselot.

Following the election, all those Edward Earwood, SWCD interested proceeded to the Jimmy **Director for Zone 1** Powell Ranch near Ft. McKavett for

a brush control tour, catered lunch, tree shearer demonstration, and the opportunity to earn 1 CEU for Private Pesticide License. This tour, co-sponsored by the Eldorado Divide SWCD, showed treatment of juniper (cedar) by chaining, followed by burning. The tree shearer demonstration showed an apparatus attached to the front of a Bobcat that cuts the tree off at the base, then sprays a chemical on the base, and with the tree still in its grasp allows the operator to stack the trees.

The Sutton County Steakhouse catered lunch for the persons in attendance.

CATTLEWOMEN ELECT OFFICERS

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The Hill Country Cattlewomen recently held a political rally at the McNutt Ranch in Mt. Home. There were 128 members, guests and 11 candidates or surrogates who were in attendance. Marie Seibert, Program Chairman, reported that all statewide candidates from the Republican and Democratic Party were invited. The following candidates appeared: Rob Kelly (Rep) candidate for Chief Justice, 4th Court of Appeals; Paul W. Green (Rep), candidates for Justice, 4th Court of Appeals, District Place 3; Diego J. Pena (Rep), Justice, 4th Court of Appeals, District Place 4; and Dan Diaz (Rep), Justice, 4th Court of Appeals District, Place 5.

The following surrogates appeared in behalf of the following candidates: Gloria Anderson, for Kay Bailey Hutchison, United States Senator (Rep); Stacie Lawson for George W. Bush, Governor (Rep); Bill Young for Garry Mauro (Dem), Comm. of the General Land Office; Faye Kelley for Marta Greytok (Rep), Comm. of the General Land Office; Dudley McCellan for Carole Keeton Rylander, Railroad Comm. (Rep); Bill Blanton for Judge Alice Oliver Parrott (Dem), Justice Supreme Court Place 2; and Gloria Anderson, Campaign Manager for Harvey Hilderbran, State Representative District 53 (Rep).

Following the very informative program, those in attendance enjoyed lunch prepared by Sammye Reagan a member and caterer from San Antonio who recently moved back to the Hill Country.

The October 18 meeting and luncheon will be held at Oma Bell Perry's Ranch in Leakey. Members should make reservations through their hostesses by Tuesday, October 11. The October meeting will be the annual installation of officers for 1995. The 1995 officers elect are: president, Loretta Robertson (YO Ranch, Mt. Home); first vice president, Marie Seibert, (Boerne); second vice president, Terry Wallace, (Kerrville); third vice president, Sandy Bonner, (Kerrville); fourth vice president, Judy Knape, (Boerne); recording secretary, Katherine Massie, (Mt. Home);

WATER WELL SAFETY

Devil's NEWS

submitted by Mike Smith

Whether a well taps water just below the ground or hundreds of feet deep, its surface location is a crucial safety factor. Locating a well in a safe place takes careful planning and consideration of such factors as where the well is in relation to surface drainage, land use activities, chemical mixing, and storage areas and ground water flow. A well downhill from a livestock feeding facility, a leaking tank or a septic system runs a greater risk of contamination than a well on the uphill side of these potential pollution sources.

Surface slope does not always indicate the direction a pollutant might flow once it gets into the ground. In shallow aquifers, ground water flow is often in the same direction as surface water flow. If the aquifer supplying water to your well is deep below the surface, though, its slope may be different than that of the land surface. Find out about ground water movement on your property.

New wells are expensive but they are a good investment for the future. Getting the most from such an investment means locating the well away from contamination sources and working to maintain the quality of the well. Here are some simple principles:

Follow the state recommended minimum separation distances. Texas law states these separation distances and other requirements for drinking water wells. A full listing is also available from either your local water district office or a well driller.

Locate your well on ground higher than surrounding pollution sources such as fuel tanks, livestock yards, septic systems or pesticide mixing areas. Where practical, locate the well as far as possible from pollution sources.

Construct a concrete pad around the well so that all surface water drains away from it (required by law on new wells). Avoid areas that are prone to flooding.

Ground water flow generally follows surface drainage patterns. Unless you know the exact direction of ground water flow on your property, locate the well so that pollution sources are down slope from the well or between the well and the nearest creek, river or lake. Ground water generally flows from upland areas and discharges into a surface water body.

Make the well accessible for pump repair, cleaning, testing, and inspection.

Hire a competent, licensed well driller and pump installer. Make sure the driller disinfects the well with chlorine after construction and tests the water for bacteria after drilling and provides you with detailed information about the well's depth and construction.

INDEPENDENT CATTLEMEN'S ASSOCIATION by Ruth Espy

The Independent Cattlemen's Association will have a special meeting on Wednesday, October 19, 1994 at 6:30 p.m. at the Sutton County Steak House (Dutch treat). Charles Carter, Legislative Director, will speak on "What can we do to keep the 'property rights' momentum going".

Jim Selman, I.C.A. president, is planning to attend the upcoming legislative session which convenes January 11, 1995. All interested persons and all members are urged to attend.



COUPLES TOURNAMENT HELD

by Shelly Shannon

The Sonora Ladies Golf Auxiliary hosted its annual couples tournament September 24-25. Sixty teams participated. The local winners were Mike McBride and Janie Schnieder taking first place in the championship flight. Sonora teams swept the first flight with first place going to Devoe Smith and Darla Lipham, in second place were Virgil Burge and Michelle Krieg and third place went to the team of Erasmo and Elsa Lumbreras. In the third flight, Mickey Powers and Lori Olson won first place and Allen Prather and Melette Rowland took the third place spot. Iodie Finklea and James Cardwell won second place in the fourth flight. Congratulations to all local teams.

The following businesses and individuals helped sponsor the tournament. State Farm Insurance, First National Bank of Sonora, Halliburton Energy Services of Sonora, Devil's River Inn, Sutton County Steak House, Casparis Swabbing, Location Builders, Sonic Drive-In, Sutton County National Bank, The Pro Shop, and Bronco Sports. Wanda and Durwood Neville donated divot fixers for the tournament entrants and Jane's Floral and Gifts provided the flowers. A special thanks goes out to all the volunteers who helped with the tournament including Ray Roe, Steve Tackle, Susan and Danny Crowder, Patty and Allen Prather, Jerri and Kelly Martin, Mike McBride, Savell Shannon, Mike Krieg, John Adams, Gail Smart, Ebbie Sutton, Jane Archer, Brian Rhodes, Tony Torres, John Paul Hudman, Tom Clifton, Melette Rowland, Kim and Shawn Price, Ed Price, and all auxiliary members.

GRAVES ATTENDS ANNUAL ACS MEETING

submitted



Charles Graves, from the Sutton Unit, and John Parsons, ACS Senior Field Representative, attended the 49th Annual Meeting of the American Cancer Society, Texas Division, Inc., held September 29-30, 1994 at the Doubletree Hotel in Austin. This year's annual meeting focused on the reorganization the American Cancer Society is undergoing. Volunteers and staff

Charles Graves

met in Austin to determine how the American Cancer Society can best serve each community in the state.

Over 170 volunteers came from across Texas to recognize the past success of the American Cancer Society, as well as plan for its future. Discussion topics included breast cancer, tobacco, volunteer involvement, education, community service, and fund raising, among others.

On Thursday, three of Texas' top cancer researchers showcased their work in genetic research at the Cancer Research Briefing Luncheon. A survivors' panel gave those who have been through cancer a chance to share their experiences with Society volunteers. And at the Annual Dinner Friday, the Society presented its top volunteers with the Courage, Ruby Pin and Excalibur awards.

Before you cast your vote for State Representative, you should know where the two candidates stand on the issues.

treasurer, Mona Wetzel, (Kendalia).

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oted for legislation which equired racial quotas in rder to receive state nancing. (Source: Record ote 521, May 25, 1993)	QUOTAS	Opposed to all racial quotas. The State has no business subsidizing businesses on the basis of gender or ethnic origin.
Voted for School Based Clinics which provide abortion ounseling to minors and allow ondom distribution to children. Source: Texas Health Policy ask Force, Aug 31,1992)	SCHOOL BASED HEALTH CARE	<u>Opposes</u> School Based Clinics. Favors return of control of public schools to parents and local school boards.
Toted against an amendment to the Texas Constitution that yould limit members of the exas Legislature to six egular session terms. Source: Record Vote SJR 14)	TERM LIMITS	Strongly supports Term Limits for our elected officials.
Voted to implement the Robin Hood School finance program which included the creation of County Education Districts/ CED's. (Source: Record Vote B 351 March 27, 1991)	ROBIN HOOD	<u>Opposed</u> to the Robin Hood School Finance Plan. Will introduce legislation to repeal the Robin Hood plan.
Voted against an imendment which would require voter approval for iny increase in school property taxes. (Source: Record Vote-Sb7)	TAX INCREASES	Opposed to tax increases of any kind. We don't need higher taxes, we need less government spending.
Voted against Tort Reform by roting against a bill which would have reduced the amount of jury awards for damages. Source: Record Vote, HB 2602, April 20, 1993)	TORT REFORM	Strongly supports Tort Reform measures, including limits on jury awards for damages.
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under pressure from Levi Pool, who was a constant thorn in Kermit's side throughout the night.

As the 2nd quarter opened, Sonora began a drive that would take the game back from Kermit, and give the Yellow Jacket defense an ominous look at what it would see the rest of the game. The Broncos began the drive on the Sonora 21, and led by senior backs Morley, Vara, and Gabriel Perez, the offense ripped off prodigious pieces of real estate as it methodically worked down the field, eating up the clock and keeping Devalon Bryant on the sideline. The Broncos earned 6 1st downs, completed a pass, the offensive line opened gaping holes for Bronco runners, and the drive resulted in a Bronco touchdown by Gilbert Vara from the 3 yard line with 8:06 left in the 2nd quarter. The PAT was good, and the Broncos took the lead, 13-12.

The Bronco defense was again excellent on Kermit's next possession, with Andy Mirike and Justin House playing very well in the defensive secondary. The Bronco offense, inspired by the ease with which it had moved through the Jacket defense, again took the field and drove through, over, and around the Jacket defense to score again and move further ahead before the half. The drive started with a 30 yard counter gain by Vara, but the next series of downs, which started at the Kermit 32, was much tougher. Runs by Burnham and Morley garnered only two yards, and a Vara off-tackle play could earn only 1 yard. Head Coach Bob Bellard, eschewing the conservative, called a pass over the middle to Davis Hale on 4th & 7, and the Burnham to Hale pass was good for not just the 1st down, but the touchdown. This excellent call put the Broncos up 20-12 with 5:15 remaining in the 2nd quarter.

Despite continued hard play from Shane Deel, Jesse Capuchina, Levi Pool, Justin House, Louis Massey, and Broncos

Kermit, however, was not ready to concede the game or a lead in the district standings, and despite the defensive efforts of Cody Gann, Levi Pool, Davis Hale, Shane Deel, and Adrian Mata, who recorded a sack on 1st & goal from the Sonora 9 yard line, Kermit's Bryant was able to complete a touchdown pass over the middle on 2nd & goal to bring the Yellow jackets within 27-25 with :51 left in the 3rd quarter. The game looked as though it was still seriously in doubt, but this was as close as the Jackets would get, as Sonora simply ran over and around them to ring up 21 points in the 4th quarter and leave the Jackets wondering

what happened. The Bronco offense took control of the game in the 4th guarter, with Gilbert Vara, Josh Burnham, and Caleb Barker all scoring touchdowns to pull ahead of the Yellow jackets and put the game away for good. Justin House, Jason Morley, and Davis Hale also made outstanding offensive contributions during the fourth quarter, as did the Bronco offensive line, particularly Trini Banda, who played through an injured leg he suffered in the 1st guarter to record excellent blocks through the game, and tight end Jesse Capuchina, who also blocked very well, sealing the defensive end to open outside running lanes for Vara and House.

The Bronco defense also played well in the 4th quarter. Kermit was unable to move the ball with any consistency. Defensive coordinator Don Sessom, ahead by 23, inserted some of his reserves into the defensive line up, and of this group Adrian Mata, Raymond Hubble, and Pacer Holley played very well as the game came to a close with a 48-25 Bronco victory in District 8-3A.

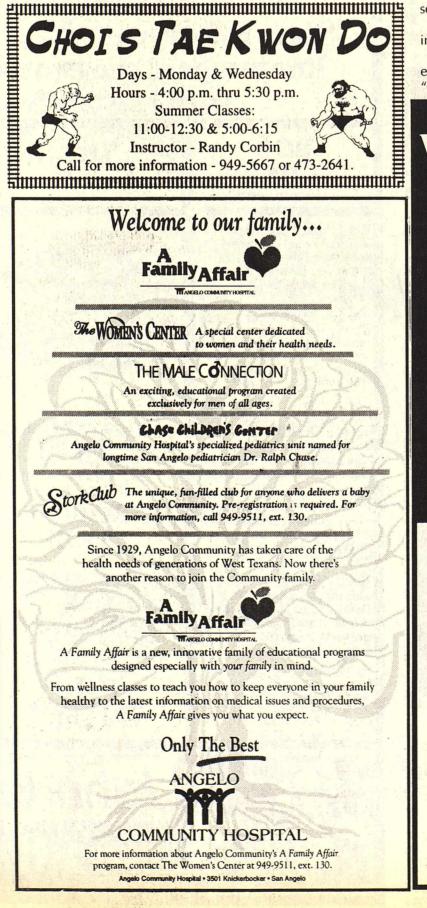
Sonora's next District 8-3A contest is against Colorado City on Friday night in Sonora. The Wolves lost to Crane 14-13 last Friday in their initial district contest, and will be attempting to earn their first District 8-3A victory. The Sonora Broncos are now 4-2, 1-0 in district, and despite early season predictions to the contrary. have positioned themselves to be contenders in District 8-3A, and are certainly a district force to be reckoned with. Even though the Broncos are too generous (1st quarter), they play hard and never quit. They deal with adversity better than most teams, and have earned their impressive record against quality competition (the record is actually deceiving - the Broncos are 5 points from a 6-0 mark). The victory over Kermit was a big game, and good teams play well in big games; the Broncos looked well-prepared, and just plain out-hustled the Kermit Yellow jackets for their first district win. Congratulations, Broncos - keep it going!

SAN ANGELO NATURE CENTER TO HOST WILD GAME DINNER

San Angelo Nature Center will host, A Walk On The Wild Side, wild game dinner Friday, October 28, 1994 from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. The dinner will feature wild game cuisine. Numerous exhibitors of outdoor recreation and arts will attend. An auction will also be conducted.

All ages are invited. Tickets are \$15 per person or 2 for \$25 when purchased in advance. Tickets may be purchased at the San Angelo Nature Center, Recreation Department (18 E. Ave. A), Spaghetti Western, and Schertz Landscape Company.

For more information contact Debbie Vinson, Nature Center Coordinator at 915-942-0121.





Everyone is sending thoughts and prayers to Joe Lane following his automobile accident last Sunday in Tennessee. The pick-up Joe was driving was hit by a truck that had begun to hydroplane. He saw what was happening, but had no place to go to avoid being hit. Anita had been with him earlier, but had decided to ride with Joe's sister, Wanda, just minutes before the wreck. Anita and Wanda arrived at the scene of the accident while rescue workers were trying to free Joe from the wreckage. The jaws of life were used and the top of the Lane's pick-up had to be cut open to get Joe out of the cab.

Joe Lane suffered multiple fractures to one arm, an injury to a hip, a punctured lung, and several broken ribs. He was conscious during most of the rescue, and reports indicate that he will fully recover. It will probably be a long period of recuperation.

The Lanes were in Tennessee to repair their vacation home in the foothills of the Smoky Mountains. The cabin had been in last year's flood and had washed off its foundation. They had planned to spend about a month restoring the interiors, rebuilding porches, and correcting the damage done by the flood. The Lane's pick-up was fully loaded with the supplies for the remodeling and the road was strewn with the building materials after the wreck.

Joe Lane is in Blount County Memorial Hospital in Maryville, Tennessee. He is in stable condition. Our thoughts and prayers are with him.

We hear good news from Don Spiller's recent bout in the hospital. All reports seem to be good with and optimistic view toward his recovery.

Bobbye Thompson is still at Shannon hospital and recovery seems to be slow and difficult.

And now for some good news. Jane Wallace and Trey Rushing are planning a wedding in the next few weeks. Best wishes to them.

Charley Howell and Molly Holloway of Perryton, Texas were married at the home of Rita (Marguerite Howell) and Jack Allen in Perryton, Texas. Dr. Johnny and Jerilyn Fields attended from Sonora. We wish them much happiness.

Cynthia and Albert Ward have returned from Houston where they attended the wedding of the daughter of Carolyn Hall Sloan. We don't know the couple's name, but wish Junie's daughter much happiness.

It has been said that a small town is where you can get a wrong number and talk for thirty minutes. Last week two local ladies rang Alice Cox's doorbell and were invited in and settled into the living room. One asked if Celeste Prugel was busy, and Alice replied that she thought so. She believed that Celeste was always busy, busy, busy. Alice was surprised at the visit, but was enjoying the two ladies. After a bit, one lady wondered why so many other ladies were late. Alice finally realized then that her guests believed that they were at Celeste Prugel's home for the Methodist women's meeting. The ladies rushed off to their meeting. Who, but Alice, would always have her house in "party ready" condition?

We want to make one more mention of the school reunion. It was very special to have Rena Elliott at the luncheon. While she wasn't the oldest, did not come the greatest distance, or was not associated with the classes being honored, she did brighten the day of many exes who had been her students and friends. It is wonderful when a lady who is 90+ makes the effort to attend. She has shared her beautiful music and her dedication to teaching with so many for so many years. She is truly a symbol of the spirit of Sonora.

Bridge clubs are meeting again this fall. Highlights have included Linda Johnson's wonderful homemade pies, Rosalea Richardson's beef-ka-bobs, Jo Nell Johnson's delicious dinner at the Steak House, and Honey Hicks' angel food cake. The clubs all do play cards as well as eat.

The Tarantella Dance Club is working toward their fall dance, a MASQUERADE. Prizes (really nice prizes) will be given for the best costumes. If you are a member, start planning your garb, and if you love to go to costume parties and dance, try to finagle an invitation. It sounds like fun.

New members of the Sonora Woman's Club are Sharon Key, Suzanne Powers, and Cathy Smith. It is great to have new hands to work for the library.

The new library plans are going well with enough grant money to finish the construction plans, but funds are needed for the furnishings. We all owe Allie Askew a vote of thanks for underwriting the last mailing by the committee. Donations in any amount are needed. Please give what you can. Donations can be made to any member of the Library Building Committee, or you can take them to the Sutton County Bank.

Joan and Jim Cusenbary have returned from a cruise in the Dutch Antilles and South America. They had a wonderful trip, but had a surprising incident. Two women on the tour were injured when someone threw a bottle through a window of the bus. Hope this isn't a return to the "Yankee Go Home" days.

Here's to the Longhorns after a really wonderful game with OU. It made me believe that Darrell Royal had returned. With Sonora's exciting team and the Longhorns, this may be a wonderful season.

Elections are almost here, make plans to vote. Prepare in advance so that you will make an

Caleb Barker on defense, the Kermit offense took the ball at its own 42 and drove the field to score before the half on a fine effort by Devalon Bryant with only :52 left in the 2nd quarter. The half ended 20-18 in favor of Sonora, and the Broncos, having played very well after the first five minutes, had every reason to look forward to the second half.

The Bronco offense, taking advantage of excellent field position set up by Mike House's on-side kick recovery, began the first drive of the 2nd half at its own 36. Morley and Vara, a one-two combination Kermit could not stop all night, rammed the ball into the Kermit end zone with tough, smart running that chewed up the Kermit defense and the clock during the 3rd quarter. Morley garnered 29 yards on the drive, Vara 38, and together with the powerful blocking of the offensive line, punished the Kermit defense until Burnham got the ball into the end zone on a 1st & goal at the Kermit 1. The drive, which set the tone for the second half. consumed 6:45 of the 3rd quarter, and put the Broncos ahead 27-18.

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My favorite quote this week comes from Mark Russell, the Washington satirist. He was asked to explain why President Clinton's rating in the polls is low. Russell's explanation (not mine) says, "Clinton has the hormones of JFK, the scruples of Nixon, and the memory of Ronald Reagan"

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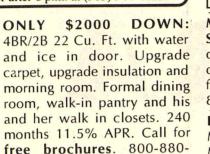
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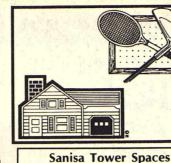
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