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Thursday, December 8, 1994



Carmen and Paco Ramirez watch as Mayor Margaret Cascadden (right) cuts the ribbon at the grand opening of Sticks 'N Stones on Thursday, December 1st. A drawing was held Thursday night in honor of the grand opening. Candy Nelson won a Christmas centerpiece.

HOLIDAY CHOIR CONCERT

submitted

The Sonora I.S.D. choirs will be having their Holiday Christmas Concert on December 8, 1994 at 7:30 p.m. at the High School Auditorium. The first half of the concert will include the Sixth Grade Choir and the Junior High Mixed Choir. These choirs will be performing some light hearted music such as "Chocolate in My Stocking" and "Hap, Hap, Happy Snowman". Other songs included on the program are "Christmas Alleluia", "Carol for the Baby", and the traditional favorite "Silent Night". These are only a few of the songs that the Junior High Choirs will perform.

The second half of the concert will be performed by the High School Mixed Choir. You will be treated to the visual beauty of a candle light procession and a choreographed song called "Candles Long Ago". The High School Mixed will also perform "The Most Wonderful Time of the Year" and the powerful "Joy of Mary", among others.

There is probably no better way to start the holiday season than with music, so come and support the Sonora Choirs!

"THE HOSPITALITY OF SONORA"

The Sonora Merchants Association is proud to announce Thursday, December 8, 1994, as "The Hospitality of Sonora." This evening is the second of 4 Thursdays in December for which the merchants have special things planned.

Participating restaurants in Sonora will be giving a 15% discount on your evening meal this night to promote Sonora hospitality. In addition, most retail merchants will offer a discount on merchandise purchased this night with proof of purchase of the discounted meal at one of the participating restaurants. All merchants will be open until 8:00 p.m. for your shopping convenience.

Biscuits O'Bryan and the Wild Bunch will be serving up a campfire meal in front of Ol' Sonora Hwy 277 S.) from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. The meal and entertainment are free but donations will go to Christmas in April.

If you don't have time to eat a meal and do all your shopping, that's okay because the merchants will be offering snacks in their stores, too.

Come join us in Sonora for some great West Texas food and hospitality. Then, come back on Saturday to see if your purchases won you something in our drawing. The drawing will be at 2:00 p.m. at Perry's, with lots of gift certificates and prizes up for grabs. All you have to do to enter is make a dollar's worth of purchases at any participating merchant and that will enter you. You get one ticket for each dollar spent, and all tickets stay in the hopper for all four drawings.

Don't forget to visit the Caverns of Sonora's First Annual Country Christmas on this Saturday, December 10, 1994. From 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. there will be Arts and Crafts, a living Christmas tree, food, entertainment, and the beautiful Caverns to enjoy.

There are so many reasons to come to Sonora this holiday season. But, the most important reason of all is because you're always at home in Sonora.

If you have questions, please call the Chamber of Commerce at (915) 387-2880, or the Sonora Main Street Project at (915) 387-2558.

COUNTRY CHRISTMAS AT CAVERNS OF SONORA

submitted by Brenda Solis and Cheryl Chevalier

The Caverns of Sonora would like to invite everyone to their 1st Annual Country Christmas on Saturday, December 10, 1994 from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

They will feature elf-guided tours from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Thirty-five craft booths will be open from 9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Many crafts will be available: painting on bushel gourds, ceramic dolls, Discovery Toys, earrings, t-shirts, wrap skirts, bandanna collars, hand painted glassware, denim tote-bags, puppet babies, pouting babies, crocheted hand-work, quilts, quilt-racks, leather goods, lighted ceramics, San Babies, Christmas floral designs, sterling silver, Christmas decorations, covered photo albums, etched glassware, Christmas doorstops, and lots of handmade goodies.

Western Santa will be on the grounds during the morning and Traditional Santa will be there part of the day. Wagon rides will be available during the afternoon. A living, singing Christmas Tree will entertain from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. It will feature a community choir directed by Dennis Phariss, which will present excerpts from the Contada, Rose of Bethlehem. The Christmas Tree will also feature the Sonora High School Choir and a humorous Christmas story by Cowboy Poet, Biscuits O'Bryan.

Thirty-thousand Christmas lights will light up the sky, while area youths participate in a living nativity scene. The Caverns Candy-Apple and Chocolate Fudge Factory will feature stew and cornbread lunch, gift baskets, baked goods, and other homemade confections.

For more information call (915) 387-3105 or 387-6507.



Anthony Noriega shyly tells Santa his Christmas wishes during Santa's visit to Sonora on Saturday, December 3rd.

PAVERS FOR CHRISTMAS

by Sharon Holman

Solve your Christmas gift dilemma -- give that hard to buy for someone a paver engraved with their name for the sidewalk at the new library. Don't forget your child's teacher or care giver, your boss, employees, mailman, and hairdresser.

Your gift will not only be on permanent display at the Sutton County Public Library, it will also help fund the landscaping around the building. Pavers are \$25 and can be purchased at the library. A certificate will be given for all pavers purchased during the holiday season.

BANDS TO PERFORM

submitted

The Band Department of the Sonora I.S.D. will present its annual Christmas Concert on Thursday, December 15, at 7:30 p.m. in the Sonora High School gymnasium. Featured on the program will be the Sixth Grade Beginner Band, the Seventh Grade Band, the Eighth Grade Band, and the Sonora High School Concert Band.

Each band will be performing various medlies of Christmas music. Admission is free, and the public is cordially invited to attend.

NJHS TO SPONSOR BLANKET DRIVE

submitted

The National Junior Honor Society is sponsoring a blanket drive. Please help the community stay warm by donating extra blankets or winter clothing, such as jackets, sweaters, ect.

Items may be brought to the Jr. High building from December 6-16 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. For information please contact Ms. Samaniego at 387-3023. Have a merry Christmas!



Bill Ferguson, Chamber of Commerce president, is pictured above as he prepares to present a gift certificate during Saturday's Christmas drawing. The winners of this drawing were: Corie Avila, Honey Hicks, Karole Hunt, Amy Ramirez and Frances Reyna.

SWC TO REPRINT ADDRESS BOOK

by Patricia Johnson

Sonora Woman's Club will update and reprint the *Sonora and Sutton County Mailing Address Book* in 1995. The book will go to the printer on March 1, 1995.

If you know you will have a change in your mailing address after that date and you wish to be included in the 1995 book, please fill out the mailing address book form at the Sutton County Public Library or mail your changes to Mailing Address Book, P.O. Box 452, Sonora, TX 76950. If you do not wish to be included in the mailing address book, please send your request to the above address.

Forms will also be available at the Devil's River News.



WHERE'S SANTA?

Find the picture of Santa Claus in the Devil's River News, circle it, and bring it into the newspaper office to receive a free personal pan pizza from Pizza Hut. Contest open to children age 12 and under.

BRIEFLY

Keeping Christ In Christmas

Isn't it sad we sing the beautiful traditional Christmas songs so little and the Christmas season is gone? Hope Lutheran Church is scheduling special services to sing these songs and meditate on the real reason for Christmas. Besides regular Sunday services Advent services will be on December 7th "Little Bitty Baby", 14th "The Story of the Shepherds", 21st "Gift Exchange" with the meditations and lots of Christmas Carol singing. The Children's Program will be on December 18th at 6:00 p.m. and a special Christmas Eve Program on December 24th, also at 6:00 p.m. There will be NO Christmas Day Service but families are urged to stay home with their families. The Sonora community is invited to attend these services to help keep our minds on Christ our Savior.

Committee on Aging Activities

The Committee on Aging will have a bake sale Friday, Dec. 9th at 9:00 a.m. at the Food Center.

The Committee and ladies from the Sr. Center will have a booth at the Craft Show at the Caverns of Sonora Saturday, Dec. 10th. Call 387-5657 or 387-3941 for more information.

4-H Community Service Opportunity

The Caverns of Sonora has contracted the Sutton County 4-H Club in hopes of finding volunteers to take part in their living Nativity Scene on December 10th from 2:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. If you are interested in taking part in the community service opportunity, please contact the Extension Office at 387-3604. Costumes will be provided.

4-H Meeting

There will be a meeting of the Citizenship Project Group Wednesday, December 14, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. in the Methodist Church basement. The program and activity include the discussion of Sonora's Main Street Project and fill food baskets for distribution.

Al-Anon Family Groups

Al-Anon is a fellowship of men, women and children whose lives have been affected by the compulsive drinking of a family member or friend. Whether or not the alcoholic has found sobriety, the family and friends can do a great deal to help themselves as well as the alcoholic. If you have any questions or need help, call 387-3954 or 387-2490.

KIDS, INC To Host Talent Show

KIDS, INC. will be sponsoring a Talent Show December 19th. The talent show will be at the Sonora High School Auditorium at 7:00 p.m. All talent is welcomed. There is no age limit. Three cash prizes will be awarded to winners. Door prizes will also be given. The entry fee is \$10 per person. Tickets are available in advance or at the door. Call 387-5566 or 387-2474 for more information.

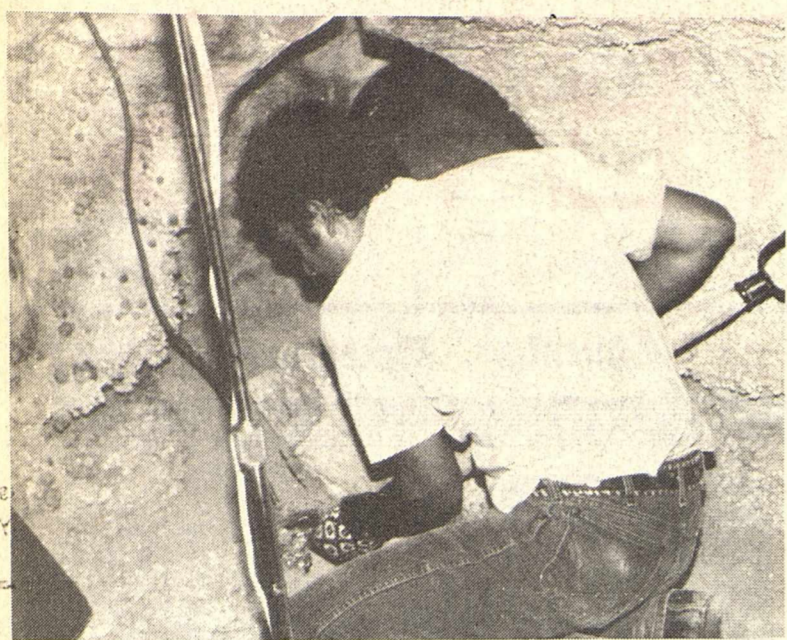
Angel Tree Project

The Sutton County Child Protective Board is sponsoring the Angel Tree project for local children in need of clothing. Donations can be made at Sutton County National Bank or First National Bank.

School Board Public Hearing

A public hearing hearing will be held during the regular Sonora School Board meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the Academic Excellence Indicator System Report for the 1993-1994 school year. The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 13, 1994 at 5:00 p.m.

The report is available at the Administration Office at 807 S. Concho and anyone is welcome to view the report. The report includes the performance and profile sections for campuses and the district as sent by the Texas Education Agency.



Juventino Qranadas, of Sonora, is pictured above as he helps 49 other volunteers in cleaning and restoring the Caverns of Sonora. These volunteers, organized by George Veni, a geologist from San Antonio, carried out approximately 18 tons of rocks during the weekend of November 17th. The Caverns would like to thank these volunteers, and Carl Teaff for the use of the dollies, Jimmy Cahill for the use of the dump trucks, Thorp's Laun-dry for the use of the mats, the Wool house for the use of the dollies, and Dairy Queen, the Sutton County Steakhouse and Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital for the use of the buckets.

ALL-DISTRICT FOOTBALL ANNOUNCED

The All-District Football players were announced on Tuesday, November 22, 1994.

Those named for Sonora were: **First Team:** Trina Banda - Lineman, Justin House - Wide Receiver, Gilbert Vara - Running Back, Trini Banda - Kicker, Shane Deel - Lineman, Levi Pool - Linebacker, Gabriel - Defensive Back; **Second Team:** T.J. Harris - Center, Cody Renfro - Lineman, Davis Hale - Tight End, Jason Morley - Running Back, Jesse Capuchina - Defensive End, Cody Gann - Lineman, Jason Morley - Linebacker, Josh Burnham - Defensive Back, Davis Hale - Defensive Back; **Honorable Mention:** Jeff Lyode - Offensive Line, John Jones - Offensive Line, Casey Fitzgerald - Tight End, Jessie Capuchina - Tight End, Louis Massey - Receiver, Josh Burnam - Quarterback, Trini Banda - Defensive End, Cody Renfro - Defensive End, Justin House - Defensive Back, Caleb Barker - Defensive Back, Louis Massey - Defensive Receiver, and Louis Massey - Punter.

School Breakfast & Lunch Menu

LUNCH

Mon., Dec. 12
Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Corn, Roll, Fruit Salad

Tues., Dec. 13
Pita Pocket (Beef & Cheese), Lettuce & Tomato, Pinto Beans, Jell-O w/Topping

Wed., Dec. 14
Fajitas, Spanish Rice, Refried Beans, Flour Tortilla, Peach Cobbler

Thurs., Dec. 15
Chicken Nugget, Corn, Broccoli Cheese Casserole, Pudding, Roll

Fri., Dec. 16
Cheeseburger, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, French Fries, Christmas Cookie

All meals are served with milk.

BREAKFAST

Mon., Dec. 12
Waffles w/Syrup

Tues., Dec. 13
Cream of Wheat, Fried Apple Pie, Fruit

Wed., Dec. 14
Biscuits, Sausage Gravy, Juice

Thurs., Dec. 15
Chorizo & Egg Burrito, Fruit

Fri., Dec. 16
Breakfast Pizza, Juice

Our Sympathy

Lossie Mae Valliant Kelley

Lossie Mae Valliant Kelley, age 98, a pioneer resident of Sutton County died Thursday, December 1, 1994 at 2:30 p.m. in a San Angelo hospital.

Graveside service was at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, December 3, in the Sutton County Cemetery under the direction of Kerbow Funeral Home of Sonora.

Lossie Mae was born in Mason County near Streeter, Texas, on May 25, 1896, to Leroy P. and Martha Cozby Valliant. She moved with her family from Mason to Edwards County and then, in 1905, the family settled permanently in Sutton County, ranching in the eastern part of the county near Fort McKavett. She attended school at Fort McKavett and later finished in Sonora. In 1919, she married Robert Baker Kelley, son of W.H. and Leona Baker of Sutton County. Her husband was killed in a ranching accident in 1947 and in 1950, she moved from the ranch to Sonora. At age 84, she moved to Rio Concho Manor in San Angelo. For the last year and a half, she had lived in the Robert Lee Nursing Center in Robert Lee. She was hospitalized only a week prior to her death.

She was the oldest member of First Methodist Church in Sonora and a former Worthy Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star. She will be remembered by many as a wonderful cook and an avid bridge player.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; and a half sister, Florence Cline Jones; and her brothers, Lonnie, Devers, Perry, Arch, Roy and Clarence Valliant.

Her survivors include one son, Robert Valliant Kelley and wife, Waallita Hollis Kelley of San Angelo, and one grandson, Robert Pearson Kelley and wife, Lelia Van Norden Kelly of Plano. Other survivors are two step grandchildren, Cindy Gilley of Richardson and Lt. Col. Charles Hamilton of Panama City, Panama. Survivors also include a sister-in-law, Mrs. Devers Valliant of Sonora and many nieces and nephews.

Louie Andrews

Louie T. Andrews, 68, of Cedar Hill died Sunday, December 4, 1994, in a local hospital.

Service was at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday at Cedar Hill Church of Christ with Masonic graveside service in Cedar Hill Cemetery, directed by Kerbow Funeral Home.

He was born April 16, 1926, in Hartley County. An Army veteran of World War II, he was retired from the oil field business and was a member of the Masonic Lodge. He was a Protestant.

Survivors include his wife, Leta Andrews of Cedar Hill; two sons, Boyd Andrews and Lewis Andrews, both of Brighton, Colo.; three daughters, Betty Horelica of Spring, Cynthia Jones of Brenham and Natacha Emery of Iraan; two stepsons, Randy Rosenbach and Eddie Rosenbach, both of Rocksprings, Wyo.; a stepdaughter, Renee Peterson of Westminster, Colo.; a sister, Bonnie Garmon of Sonora; a brother, Charles Q. Andrews of Odessa; and 22 grandchildren.

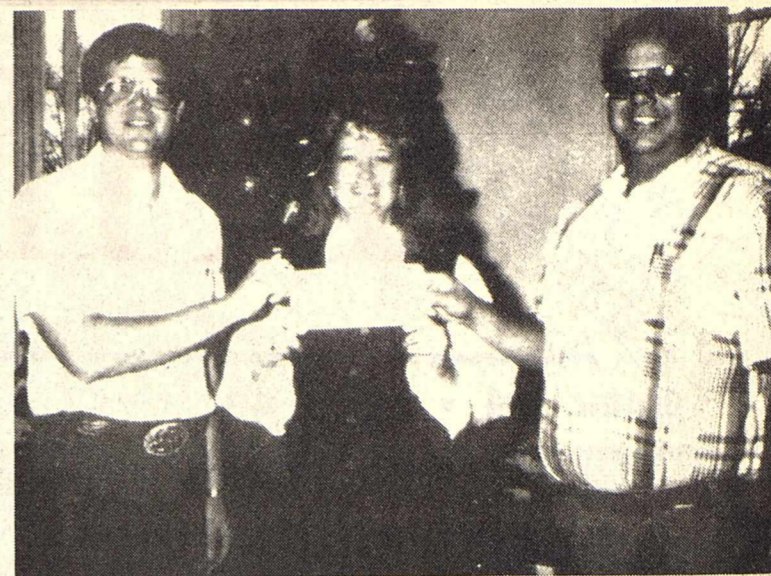
Card of Thanks

We wish to express our deepest appreciation and gratitude to all the good people who stood by us in our time of bereavement, when our beloved kins woman Olivia D. Favela passed away.

To all of those friends, relatives and neighbors, our most sincere thanks. A special thanks to the nursing home staff, especially, Dr. Charles Pajestka. Also to Luicano "Lucky" Sanchez and Mrs. Roxanne Moore.

Our special thanks to them for their kindness and consideration they showed us and our late kins woman.

The Favela, Dominguez, Samaniego, Martinez, and Monreal Families



Danny Eaton (left) and Wayne Legan (right) are pictured above as they present Mayor Margaret Cascadden with a check for \$7,500 from Burlington Resources/Meridian Oil. The money will be used toward the new swimming pool.

SENIOR CENTER MENU

Thursday, December 8

Chicken Nuggets w/Gravy, Buttered Corn, Broccoli, Cornbread, Mississippi Mud Cake

Friday, December 9

Pork Roast w/Cream Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Cabbage Wedges, Corn Muffins, Peach Half w/Whipped Topping

Monday, December 12

Spanish Rice & Ground Beef, Green Beans, Tossed Salad, French Bread, Boston Cream Cake

Tuesday, December 13

Creole Chicken, Pinto Beans, Spinach, Cornbread, Apple Cobbler

Wednesday, December 14

Broiled Pork Chops w/White Sauce, Potatoes (Diced & Cooked), Carrots, Hot Rolls, Peach Cobbler

Thursday, December 15

Fried Catfish, Corn O'Brien, Okra Gumbo, Cornbread, Cherry Cobbler

Friday, December 16

Chicken Nuggets w/Gravy, Lima Beans, Carrot-Raisin Salad, Cauliflower, Hot Rolls, Jell-O w/Fruit

Community Calendar

December 8th-15

Thursday, December 8th-Saturday, December 10th

Varsity BB Girls participate in Ozona Tournament

Thursday, December 8th

Susan Schwetner and Bonnie Lou Campbell will be at the image with holiday gift ideas

5:00-8:00 p.m. - Participating Merchants Remain Open;

Hospitality of Sonora- Merchants serve refreshments

7:30 p.m. - SISD Choir Concert - High School

Auditorium

Saturday, December 10th

9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. - Country Christmas at the Caverns of Sonora

2:00 p.m. - Christmas Drawing - Perry's parking lot

Monday, December 12th

5:00 & 6:15 p.m. - 7th & 8th Grade Girls vs. Big Lake - T

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6:30 & 8:00 p.m. - JV & V Boys vs. Coleman - H

Tuesday, December 13th

4:30, 6:00 & 7:30 p.m. - 9th Grade, JV & V Girls vs. Fredericksburg - T

5:00 p.m. - Public Hearing; Regular School Board Meeting - Administration Office

6:00-8:30 p.m. - Santa at Dairy Queen (sponsored by the Sonora Ministerial Alliance)

7:30 p.m. - Varsity Girls vs. San Angelo Lake View - San Angelo

Thursday, December 15th

5:00-8:00 p.m. - Participating Merchants Remain Open;

Sounds of Sonora - Caroling Around Town, Living Nativity

7:30 p.m. - SISD Band Concert - High School Aud.

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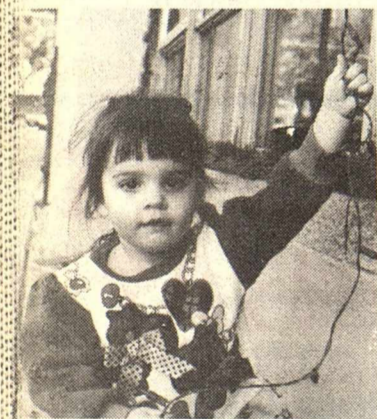
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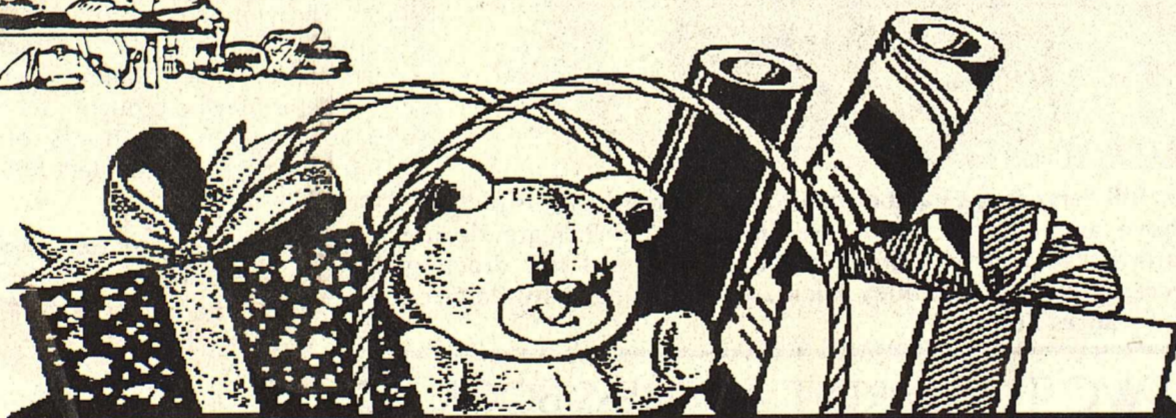
MEMBER 1994



Chelsey Lou Campbell, daughter of Curry and Bonnie Lou Campbell, is pictured above as she helps hang Christmas lights at the Devil's River News on Thursday, December 1st. The downtown merchants were preparing for Thursday night's "Lights of Sonora" celebration.

The Devil's River News cares about the people of Sonora.

Ronnie Cox would like to be your pharmacist



The Sonora Merchants Association would like to invite you to experience

A Sonora Christmas

Thursday, December 8th

Hospitality of Sonora

Participating Restaurants & Merchants Offer

15% Discount with Coupon received from Restaurants

Retail Merchants Offer Snacks - 5:00-8:00 p.m.

Wild Bunch & Biscuits O'Bryan Around Campfire

at Ol' Sonora Trading Company - 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Merchants open until 8:00 P.M.

Saturday, December 10th

A Country Christmas at the Caverns of Sonora

10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Christmas Ticket Drawing at Perry's at 2:00 p.m.

*Tickets are given for each dollar spent at participating merchants. The stubs are placed into a hopper and drawn for gift certificates each Saturday.

Ask The Historical Society



Gordon F. Stewart and Coke Stevenson at the Bundy Ranch about 1938.

by the **Sutton County Historical Society**, contributed by **Bill Stewart**

When my father came to this country, about 1914, there was no game. Market hunters would kill and sell deer hams in the settlements for from \$1.50 to as low as 50¢ each. Turkeys were marketed the same way. He said it was a year or two before he saw a doe and yearling and another year or two before he saw a buck. For the rest of his life he was a determined game conservationist.

There were no game laws, or wardens to enforce them, until Will Tucker formed the old Game Fish & Oyster Commission in the early 1920's and served as its "executive secretary" until he was deposed in the late 1930's, at the same time that Dr. Homer Rainey and J. Frank Dobie left the University of Texas because of their "leftist leanings". Mr. Howard Dodgen was then appointed to that post and served until the game Fish & Oyster Commission was placed under the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department during the John Connley administration. Howard Dodgen and Will Tucker were guests at our ranch many times in those years.

Homer Gennings, who was both a state and federal warden, was one of the first to work in this country. I can remember he and my father repairing a shack at the Rosenow (Marsha Cardwell's

ranch) to be used by special wardens that would hold both the Sta. B and Bond Roads during the hunting season.

The Edwards Plateau Wildlife Association had its beginning during these times with my father, Willie Miers, Joseph VanderStucken, John Sellman, and Tom and Frank Bond. It was an organization to protect and regulate the hunting of game. With the exception of these ranches and the T-half Circle and the D.C. O. Wilson ranch there were almost no deer or turkey in all of this part of Texas. Lack of conservation had almost wiped them out. My father, Gordon F. Stewart was appointed by Governor Coke Stevenson the State Game, Fish & Oyster Commission in 1938 and he served until 1950.

The following are notes prepared by G.F. Stewart for a meeting of the Edwards Plateau District held in approximately 1940.

How much and what kind of wildlife lived in this district before the white man came is hard to say. We know there were dinosaurs because their tracks are plainly seen in the limestone on Copperas Creek. Mr. Bill Kingston, now living at Toyavale, grew up in this section and reports that there were plenty of bear in the cedar breaks and along the streams. Panther were also plentiful in the rough parts and lobo and timber wolves and coyotes were found in all parts. Deer, turkey, and quail were so plentiful that a man could

kill what he wanted any day and the take was never noticed. The deer were the same specie that have survived with a few exceptions. Robert Real reported to the writer that John Rodgers, who was rustling sheep for the Schrieners killed a mule deer (black tail) in the

west end of the Black Pasture in about 1900 and that it was the largest deer Real had ever seen. Mrs. Edith Bond told the writer that she traded Rogers a loaf of bread for the deer skins and used it for a rug.

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JV BOYS WIN 3RD PLACE IN WALL

submitted

The J.V. Broncos captured 3rd place in the Wall J.V. Tournament held December 1st through 3rd. In their opening game the Broncos defeated Coleman 56 to 33.

Friday's second round game came against the host team. The Wall Hawks used good shooting and tough zone defense to jump out to a 10-0 lead with a 29-16 lead at the half. The Broncos took the court in the second half determined to get themselves back in the ball game. They outscored the Hawks 17-14 in the 3rd quarter and 20-12 in the 4th. When the buzzer expired, the Broncos were within four points but lost 56-52.

Saturday, the team looked to bounce back against the Ballinger Bearcats. The game was close throughout as the teams exchanged leads. In the end, the Broncos' team hustle and free throw shooting came through as they won 57-53 and laid claim to the 3rd place trophy.

Scoring for the tournament was as follows: Shiloh Sykes - 44, Andy Mirike - 30, Robert Teaff - 24, Chad Gibson - 23, Kris Wood - 21, Ramon Rainer - 7, David Fisher - 2, Fernie Emiliano - 1, Dustin Harris - 1.

LSG NAMES BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

submitted

Lone Star Gas has named John Conn to the position of Business Development Manager for Sonora and 7 other cities and towns in the West Texas area effective immediately. In this position, he will be responsible for the majority of the gas company's public contacts with leaders at all levels in each city and town under his responsibility. These contacts will include government and municipal officials, school districts, hospitals, local business leaders, civic, and charitable organizations and those involved in economic development.

Conn has been with Lone Star since 1984 and has worked with builders and developers in the San Angelo area.

He has served as a board member of the West Texas Boys Ranch and as a member of the San Angelo Homebuilders Association.

He and his wife, Debbie, have two children, Chelise and Lindsey.

Tedford Jewelry

Bridal Gift Registry
 Kristen Keel, bride-elect of Joel Nixon
 Trey and Jane Rushing
 Fara Lyne Fields and Jason Smith



Juan Lugo, son of Juan and Emily Lugo, is pictured above as he hangs the Christmas ornament he made on the community Christmas tree at the Courthouse lawn.

PRIVATE APPLICATOR LICENSE TRAINING TO BE HELD

submitted by Preston Faris

Preston Faris, Sutton County Extension Agent, has announced a private applicator training session and licensing program for Monday, December 12, 1994 at the Langford 4-H Center with registration beginning at 8:30 a.m.

This educational activity will provide attendants with the information necessary to take the examination which is necessary to be licensed by the Texas Department of Agriculture. The license will allow holders to purchase, use, or supervise the use of restricted use and state-limited use pesticides on private lands. The cost for the training session will be \$10 per person. The license fee is an additional \$50 and the license is good for five years.

The program will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will continue until noon. After a lunch, the TDA representative will be present to conduct the testing. At 2:30 p.m., Murray Walton with TDA will conduct training on the use of the M-44 for predator control and will give the necessary test to qualify for use of this important tool in predator control. A similar M-44 training session is set for 7:00 p.m. in Eldorado.

For information on these opportunities, contact Preston Faris at (915) 387-3101.

HEY KIDS, Santa Claus is coming to town!

Tuesday, December 13th
6:00-8:30 p.m. • Dairy Queen

Stop by and have your picture taken with Santa for only \$2.00. Don't forget to bring your Christmas list!

Free Cookies & Punch
proceeds to benefit the Sonora Ministerial Alliance

Sonora Church Directory

NEW LIFE ASSEMBLY OF GOD
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 306 N. 4th Street
 387-2898

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA
 504 Santa Clara
 387-2035

CHURCH OF CHRIST
 Randy Dunn, Minister
 304 W. Water
 387-3190

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
 Rev. Jim Stephen, Pastor
 404 NE Oak
 387-2951

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
 Rev. J. Monte Jones, Rector
 404 NE Poplar
 387-2955

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 Rev. Ron Myers, Pastor
 201 NW Water
 387-2466

JERUSALEM ASAMBLEA DE DIOS
 Daniel Diaz de Leon, Pastor
 St. Ann's Street
 387-3600

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD PRESBYTERIAN
 Lewis Allen, Pastor
 319 NE Mulberry
 387-2616

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH
 Fred Darkow, Pastor
 417 E 2nd St.
 387-5366

SONORA TABERNACLE UNITED PENTECOSTAL
 Brett Prince, Pastor
 501 Fay
 387-5627

ST. ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
 Father William DuBuisson, O.M.I.
 229 SW Plum
 387-2278

JEHOVA'S WITNESS
 310 St. Ann's Street
 387-5658 or 387-5518

NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH
 Dana Floyd, Pastor
 511 Cornell
 387-5215

Attend the church of your choice this Sunday.

Southwest Texas Electric Co-op
 387-2544

Kerbow Funeral Home
 387-2266

Have you started your Christmas decorating? Stop by **Sonora Wool & Mohair** and you'll find string-along lights 100+35 count and other assorted decorations. While you're there, why not do a little Christmas shopping? We offer gifts for the whole family!

Don't forget to check out our electric heaters!

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TCA 5TH ANNUAL SHOW AND SALE

The 5th Annual Show and Sale for the Texas Cashmere Association will take place December 9-10, 1994. The Hill Country Youth Exhibit Center in Kerrville will host the show and sale. Cashmere fiber/meat producing goats will be featured.

One of the main goals of TCA is to begin a testing and development center to help growers with livestock selection and marketing and the dispensing of technical information to breeders and education of the public in general. The proposal has the backing of the governor's office, the Texas Agriculture Department and the business and civic leaders of Menard, the central office location of TCA.

The judge for this year's event is Kris McGuire from Laramie, Wyoming. Ms. McGuire is one of the pioneering researchers and growers of the cashmere producing goats. Dr. Don Huss, President of TCA extends an invitation to all interested in learning about cashmere goats.

SIGN UP FOR SMOOTH OPERATORS

Smooth Operators are gearing up for a new season. Practices will be on Saturdays. Students that attend practice will perform at halftime during the basketball games.

The first practice will be December 10th at 9:00 a.m. for students in 3rd grade up the 6th. Kindergarten through 2nd will practice at 10:30 a.m. Practice will be at the same times December 17th. The remaining practice schedule will be given at the December 17th practice.

For more information call Kaye Hufstедler at 387-5441.

FREE MAGAZINES & NEWSPAPERS AT LIBRARY

submitted by Sharon Holman

The Sutton County Public Library has three newspapers and 11 magazines available for the public's use. The library currently subscribes to the following newspapers: *Wall Street Journal*, *San Antonio Express News*, and *The Devil's River News*. The magazines available are: *People*, *Texas Monthly*, *Texas Highways*, *Newsweek*, *Hispanic*, *Consumer Reports*, *Better Homes and Garden*, *Sport*, *US News*, *Reader's Digest* (large print), and *Highlights for Children*.

The subscriptions are paid by the Sonora Woman's Club Library Association and Sutton County. The library would appreciate input as to the periodicals the library should continue to provide and/or new ones to be considered. Stop by the library and vote for your favorites.

If your loved one is in need of more care than you can give, but you resist a nursing home,

Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital

has a "long term" program that might be just the right thing for you! For more information about taking advantage of 24-hour nursing care in the hospital call **387-2521**

VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT FOR FREE TAX ASSISTANCE TRAINING

submitted

If you want to extend the spirit of giving beyond the month of December, the IRS wants to hear from you. "We're looking for people who want to learn to prepare federal income tax returns to help those who aren't able," said Bobby E. Scott, IRS District Director.

The IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program is entering its 25th year of providing free tax help to the public. Beginning and advanced income tax classes will be offered at no cost to those who volunteer for the program. Day and evening classes are scheduled at locations throughout North Texas beginning this week through January 13, 1995.

VITA offers free tax assistance and return preparation for low income, disabled, non-English speaking and elderly people. Those completing the classes will be certified to provide free tax help during the upcoming filing season - mid January through April 17, 1995.

"A tax background isn't necessary," says Scott. "The only requirements are an interest in learning about taxes and a desire to help others by putting that knowledge to use."

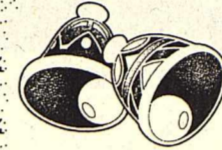
Last year, 47,000 north Texas residents were helped with tax returns by 811 volunteers at 160 VITA locations. "The VITA program was, and has been successful," says Scott, "because people care enough to volunteer".

If you are interested in becoming a VITA volunteer, want more information, or want to sign up, contact the IRS now. Outside of Dallas, call 1-800-820-1040. Or write to Taxpayer Education, 1100 Commerce Street - Stop 6610 DAL, Dallas, Texas 75242.

"Help us help others," says Scott. "Become a VITA volunteer and make taxes less taxing for you and others in your community."



The Most Reverend Michael D. Pfeifer, OMI Bishop of San Angelo, has reappointed Father William R. Dubuisson, OMI as a Consultator for the Diocese of San Angelo for a period of five years, effective December 15, 1994. The College of Consultors is one of the principal advisory groups for the bishop of a diocese.



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Thursday, December 8th - Susan Schwetner of Big Lake will be with us for the first time with her custom designed jewelry. Susan has a fine selection to choose from including necklaces, earrings, bracelets and button covers.

Thursday, December 8th - Bonnie Lou Campbell, Educational Consultant with Discovery Toys, will be here with developmental toys, books and games for all ages.

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Valliant Effort

by Martha Valliant McLain

Michelle Anderson and children, Mayer and Jordon spent Thanksgiving in Los Angeles visiting her sister Rene and brother-in-law Barry. One fun day was spent at Disneyland, and then Mayer went to a Laker's game with Barry. They not only saw the basketball stars, but Jack Nicholson was there cheering the team on. Michelle and Rene missed seeing Julia Roberts when they went to Barney's for lunch, but Barry saw her as he was going to meet them. Rene had good news. She was the casting director for the recent hit movie, "Santa Claus", and that week it had great sales. It had surpassed the popular movie "Junior" in box office records. If you go see the movie, stay and watch the credits. Cheer when Rene Rousselott's name appears. How many folks from Sonora have their names up on the big screens? Barry had a special treat for Michelle. He had worked on a project with Del Shores, the author of "Daddy's Dyin'", "Whose Got the Will". He had an autographed script from the author for Michelle. Shores had written on the script, "To the best Evilita ever on the Sonora stage". What a treasured memento!

Hunters for mule deer in the Alpine area were David Earwood, Bob Brockman, Tryon Fields, and Bruce Kerbow. I'll bet the deer are falling over dead with fright. Wouldn't you? Just think of those guys: out in the wilds, armed and dangerous!

Dr. Milton Williams escaped the remodeling job that they are doing at the ranch by heading to Idaho for some hunting and well-earned rest from emergency room duties in San Angelo. Deborah may need a vacation when and if the remodeling of their ranch home is completed.

Martha and George Wallace left Monday to go to Houston to see Grace Camille, new daughter of Drew and Lisa Wallace. Get the cameras ready. We all want to see the pictures.

The McMillians, Lura Sawyer, and daughter Jane have made a quick trip to New York before heading into the Christmas season. Cynthia Ward is visiting daughter Kelly and family in Dallas while Albert deals with the hunters.

The Sonora Woman's Club had an opportunity to hear two of our very talented band students. They were joined in a clarinet trio by their band director. Pam Massey played in the trio; she has just been named first chair clarinet in the All-District Band. David Davenport has always been an outstanding percussionist, but he has recently changed to clarinet and was named second chair in the All-District Band. He also was named to All-District on the xylophone and snare drum. We heard him in the trio and as a soloist on the xylophone. They presented a wonderful program for the club. Following lunch, Charlotte Wilson played Christmas music for a sing-a-long. Now, I feel that Christmas is really on the way.

Guests at Sonora Woman's Club were Deborah Williams, Debbie Thompson, and Carole Thorp.

Next week is bridge, bridge, bridge. On Tuesday, Liz Hemphill will be having a Christmas dessert bridge at her home. Nell Wallace plans to have a dessert bridge on Thursday, and that night, Joan Cusenbary will be doing dinner for her couple's club. It sounds like a wonderful week.

Jodie Finklea, her daughter Marcia Cardwell, and her mother Martha Miers are planning a trip to New York for a visit with her son Bill Finklea.

Saturday night, Nell Wallace, Jerry Wallace, Linda Johnson, Becky Kimbrel, Honey Hicks, Bobby Smith, and Mattie Nix were in San Angelo for the San Angelo Symphony's Christmas concert.

On Saturday, there were many locals in San Antonio to see Tom Posten and Tim Conway in a very funny farce, "Just for Laughs", at the Majestic. The Hemphill's, the Bishop's, the Parker's, the Morgan's, Rust's, and the Richardson's were having a wonderful time laughing at two of the funniest men in the world.

Mary and Bernie Rust are just back from a wonderful trip to Italy.

Tuesday night many Sonora fans watched Sonora and Mason play each other in the Alamodome in San Antonio. Many also stayed for the Spurs game.

Friday and Saturday, about 25 to 30 fellows were at the Wallace Ranch for George Wallace's 35th annual hunt. Among the returning coaches were Hayden, Wyatt, Noyles, and Hayes(Russel

and Denny). Lots of tamales were eaten.

The Texas Army, represented by Col. Jim Stephen and Col. Dean McLain camped at Ft. Concho, for the "Christmas in Old Fort Concho" celebration. Ol' Sonora Trading Co. had a wonderful display of mohair products. Decorations and displays at Fort Concho must all be natural materials and light voltage is limited, so the celebration seems to be an old fashioned Christmas. The gorgeous mohair clothing though is very up-to-date, very fashionable.

We want to extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Noble Taylor of Del Rio. It is so sad to lose one of our pioneers.

Our sympathies are also extended to the Louis Andrews family.

Lisa Wagner Austin is back in Houston and in the hospital for tests and treatment. Get well soon Lisa.

Joe Lane saw his doctor this week, and he will not be able to put any weight on his hip for another month. Sunday was his first day back at church. He seems to really be enjoying the company of many friends who are going by to check on him. It has been 2 months since his accident.

Do you know what famous day in history is December 5, 1933? Prohibition was repealed and Lee Roy Valliant was born (not listed in order of importance). Happy birthday, big brother! Yes, he is also my older brother. Couldn't you tell?

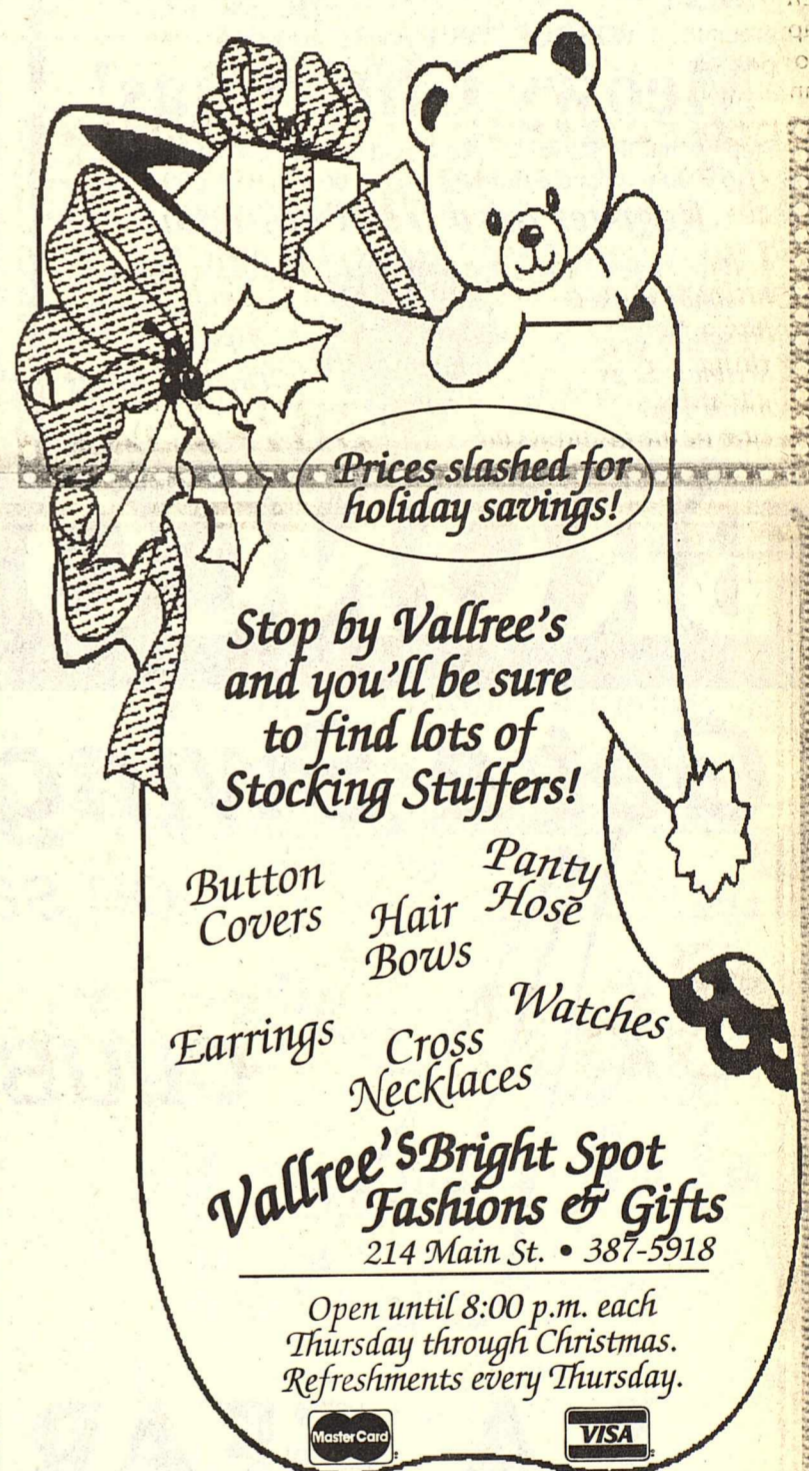
We all have sympathy for the Robert Kelley family. Aunt Lossie Mae lived 98 years and was ready to go, but it is still hard to give her up. Way back on her 90th birthday, someone suggested that she would probably live to be 100. Her reply was that she doubted it, she really wasn't "Steen". She was getting close. Her body gave up, but she always had a clear mind and was quite sharp for age 98.

Have you read about Barbra Streisand's new project? They say that she is going to do a role of a very unattractive woman with a large nose. Great casting, right? In the movie, the woman has plastic surgery, "a nose job". She will film part of the movie, get a "nose job", and then finish the movie as a new person. It is amazing what some people will do for their "art". I have wondered for years why she didn't buy a pretty new face. Maybe she was waiting for someone else to pay for it.

The Unique Shopper Award of the year should go to Camille Green. Last Friday, she bought 7 (that's right SEVEN) store manikins at a going out of business sale in San Angelo. Are you wondering why? They were on sale; that's why. Why else? They will join two others that already live at the Green's house. Each is to be dressed and placed around the house. I am not making this up. Honest, I'm not.

A very special thanks goes to Sharon Key and her Chamber of Commerce helpers. The Courthouse looks great!

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Lottie Puckett and Truba Kaplan were presented Golden Age Master certificates from the American Contest Bridge League during Thursday night Duplicate Bridge.

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FUNDS AVAILABLE

submitted

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is seeking qualified applicants to receive federal grant money to provide transportation for the elderly and disabled persons. The program, known as Section 16, provides funding to private nonprofit organizations, public entities and associations. The program provides up to 80 percent of the cost for capital equipment such as buses, vans or other paratransit vehicles, radios and communication equipment, wheel chair lifts and restraints, and vehicle rehabilitation. This program call will cover a two year period FY 95 and FY 96.

Qualified projects will be selected for funding by TxDOT using quantitative measures such as coordination efforts, ability to meet service needs of elderly and/or disabled persons based on passenger trips per month, local match ability, hours of operation, ability to maintain equipment, average fleet mileage where applicable, and average fleet age where applicable.

Organizations within the San Angelo TxDOT District, including Sutton County, that are interested should contact Thomas G. Robinson in the San Angelo District office at (915) 947-9264 or (915) 944-1501 and request a nomination form or request by letter to Thomas G. Robinson, Texas Department of Transportation, San Angelo District Office, 4502 Knickerbocker Road, San Angelo, TX 76904.

Completed nomination forms must be received by the San Angelo District Office no later than 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 20, 1994.



Noemi Samaniego is pictured above as she accepts a check from the First National Bank Popcorn Donation. Yolanda Avila presented the check to benefit the Sutton County Child Welfare Board.

7TH SJH BOYS FALL TO ELDORADO

submitted

The 7th Grade boys played Eldorado Monday, November 28, 1994. The boys came up short by ten, 23-33. The 7th boys are improving and are working very hard. Our defense will improve which will help our offense. The boys are giving great effort.

The leading scorers were Anthony Lana - 6, Brad Mogford - 5, Jared Percifull - 3, and Russell Dempsey - 3. Five free throws were attempted with one made. Leading scorers for Eldorado were Lance Mitchell - 19, Joseph Wink - 5, and Cory Lloyd - 6. They made 35% of their free throws.

7TH SJH GIRLS BEAT ELDORADO

submitted

The 7th Grade girls played Eldorado Monday, November 28, 1994. The Colts defeated the Eagles 35-24. In this game the girls showed real team work and a great attitude. Defensively, they hustled, had several steals. They were also 50% from the free throw line.

Scorers for the game were Veronica Velez - 8, Paula Brents - 8, Kara Eaton - 7, Kim Marshall - 5, Cindy Jones - 4, Tina Solis - 2, and Rita Lopez - 1.

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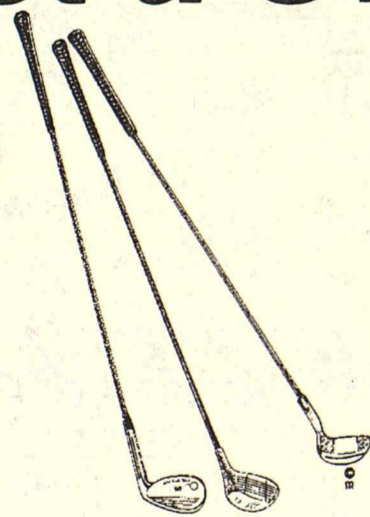
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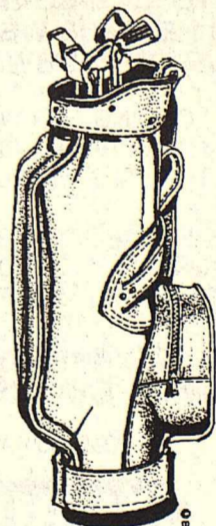
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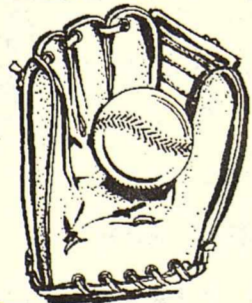
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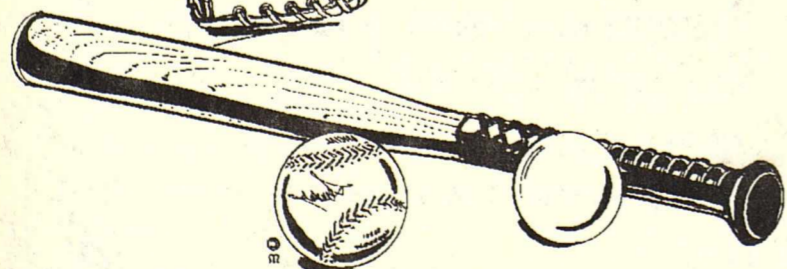
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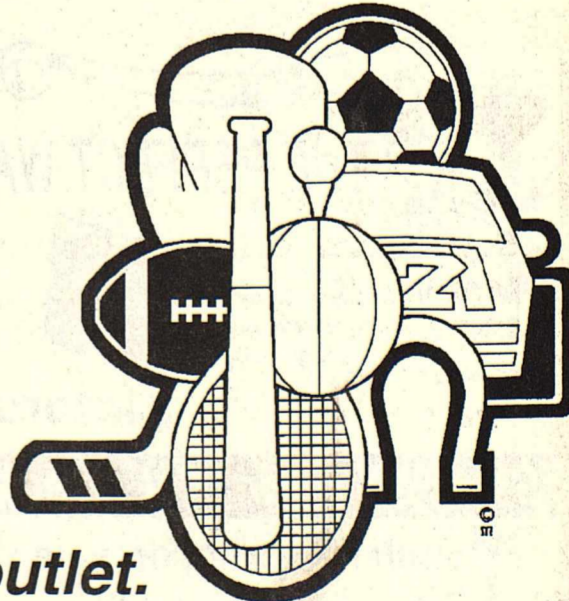
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Applicant, Louis Dreyfus Natural Gas Corporation, 14000 Quail Springs Pkwy, Ste 600, Oklahoma City, OK 73134, has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code Section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the distance to nearest well requirement to drill Well No. 102, Rip Ward "F", 82.49 Acres, Section 93, Block B, HE&WT RR Co. Survey, A-319, Sawyer (Canyon) and Sawyer (Strawn N.) Field(s), Sutton County, being .5 miles southwest from Sonora, Texas. The location of this well is as follows:

SHL: 672' from the west line and 1280' from the south line of lease. 1363' from the north line and 1015' from the east line of survey.

BHL: 467' from the east line and 467' from the south line of lease. 467' from the east line and 2176' from the north line of survey.

Field rules for the Sawyer (Canyon) field are 500/1000, 320/80/40 acres. Field rules for the Sawyer (Strawn N.) field are 467/1200, 40 acres. This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 7000 feet.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Rule 37(h) (2) (A), this application may be granted administratively if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest to the application. Affected persons include owners of record and the

Public Notice

operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Pat Day, at (915) 387-3588. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512) 463-6718.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, YOU MUST FILL OUT, SIGN AND MAIL OR DELIVER TO THE AUSTIN OFFICE OF THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS THE ENCLOSED NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST. A COPY OF THE INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST ALSO BE MAILED OR DELIVERED ON THE SAME DATE TO APPLICANT AT THE ADDRESS SHOWN ABOVE. THIS INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE BY **DECEMBER 30, 1994**. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, THE REQUESTED PERMIT WILL BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY, TO BE EFFECTIVE THE DAY

FOLLOWING TERMINATION OF SUCH THREE-WEEK PERIOD.
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JOB VACANCIES

The Texas Department of Transportation is accepting applications for the following two (2) positions located in Sonora, Texas.

Job Title: Roadway Maintenance Technician II (Maintenance Technician II)
Job Vacancy Number: 407K510067
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Telephone Number: For additional information on the job vacancy notice or applications call 915-387-2848 or 387-3750 or contact any TxDOT office in the state of Texas.

A completed application is required and will be accepted until December 16, 1994 at 5:00 p.m.

Applications mailed must be postmarked no later than December 15, 1994.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR OIL AND GAS WASTE DISPOSAL WELL PERMIT

MERIDIAN OIL INC., P.O. BOX 51810, MIDLAND, TEXAS 79710-1810 is applying to the Railroad Commission for a permit to dispose of produced salt water or other oil and gas waste by well injection into porous formation not productive of oil or gas.

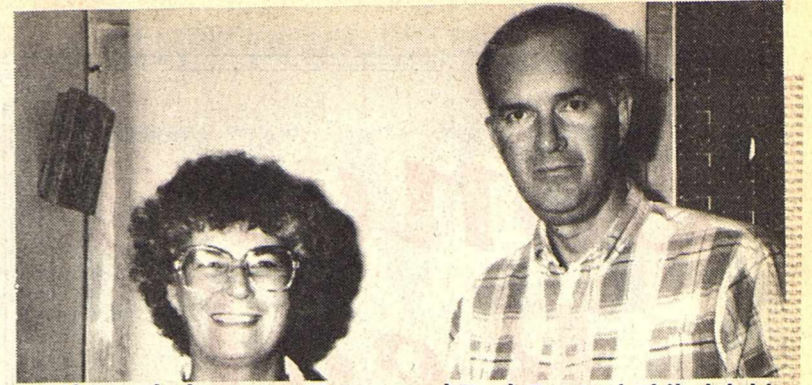
The applicant proposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the ELLENBURGER, CANYON RANCH Well Number 0828SD. The proposed disposal well is located 23 MILES SOUTH FROM SONORA in the SAWYER (CANYON) in SUTTON County.

The waste water will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 7000 to 8675 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Department, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512-463-6792).

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Pictured above are Donna and Paul Ernst of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. They were in Sonora during the first part of the week while doing research on Will Carver. Ms. Ernst published a book in 1992 on the Sundance Kid entitled "Sundance, My Uncle." The Sundance Kid was Mr. Ernst's great-uncle. They became interested in Will Carver and other members of the Wild Bunch while researching for her first book.

POST OFFICE EXTENDED SERVICE

submitted by Sonora Postmaster

The Sonora Post Office will be open for full service window operations on Saturday, December 10th and 17th, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The office will also be open Saturday the 24th for last minute package and mail pick-up.

The staff would like to remind about "Priority Mail" and "Express Mail". Send up to two pounds for a cost of \$2.90 with Priority Mail. Special handling and markings are offered at a reasonable price, although, a guarantee cannot be given with this service. Priority Mail can be delivered in two to four days, depending on the destination.

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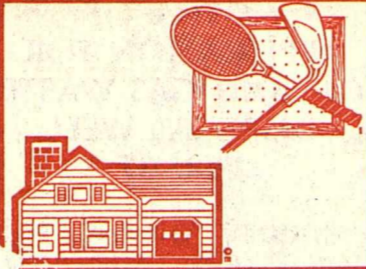
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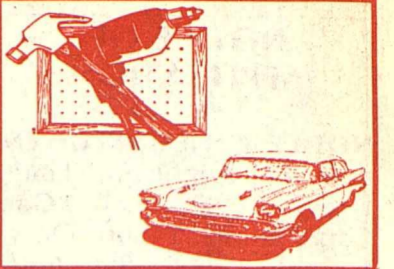
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