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## Briefly

### Angel Tree Project

Christmas is just around the corner and the Angel Tree Project is under way. "Angels" may be picked up at the First National Bank and Sutton County National Bank. Gifts need to be returned to the banks by Monday, December 16. For more information, contact Noemi Samaniego at 387-2234.

### Community Choir Musical

The Community Choir of Sonora will present, "Love Song," a Christmas musical by John W. Peterson. The musical will be performed on December 14th and 15th at 7:00 p.m. at the Outdoor Amphitheater behind the Sutton County Public Library. In the event of inclement weather, the performances will be held at First Baptist Church. Admission is free and refreshments will be served following the performances.

### Tour of Homes

The Sonora Woman's Club would like to invite the community to join in the Spirit of Christmas for a Tour of Homes. The tour will be held Sunday, December 15, from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Tickets can be purchased for \$10.00 from any Woman's Club member, at local businesses, or at any home at the time of the tour. Only one ticket is needed to go to all three homes and includes refreshments. The homes featured will be the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Thompson, 804 E 2nd Street, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Tiffce, 1501 Crockett Street, and the home of Mrs. Edwin Sawyer, 109 E. Castlehill Road.

### Library Paver Deadline

Last day to order engraved pavers for the library walkway is December 16. The pavers are \$25.00. They may be ordered at the library or forms may be picked up at the library and mailed in with a check. Donations for memorials on the commemorative wall in the library will also be accepted until December 16. Honor your parents, grandparents, or anyone dear to you. Give full name, including maiden name, birth year, and death year. Please call Patricia Johnson 387-5921.

### Little Dribblers Sign Up

Monday, December 16 from 5:30-7:00 at the Middle School Gym.

### Hope Lutheran Church

There will be no church service December 15.

### Ministerial Alliance Food Basket Program

The Sonora Ministerial Alliance is making preparations for its annual Christmas Food Basket program. If you need a food basket, please call either Justice of the Peace, Adelita Smalling, at 387-3322, or Texas Department of Health Director, Noemi Samaniego, at 387-2234, or Sutton County Senior Center Director, Juanita Mesa, at 387-5657. Names should be submitted by December 16. Contributions can be mailed to the Ministerial Alliance treasurer, Lewis Allen, Box 1015, Sonora, TX 76950.

### Share Your Blessings

New or used toys for needy children are being accepted by Sutton County National Bank, First National Bank, Food Center, and the Post Office. Toys can be picked up at New Hope Baptist Church, corner of Cornell and Savell, December 9-11 from 5-7 p.m. Questions? Call 387-5797.

### First Aid Classes

The American Red Cross will be offering a Community First Aid and Safety Class on December 18-20 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the Old Fort Concho Building in San Angelo. This class includes First Aid and CPR for the Adult, Child and Infant. A Standard First Aid class is also being offered on December 14 from 8:00-3:30. This includes CPR and First Aid for Adults. Spaces are limited, so please register early. For more information, call (915) 658-4409.

## Bronco Basketball Sets Pace



Varsity Broncos bringing home the first place trophy are (front row, l-r) Caleb Barker, David Fisher, Fernie Emiliano, Justin House, Shiloh Sykes, and trainer Dan Dockery. (Back row, l-r) Andy Mirike, Ty Harrelson, Kris Wood, Coach Harrelson, J.P. Hudman, Drew Dempsey, and Robert Teaff.

by Dan Allert

Sonora men's Varsity Basketball backed up their Ballinger Invitational results with a 80-56 win over the Ingram Warriors Tuesday night. The game was more of a showcase of the well-oiled machine the Bronco team has become than an actual contest.

From the first whistle, Sonora's game was light-hearted. Amid confusion of Sonora claiming two jerseys with the number 44 on the original roster and Fernie Emiliano's near-goal full court throw at the end of the first quarter, the Broncos nevertheless made their authority indisputable. One question: does anyone else notice the irony of a large red banner proclaiming Sonora High's supportive students "Athletic Supporters"?

Player highlights: Justin House's POWER, straight shot and incredible concentration; JP Hudman's presence of mind (I swear I saw him using his legs to block passes), placement on the court and ball handling abilities; Caleb Barker's blocking, stealing and rocketing away with Ingram's ball (nice third quarter, Mr. Barker!).

Umpire Red Aiken was the recipient of well-deserved criticism for what seemed to this observer to be decidedly one-sided calls.

Our sympathies are especially extended to Kris Wood, scape-

goat of Mr. Aiken.

Through it all, the Broncos stayed remarkably well composed, perhaps heeding advice from the Coach indicative of the match-up: "Who's trying to steal, who's trying to block? We don't need it, keep the pace up!"

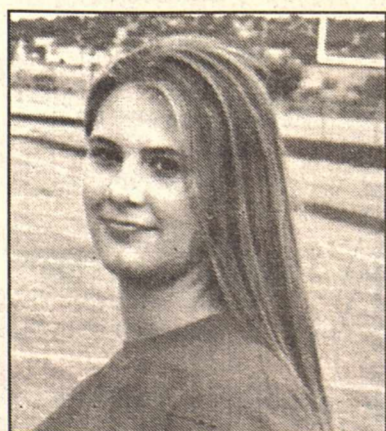
quarter	Sonora	Ingram
1	20	7
2	36	19
3	55	38
4	80	56

Ty Harrelson, 12; Justin House, 8; Drew Dempsey, 8; JP Hudman, 14.



Caleb Barker makes a 3-pointer.

## Marrs Wins First In Essay Contest



Sarah Marrs

submitted

The V.F.W. Post 8907 and ladies Auxiliary would like to announce that one of our S.H.S. students has won district in the Voice of Democracy Essay Contest. Her essay will be going to state. Congratulations, Sarah

Marrs.

Area winners in the National Voice of Democracy Audio and Essay Contest for Veterans of Foreign Wars District 22 have been announced.

Sarah Marrs, a senior at Sonora High School, was the first place winner. She will have a chance to go to the Veterans of Foreign Wars Headquarters, Department of Texas, in Austin for the state judging in December.

Second-place winner was Danielle Franks, a senior at San Angelo Central High School, and third-place winner was Johanna Wilkerson of Cornerstone Christian School.

"Democracy Above and Beyond" was the theme, denoting democracy is above and beyond all other forms of gov-

ernment.

District 22 chairs Martin and Helen Kirkpatrick of Big Lake Post 3216 and Auxiliary were in charge of entries and supervised the playing of the tapes.

Students in grades 10-12 entered nine cassette tapes in the contest from San Angelo and the surrounding areas.

Judges for the event were Jimmy Broyles of Toastmasters; Katherine Lucas, a teacher at Crockett Elementary school; and Robert Latham, who works at Carlsbad Center and judges Interscholastic League speech contests.

Voice of Democracy chairmen and auxiliary co-chairs from District 22 cities were Newton and Jerri Coley of Brady Post 3242 and Alfred and Mary Lou Multer of Rowena Post 9196.



Oscar and Rosie Ovalle, owner of Rosie's Cafe, stand in front of their new location, formerly The Commercial Restaurant.

## Rosie's On The Move

Oscar Ovalle, owner of Rosie's Cafe will be moving the location of the cafe Saturday the 14th of December. Oscar has purchased the Commercial Restaurant, the oldest historical restaurant in Sonora. Oscar will continue to provide his same quality service with several enhancements at his new location. New future services at Rosie's will include: Cold beer, patio dining, mesquite grilled steaks, and extended hours.

The old Rosie's will serve its last meal (breakfast) Saturday 14th, and will begin serving at the new location, (old Commercial Rest), Wednesday the 18th.

The new business hours will be:

Tues - Wed: 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
Thurs - Sat: 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.  
Sun: 6:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
Mon: closed

## Youth To Help Prevent Crime in Sonora

submitted

If you find anything interesting about Law Enforcement or Police work, you need to check out the new Law Enforcement Explorer Post in Sonora!

There will be an organizational meeting on Thursday, December 12, at 7:00 p.m. This meeting will take place in the basement of the First United Methodist Church. If you can not attend this meeting, sign-up at the regular meeting Monday, December 16, at 7:00 p.m. FUMC basement.

This Post will give young adults the opportunity to experience all aspects of Law Enforcement. The Post will be offered by the Sonora Police Department.

Exploring is an opportunity to prepare for the future. Anyone who is interested in

the area of Law or Law Enforcement, and especially those considering a career in this area should attend. Participants will experience first hand the day to day operations of Law Enforcement individuals.

Exploring is for graduates of the eighth grade that are between fourteen and twenty years of age. Eighth graders that are already fifteen may also participate. Participants may be either male or female. Cost for Exploring is \$8.60 per year. This fee includes registration, insurance, and a subscription to Exploring Magazine.

To find out more about the new Law Enforcement Explorer Post in Sonora, contact Chief of Police Chris Croy at 387-3888. You may also contact Mark Richardson at 1-800-321-7107.

## Winners - 1996 Fire Prevention Poster Contest

In the Primary division 1st place was Taylor Niblett, 2nd place was Armando Noriega, and 3rd place was Calab Ramos.

In the Intermediate division 1st place was Kate Higdon, 2nd place was Tara Green, and 3rd place was Megan Fitzgerald.

In the Junior High division 1st place was Brandon Scott, 2nd place was Courtney Hill, and 3rd place was Matt Batchelor.

In the High School division 1st place was Marty Gonzales, 2nd place was Mayer Anderson, and 3rd place was Demetrio Castro.

The overall grand prize winner was Kate Higdon. Congratulations to all winners!

## First Merchant Association Ticket Drawing Held

submitted

Warm, sunny weather greeted area residents at the first Merchants Association Annual Christmas promotion. Individuals met downtown to check their ticket stubs against those drawn to see if they would be one of five lucky winners for the nearly \$600.00 worth of gift certificates. Winners for the December 7, 1996 drawing included: Cecilia Ramos, Connie


Samaniego, Sarah Gutierrez, Tammy McGinnis, and Guggle Thorp.

The next drawing will take place on Saturday, December 14, 1996, in the Perry's parking lot at 2:00 p.m. Over \$600.00 worth of certificates will be given away in five different drawings. Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus will also be available from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. to visit with local children.



**TO OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS**  
 During this happy holiday season, we pause to say "THANK YOU" and to express our sincere appreciation for your patronage. It has been a privilege to serve you this past year. It is customers like you who make our business possible and we will strive to merit your continued confidence in the service we provide for the upcoming New Year.

**Happy Holidays!**  
**MULTI-CHEM, INC.**  
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The Senior Center held their joint Christmas and Birthday Party, Friday, December 6. Pancho Clause (Joanna Wuest) showed up to thrill the young and young at heart. The Old Time Band played for everyone's entertainment.

## Our Sympathy

### Neal D. Shepard

Neal D. Shepard was born March 22, 1915, to the late Maude Bradford Shepard and Frank Burton Shepard. A graduate of Texas A&M, he served during World War II and later retired after 35 years as an engineer with the Corps of Engineers. He had been a resident of Seagoville since 1972 and was of the Methodist faith. Mr. Shepard died at his residence Wednesday, December 4, 1996.

Mr. Shepard was married to the late Edna Mae Hamilton Shepard. She preceded him in death on April 16, 1980. He is survived by his brother, Jack Shepard and a nephew, Rex Shepard, both of Spring; and a nephew, Mark Shepard of Sonora.

Graveside service was at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, December 10, in Roselawn Memorial Gardens. Arrangement were by Roselawn Funeral Home.

### Glenvil Maxwell Hale

Glenvil Maxwell Hale passed away Tuesday, December 10, 1996, at Leisure Lodge Nursing Home. He was born June 10, 1917, in Blue Creek, West Virginia, to Stella and William F. Hale.

He served four years in military service during World War II in the European Theatre. He was an employee of the Marathon Oil Co. for 45 years in Iraan. He was a member of the Iraan Christian Church.

He is survived by his wife, Mary, of Junction; a daughter, Mary Margaret Hale of San Antonio; one son, Bill Hale of his wife, Sally, of Hendersonville, North Carolina; one sister, Pauline Rosenthal of Indianapolis, Indiana; one niece, Penny Rosenthal of Indianapolis; three nephews, Peter Rosenthal of Indianapolis, Mike Hale of Sonora, and Sam Hale of San Antonio; and one sister-in-law, Vaughn Hale of San Antonio.

Graveside service was at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, December 12, in Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens in San Angelo. Arrangements were by Aubrey Fife Funerals.

### Correction

Wayne Munn and Nick Garza wrote the article in last week's issue about the county wide planning group, not Preston Faris.

## School Lunch Menu

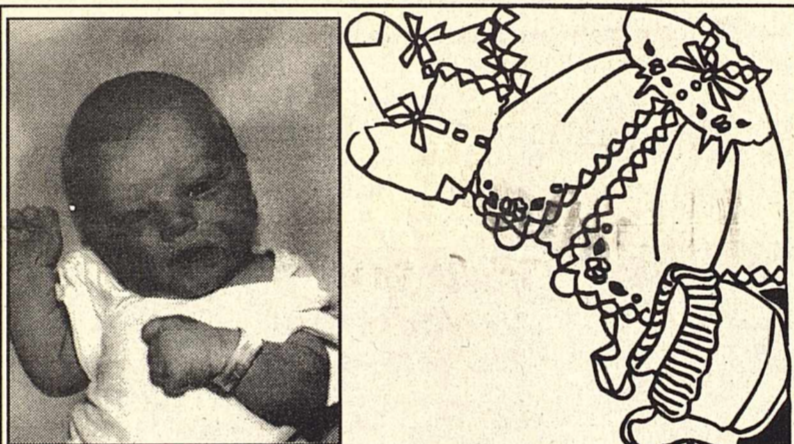
All meals served with milk

### BREAKFAST and LUNCH

Monday, Dec. 16	Tuesday, Dec. 17	Wednesday, Dec. 18
Pancakes, Fruit	Scrambled Egg, Toast w/jelly, Juice	Biscuit, Sausage, Fruit
Pizza, Buttered Corn, Tossed Salad, Tapioca Pudding	Fish Burger, Macaroni-N-Cheese, Cole Slaw, Orange Wedges	Corn Dogs, Tater Tots, Baked Beans, Blueberry Muffin
Thursday, Dec. 19	Friday, Dec. 20	
Oatmeal, Donut, Juice	STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY	
Baked Ham, Broccoli-N-Cheese, Candied Yams, Jello W/Topping, Roll	NO SCHOOL	

### Adrianna

John and Annette Velez are proud to announce the birth of their daughter Adrianna Kristine Velez. She was born on December 3rd 1996 at Columbia Medical Center. Adrianna weighed 5 lbs. 4 oz. and was 18" long. She is welcomed by her maternal grandparents Carlos & Faye Gamez, her uncle Carlos Jr. Gamez, her paternal grandparents John and Mary Jane Velez, great grandparents, Mr. & Mrs. Narciso Lira Sr. and Mr. & Mrs. Emilio Gamez.

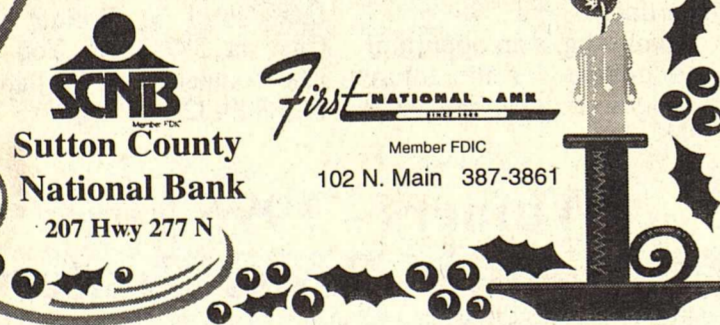


**JACKSON BARRY GRAVES**  
 Jackson Barry Graves was born to Caren and Barry Graves of McKinney, Tx. He arrived at 1:28 p.m. on November 12, 1996 at Columbia Medical Center of Plano, Texas. He weighed 7 pounds 15 1/3 ounces and was 21 inches long. His grandparents are Janice and Monte Cole of Fairfield, TX and Joella and Charles Graves of Sonora.

## Community Calendar December 5-12

- Thursday Dec. 12th**  
Festival of Carols, Middle School Gym 7:30 pm
- Saturday Dec. 14th**  
Ticket drawing Perry's parking lot
- Sat. & Sun. Dec. 14th & 15th**  
Christmas Musical *Love Song* 7:00 p.m. at the Amphitheatre
- Sunday Dec. 15th**  
Women's Club Tour of Homes 1:00 to 5:00  
6:00 UMYF Christmas Party
- Tuesday Dec. 17th**  
City Council, 2:00 City Hall

The Community Calendar is made possible by:



**Sutton County National Bank**  
207 Hwy 277 N

**First National Bank**  
Member FDIC  
102 N. Main 387-3861

## SENIOR CENTER

### Calendar of Events

- December 12-Crafts!
- December 13- Christmas trip to San Antonio
- December 16- Stretch and step with bike & treadmill at Senior Center
- December 17-Crafts!
- December 18-Blood pressure checks with Housecalls Health program 11-1 p.m.

### Lunch Menu

- Thursday, December 12**  
Beef Tips w/Mushroom Sauce, Egg Noodles, Yellow Squash, Wheat Rolls, Tossed Salad, Fruit Cup
  - Friday, December 13**  
Steak Fingers w/Gravy, Mixed Vegetables, Mashed Potatoes, Wheat Rolls, Brownie/Nuts
  - Monday, December 16**  
Swiss Steak, Peas & Carrots, Tossed Salad, Corn Muffins, Orange
  - Tuesday December 17**  
Submarine Cheese, Bologna, Ham, Pinto Beans, Coleslaw, Buns, Diced Pineapple
  - Wednesday, December 18**  
Spaghetti W/Meat Sauce, Spinach, Tossed Salad, French Bread, Peach Half W/Topping
  - Thursday, December 19**  
Polish Sausage, Sauerkraut, Sweet Potatoes, Wheat Rolls, Prunes
  - Friday, December 20**  
Chicken Fried Steak W/Gravy, Corn-On-The-Cob, Mixed Vegetables, Wheat Rolls, Apple
- Guest Meals are \$4.00.  
Suggested donation for Senior Citizens is \$1.75.

## Sonora Church Directory

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| <b>NEW LIFE ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b><br>James Lee, Pastor<br>306 N. 4th Street<br>387-2898          | <b>THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD PRESBYTERIAN</b><br>Lewis Allen, Pastor<br>319 NE Mulberry<br>387-2616                        |
| <b>PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA</b><br>504 Santa Clara<br>387-2035                                 | <b>OUTREACH CHURCH OF CHRIST</b><br>Hwy. 277 S. Glasscock  |
| <b>CHURCH OF CHRIST</b><br>Tim Dobbs, Minister<br>304 W. Water<br>387-3190                     | <b>PENTECOSTAL CALVARY TEMPLE</b><br>Willie West, Pastor<br>509 Amistad<br>387-3236  |
| <b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br>Rev. Jim Stephen, Pastor<br>404 NE Oak<br>387-2951              | <b>ST. ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH</b><br>Father William DuBuisson, O.M.I.<br>229 SW Plum<br>387-2278                                  |
| <b>ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH</b><br>Rev. J. Monte Jones, Rector<br>404 NE Poplar<br>387-2955 | <b>JEHOVAH'S WITNESS</b><br>310 St. Ann's Street<br>387-5658 or 387-5518   |
| <b>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b><br>Rev. Ron Myers, Pastor<br>201 NW Water<br>387-2466     | <b>NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br>Don Sessom<br>511 Cornell<br>387-5215<br><i>Attend the church of your choice. this Sunday.</i> |
| <b>JERUSALEM ASAMBLEA DE DIOS</b><br>St. Ann's Street<br>387-3600                              | <b>Cornerstone Home Health Agency</b><br>116 N Concho<br>(915)387-2505 (800)593-8222   |
| <b>HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH</b><br>Rev. Charles Huffman<br>417 E 2nd St.<br>387-5366               | <b>Kerbow Funeral Home</b><br>387-2266   |

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# Christmas Piano Reception

submitted

Students in piano gathered at St. John's Episcopal Parish Hall on Sunday afternoon, December 8, 1996, to play both Christmas and non-Christmas selections for their families and friends. The pupils played at two times with an intermission between allowing an opportunity for the refreshments and fellowship to be enjoyed.

As each young person was introduced, Virginia Jones, teacher at the Jones Piano Studio, gave a few facts about the piece to be played. Those who played for the 1:30 performance were: Taylor Niblett, Michelle Hernandez, Warren Wallace, Hillary Rushing, Embre Smith, Brian Payton, Jordan Anderson, Clayton Hicks, Wilson Wallace, Desiree Gonzales, Davey Prather, Mayer Anderson, and Nathanael Prather.

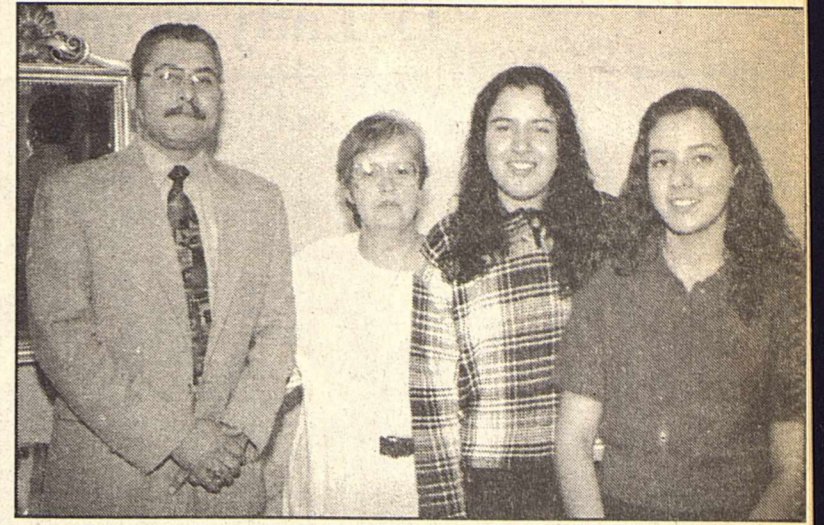
At 2:30 the second group

played: Catherine Herrera, Lacy Ragsdale, Kate Higdon, Susanna Street, Koda Armke, Ashley Parker, Cortney Hill, Sheryl Strauch, Cady Taylor, Mayer Anderson, Stacey Becknell, and Kristen Hardgrave, who is a student with Dr. James Queen in San Angelo. Mayer and Josh, two advanced music students in high school, did one piece together. Mayer played the lovely Appalachian melody, "I Wonder as I Wander," and Josh sang the lyrics composed by John Jacob Niles.

Parents of the piano student provided an assortment of holiday treats, and Robin Street was the hostess. The commitment of these families and their hard-working children is making a significant effect in Sutton County as some of the advanced pupils take major roles in providing music for church and community events.

# BIRTHDAY

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|--|--|
| 12th<br>Refugio Martinez<br>Guadalupe Chavez<br>Christopher Smith<br>Bernard Rust<br>Christian Seneaux O'Rorke     | 17th<br>Armando Dominguez<br>Frank Conlon<br>Candise Martin  |
| 13th<br>Kathleen Daniels<br>T.J. Thorp<br>Scottie Moore<br>Charlotte Clodfelter<br>Andres Chavez<br>Tim Warden Jr. | 18th<br>Crystell Gonzalez<br>Fernie Emiliano<br>Lora Hale<br>Donny Yocham Sr.<br>Carmen Garcia<br>Brook Bolt<br>Frank Mendez<br>David Prather<br>Juan Luna<br>Hoot Hearn |
| 14th<br>Lottie Puckett<br>Maria Sanchez<br>Randy Mabry<br>Jerry Almager  |  |
| 15th<br>Valerie Badillo<br>Chris Neal<br>Odell Chappell<br>Dustin Neff   |  |
| 16th<br>Aaron Warren<br>Bobby Morgan<br>Jeffrey Dungan<br>Norbert Ortiz  |  |
|  | 12th<br>Mr. & Mrs. Ismail Sanchez  |
|  | 13th<br>L.P. & Nancy Bloodworth  |
|  | 14th<br>Mike & Sandra Carroll  |
|  | 16th<br>Brad & Anna Schaible   |



The Sonora Independent School Board hosted a reception for newly hired superintendent, Ernesto Martinez, Jr. Wednesday, December 4. He is pictured with his wife, Esther, and daughters, Elizabeth and Cynthia.

# OPEN LETTER

Dear Editor:

On Wednesday, November 27, 1996, I was helping my son move from Houston, Texas, to Phoenix, Arizona, with a Thanksgiving Day stop in Fort Stockton. During the trip, one of the tires on my car blew out approximately 10 miles west of Sonora. As a member of AAA, I called their number for the nearest assistance. The phone number, which was given to me was Black Towing. When I called and explained the trouble I had experienced, the man hung up the phone without saying a word. My son assisted me in changing the tire. We returned to Sonora to purchase a tire. The first service station we came to was Mack's Shell. When we asked about a tire, we were told that the station did not have the size of tire needed. We were directed to two other places which could help us. Since it was almost 5 o'clock, I went to the phone to call one of the places, so they would know that

we were on our way and would wait for us. Mack hit on the front window of the station and indicated that I should use the pay phone. I immediately left the station (without using the phone) and drove to Teaff Oil Co. When I arrived, it was 5:05 p.m. After I explained my situation and the difficulty I was having, the lady directed me to the garage. A new tire was placed on my car and approximately 10 minutes later, I was on the road to Fort Stockton. During this time in Sonora, I was concerned about the absence of "Friendly Texas" and the "Holiday Spirit." Then I met Susan Crowder. This professional lady with a friendly smile took the time on the day before Thanksgiving to help a stranger in distress. Thanks, Susan, you will never know how much you are appreciated! You were a bright light in an otherwise hectic day.

Sincerely,  
Paulette Savage

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## JV Lady Broncos Third in Tourney



JV Lady Bronco members who participated in the tournament are (back row, l-r) Raven Rainer, Dana Duhon, Kara Eaton, Sandy Trevino, Kari Purvis, and Katie Key. (Front row, l-r) Marisha Henson, Sarah Ball, Erin Scott, Jackie Bellard, Liza Ramirez, Veronica Velez, Kim Marshall, and Romy Castaneda (not pictured).

**submitted**  
The JV Lady Broncos have gotten the season well underway. On December 2, 1996, the Lady Bronco "B" team played Ozona in Sonora. Sonora won the game 27 to 6. The ladies outscored the Lady Lions each quarter. Dana Duhon scored the most points with 6. Sarah Ball had 4, Vera Velez-4, Kim Marshall-4, and Romy Castaneda-4. The JV

attempted seven free throws making three for 43 % at the line.

The girls played a good defensive ballgame and showed great effort for the first game back after the Thanksgiving break.

On December 3, 1996, the JV Lady Broncos played Eldorado in Sonora. Eldorado came out on top, 27-37. For the

first half, the scoreboard only showed 8 points for our hometown team. Eldorado dominated the boards. During the second half, the Lady Broncos scored 19 points and during the third quarter outscored the Lady Eagles. Kara Eaton led the scoring with 7 points. Liza Ramirez had 6, and Marisha Henson scored 5 points. Seventeen free throws were attempted and seven were

through the net for 41%. The team showed great team effort.

The JV Lady Broncos participated in the Wall Tournament on December 5-7.

"Thursday's game began at a slow pace, but the ladies found it within themselves to pick up the intensity and capture a 40 to 38 victory over Junction," says Coach Marshall. The leading scorers were Kim Marshall with 8, Katie Key 7, and Jacki Bellard 5. The girls shot 48% at the free throw line.

Friday's game resulted in defeat. Wall outscored Sonora 22-36. Jacki Bellard led the scoring with 8 points. Liza Ramirez, Kari Purvis, and Katie Key each had 4. The girls shot 66% at the line. The second half showed good defense and hustle on Sonora's side.

On Saturday, the JV played Ballinger for third place in the tournament. The Lady Broncos defeated the Bearcats 37 to 26 and brought home the third place trophy. Jacki Bellard scored 8 points, and Marisha Henson and Kara Eaton got on the boards with 6 apiece.

The JV had a good tournament with everyone playing hard and hustling. The tournament play was good experience for the young players.

## Marshall Leads Lady Broncos In Tough Non-District Play

Lady Bronco varsity basketball under the new helm of Coach John McMeans has gotten off to an exciting and busy season. On November 27, 1996, the Lady Broncos played Brady in Sonora in a nondistrict contest. Sonora defeated Brady, 61 to 30. The Lady Broncos outscored Brady in all four quarters. Out of 19 free throws attempted 12 were made. Leading scorer was Camille Marshall with 22 points. Other high scorers for Sonora were Pam Jones-10 and Kelly Harrelson-8.

This game was their first win of the year and according to Coach McMeans by far the girls' best game of the year: "We really played well offensively and took control early in the contest." The Lady Broncos scored 35 points to Brady's 11 in the first half.

Sonora hosted Eldorado on December 3, 1996. The Lady Broncos were defeated by the Lady Eagles, 41 to 52. Camille Marshall led the scoring with 10 points and Cindy Jones scored 8. The Lady Broncos attempted 21 free throws making 14 of their shots. The first quarter was close with a score of 14 for Sonora and 15 for Eldorado. The Broncos really missed an opportunity to take command of the game in the first half missing 2 out of 9 from the free throw line. The half ended with Eldorado scoring 28 to Sonora's 24. The Lady Broncos scored 9 in the third quarter and 8 in the fourth. But Eldorado dominated with 14 in the third and 10 in the fourth, chalking up a final score of 41-52.

The Lady Broncos participated in the Ballinger Tournament this past weekend. They started

the tournament off against Wall. Sonora won the first game, 44 to 26. Camille Marshall led the scoring with 16, Stefany Davenport-10, and Pam Jones-8.

Sonora exhibited a solid effort from the entire team with Stefany and Camille both getting into double figure scoring. Camille also led the team in rebounding with 6. Kelly Harrelson also pulled down 5 rebounds. The Lady Broncos were outstanding from the free throw line. The first game was a very rewarding win considering the girls had lost to Wall earlier in the year. Erica Kerbow, Daisy Mireles and Cindy Jones also made strong contributions.

On December 6, 1996, the Lady Broncos were matched up with Ballinger. The Lady Bearcats defeated Sonora 61 to 42. Leading scorers were Camille Marshall-16, Daisy Mireles-7, and Pam Jones-6. Sonora attempted 24 free throws making 13. The Lady Broncos scored their most points during the final quarter as they tried to swing the game their way. The Lady Broncos were unable to control Ballinger's 6'2" Hays as she dominated play inside around the basket both in scoring and rebounding.

On Saturday, December 7, 1996, the Lady Broncos played their final game in the tourney against Menard. Menard won the very fast paced game, 61 to 51. Leading scorers were Camille Marshall-20, Daisy Mireles-11, and Stefany Davenport-9.

The Lady Broncos got off to a slow start but battled back to

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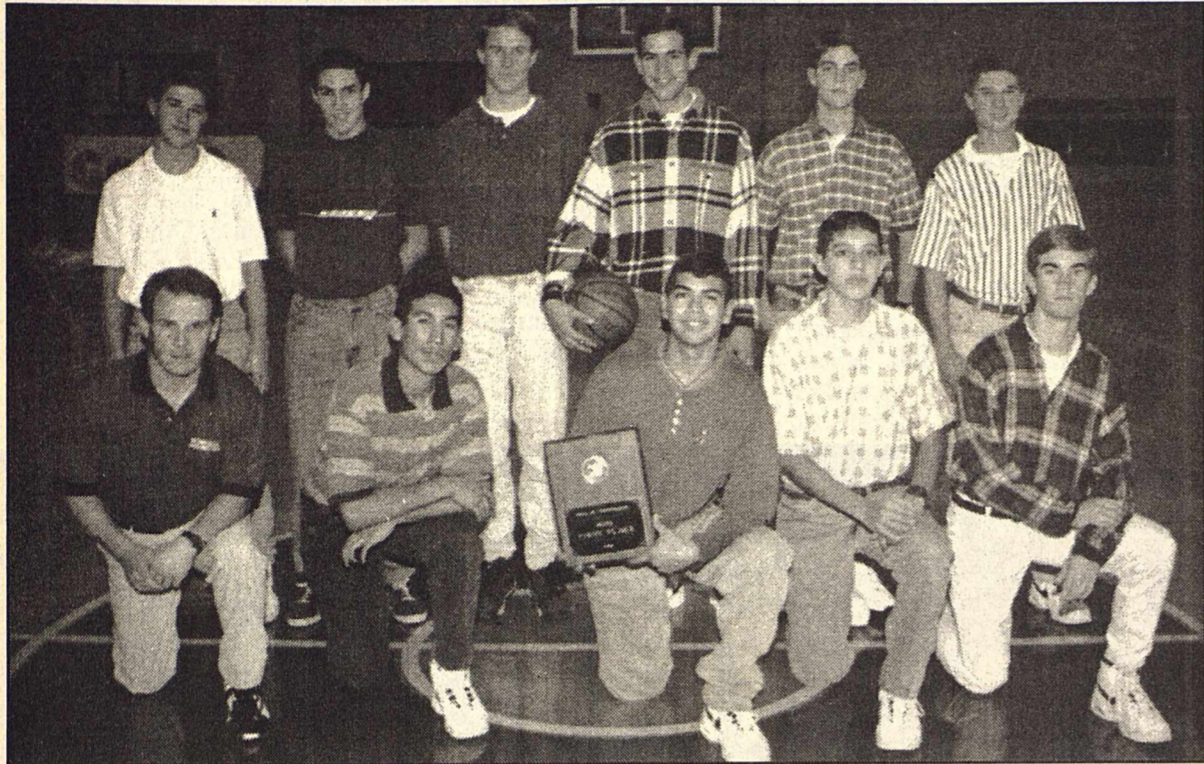


### Ballinger Invitational Results

#### Lady Broncos

Tuesday, December 3 vs. Eldorado Sonora 41, Eldorado 52  
 Friday, December 6 vs. Wall Sonora 44, Wall 26

Pictured at left are Caleb Barker, J.P. Hudman, and Ty Harrelson. See Men's Varsity Weekly Results



JV Broncos include, back row l-r: Anthony Renfro, Mayer Anderson, Brad Legan, Kasey Wood, David Mayer, and Zane Smart. Front row, l-r: Coach Steve Heryford, Gabriel Garcia, Anthony Luna, Ernie Perez, and Tanner Fields.

Saturday, December 7 vs. Ballinger Sonora 40, Ballinger 61

### Men's Varsity Weekly Results

Tuesday, December 3 vs. Eldorado Sonora 94, Eldorado 58  
 Friday, December 6 vs. Wall Sonora 44, Wall 41

Saturday, December 7 vs. Ballinger Sonora 86, Ballinger 69

Sunday, December 8 vs. Lake View 'score not available at press time'

All-Tournament Listings  
 Caleb Barker and JP Hudman Most Valuable Player. Ballinger Invitational: Ty Harrelson

### Junior Varsity Takes Warriors

by Dan Allert

Sonora men's Junior Varsity Basketball took the tip-off and never looked back during their game against the Ingram Warriors. The Bronco's floor show led up to a 44-34 win over the Warriors. Ingram players complained over their coach's forgetfulness to supply water, but it might just be that Coach Creek's jaw-bulging gum chewing at the scoring table was too threatening for them to concentrate on the game. How many pounds-per-square-inch do you reckon those mandibles generate?

leg speed and eye-hand coordination, quite the ball-thief, Number 22's positioning and outside shooting; Number 40's aggressive, competent play up-close.

The Junior Varsity's quick, modern style left Ingram floundering with the slow, loopy game they would have preferred to play.

In the end, the scoreboard difference showed much less than actually existed in the playing skill. The Junior Broncos are lighting-fast technically; now they can concentrate on polishing that flick-of-the-wrist that translates to big numbers in the lights.

Player highlights: Number 20's

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### Lady Broncos District Play

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get close at the end of the 1st quarter. Mireles came off the bench and provided a spark-scoring 11 points and grabbing 8 rebounds. Coach McMeans said, "I was very impressed with her intensity on the boards and her ability to score inside."

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**December 2, 1996**  
**8th Grade Boys "A"**  
**Sonora 17, Ozona 31**  
 Riley Crain led in points with 10 and rebounds with 11. Also scoring were Ed Mayfield 2, Crispin Lira 2, Jake Trainer 2, and Bryce Williams 1. Tom Jacoby had 4 rebounds, Lira and Trainer each

had 3. Ozona had three team fouls for the night while the Colts had 17 team fouls.

**8th Grade Boys "B"**  
**Sonora 6, Ozona 14**  
 Chang Hernandez, Shane Mathews, and Jacob Percifull each with 2 points.

**December 6-7, 1996**  
**Ozona Tournament**  
**7th Grade Lady Colts**  
**Sonora 28, McCamey 10**  
 Leading scorers were: Maribel Hernandez 14, Monica Lira 7, Jessica Bruns 3, Kasey Miller 2, and Pam Shahan 2.

**Sonora 13, Eldorado 16**  
 Leading scorers were: Maribel Hernandez 6, Monica Lira 2, Heather Lawson 2, and Pam Shahan 2.

**Sonora 34, Rankin 13**  
 Leading scorers were: Maribel Hernandez 15, Monica Lira 13, Heather Lawson 2, Emily Luna 2, and Pam Shahan 2.

The 7th grade girls had a great tournament last weekend at Ozona. They played 3 games losing only to Eldorado by a close

score. The girls gained some very valuable experience that will pay off in later games. Congratulations girls!

Other team members are Ashley Bible, Desirie Gonzalez, and Amy Gann. Managers are Genny Cramer, Leigh Voight and Micah Adams.

**December 9, 1996**  
**7th Grade Girls "A"**  
**Sonora 28, Big Lake 17**  
 Monica Lira 16, Maribel Hernandez 8, and Kasey Miller 4.

The team played real well against Big Lake. Offensively Monica Lira led the team in offensive rebounds with eight. Monica also had 9 steals and 6 defensive rebounds. Overall the team played very hard and had a great game. Other team members are Amy Gann, Ashley Bible, Emily Luna, Desirie Gonzalez, Pam Shahan, and Jessica Bruns.



Pictured back row, l-r are Coach Sessom, Lee Voight, Ashley Bible, Jenny Cramer, Maribel Hernandez, Kasey Miller, Emily Luna, Monica Lira, Heather Lawson, and Micah Adams. Front row, l-r: Amy Gann, Desirie Gonzalez, Pamela Shahan, and Jessica Bruns.

**7th Grade Girls "B"**  
**Sonora 5, Big Lake 6**  
 Kasey Kearney 3 and Tori Valliant 2.

The "B" Team hustled really well against Big Lake "B." They

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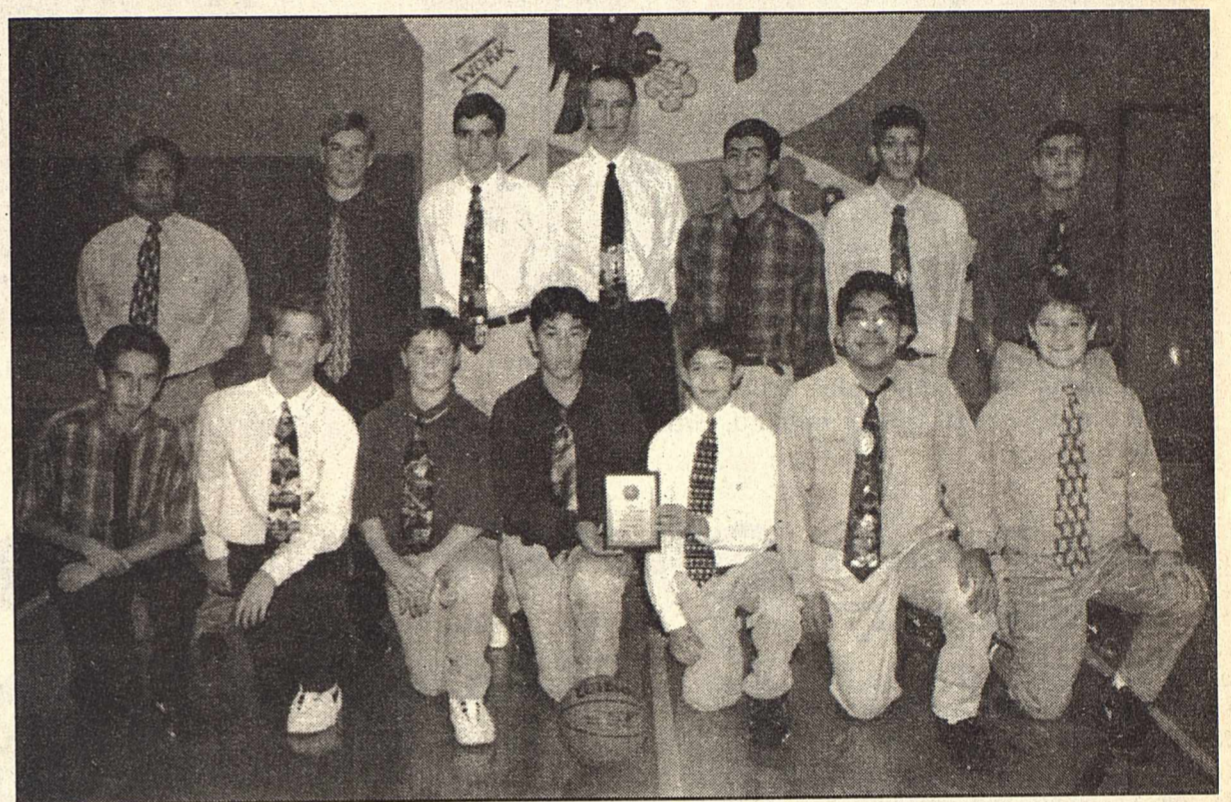
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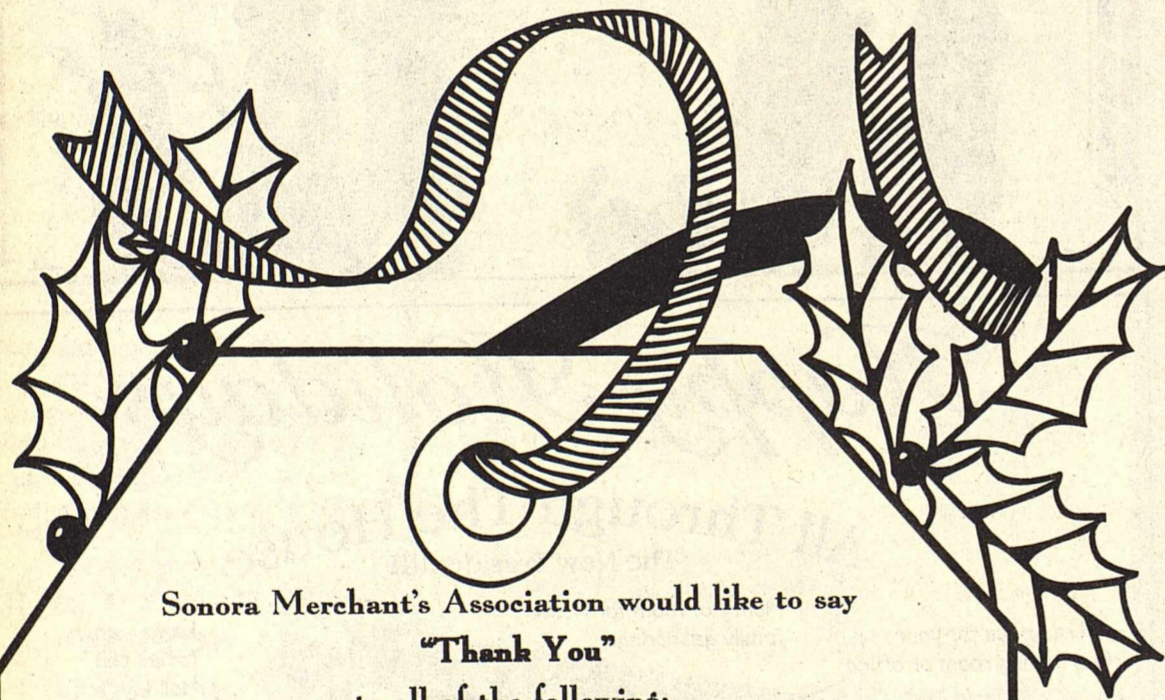


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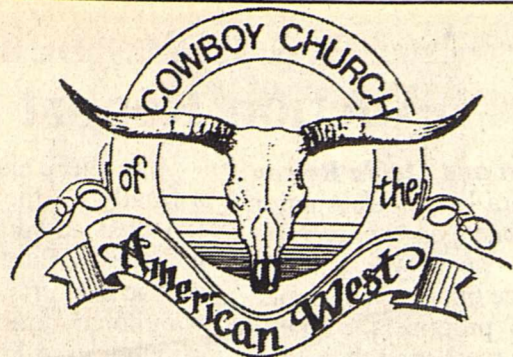
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**Holidays Are Chance To Mend And Build Relationships**

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While celebration and expectation, family, and friends are part of the holiday season, forgiveness often is forgotten in the rush. Family members see one another and remember old times--the good and the bad--and sometimes grudges replace giving. Instead, the holiday season can be a perfect opportunity to "mend fences" and build stronger relationships, according to family therapist Dr. Bill Anderson, associate professor of family sciences at Texas

Woman's University.

"Our society has brainwashed us to think in terms of buy and spend, to expect more and to spend more and to equate money with happiness. Then we tie these ideas in with family--and it doesn't work," says Anderson. "Christmas and the holidays are a time of giving, regardless of religious orientation. It is a time to take stock of our relationships, particularly in our families--both the family of our origin and our immediate family--and to consider ways

that we can give to one another. And we should forgive and ask for forgiveness."

Family, according to Anderson, is a place or an environment where people can have the best (closeness and friendship) or the worst (separation, anger, and grudges). He says that families should ask themselves: how can I give to my children, spouse or parents? "What gets in the way of this process is the fact that we live together; family members know our weaknesses and we know theirs. When we live with people in the same house and share our lives, there is more possibility of hurt than with neighbors or co-workers.

"We have to remember that love is reciprocal; therefore, the higher the expectations we have of our home life, the greater the chance we will be disappointed," he adds.

What steps can families take to forgive and grow, particularly during the holiday season? Anderson suggests focusing more on time together and less on gifts. "Families today make choices: is it more important to watch TV or to turn it off and talk with a spouse or the children, for example. We can control some of the fast pace of life--talk or go for a walk together. We still have the same amount of time together as we had as families 50 years ago--we just have to make choices to spend more time together."

He fondly remembers one family's gift to each other sever-

al years ago--love letters to one another, instead of presents from the store. Anderson says, "During the holiday season, we should ask ourselves: what would I like to contribute this Christmas? What would my family members like from me?" Families should focus on people, not consumerism because "society's focus on consumerism has made us a lonely society."

So...how can we mend family "fences"--relationships and connections that have broken down because of unrealistic expectations or hurt feelings? Forgiveness is the key, plus communication. "Life is too short to get even with everyone," says Anderson. "Holding a grudge eats away at people and makes them unhappy. People live together, hurt each other, and must forgive; otherwise, we end up isolated and unhappy."

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**I went in to see a chiropractor with neck pain; but, he's treating my low back. Is this usual?**

The spine operates as a very complex unit with all the parts connected. One of the first things a chiropractor will do is evaluate your posture and balance starting from the feet on up. If they find a leg discrepancy, it would be common for them to recommend an orthotic for your feet. As they evaluate your spine they will note areas of instability. It is not at all uncommon for

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the spine to compensate for an area of pain in another region. As an example, if a patient sits at a desk all day long working at a computer they may end up with neck pain. As the neck begins to become unbalanced and painful, other areas of the spine will rotate in an attempt to ease the stress in the neck. During the exam the chiropractor will be able to note these compensatory locations and will need to adjust both areas, if necessary in order to help you.

**Why do I sometimes feel light headed after being adjusted by my chiropractor?**

Chiropractic adjustments to the neck frequently involve a turning and twisting motion that can effect one's sense of balance vis a vis the inner ear. Several diagnostic tests performed by the doctor can also create a dizzy sensation, as can many athletic activities or even a visit to the salon when your head is tipped back in the basin to have your hair washed. When the head is turned changes in blood pressure may also cause one to feel light headed. This is nothing to be concerned about; but, should be reported to the doctor that is adjusting you as this could be important to your future care.

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The Sonora Police Department had a very active week.

- Made arrest at Kasey Korner Apartment for family violence.
- Investigated theft at I-10 Exxon, amount stolen was \$785.00
- DWI & PI, females from Eldorado, failed to signal.
- DWI and evading arrest, pursued local man on 277 South, pulled over 8 miles

out of town. Driver was 18, passenger was a juvenile, he detained then released into parent's custody. Driver had a double bladed knife.

- Burglary of motor vehicle occurred at 1111 Tayloe Ave. Friday and Saturday, December 6-7, two .22 cal. rifles stolen from an 81 Chevy pick-up.
- Bike theft, looking for black frame BMX 18 speed stolen from 801 St. Ann's Ave.
- Criminal Mischief at Sonora High School under investigation.

- Two PI arrests, 4 theft of services totaling \$74.91, 2 DWI, 47 traffic tickets and 68 warnings.

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Producers Livestock Auction Co Report Fri Dec 06, 1996, Close and Weekly:

Cattle and Calf Auction: Estimated Receipts for Today: 1250; Estimated Receipts for the Week: 4250; Two Weeks Ago: 6132; Same Week Last Year: 5094;

Compared with two weeks ago, feeder steers and heifers 1.00-2.00 higher. Slaughter cows firm to 1.00 higher, bulls steady. Stock cows and pairs steady. Trading active, demand good. Quality full range from plain to attractive. Supply included 50 percent calves, 25 percent slaughter cows and bulls, 15 percent stock cows and pairs, 10 percent yearlings.

Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1 300-400 lb 73.00-80.00; 400-500 lb 63.00-73.50, few 75.00-76.00; 500-600 lb 60.00-68.00, set 70.00, and set 506 lb 76.00; 600-700 lb 58.00-65.25; 700-800 lb 57.00-64.00.

Medium and Large 1-2 200-300 lb 68.00-78.00; 300-400 lb 61.00-73.00; 400-500 lb 52.00-63.00; 500-600 lb 51.00-60.00; 600-700 lb 50.00-58.00; 700-900 lb 50.00-57.00.

Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1 300-400 lb 56.00-65.00; 400-500 lb 53.00-61.00; 500-700 lb 52.00-59.00, set replacement 547 lb 63.00; 700-850 lbs 52.00-56.50.

Medium and large 1-2 200-300 lb 55.00-60.00; 300-400 lb 47.00-56.00; 400-500 lb 45.00-53.00; 500-700 lb 42.00-52.50; 700-800 lb 43.00-52.00.

Slaughter Cows: few Breaking Utility 2-3 28.00-33.50; Cutter and Boning Utility 1-2 25.00-32.50, high-dressing 32.75-35.00; Canner and low-Cutter 1-2 15.50-24.50.

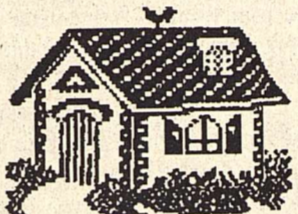
Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1-2 1400-2100 lb 37.00-42.00, high-dressing 43.50; low-dressing 1100-1600 lb 31.00-37.50.

Pregnancy Tested Stock Cows and Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2 450.00-530.00 per head; Medium 1-2 310.00-450.00 per head.

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by Robert and Maida Bryson  
Sonora Livestock Auction had its one year anniversary sale last week. We held 75 sales since opening our doors; gave the producers a viable choice in marketing their livestock, and gave 100 plus people needed jobs. We certainly want to express our thanks to the producers and buyers who have stood by us and supported our new and exciting venture. Your confidence in our program is most gratifying!!

The sales last month; November 2-30 showed a strong demand for all classes of livestock. Our numbers also increased considerably, as did the number of new buyers. We saw cattle increase at a steady pace: cows \$2-\$3 higher as compared to the previous week. Feeder steers and heifers \$1-\$2 higher, with instances \$4 higher on good to choice calves weighing 400-500 pounds, yearling steers and heifers were steady to \$1 higher. Cow/calf pairs sold \$500 to \$625 per pair with calves weighing 200-300 pounds. We still to fill some of these orders. The packer cows and bulls are in strong demand and are showing a stronger market than previous weeks.

The sheep and goat market is finally on the up side of a very unsteady market in previous weeks. The best increases were in new crop lambs which saw choice number one lambs bringing up to \$1.05. Yearling ewes are in strong demand with the most interest showing a market of \$75-\$105 per head. Spanish nannies still on the up side with an increase in demand of fat nannies going to Mexico, Spanish nannies ranged from \$39-\$55 per head. Spanish kids 70-85 CWT, small Spanish kids \$18-\$25 per head. Angora goats were \$2-\$5 higher with fat nannies ranging from 35-40 CWT, Angora kids at 50-60 CWT.

We will have a second annual All Breed Bull Sale in February or March, watch for dates. We are also going to hold our second annual Boer and Meat Goat Sale in May. Starting the first Saturday in January 1997, we will continue to hold our monthly Horse and Tack Sale the first Saturday of each month, immediately following the sheep/goat sale and before we sale the cattle. Please try to attend our weekly sales for good family entertainment and help us market the livestock of this area.

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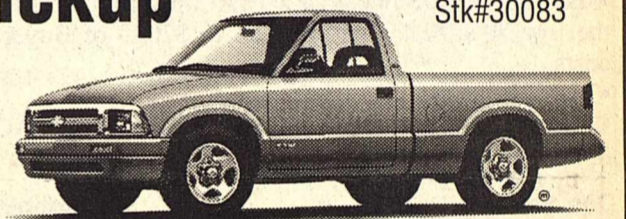
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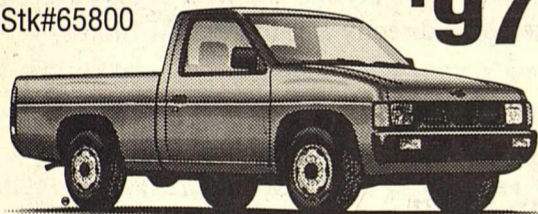
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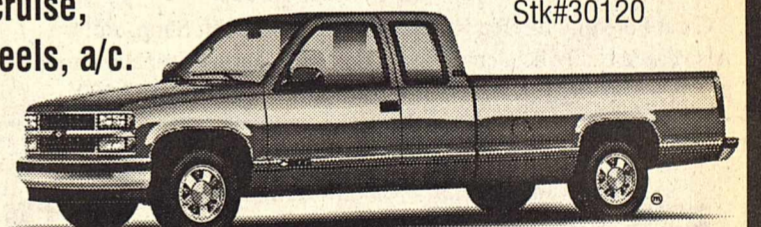
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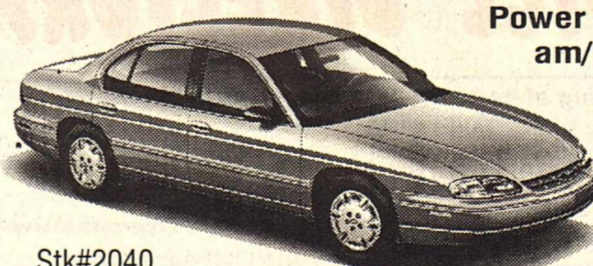


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