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“What Is The Purpose of The Sutton County Committee On Aging?”

The question has been raised “What is the purpose of the Sutton County Committee on Aging?” It is a valid one and we are delighted to answer.

The Committee was incorporated as a non-profit organization in 1974 with money donated from a Bake Sale following a meeting before the County Judge and Commissioners for approval. Our sole purpose is to benefit ALL Senior Citizens in Sutton County.

Although we meet monthly at the Senior Center, we are not part of it. We do provide for the Center as much as possible. We try to fill their needs not covered in their budget, and have for the last 25 years.

Before there was a Senior Center we had activities for Seniors first in the Methodist Church basement, then in the Home Economics room at the Elliott School. Since the Center has been open our donations

to it have been constant. Through the generosity of many, and our fund raisers this has been possible. Not just monetary donations, but time, interest and items in use at the Center. We have provided: tablecloths, dinnerware, flatware glassware, kitchen utensils, camera and film, telephones, desk, pool table, furniture, TV's, VCR and stereo systems to name a few. Prior to December 1998 we furnished all coffee and tea. We have funded building repairs and painting. We bought or furnished materials for decorations plus the floats for Sutton County Days Parades. We spearheaded the kitchen renovation, making it easier for employees and participants. We have sponsored a Golf Tournament.

The lifeline is very important to us and has been in place 15 years. During that time Ray Smith has diligently maintained the system. Our original units are becoming obsolete but Ray continues to seek parts and

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staff photo

Bob Brockman - local Rancher, and Mary Humphrey - Game Biologist TDPW, hold a 6 ft. Texas Indigo for Sonora 4th and 5th grader's. The Texas Indigo was captured by Cindy Teasley at her office. The Texas Indigo snake is one of the largest snakes in Texas. Adults can be 5-7 feet in length. Some exceptional Indigos reach a length in excess of 8 feet! Even the babies are long, 18-26" at hatching. The snake is non-venomous. Foods include; mammals, birds, snakes (including venomous snakes). The Texas Indigo is a protected species in Texas. Mary Humphrey will release the snake at some remote location in the county to insure maximum survivability.



staff photo

A gathering of friends and supporters at Los Jarritos restaurant on Tuesday, September 14th honored the Democratic Candidate for the 23rd Congressional seat, Isidro Garza, Jr., P.E. of Eagle Pass, Texas.

Garza And Friends Dine At Local Restaurant

Mr. Garza was born in 1950 to Mr. Isidro M. Garza, a fireman, and Mrs. Carmen Tovar Garza, who worked for J. J. Neberry's. The second child in a family of nine, he and his family picked the crop, eventually migrating to Michigan to pick cucumbers and tomatoes. He is a Class of '73 graduate from Texas A&M University with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. He has been married for twenty seven years to the former Martha Catalina Gonzalez. Their three sons are Isidro Xavier, Timoteo, and

Fernando.

“Martha and I are overwhelmed by the support of the people of Sonora. This support stems from their great needs, desire for change, and clinging on to hope,” stated Mr. Garza. “I am enthused by the different political factions coming together behind this campaign.” He went on to say that, “This success is not for Isidro, but for change for the better that his candidacy symbolizes.”

The candidates wife, Mrs. Martha Garza, supported her hus-

band by stating, “It has been exciting meeting new friends, and seeing the same issues around the district. There is a lot of discontent, and Isidro represents the change needed.” She went on to say that, “we hope to reach the entire population of the 23rd Congressional district.”

Mr. Garza added, “On behalf of Martha and myself, we wish to express our heartfelt congratulations to Storie Sharp and her family, on the birth of her daughter. May God bless them.”



Photo by Bill Sawyer

Front Row L-R, Tom Zane, Gerry Ingham, Paul Gasek, Jennifer Diamond, Curtis Perry (Top L-R), Casey Fitzgerald, Bill Sawyer, David Renner, Seco Mayfield

Filmmaker Visits Caverns of Sonora

Everyone at The Caverns of Sonora has been having lots of fun with five very exciting visitors. Paul Gasek, film producer, Jennifer Diamond, production assistant, Tom Zane, photographer, David Renner, sound engineer, and Curtis Perry, lighting specialist, have been working on a documentary for The Learning Channel. Assisted by Seco Mayfield, Bill Sawyer, Casey Fitzgerald, and Shawn Felts, they filmed inside the Caverns for two days. This footage will become part of a feature called “Understanding Caves”, which will air on The Learning Channel sometime in the spring of 2000.

Paul Gasek owns a company called Stony Brook Films in Brewster, Massachusetts. He works year round on projects for both The Discovery Channel and The Learning Channel. Jennifer Diamond is employed by The Cronkite - Ward Company of Washington, D.C.

They are the production company. Tom Zane, photographer, lives in Albuquerque, New Mexico, and is noted for a film he did recently in Carlsbad Caverns National Park called “The Spirit of Exploration.” David Renner, also from Albuquerque, has worked with Tom on several shoots. Curtis Perry has a company called Guadalupe Mountain Outfitters, and lives in Carlsbad, New Mexico.

In addition to their other talents, Tom, David, and Curtis are experienced cavers. Paul and Jennifer are true professionals who engage in

thorough research with close personal attention before starting any project. Their next stop on the way to completing this one, is underwater caves in and around Florida, where they will film cave divers.

All of us at the Caverns will be

anxiously awaiting news of air dates and times and will convey this information to everyone as soon as possible. Here's hoping this will result in renewed interest in this part of the country and in our community as a whole.

Lock-Up Raises \$6,000



staff photo

Erica Morriss, of Sonora, does a little 'hard time' during the MDA lock-up at the First National Bank Annex last Wednesday.

The Muscular Dystrophy Association and “Jerry's Kids” would like to thank the residents of Sonora for their support in the MDA lock-up that was held at the First National Bank Annex on September 15, 1999.

Because of the time and energy you devoted to the event - you raised over \$6,000. The money you raised goes towards sending a child to summer camp, medical treatment, and purchasing and repairing wheelchairs. Your contribution assists over 200 MDA patients in the West Texas area.

Lions Raise Over \$12,000 At Auction



James Huffman, of the Sonora Lions Club, reported that the Tuesday night lions auction was very successful. With Preston Faris and Trey Rushing as auctioneers and wonderful community support the Lions raised \$12,725. Highlights - Ruth Espy purchased the Mystery Gift. Lee Van Tucker purchased the autographed Dallas Cowboy football, with dreams in the future. Michelle McGeath won the door prize of two nights lodging in San Antonio, Texas.

Sonora Church Directory

<p>PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA Rick Sanchez 504 Santa Clara 387-2035</p> <p>CHURCH OF CHRIST Terry Bishop, Minister 304 N. Water 387-3190</p> <p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. Taylor Norman, Interim 404 E Oak 387-2951</p> <p>ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH Rev. Ted W. Harris 404 E. Poplar 387-2955</p> <p>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Rev. Suzanne Steves, Pastor 201 N. Water 387-2466</p> <p>JERUSALEM ASAMBLEA DE DIOS St. Ann's Street 387-3600</p> <p>HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH Rev. Charles Huffman 417 E. 2nd St. 387-5366</p> <p>NEW LIFE MINISTRY CENTER Jerry & Joy Wood 204 E. Main 387-3241</p>	<p>THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD PRESBYTERIAN Lewis Allen, Pastor 319 E. Mulberry 387-2616</p> <p>LIGHTHOUSE BAPTIST CHURCH Corner of Hwy. 277 S. and Glasscock</p> <p>PENTECOSTAL CALVARY TEMPLE UNITED Randy Greenwood Pastor 509 Amistad 387-5266</p> <p>ST. ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH Father William DuBuisson, O.M.I. 229 W. Plum 387-2278</p> <p>JEHOVAH'S WITNESS 310 St. Ann's Street 387-5658 or 387-5518</p> <p>NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH Don Seigler 511 Cornell 387-3018</p> <p>COWBOY CHURCH Monty Price Auction Barn Wednesday 7:00 p.m.</p>
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Who's Who

Thomas Schenkel holding the saddle he won August 14th for the 1999 13-15 All-Around Cowboy of the West Texas Rodeo Association.

Region II of the Texas High School Rodeo Association kicked off their year with two successful rodeos in Ozona on September 11th & 12th. Participating from Sonora were Kendra Jones, Stetson Hall and Thomas Schenkel. Kendra serves as the Region II Student Breakaway director and also as the Student Secretary. Thomas is the Student Calf Roping director and Student Vice President.

Kendra split first and second on Saturday in the breakaway roping with a time of 2.8. She won Saturday's goat tying with a fast 7.7. Saturday's rodeo also saw Thomas place third in the calf roping by tying a 11.0. On Sunday Thomas tied a 10.3 to win second place.

Javier Flores

Javier Flores, son of Jesus and Odelmara Flores, received a Master of Arts in Educational Management and Development from New Mexico State University during the May 1999 Commencement Ceremonies.

In July 1999, Flores assumed the role of Assistant Dean of Students at Howard College in Big Spring, Texas.

Flores and his wife, Christy, and son, Taybor, now live in Big Spring. Javier is a 1987 graduate of Sonora High School and a 1991 graduate of Texas Tech University with a Bachelors of Arts in Political Science.

Card of Thanks

I am not smart enough to express my feelings to all of you that attended my Hamburger Supper, but thank you and a special thanks to the ladies and cooks. Also, thanks to the people that donated food to make this possible. God Bless All of You,
Thanks,
Oscar Ovalle

Ronnie Cox would like to be your pharmacist.

Senior Center News

Sept. 24- Kooking with Kelly! Nutrition Program. Go Broncos beat Brackettville!

Sept. 27- BINGO!

Sept. 28 - Exercise with Video! 3:00 p.m.

Sept. 29 - Visit Nursing Home

Senior Center Menu

Sept. 24 - Fried catfish, hominy, okra/tomato gumbo, roll, apple crisp, milk.

Sept. 27 - Frito pie, corn chips, chili/cheese, spinach, bread, tossed salad with croutons, applesauce.

Sept. 28 - Spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, garlic bread, fruit cocktail, pound cake, milk.

Sept. 29 - Steakfingers with gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli, roll, peach cobbler, milk.

Sept. 30 - Ham with pineapple, corn, macaroni & cheese, roll, peaches, lemon bar, milk.

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



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Homecoming 1999

Don't Miss the Fun! Come to the Sonora Homecoming 1999.

The Homecoming Committee, the Merchants Association, and the Main Street Program would like to invite you to a weekend of fun activities. We will have a "Short of the Border" Fiesta and Market Day on Saturday, September 25, 1999. The fun, music, crafts and celebration will begin at 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. on Main Street downtown Sonora.

The 1999 Sonora Homecoming Parade will be on Friday, September 24, at 3:30 p.m. and a Sutton County Courthouse Pep Rally will follow the Parade. Go Broncos! Beat Brackettville!

Pre-game activities will begin at 7:30 p.m. with game starting at 8:00 p.m. at Bronco Stadium. The crowning of 1999 Homecoming Queen will be held during halftime. Followed by an after-game party at 10:00 p.m. at Sutton County Steakhouse with all former students, teachers, spouses, etc. invited.

We will give out goodie bags at registration on Saturday, September 25, 1999. All activities will be at the new Civic Center (old 4-H Barn site), beginning with cinnamon rolls being served at registration from 9:30 a.m. A \$10.00 fee per person helps us pay for the after game party, brunch, lunch, mail outs, and other expenses. Children under 10 will be charged \$3.00.

Mothers of ex-students are encourage to attend as our special honorees this year.

At 11:00 a.m. John Paul Friess, Class of 64, will recognize the honored classes of 34, 39, 44, 49, 54, 59, 64, 69, 74, 79, 84, and 89. Photos will be made and mailed to the members of each of these classes.

Lunch will be at noon with barbecue, beans, salads, and desserts prepared by local exes. The "Legends & Lies of Sutton County" actors are on strike, but there will be a Cheerleaders, Twirlers, and Football Players Blast from the Past Contest. There will be wonderful prizes and gift certificates from our Sonora Merchants, Restaurants, and Sonora Chamber of Commerce.

At the conclusion of the program, please take time to visit downtown Sonora. At the back of our Texas Downtown Association award winning park, free lemonade will be served. The Miers Home Museum with local "Ranch Women Exhibit", the Depot, and the Old Jail, will be open for tours from 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Obituary

Dale Richardson

Dale Richardson, 45, of Sonora died Thursday, September 16, 1999, in a San Angelo hospital.

Graveside services were held at 10 a.m. Monday in Sonora Cemetery. Arrangements were by Kerbow Funeral Home.

He was born May 15, 1954, in San Antonio. He was a dispatcher for Dowell and a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Liz Richardson of Sonora; two sons, Derrick Richardson of Fort Stockton and Jonathan Richardson of San Antonio; four daughters, Catherine Canon, Kimberly Canon, Kayla Canon and Kendra Richardson, all of Sonora; his mother Joy Barrett of San Antonio; his maternal grandmother, Myrtle Brazile of San Antonio; two sisters, Judy Thomas and Tommye Janosik, both of San Angelo; and four grandchildren.

School Lunch Menu

Sept. 27 - Oct. 1

Breakfast

Mon.- Pancakes, syrup, juice or fruit.
Tues.- Scrambled eggs, bacon, toast, juice or fruit.
Wed.- Muffins, juice, fruit.
Thurs.- Grilled cheese, French fries, juice or fruit.
Fri.- Ham & egg burrito, juice or fruit.
Milk and cereal offered with all breakfasts.

Lunch

Mon.- Pizza, corn, tossed salad, Ranch dressing, apple bake.
Tues.- Chili dogs, tator tots, cheese, jello.
Wed.- Beef & cheese burritos, Spanish rice, cheese, lettuce & tomato salad, cobbler.
Thurs.- Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, peas, carrots, hot rolls, fruit.
Fri.- Hamburger/Cheeseburger, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, potato wedges, brownies.

Dining Out Directory

- Dairy Queen
134 N. Hwy 277
387-2118
- Food Center Deli
600 S. Crockett Ave.
387-5616
- La Mexicana
240 N. Hwy 277
387-3401
- Los Jarritos
605 S. Crockett
387-2838
- Pizza Hut
401 Hwy. 277 N.
387-3540
- Rosie's Cafe
207 Glasscock Ave
387-5552
- Sutton County Steakhouse
1306 N. Service Rd
387-3833
- Town & Country Subway
610 S. Crockett
387-6181
- Town & Country - Country Kitchen
903 N. Crockett Ave.
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<p style="text-align: center;">Sept. 23 Community</p> <p>Sutton Co. Emergency Management 1:00 p.m. at Sutton Co. EMS Training Room</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sept. 24</p> <p>Homecoming Parade 3:30 p.m. Pre-Game 7:30 p.m. Broncos vs Brackettville 8:00 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sept. 24</p> <p>Sonora Tennis & Track/Cross Country will host a Homecoming Enchilada Dinner at High School 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>The Community Calendar</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">SUTTON COUNTY THE BANK & TRUST S.S.B. MEMBER FDIC 207 N Hwy 277 N • 387-2593</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Calendar</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sept. 25</p> <p>Homecoming Activities @ Civic Center beginning 9:00 a.m. Short of the Border Market Days</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sept. 28</p> <p>Training for M44/LPC License - Big Lake Call Robert 884-2335</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sept. 30</p> <p>Fall Festival • 4:00 p.m. Chamber Luncheon 12:00 Noon Sutton Co. Steakhouse</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>is made possible by :</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"> P.O. BOX 798 • SONORA, TEXAS 76950 (915) 387-3861 Member FDIC</p>
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Ask the Historical Society



Can anyone identify the young lady in this Noah Rose photo?

by Jo-Ann E. Palmer

Q. Was J. B. G. Chetwynd ever in Sonora?

A. In volume A, pages 36 and 37, there is record of a sale by Charlie Adams to P. Hurst for lots 1, 2 and 3 of block E and lot 3 of block B. Also recorded is the sale of lot 6, block D to J. B. G. Chetwynd, of Tom Green County. Both deeds were made and notarized in San Angelo and refer to "a map of said town as drawn by J. B. Chetwynd." I have not been able to find a map drawn by J. B. G. Chetwynd, the earliest we show is one by McNicol. We have found reference to Mr. Chetwynd being in Sonora with large groups heading out into the field for hunting but no reference to his having a residence here.

Q. Where is the outlaw Clay Allison buried?

A. Clay Allison, believed to be one of the fastest gunslingers of the West wasn't killed in a gunfight. Seems that on the day of his death he had loaded a wagon with feed and started to his ranch when a sack of grain started to slide from the wagon. Allison made a grab for the sack and was pulled from the wagon by

its weight. He fell quite heavily and the wheels of the wagon passed over him. He was buried in an unmarked grave in a cemetery in Pecos.

Q. About 1968, a family was killed south of Sonora. Do you have any information on this?

A. On or about Tuesday, April 16, 1968, babies were stabbed and beaten, a teenage girl stripped and raped, then killed, her mother and father killed. The dead were identified as Manuel Arellano, 25, of Fuentes, Mexico, his wife, Monica, 25, and sister Rose Arellano, 19. Also found dead was a toddler boy, Eduardo, 1, the son of Manuel and Monica. Huge stab wounds ripped the toddler's back and he was found face down in a patch of weeds not far from the body of his father. Two other children of Manuel and Monica were found barely alive. They were listed as Leticia, 2 years old, shot in the head and taken to Hudspeth Hospital where she died as a result of her injuries and Manuel, 5 years old, was taken to Del Rio then San Antonio for treatment of multiple stab wounds. W. R. Whitehead made the grisly discovery on Wednesday morning.

This case is still listed as

unsolved murders. In 1968 we did not have the technology we do now for collecting, preserving and analyzing evidence. The murderer or murderers of this family are still at large.

Q. Did Bonnie Parker ever live in Sonora?

A. Not that I could find. Bonnie Parker was born near Rowena in 1910. She lived there and in Ballinger then moved to Dallas, where in the early 1930's she teamed up with Clyde Barrow. Bonnie Parker was only about 4 ft 11 in. tall and weighed about 100 pounds. Clyde Barrow was not a very big man either. These two were credited with over 15 murders. After a 15,000 mile chase over six states Ex-Texas Ranger Capt. Frank Hamer and a special commission finally caught the pair near Arcadia, Louisiana.

About 167 rounds were fired at the pair and about 50 of them hit either Bonnie or Clyde. A pistol was found in Clyde's hand and a machine gun in Bonnie's. Also found in their vehicle were two riot guns, three submachine guns, eight automatic pistols, a 38 revolver and 3,000 rounds of ammunition. Bonnie and Clyde were buried in Dallas.

Q. Was there anything in the paper on the marriage of George Hagelstein in 1895?

A. Devil's River News, June 15, 1895. The marriage of Miss Maud March and Mr. George Hagelstein took place Wednesday night at the Presbyterian church, San Angelo, Rev. Mr. Storey officiating. The bride is the attractive sister of Dr. March. The groom is the junior partner of the well-known hardware firm of Chris & Geo. Hagelstein. The Devil's River News extends best wishes.

In the same issue we found some other little bits of information we thought we would share with you:

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Birtrong returned from a trip to San Angelo Friday.

J. T. Wilson of Mason county,

brought a load of fruit to Sonora last week and sold out for \$100.

The Commissioners Court of Sutton County put valuations as follows:

Cattle \$9; sheep \$1.25; land \$1.75.

Wm. I. Babb returned from Coleman county with his stock horses Friday. He will range them at the Parson Babb ranch which he purchased recently.

Go to the Maud S. Saloon the only first-class 10 cent house in West Texas. Lemps, keg beer always on tap. Everything on ice.

Harvest Corn or 3 pound Clayton tomatoes at \$2.40 a case at Mayer Bros. & Co.

O. T. Word returned from Chicago Tuesday.

There will be a grand tournament in Sonora on July 4th for a fine saddle manufactured by R. C. Dawson.

Mr. and Mrs. Irve Ellis were in town Thursday trading and Miss Florence Traweck arrived from Menardville Sunday on a short visit home.

Bill Carr liveryman at Sherwood and agent for Gallup & Frazer saddle was in Sonora Wednesday. Bill was at one time cook for the 6 outfit and is well known around this part of the country.

G. B. Duke, the blacksmith will shoe horses for \$1 a set, for cash, as long as he can buy shoes as cheap as at present.

S. D. Foote and S. G. Tayloe had an advertisement for Foot & Tayloe Attorneys-at-Law, Sonora, Texas.

If you have any questions concerning Sutton County history, send them to "Ask the Historical Society", P. O. Box 885, Sonora, TX 76950-0885 or e-mail them to schs@sonoratx.net You may call me at 915-387-2855 with questions also. Remember we are here to help you and the only "stupid" question is one that isn't asked.

Gilbert Receives Flight Training



Micki Gilbert, daughter of Aline Schwiening Gilbert and the late Robert Gilbert; granddaughter of Wilna Schwiening, and mother of Cade Kinnibrugh of Cedar Creek, recently graduated from Continental Airline In Flight Training July 29.

She is currently based in Newark, NJ. She graduated from Bastrop High School in 1993.

Kerbows Celebrate Fifty Years



A reception for Jack and Gloria Kerbow was held Saturday Sept. 18, 1999 at the Sutton County Community Center. Hosts for the reception were their children and families. Jack Herbert Kerbow and Gloria Maxine Bogswess were married on September 128, 1949 in Archer City.

Since their marriage they have lived in Olney and Sonora. Jack is a retired Funeral Director having owned and operated Kerbow Funeral Homes in Sonora and Eldorado. Gloria has assisted Jack with the family business. He is a member of Dee Ora Masonic Lodge and they are both members of the Eastern Star. The couple are members of the 1st United Methodist Church.

They have 2 children, Kay Kibbe and husband Robert of Bridge City and Bruce and wife Jessie of Sonora, 3 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

It is a rough road that leads to the heights of greatness.
—Lucius Annaeus Seneca

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Committee on Aging

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repairs. Units now cost \$500. Several residents have generously donated monies for units, the Cauthorn Trust has helped and proceeds from our fund raisers plus Ray's attention keep this vital service intact. Ray is very special to users and to us.

Every year we have the Bar-B-Que during Sutton County Days. The monies from it are used for Seniors. Each year we sponsor the trip to the H.E.B. Camp in Junction. In December, we sponsor the annual trip to San Antonio arranging for meals, activities and lodging at a reasonable cost. We have always been responsible for the monthly birthday parties at the Center. We have an Annual Christmas Party there with great food provided by members and other volunteers with any "extras" paid for by the Committee.

In the past we have had a fund raiser at the Center for Valentine's Day with an Enchilada Dinner and Dance. The Old Tyme Band is so gracious to give of their time and talent and they are so appreciated and enjoyed by all.

The Committee meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Senior Center. We invite you to join us as we welcome all information concerning Sutton County Senior Citizens.

Committee members are: Marie Aldwell, Jim Brisbin, Gaile Cade, Vivian Crites, Hershel and Jeanne Davenport, Paul DePugh, Alda Duran, Mary Lou Gilly, Luan King, Johnny and Pauline Ringold, Brigitte Rogers, Pete Samaniego, Carmen Sanchez, Lura Sawyer, Ray Smith and Beverly Valliant.

Concert At Sonora Depot

Craig Campbell and his friends, The Revelators will be featured Sunday, October 3 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Depot (Amphitheater, weather permitting), in Sonora.

Craig is founder of Texas Music Ministries, an organization whose mission is to bring diverse Texas music ministries together through large and small scale events to reach people from all walks of life and musical tastes, and to provide support for deserving music ministries enabling them to record their music and begin to support themselves.

Craig also founded the gospel songwriters' festival, "Sunday in Luckenbach", and is featured on the two albums recorded live at the festival.

He has 2 albums receiving critical acclaim for songwriting, and is currently recording an album with Todd Harvey, Del Way and Jeff Gore which is scheduled for release by the end of the year.

Craig's style of ballad-type songwriting with simple, frequently humorous lyrics and music, is unique, and inspirational.

The Revelators, a music ministry based in San Antonio, are also featured on "Sunday in Luckenbach" albums, specializing in the "Good News Blues".

Bring a blanket and a friend and enjoy an inspirational evening under the stars!

Jr. High Red/White Scrimmage

Last Thursday night, the Sonora Colt football schedule was open, allowing for a Red/White scrimmage. Both teams comprised a mix of 7th and 8th grade Colts and the evening was handled as a game-like situation. Almost all the stops were pulled as some players found themselves in new and various positions for the evening. Much yardage was compiled by both offenses as the Red team scored on four occa-

sions; two runs by Scottie Moore, a run by Wilson Wallace, and a TD reception by Laramie Hall from Scottie Moore. The White team scored on a long run by Chris Martin. All of the players saw good playing time in an exciting match up. The Colts are back to regular play this Thursday at Bronco Stadium versus Brackettville.

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 Dan Dockery
 Mondo Robles
 Carol Love
 Harvey Sepeda

September 26
 Laurie Gibbens
 Jennifer E. Gonzales
 Debbie Hard
 Jenny Hunt
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September 27
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 Jose Espinosa, Sr.
 Kurt Hadsall
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Sonora Broncos Football 1999

	Them	Broncos
Aug. 27	Colorado City	7 42
Sept. 3	Reagan County	7 10
Sept. 10	Brady	14 25
Sept. 17	Alpine	16 53
Sept. 24	Brackettville	Home 8:00
Oct. 1	Open	
Oct. 8	*Junction	There 8:00
Oct. 15	*Ozona	Home 8:00
Oct. 22	*Forsan	There 8:00
Oct. 29	*Wall	There 8:00
Nov. 5	*Eldorado	Home 8:00

*District 2-2A Game
 Homecoming: Sept. 24 - Brackettville

Bronco JV

Aug. 26	Colorado City	0	28
Sept. 2	Reagan County	0	27
Sept. 9	Brady	6	44
Sept. 16	Alpine	14	27
Sept. 23	Brackettville	There	6:00
Sept. 30	Open		
Oct. 7	Junction	Home	6:00
Oct. 14	Ozona	There	5:00/6:30
Oct. 21	Forsan	Home	6:00
Oct. 28	Wall	Home	6:30
Nov. 4	Eldorado	There	6:30

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Sept. 2	Reagan County	6	18	
Sept. 9	Brady	18	20	6 0
Sept. 16	Red & White			
Sept. 23	Brackettville	Home		5:30/7
Sept. 30	Colorado City	There		5:30/7
Oct. 7	Junction	There		5/6:30
Oct. 14	Ozona	Home		5/6:30
Oct. 21	Open			
Oct. 28	Wall	There		5/6:30
Nov. 4	Eldorado	Home		5/6:30

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WTU Seek Approval for Fuel Surcharge

West Texas Utilities Company (WTU) has filed a request with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) to recover approximately \$6.4 million in under-collected fuel costs and interest from retail customers. WTU has

requested approval to increase the fuel factors used to recover fuel costs that the company incurs to provide electric service in the future by approximately \$15.9 million a year. Under PUCT rules, utility companies do not make a profit or incur a loss on the fuel portion of the bill.

WTU proposes to recover the \$6.4 million in under-collections through a surcharge over the six-month period from January through June 2000. WTU also proposes to increase the factors used to calculate the fuel charge portion of the bill beginning with December 1999 bills.

The PUCT requires investor owned utilities in Texas, like WTU, to forecast the annual cost of fuel to generate electricity at their power plants. Based on these forecasts, a fuel factor charge is developed to recover the cost from customers. When actual costs for fuel are significantly more than what out of state customers are paying through their monthly bills, the PUCT allows the utility to request permission to recover the additional amount through what is called a "surcharge". When the fuel costs are anticipated to change from their current levels for an extended period of time, the electric utility may request permission to adjust the monthly fuel factor used to calculate the fuel charge portion of customers' bill.

F.Y.I.

Broncos - VS - Brackettville
 Sept. 23, 1999
 J.V - There - 6:00 p.m.
 Sept. 24, 1999
 Varsity - Home - 8:00 p.m.

Fiesta & Market Days "Short of the Border" September 25th, 9:00a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Downtown Sonora. Door Prizes every hour.

School picture retakes will be on September 30th. Picture retake order forms will be passed out on your child's campus. You must have the original pictures to turn in on the day of retakes. For questions please call Kristin Keel at the high school at 387-6533 ext. 315

The Journalism Department will be sponsoring a dunking booth at the Fall Festival on September 28th. The cost is only one dollar for a chance to dunk a coach, principal or superintendent. The schedule will be as follows: 4:30 p.m. Coach John Creek; 5:00 p.m. Dr. Bill Harlan; 5:30 p.m. Mr. Cody Eoff; 6:00 p.m. Coach Eddie Favila; 6:30 Coach Jason Herring; 7:00 Mr. Steve McCam; 7:30 Coach Brian Lowe. All proceeds benefit the Journalism Department.

Adult education classes will begin October 5. Classes will be scheduled on Tuesday and Thursday from 6:30 - 9:00 p.m. at the Sonora Middle School. Classes will include ESL and GED. GED students will need to attend the first week for testing purposes. For more information call 387-3029 after 4:00 p.m.

Clases de educacion para adultos comenzaran el 5 de octubre. Las clases seran los martes y jueves de las 6:30-9:00 de la noche en la escuela Sonora Middle School. Las Clases incluyen ingles como segunda idioma y preparacion para el certificado de secundaria. Para mas informacion llame al numero 387-3029 despues de las cuatro de la tarde.

M44 / LPC Certification Training - Robert Scott, CEA-AG from Reagan County at Big Lake has announced a training for those who are interested in getting their M44/LPC license. The school will be held in Big Lake on Sept. 28 beginning at 8:30 a.m. The cost of the training is \$10.00 and you may register or get further information by contacting Robert at 884-2335 by September 24.

There will be a Benefit Bake Sale in downtown Sonora at the Image for the Mickey Sharp Family. The sale will take place Friday, September 24, 1999 at 2:00 p.m.

The Sutton County LEPC will meet Thursday, September 23, 1999 at 1:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Sutton EMS Training Room at 211 E. 3rd. For more information call 387-5132.

The Annual Ice Cream Social will be on Friday, October, 1, 1999. Serving will start at 6:30 p.m. The bands will start to perform at 7:00 p.m. The 6th grade band will also perform showing us what they have accomplished since the beginning of school. The cost of a bowl of ice cream and dessert will be a \$1.00. You may purchase a ticket from any Middle School 6th or 7th grade student. Please come out and support the future of Sonora.

The 6th and 7th grade parents are to bring a baked dessert (brownies, cake, or cookies) to the concession and 8th grade and High School students are to bring a 1/2 gallon of ice cream between 5:00-6:00 p.m., Friday, October 1, 1999. Chocolate was a big hit last year. Anyone wanting to help serve please be at the concession stand by 6:00 p.m.

The Sonora City League will be selling chicken-salad sandwiches in the Bank Vault Park from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Saturday, September 25th.

The Class of 1989 is looking for addresses to contact classmates for their 10 year reunion. Please call Kay Friess at 387-2997 (evenings) with information.

The Lillian Hudspeth Nursing Home & Hospital Auxiliary meets every 2nd Monday of the month at the Sutton County Steak House. Meetings are at noon. Everyone is welcome!

If you were a student enrolled in Special Education, Sonora ISD, before 1994, your records will be destroyed after October 1, 1999. You or your parents can request a copy of these records which could be necessary when applying for Social Security benefits, college, or rehabilitation services. For more information call the special education department at (915) 397-5944

EMS - Thursday, Sept. 23, at 1:00 p.m., will be the last meeting this year. Members will meet in the Sutton County EMS training room and review annexes I & J.

4-H Foods and Nutrition will hold a meeting on Monday, Sept. 20th at 6:00 p.m. at the 4-H Civic Center. All participants need to attend this meeting with a parent or guardian. We will be organizing cooking groups and planning our 1999 project calendar.

Halloween Dance Club meeting scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 23 at 7:00 p.m. at The Bank & Trust.

Varsity Boys Cross-Country

Competing in only their second meet, the boys cross-country managed to compete with three of the top teams in the state. The Broncos finished behind Winters, Stanton and Eldorado. All of these teams competed at the state level last year. The Broncos finished only two points behind Eldorado.

Sonora was led by Zacharias Rojo who finished in third place behind Winters and Stanton runners. Zacharias finished the three mile course in 18:19. Cody Ainsworth also finished in the top ten. Cody ran a good time of 18:55 to finish in tenth place. The teams third runner was Carlos Ramirez who ran the course in 20:26 and placed in the 26 position. Curtis Sanders was Sonora's next runner who placed in 36 place. Sanders ran the course in a time of 20:45. The Broncos next runners ran a closely knit group with Tony Escalante, Ryan Cramer, Brandon Adkins, J.D.

Lozano, and Ruben Brown finishing in 59, 60, 64, 68, and 73. Their times ranged in the 21:00 to 22:00 range. Finishing up group were Russel Dempsey and Issiac Ramos who finished 83rd and 100th place.

The Bronco team was able to compete well against some tough teams. The atmosphere at the meet was like a regional or state meet, so the team was able to experience what it takes to compete at that level. All coaches were excited about the way all the Sonora teams competed and believe they will only get better. Next meet will be at Reagan County at the Reagan County North Park. Junior High Girls will run at 9:00, Junior High Boys at 9:30, High School Girls at 10:00, and High School Boys at 10:30. Hope you can make a meet and watch our young men and women compete.

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SIMPLY AWESOME

submitted by Tryon Fields

The Bronco J.V. picked up their third victory in as many tries last Thursday. The latest victim of this awesome unit was their counterpart from Alpine. The Bronco defense gave up a few more yards than they normally do; however, the offense led by Sean Fields (247 rushing yards), amassed 424 total offensive yards. Of these, 369 yards came on the ground and 55 yards came through the air. The young Broncos, using every player that was suited up, put 27 points on the board to Alpine's 14.

Miscues were the name of the game for the Broncos early. The first three possessions for the Broncos all ended in the same fashion: Fumble! The first occurred at the Alpine 41, the second at the Bronco 46, and the third at the Alpine 36. One would think that the Broncos found themselves in deep trouble, turning the ball over that many times and giving the Bucks, excellent field position each time. This was not to be the case. The Bronco defense led by Ricky Lumberas, Byron Williams, Stetson Hall, Beau Hughes, Chance Armke, Israel Arevalo, Thomas Bloodworth, and the Torres twins (Eloy and Ervay) rose to the occasion each time. Turning the Bucks back either by forcing a punt, or forcing the boys from Alpine to turn the ball over on downs. This was the total sustenance of the first quarter of play.

The second quarter found the Bucks in control of the football and starting to drive it down the field. Facing a third and sixteen at the Bronco 43, Buck quarterback, James Clouse, elected to try the Bronco secondary. Bad choice, as Bronco rover, Sean Fields, intercepted the pass at the Bronco 15 yard line. This seemed to be the spark that the Broncos needed, as they moved the ball from their own 15 to the Alpine goal line in 4 plays and only using a minute and thirty seconds of the game clock. Sean Fields carried the mail on all 4 plays. The big one coming on a 62 yard gallop from the Bronco 35 to the Buck 3 yard line. From here, Fields put the Broncos on the board with a 3 yard plunge. On the point after attempt, the unthinkable occurred. The ever consistent Stetson Hall missed for the first time this year.

Buck J.V. 0 - Bronco J.V. 6
With six minutes and forty seconds left in the second quarter, the Bucks began another drive at their 29 yard line. The young Red Hosses playing inspired defense forced the Bucks to punt the football as they neared mid-field. The Broncos did not fare much better on their next possession, as they were also forced



staff photo

to punt the ball away after only 4 downs. With a minute and fifty-three seconds left in the half, the Bucks tried the airways again. Great secondary coverage as well as tremendous pressure by Beau Hughes and Thomas Bloodworth on the Buck quarterback forced the football to be turned over on downs. With a minute and seven seconds left on the halftime clock, and 59 yards from the promised land, the Broncos went into their two minute offense. Runs by Fields and Chance Armke moved the ball to the Buck 21 yard line. With twenty-three seconds left in the half, the Broncos called a time out. When the Broncos broke the huddle, they went straight to the line of scrimmage. Emanuel Lopez took the snap and lofted a pass out to the left corner of the endzone. Chance Armke, using every inch of his 6 foot 4 inch frame, pulled the pass in for the Broncos second score of the game. The Broncos elected to go for two, but the pass from Lopez to Stetson Hall was intercepted by the Buck defender George Keller. The first half buzzer sounded with the Bucks in possession of the ball at their own 38.

Alpine J.V. 0 - Sonora J.V. 12
The second half started with the Broncos receiving the kick-off. Sean Fields, Bronco's deep man, collected the ball in at the Bronco 10 and behind excellent blocking advanced the pigskin to the Bronco 47. Using the smash-mouth Bronco running attack, the men in red began to move the ball down the field. Runs by Juan Rodriguez, Emanuel Lopez and Sean Fields; as well as a pass to Thomas Bloodworth moved the ball to the Buck 4 yard line. Fields gained the endzone on a 4 yard run to give the Broncos their third score of the day. This time the Broncos converted the try for two,

as Emanuel Lopez connected with Stetson Hall for the 2 points.

With a little over five minutes left in the third quarter, the Bronco held an 20 point advantage.

Alpine 0 - Sonora 20
After the ensuing kick-off, the Bucks began their longest drive of the afternoon. Starting at their own 11, the Bucks used a little over six minutes of the game clock to move the ball to the Bronco 14 yard line. At the 14, the Bucks ran into a red brick wall. Aided by a holding penalty, the Broncos behind Beau Hughes and Chance Armke pushed the Bucks back to the Bronco 27.

Facing a 4th and 19 at the Bronco 27, the Bucks tried to pass. Excellent secondary coverage and tremendous pressure by Chance Armke and Beau Hughes forced the Buck quarterback to throw the ball out of bounds, thus turning the ball over to the Broncos on downs. The Broncos using a new set of running backs, began to move the ball down the field. Dustin Martin and Luis Segura each carried the ball several times to advance the football to the Buck 22 yard line. On a 3rd and 15, Bronco quarterback, Emanuel Lopez suffered the Bronco fourth turn-over of the day. Under tremendous pressure, Lopez's pass was intercepted by Alpine's George Keller. On the very next play, Alpine returned the favor. A fumbled handoff was recovered by a hustling Bronco, Justin Sims, to give the Broncos excellent field position at the Alpine 30. Runs by Bronco fullback, Tom Homra and tailback, Luis Segura moved the ball to the Buck 15 yard line. At the five minute and six second mark of the fourth quarter, Bronco tailback Dustin Martin got his first touchdown as a Bronco J.V. player. Taking the pitch from Lopez, Martin out ran the Buck defenders for 15 yards and the

touchdown. Stetson Hall added the PAT to give the Broncos a commanding 27 point lead.

Bucks 0 - Broncos 27
The Bucks not ready to throw in the towel, scored their first touchdown of the afternoon after the ensuing kickoff. Taking possession of the football at their own 22, it only took one play and nineteen seconds for the Bucks to tally this score. Buck fullback, George Keller, broke free at the 30 yard line, and out ran the Broncos for the Buck's touchdown. Being down by 21 points, the Bucks went for two. The pass from Casey O'Bryant to Gabriel Vega was caught and the Bucks now only trailed by 19.

Bucks 8 - Broncos 27
An inspired Buck defense shut the Broncos down on their next possession, and the Broncos were forced to punt. After a very short punt, the Bucks now found themselves on the Bronco 37 yard line. With two minutes and fifty-eight seconds left in the game, the Bucks smelled paydirt. Runs by George Keller and a pass play from James Clouse to Anthony Llanez moved the ball to the Bronco 3 yard line. Keller gained the Bucks second score of the game on a 3 yard plunge. The try for two failed, leaving the game score at Alpine 14 and Sonora 27. With a minute and fifty-three seconds left on the game clock, the Broncos used the running game of Sean Fields, Luis Segura, Tom Homra, and Dustin Martin to run out the clock and notch their fourth victory of the young season.

The Bronco J.V. will be on the road this week. They will travel to Bracketville to play the Bracket Tigers. Game time is 6:00. Good Luck Broncos!!!!



Local police responded to a tractor trailer roll-over last Thursday on the East bound ramp of IH-10

POLICE REPORTS

9-6-99 Officer was dispatched to Hudspeth Hospital in reference to a dog bite. After further investigation the dog was picked up and placed in quarantine.

9-7-99 Officer received a call in reference to a theft of service that had just occurred at Town & Country #2. Description of vehicle was a white and beige 1992 GMC pickup with TX license plates. Vehicle was last seen traveling South on Hwy 277. Unknown person pumped \$10 worth of fuel. Clerk advised that she was sure person had just forgotten to pay for fuel. Attempts to locate vehicle were negative.

9-7-99 Officer was contacted by owner of Twin Oaks Motel in ref-

erence to a theft. He advised that persons had taken 2 RCA televisions from the motel without his consent. Investigation continues.

9-9-99 Officer received a call that an intoxicated subject and possibly armed was walking down Rock Avenue. Officer located subject, but no weapon was found. Subject was arrested for Public Intoxication.

9-10-99 Officer received from Sonora Municipal Court, 2 warrants on a known subject for Assault and Public Intoxication. Officer located subject and was turned in to the Sutton County Jail.

9-10-99 After a routine traffic stop one subject was arrested for Driving while License Suspended.

Subject was transported to the Sutton County Jail.

9-9-99 Officer was dispatched to Water St. in reference to a truck and trailer accident. Upon arrival the truck and trailer was turned over on its right side. One person was treated for minor injuries.

9-9-99 Three male residents of Sonora were stopped in Eldorado for speeding. Two received MIP's and the driver received a DWI.

9-13-99 Officer was contacted by a complainant wishing to file a theft report. Complainant was advised that someone unknown to her, had stolen some items from her residence. Investigation continues.

9-16-99 Officer received a call to go to the 1400 Block of Crockett St. to speak to a complainant. Complainant advised that a person known to her had displayed an obscene gesture to her and had used vulgar language towards her. Complainant advised she wished to file charges.

9-17-99 Officer was dispatched to the Texaco in reference to a theft. Clerk advised that a white Ford PU had pumped \$10.00 worth of fuel and had driven away without paying. Clerk was not sure of direction of travel and did not have a description of the subject.

9-18-99 Officer received a call to go to the 500 Block of Plum St. in reference to a theft. Complainant advised someone unknown to him had stolen a wedding ring from his residence. Investigation continues.

9-19-99 Officer received a call to contact complainant at the 1400 Block of Crockett Ave. Complainant advised that a person known to her had used abusive language and gave her an obscene gesture. Complainant wished to file charges.


9-19-99 Officer received a call to go to Liberty Park in reference to a park sign on fire. Upon arrival officer observed a sign which had been set on fire. Investigation continues.

9-19-99 Officer was dispatched to 500 Block of Calle Real in reference to a family disturbance. Complainant advised that her boyfriend had assaulted her. Complainant did not wish to file charges.

Sonora Bronco
Cross-Country Schedule
Sept. 25 - Mertz

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Starting Wednesday, October 6, 1999
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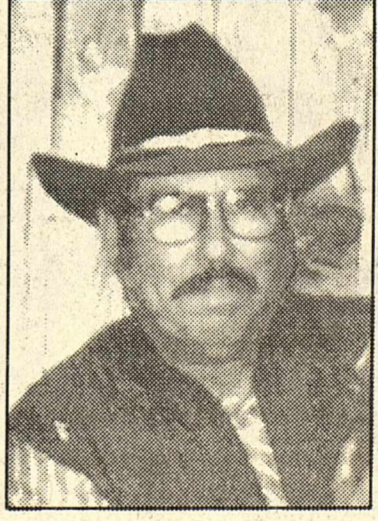
Class Times: TKD for TOTS (3-5) Wed. 3:30 - 4:15 p.m.
Children: (6-10) Wed. 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.
Adults: (11 & Up) Wed. 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

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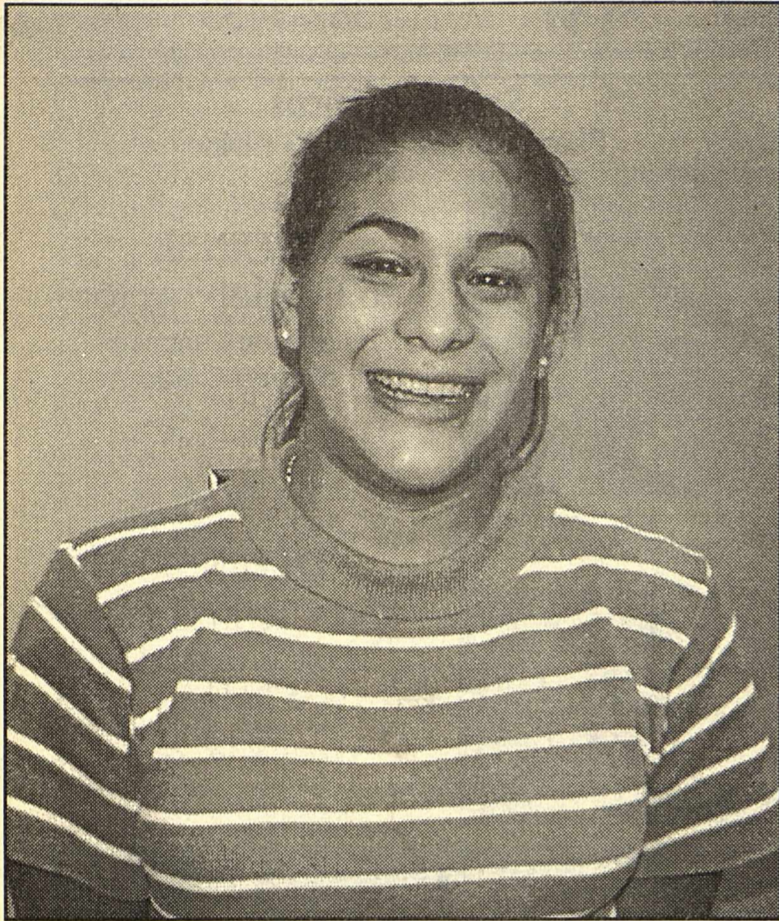


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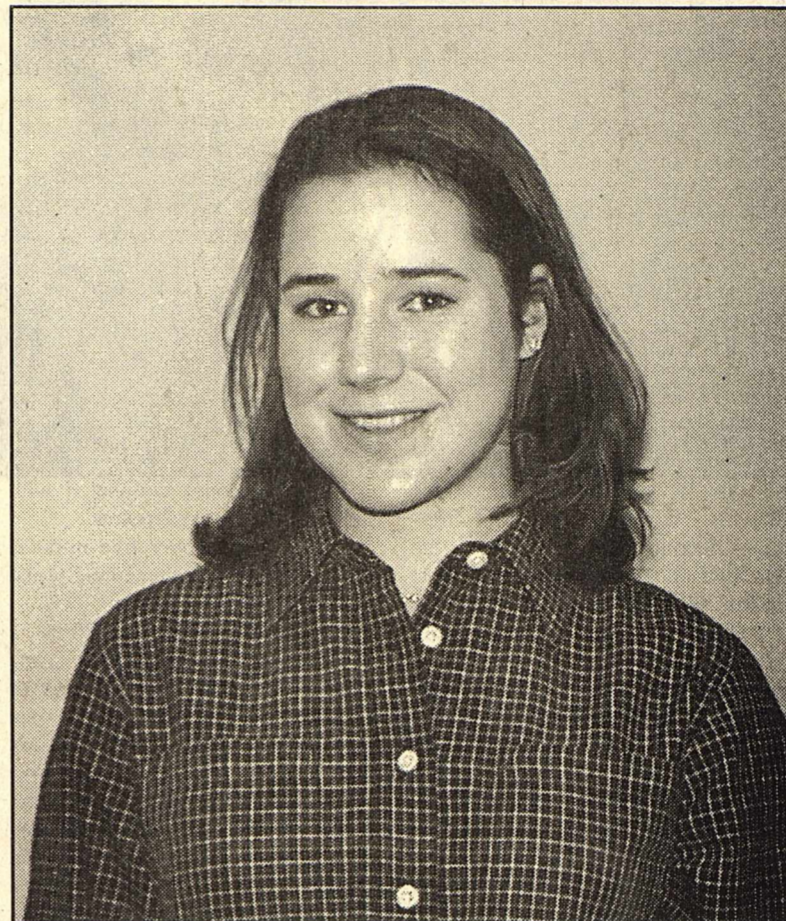
MONICA CHANTAL LIRA



Duchess

MONICA CHANTAL LIRA is the daughter of Crispin and Francisca Lira. She is a Sophomore student involved in JV Basketball, Student Council, Spanish Club, GAA's, and she was Freshman Class Favorite. Her hobbies include playing basketball, shopping, swimming, dancing, and surfing the net. Monica says, "It's a time for the current generations to reunite with the former generations to remember old memories and make new ones."

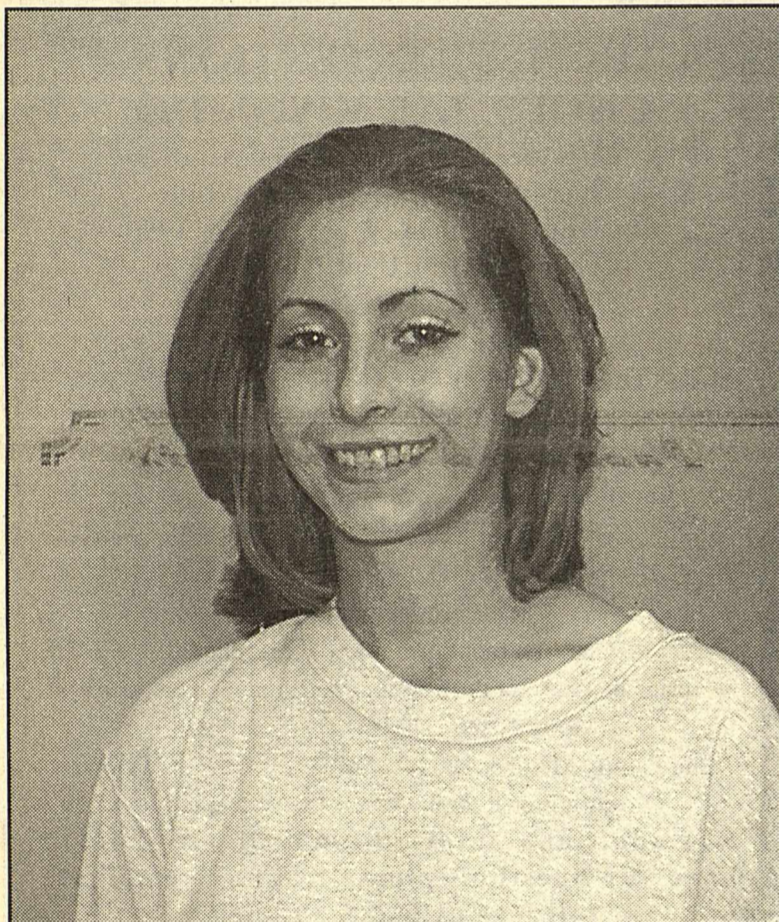
KODA ARMKE



Duchess

KODA ARMKE is the daughter of Dayton and Pamela Armke. She is a Freshman student involved in Basketball and Track. She is the Freshman Class President. Her hobbies include water skiing, basketball, sketching photos and supporting the Bronco Football team on Friday nights. Koda says, "To me Homecoming is a good reason for ex-graduates of Sonora High School to return to Sonora and visit friends, classmates and teachers. For the present students and townspeople, it is a fun week to share with family and friends."

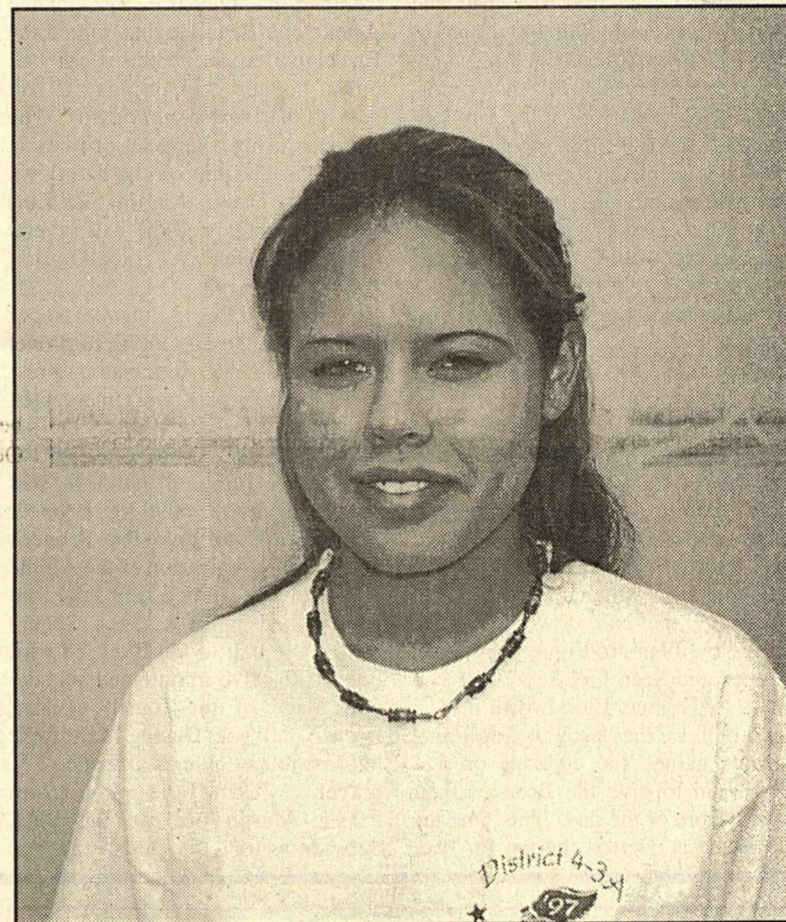
KACCI LEWELLEN



Duchess

KACCI LEWELLEN is the daughter of Randy and Kathy Lewellen. She is a Junior student involved in Varsity Cheerleading, Cross Country, Basketball, and was a sophomore duchess. She enjoys spending time with friends and family and also attending First Baptist Church. Kacci says, "I believe homecoming is a time when people can return to their home town and share an evening reuniting with their friends and family."

RITA LOPEZ



Queen Candidate

RITA LOPEZ is the daughter of John and Betty Lopez. She is a Senior student involved in Basketball, Band, GAA, a Varsity Cheerleader and a member of the Peppermint Ball committee. She has received the following honors: most improved and outstanding band awards, Regional AA 800m run in track, NCA (National Cheerleading Association) All American Nominee, and 2nd runner up for Miss Sutton County. Her hobbies include playing basketball, talking on the phone, spending time with family and friends, and camping. Rita says, "To me Homecoming means that people of all ages get to come home and reunite with all their old friends and family."

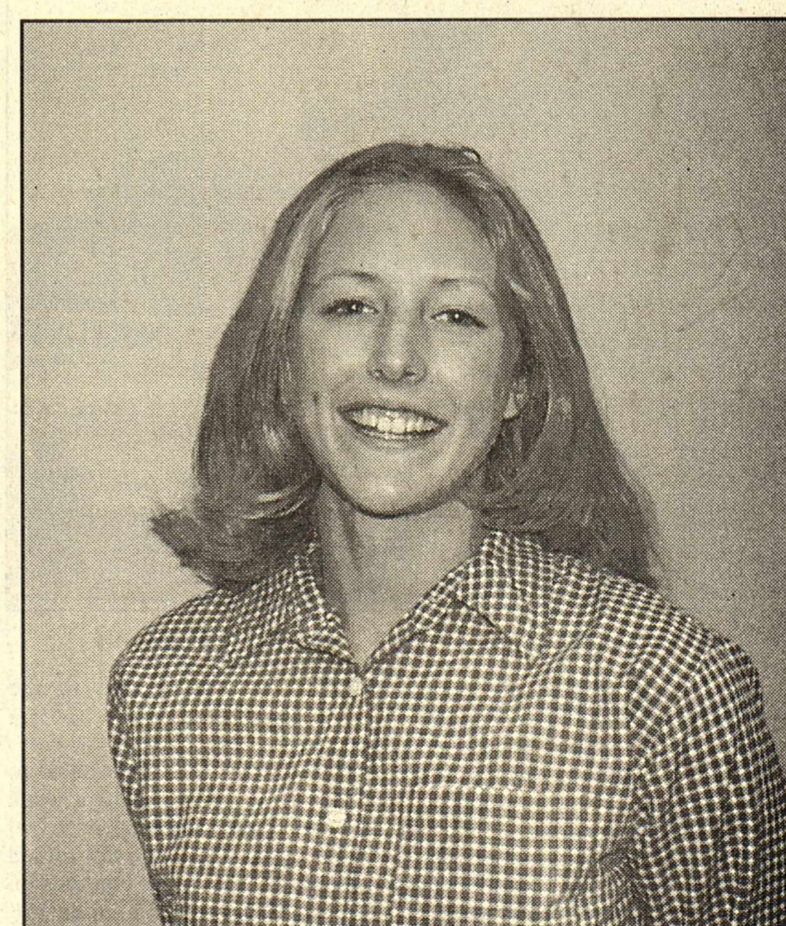
SARAH BALL



Queen Candidate

SARAH BALL is the daughter of Cathy Ball and Mike Ball. She is a Senior student involved in FFA, 4-H, Cross Country, Basketball, Track, and NHS. Sarah is student Council Treasurer, Senior Class Vice President, and a Varsity Cheerleader. Her hobbies include spending time with friends and family, playing basketball, and playing the violin. Sarah says, "Homecoming means being proud to be a fourth generation graduate from Sonora High School."

KARA EATON



Queen Candidate

KARA EATON is the daughter of Danny and Darlene Eaton. She is a Senior student involved in Basketball, Track, Cross Country, NHS, a Varsity Cheerleader, Student Council Secretary, Senior Class Treasurer, and PAL's. Kara was 1st runner up for Miss Sutton County in 1998. She was a duchess her Freshman year. Kara's interests include being active in her youth group. Her hobbies include spending time with family and friends, talking on the phone, water skiing and shopping. Kara says, "Homecoming is a time when you and reunite with old friends and remember special memories of years passed."

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WHEN THE BOW BREAKS



by Congressman Henry Bonilla
In the United States we live under a canopy of protections. There are fundamental pillars of our democracy that if ever broken, or even cracked, jeopardize the future of our country. One of these key pillars is our justice system, and more specifically, how our nation deals with terrorists.

Up until recently, it was very clear-cut. The United States has a firm record of dealing with terrorists—swiftly, boldly and without compromise. When it comes to terrorism, we do not negotiate and we do not give in. If terrorists choose to wage campaigns of fear, destruction and the killing of innocent Americans, those terrorists suffer the wrath of Uncle Sam.

But President Clinton bent that key pillar of our democracy recently when he offered clemency to 16 prisoners with ties to the Armed Forces of National Liberation (AFNL) terrorist group. Twelve of those terrorists accepted Clinton's appalling offer, to renounce violence and be set free.

Yes, you read that correctly. Terrorists will walk the streets freely because of a clemency deal offered to then by the president. And their "get out of jail

free" card was to renounce violence.

It is inexcusable to release these terrorists. They have broken the law. They are affiliated with the FALN terrorist group which has killed and maimed innocent Americans. They are responsible for at least 130 bombings in this country in the 1970's and 80's. They have destroyed countless lives. They belong in jail.

Despite the fact that the FBI, the Federal Bureau of Prisons and two United States Attorneys advised the president not to let these terrorists go free, the president moved forward with his clemency deal. What would be the reason? Why them? Even the First Lady, who is eyeing a Senate seat in New York, opposes her husband's actions.

Congress passed a resolution criticizing the president's clemency offer. The resolution, which I cosponsored, passed overwhelmingly. The vote was 311 to 41. We agree there must be no leniency with terrorists.

Our nation must remain unwavering in the war on terror. We cannot allow that key pillar of our democracy to be bent any further. We must re-straighten that pillar so the bow does not break.

AGRIBUSINESS

Producers Livestock Auction

9/16/99

Cattle and Calf Auction: Estimated Receipts for today: 3150; Estimated Receipts for the week: 5550, including 2392 calves at Monday's Special Feeder Calf Auction: Last Week: 4913; Last Year: 5790, including 2317 calves for the same period last year.

Compared with last week feeder steers and heifers firm to 1.00 higher. Slaughter cows firm to 1.00 higher, slaughter bulls steady. Stock cows and pairs steady in a light test. Trading and demand moderate. Quality average to plain. Supply included 60 percent calves, 20 percent slaughter cows and bulls, 15 percent yearlings, 5 percent stock cows and pairs; of the feeders 60 percent were steers and 40 percent heifers.

Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1 300-400 lb 100.00-110.00; 400-500 lb 86.00-96.00; 500-600 lb 79.00-88.50; 600-700 lb 75.00-82.00; 700-800 lb 71.00-76.50, set 79.00. Medium and Large 1-2 200-300 lb 103.00-112.00; 300-400 lb 87.00-100.00; 400-500 lb 77.00-86.00; 500-600 lb 70.00-79.00; 600-700 lb 68.00-75.00; 700-900 lb 62.00-70.50.

Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1 300-400 lb 84.00-96.00; 400-500 lb 75.00-88.00; 500-700 lb 71.00-80.00, set 82.00; 700-800 lb 65.00-70.50, set 73.00. Medium and Large 1-2 200-300 lb 85.00-90.00; 300-400 lb 74.00-84.00; 400-500 lb 68.00-75.00; 500-700 lb 62.00-70.00; 700-800 lb 61.00-65.00.

Slaughter Cows:

Breakers	Percent Lean	1000-1400 lb	34.00-38.50
Boners	80-85%	850-1250 lb	34.00-38.50
Boners Hi-Yld	80-85%	1000-1450 lb	39.00-41.00
Lean	85-90%	850-1000 lb	29.00-33.50

Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1 1400-2200 lb 42.50-47.00; low-dressing 1100-1700 lb 37.50-42.50.

Pregnancy Tested Stock Cows and Heifers: All sold by the head. Medium and Large 1-2 550.00-610.00. Medium Large 1-2 380.00-550.00.

Cow/Calf Pairs: All sold Per Pair: Medium and Large 1-2 cows with 100-300 lb calves 700.00-710.00. Medium 1-2 cows with 100-300 lb calves 580.00-700.00.

Stocker and Feeder Cows: Medium and Large 1-2 (young) 800-1000 lb 50.00-56.00 cwt; (young and middle age) 800-1100 lb 42.00-45.00 cwt; (middle age) 800-1150 lb 34.00-38.00 cwt.

Source: USDA-TEXAS Dep of Ag Market News

He Was A Great Texan

by Gene Shurley

Several years ago Dan Carter and Sherry Cauthorn gave me Lil' Abner, a Longhorn bull calf. A few weeks later we haltered him and he became a steer.

As time went by Lil' Abner began visiting with us, learning the ways of the ranch.

Natural to his blood he began to lead other cattle, especially new cattle, around the pasture. Showing them the different waters, where to graze and bed down. This was a very serious obligation and he never shirked his duty.

He and Caron became close friends. She would come in late from the hospital finding him waiting by the gate. So she would get some feed. He would tower over her with his immense stature and magnificent horns, neither noticing the cloud of dust swirling around them. Just savoring the moment.

Lil' abner became a fine rancher and a close member of our family. A great Texan. His heritage goes back well over a hundred years. We'll miss him so much. Someone shot him from the highway.

My Apologies

To the person or persons who helped themselves to my yard and porch decorations. I am truly sorry I was not here. Please come back when I am at home, I have a few items I would like to surprise you with.

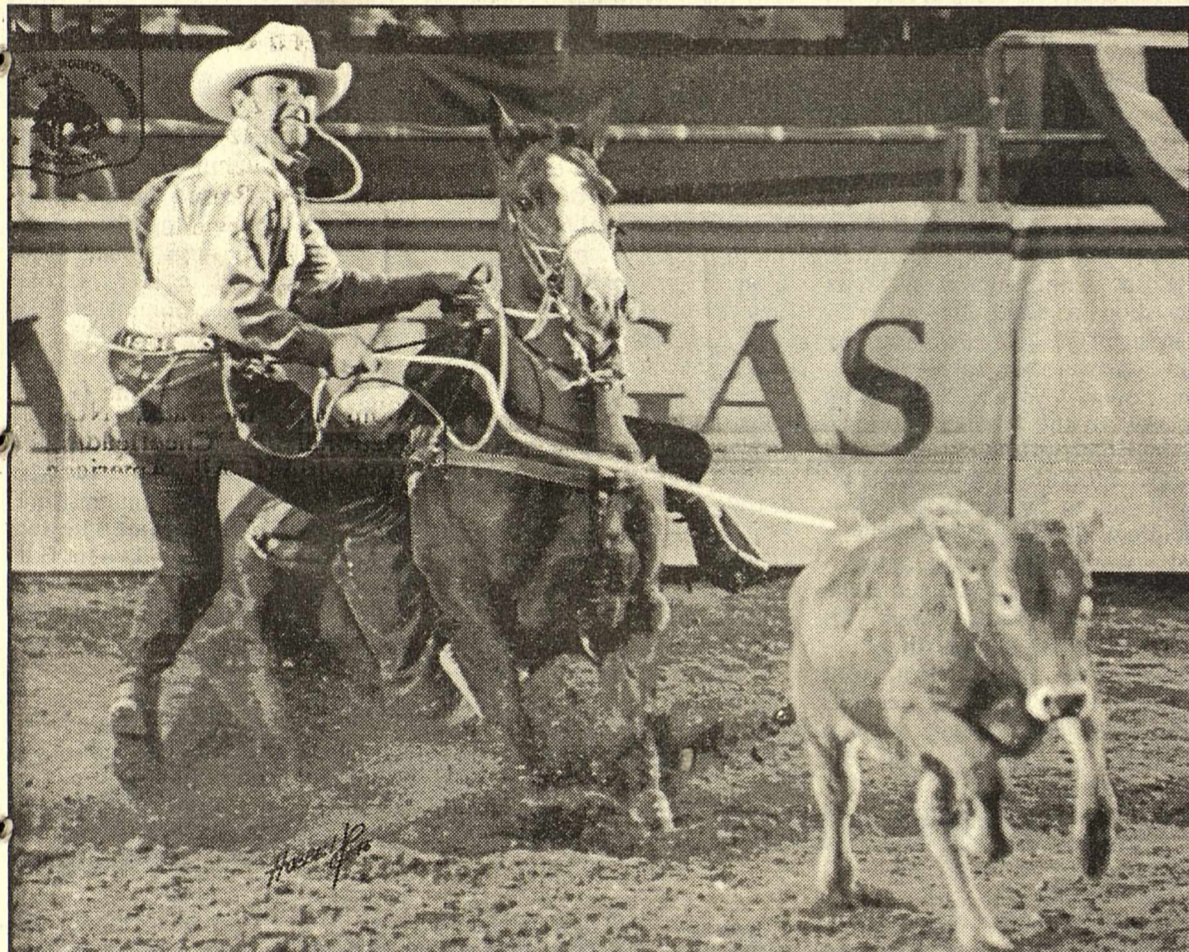
I hope you enjoy the two flower pot holders that are shaped like chickens. They were gifts from a special person, as was the wreath off the porch. I think of them each time I see a chicken. I also think of you each time I see what the chicken left behind. *Dayton Armke*

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Las Vegas 1998 Finals - Smokey and rider Jerome Schneeberger

Kimble County Gun Show/Flea Market

The Gun Show and Market will be held on Saturday and Sunday, October 2nd and 3rd, starting at 9:00 a.m. at the Stevenson Center in Junction, Texas. The events are sponsored by the Kimble County Senior Center and Meals on Wheels.

Tables inside the Center for the Gun Show, along with outside spaces for the Flea Market are still available. There is unlimited parking and extensive advertising is being done.

The Gun Show buys, sells and trades items. Admission to the Center is \$3.00, with children under 12 free with parents. There is no admission charge to the Flea Market. The Senior Center will have a food concession stand. Support your Senior Citizen Center by participating or visiting the show for excellent bargains.

Top Calf Roping Horse Of The 1999 PRCA Season Another Champion From Sonora

SMOKEY belongs to Clay Cade of Sonora, Texas and is ridden mainly by Jerome Schneeberger, Ponca City, Oklahoma. He is the top calf roping horse of the 1999 PRCA season.

The American Quarterhorse

Association asked the top 25 calf ropers in the nation to select the best calf roping horse and Smokey was the outstanding choice.

Smokey is a sorrel gelding, weighs 1,075 pounds while standing only 14 hands high.

Therefore, with Jerome at 6'3" tall, there is no stepping down, it's just a matter of stepping off. "He is by no means a little horse," Clay Cade said, "he just has short legs." Charley Russell, Shamrock, Texas, who loves to ride Smokey, shakes his head in awe when he comments, "Man, he is wicked! And he can fly!"

At the present time, Jerome Schneeberger and Smokey are fourth in the national calf roping standings. Together they have won approximately \$60,000 for 1999. Jerome fits the little sorrel horse perfectly. One roper standing by the roping box watched the great little horse bury up clear to his belly and when he stopped commented, "Oh gosh, you are going to have put skid boots on that horse's butt!"

Smokey and Jerome have won Salt Lake City, Denver, Houston, Waco, and Oklahoma City while placing at Salinas, MoBeta Invitational, Ogden, El Paso, San Antonio, Colorado Springs, Omaha, Memphis, Abilene, and many others.

This great combination will be strong contenders in the national rodeo finals again this year in Las Vegas in December.

Smokey's home town fans will get to see him in action at the November Fall Invitational Roping in San Angelo.

Smokey is another champion from Sonora.

Letter to The Editor

Dear Editor:

The people of Sonora have done it again! They really pulled for us this year and helped make the 1999 Jerry Lewis MDA Telethon a winner with \$53.1 million in pledges and contributions!

By taking part in local MDA events, by calling in pledges to the Telethon broadcast on KLST-TV, Channel 8, by helping "my kids" in other ways, *The Devil's River News* readers have made a huge difference for families throughout Texas and across the nation.

They've helped speed MDA-funded research around the globe. Moreover, they've helped maintain the national network of clinics that resulted in MDA becoming the first organization honored by the American Medical Association with a Lifetime Achievement Award "for significant and lasting contributions to the health and welfare of humanity." In Texas MDA has 18 clinics offering the best in patient care.

For making the 1999 MDA Telethon a bell-ringer, thanks, Sonora!

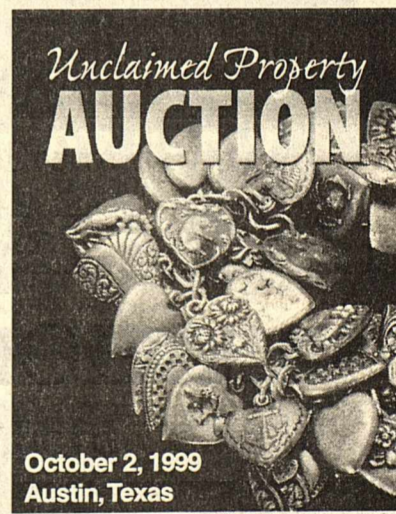
Sincerely,
Jerry Lewis
National Chairman MDA

Keeping an eye on Texas

Going, going... gone

Unclaimed property goes on the auction block at 10:00 a.m., October 2, at Travis County Exposition Center, 7311 Decker Lane, in Austin, Texas. More than 90,000 items, including jewelry, coins, and antiques, are valued in excess of \$315,000. For more information call 1-800-321-2274, or go to: www.window.state.tx.us.

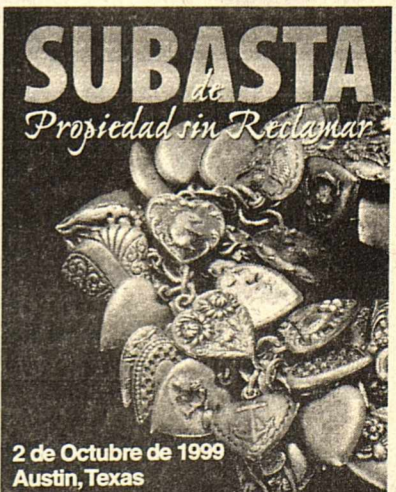
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Echándole el ojo a Texas

A la una, a las dos, a las tres... ¡vendido!

El 2 de octubre a las 10:00 a.m. se llevará a cabo una subasta de propiedad sin reclamar en el Centro de Exposiciones del Condado de Travis (Travis County Exposition Center) localizado en 7311 Decker Lane, en Austin, Texas. Se subastarán más de 90,000 objetos, incluyendo joyas, monedas y antigüedades. El valor de los objetos asciende a más de 315,000 dólares. Para mayor información llame al 1-800-321-2274, o visite nuestra página de internet: www.window.state.tx.us.



FUENTE: Carole Keeton Rylander, Contralora de Texas para Cuentas Públicas, (www.window.state.tx.us).

Rig Locations as of September 17, 1999

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New UPR; 7500', Couch 21-#9, Patterson Drilling.

Edwards County

New Range Res Corp; 13000', Smart 7-#1, Patterson Drilling.
New Blue Ridge Group; 8000', Colton Williams 45-#1, Patterson Drilling.

Sutton County

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New Louis Dreyfus; 6050', Fields 56-#5, Patterson Drilling.

Schleicher County

New Questa Oil & Gas; 8000', West B-#8, Cleere Drilling.

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Conoco/Midland; 14000', Creek Ranch 11-#4, TMBR/Sharp Drilling.
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Blowout In The Pines

submitted by Tryon Fields

The Sonora Broncos improved their 1999 season record to four wins against no losses last Friday, as they defeated the Alpine Bucks by a score of 53 to 16. The Broncos dominated every facet of the ball game from start to finish. Racking up a total of 508 yards of offense (337 rushing - 171 passing) and limiting the Bucks to a total of 188 yards (117 rushing - 71 passing). This was possibly the best showing by the Broncos both offensively and defensively.

The Bronco defense set the standard on the opening drive by the Bucks. Three plays and punt. Not wanting the defense to steal the show, the offense opened up with a bang. Starting at their own 39 yard line, it only took the Broncos ten seconds to get their first tally of the evening. Tom Jacoby, from his fullback position, exploded to the outside and behind excellent downfield blocks sprinted 61 yards for the score. A rarity happened on the PAT, as Javier Gaytan missed for the first time this year. Sonora 6 - Alpine 0. Alpine met with the same fate on their next possession 3 plays and out. The Bronco defense led by Graham Bloodworth and Jason Surber dropped the Buck quarterback, Cougar McBride for minimal yards, forcing a punt. The Bronco offense stumbled a little on its next possession, as the Broncos were forced to punt after 3 downs. Alpine found itself in the position that it would be in all night long. First and ten at their own twenty yard line. For most of the night, Alpine began almost every drive either on the twenty or inside of it. On this possession, the Bucks fared a little better, they were able to scratch out 14 yards to their own 34 before they had to punt.

The Broncos, enjoying good field position at their 43, did not take long to reach the promised land. Runs by Tom Jacoby and Graham Bloodworth helped to move the ball down the field. The main ground gainer on this

drive was the combination of Bryce Williams to James Elliott a 35 yard pass completion to the Buck 5 yard line. From here it took Jacoby two tries before he could gain his second touchdown of the evening. With fourteen seconds left on the first quarter clock, Jacoby put the Broncos up by 12 points. The try for two failed, as Bryce Williams was sacked.

Broncos 12 - Bucks 0

On the next possessions by both teams, each team returned the others favor.

On the first play of the second quarter, Buck quarterback, Cougar McBride tried to test the Bronco secondary. Bronco defensive back, Ernie Perez intercepted the Buck pass at the Bronco 45 yard line. On the very next play, Bronco quarterback, Bryce Williams, from the shotgun tried the Alpine secondary with the same result. Abraham Gustos intercepted the pass and a hustling Tom Jacoby kept the defensive back from scoring as he was able to catch the speedster from behind at the Bronco 22. The Bucks were unable to capitalize as an aggressive Bronco defense led by Jarred Solis, Crispin Lira, and Chris Green forced the Bucks to turn the ball over on downs at the Bronco 21. The ground attack of the Broncos was used extensively on the Bronco next possession. The Broncos used Tom Jacoby, Graham Bloodworth, and Bill Renfro to orchestrate a time consuming eight play drive on this possession. The offensive line is to be commended, because all of the tackles were made by the defensive secondary of the Alpine Bucks. Emitting some power of his own, Graham Bloodworth gained the final 8 yards and the touchdown with six minutes and fifty-three seconds left in the half. Gaytan split the uprights to give the Broncos a 19 point lead. The Bucks next possession resulted in a touchdown, but they had to have some help to get there. After 3 plays, the Bucks were forced to punt again; however, this time Bronco deep

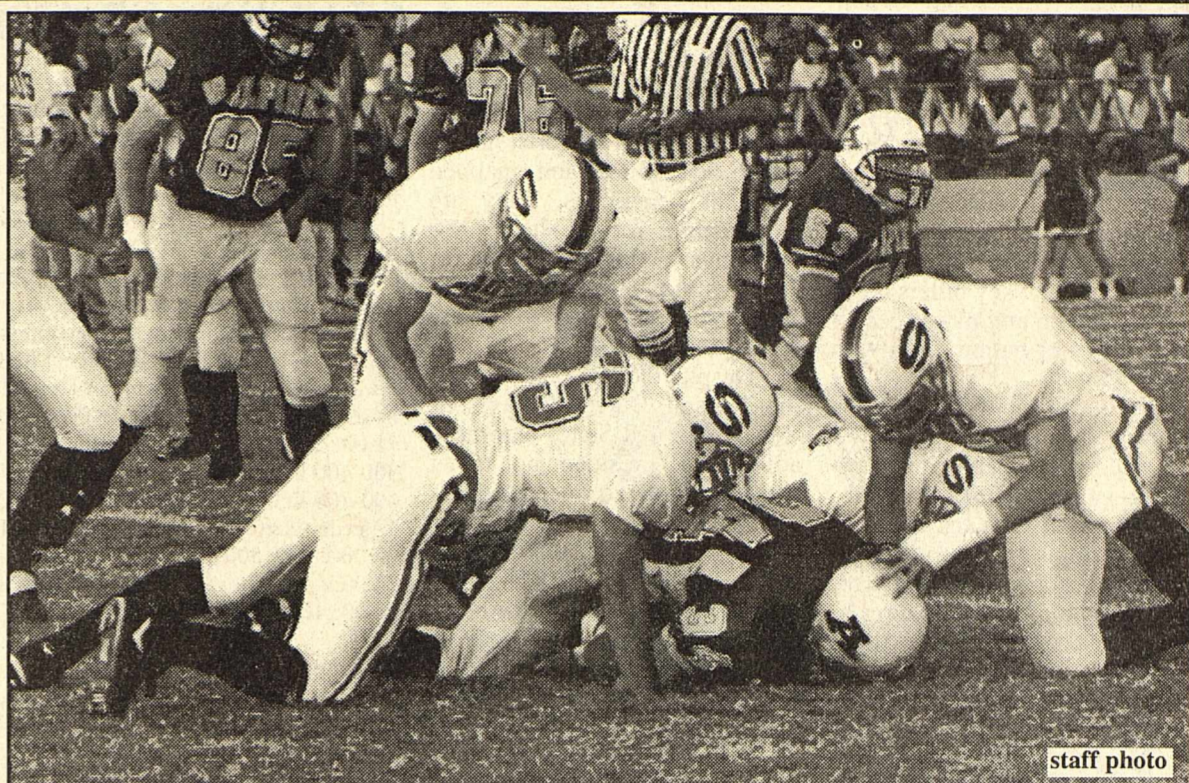
man Graham Bloodworth mis-handled the ball at the Alpine 32 yard line.

The Bucks were able were able to recover the loose football at the Buck 32. This was the spark that the Bucks were looking for. Alpine used the next four and a half minutes to march the football down the field. Cougar McBride, Buck quarterback/running back, handled all the chores himself Ultimately scoring the Bucks first touchdown with just sixteen seconds left on the second quarter clock. The Bucks needing points, elected to go for two. A pass from McBride to Aaron Funk proved to be successful cutting the Bronco lead to an 11 point margin.

Sonora 19 - Bucks 8

Sonora tried to put one in the endzone before the half, but to no avail, as the pass from Williams to Elliott fell incomplete. At halftime, the scoreboard read Sonora 19 - Alpine 8. The Broncos first possession of the second half, put the game out of reach.

Starting at their own 34 yard line, the Broncos continued with the running attack. Short gainers by Jacoby, Williams, and Bloodworth moved the ball to the Buck 49 yard line. Bill Renfro running from the tailback position, took the pitch from Williams going left. Once Renfro got to the corner and turned up, it was clear sailing for the speedster. Just a few seconds and 49 yards later, the Broncos had notched another six points. Javier Gaytan back on track, split the uprights again to put the Broncos in a commanding 26 to 8 lead. After another booming kick by Andy Sanchez, the Bucks were pinned once again inside their 20 yard line at the 8. The Bronco defense led by Jacob West kept the Bucks there, as they were only able to gain 3 positive yards, and these were negated by a procedure penalty. Punting out of their endzone, the Alpine punter was unable to get any distance on the ball, and the Broncos once again had great



staff photo

field position at the Buck 31 yard line. This time it took the Broncos less than a minute to put the ball in the endzone Graham Bloodworth gained 12 yards to the Alpine 19. Using a little razzle-dazzle, the Broncos ran a reverse to James Elliott and using good down field blocking advanced the ball inside of the Buck 5 yard line. An illegal block call brought the ball back to the Alpine 21.

Working out of the shotgun, Bryce Williams set a screen up for Tom Jacoby, who using speed and power bulled his way into the endzone for his third score of the evening. A bad snap on the PAT thwarted the attempt by Gaytan. Broncos 32 - Bucks 8. On the ensuing kickoff, Andy Sanchez sailed the football completely out of the endzone, thus the Bucks once again had to set up shop at their 20 yard line. Three plays and out and the Broncos were back in business at their own 44 yard line. Resorting strictly to the passing game on this possession, Williams found James Elliott wide open for a 48 yard gain to the Alpine 15. Next Williams tossed it to Ernie Perez, who weaved his way to the 4 yard line. On a first and ten at the Buck 4, Tom Jacoby powered his way for the Broncos sixth touchdown of the game. With four minutes and twenty-one seconds left in the third quarter, Gaytan added the PAT to give the Broncos a commanding 31 point lead.

Sonora 39 - Alpine 8

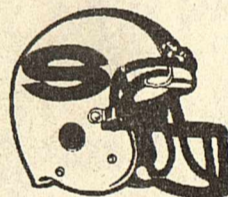
The Bucks still unable to get anything going on their next possession, had to punt the ball away after 3 plays. Once again, the Broncos put the ball into play at their own 47 yard line. Mixing the passing game in with the running attack, the Red Hosses began to advance on the Buck goal line. A screen to Bill Renfro netted a positive 12 yards. Runs by Renfro and Crispin Lira and an excellent catch by Ernie Perez moved the ball to the Alpine 1 yard line. With ten seconds left in the third quarter, Crispin Lira notched his first score of the season on a 1 yard drive. Javier Gaytan split the uprights to give the Broncos their 46th point. The third quarter would end with the score: Broncos 46 - Bucks 8. The Alpine Bucks began the fourth quarter with their longest drive of the game. Starting at their own 20 yard line, the Bucks used a combination of running plays as well as passing plays to march the football down the field. Using five and a half minutes of the fourth quarter game clock to tally their second touchdown of the game, quarterback, D.T. Dominguez, scored on the keeper from 10 yards out. The try for two was successful to give the Bucks 16 points on the evening.

The Broncos running a whole new unit in the game on their next possession began to move the ball down the field on the weary Buck defense. Nick Lozano, Bronco quarterback, used the running of Jacob West

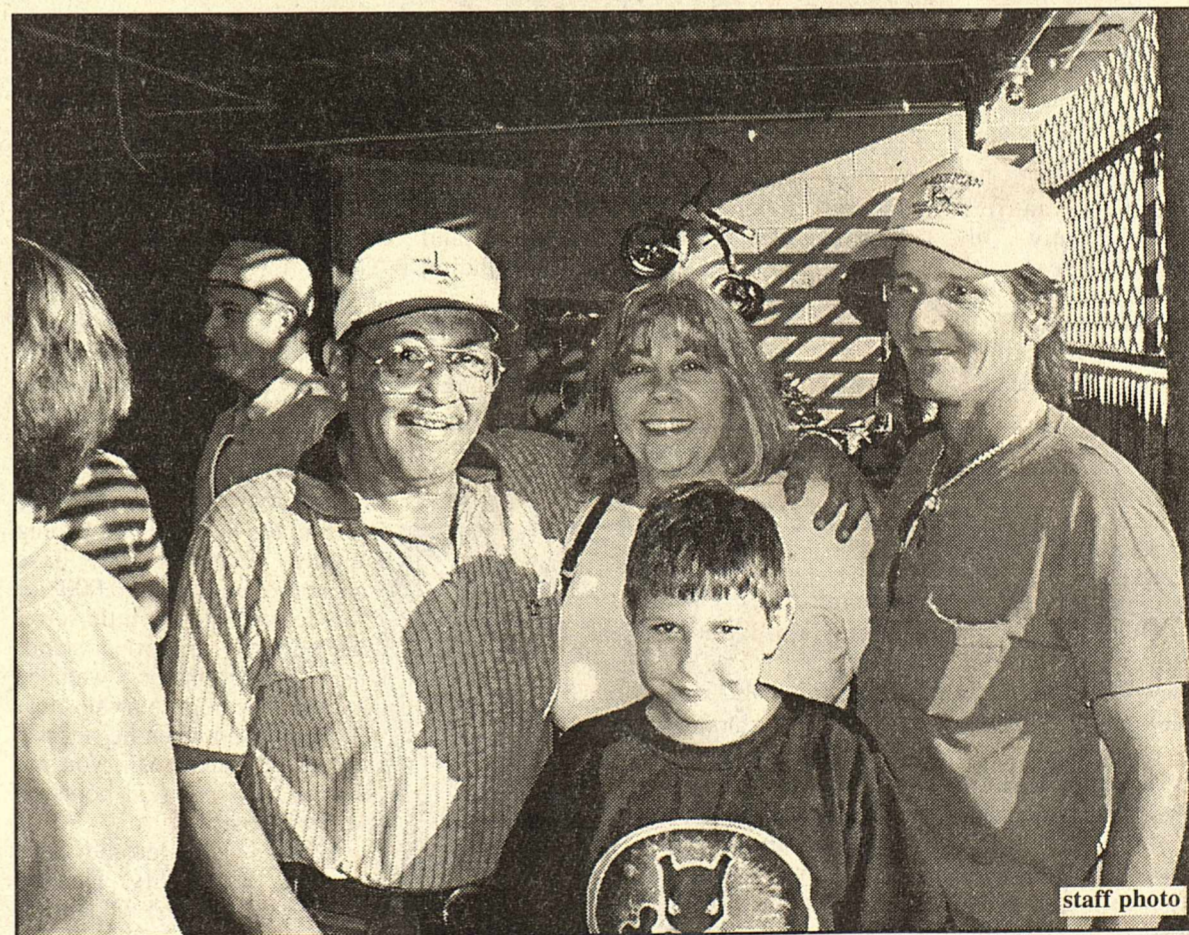
and the pass receiving of tight-end, Jake Trainer, to move the ball to the Alpine 32 yard line. At the four forty-seven mark of the fourth quarter, Jesus Torres, Bronco wing-back, took the hand off from Lozano, cutting back against the grain, and using good open field running was able to get into the endzone for his first varsity touchdown. Gaytan added the PAT to put the Broncos up by 37 points: Broncos 53 - Bucks 16. With the wind totally out of the Bucks sails, the Broncos led by reserves Ruben Ynguanzo and Wes Baumgardner effectively shut the boys in purple down. To add insult to injury, the Bucks turned the ball over at their own 43 yard line, with Bronco defenseman Jason West claiming the prize. With only two minutes and forty four seconds left in the game, the Broncos used the running of Wes Baumgardner and Jason West to run out the clock.

Sonora 53 - Alpine 16

This win pushed the Broncos season record to a perfect 4 and 0 going into this weeks Homecoming contest against the Brackett Tigers. Game time for this contest will be 8:00 p.m. But you need to come early as the Pre-game activities will begin at 7:30 p.m.



Benefit At Rosies



staff photo

Oscar welcome friends Marvin and Wanda Shurley with their son, Nick to the hamburger supper held Sept. 20, 1999 at Rosies

On Monday, September 20th, friends and customers of Rosie's held a benefit dinner for Oscar Ovalle. Oscar is traveling to San Angelo twice a week to receive Chemotherapy. The money raised will help pay for medical and travel expenses.

The dinner consisted of a hamburger or cheeseburger with a bag of chips and a drink for five dollars. Desserts were donated by various individuals included which included

brownies, a chocolate cream pie, peach pie and an apple pie. We had a great turn out. We served approximately 380 hamburgers.

We would like to thank everyone who volunteered their time and effort in organizing this event, for the people and organizations who donated money and food, and for everyone who took the time to show up and show their support for Oscar and Rosie.

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Sutton County Hospital Board Meeting

The regular meeting of the Sutton County Hospital District, Board of Directors, was held on Monday, September 13, 1999, at 6:00 p.m. in the conference room at the Hospital. The following Directors were present: Alvis Johnson, Jr., President; Ray Smith, Vice President; Lewis Allen, Virginia Epps and Paul Chevalier. Also present were: Diane Ashcraft, Administrator, Kathy McDaniel, Patient Services Exam, Brenham, TX, Bobby Zesch, Zesch & Pickett, San Angelo, Carolyn Lara, Medical Records, Carol Evand, RN, ADON, Nursing Home, Ramiro Perez, DON, Hospital, and Kathy Knight, Board Secretary.

Dr. Johnson called the meeting to order. Upon motion by Virginia Epps, seconded by Ray Smith, the Board approved the regular meeting minutes of August 9, 1999.

Dr. Johnson advised that Rex Ann Friess would be here for the budget part of the meeting.

Kathy McDaniel, Patient Services Exam, (PSE) from Brenham, TX, addressed the Board, regarding Chargemaster review and compliance issues. With all the changes in covered and noncovered charges for Hospitals, it is very critical to be in compliance with the coding of a facility's charges. This review could take up to 6 months and would cost the District between \$20,000 - \$30,000, depending upon the information submitted to PSE and the changes that would have to be made. Discussion was held

regarding other Firms that will come and do the same service, and the need for this service to be done. Paul Chevalier made the motion to engage PSE's services for the Chargemaster review and Medicare consultations. Virginia Epps seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Bobby Zesch, Zesch & Pickett, presented the Blue Cross/Blue Shield rates for the new anniversary date for the upcoming year, beginning October 1, 1999. Mr. Zesch advised that with the claims history, they could not get any other bids for the Hospital's group. Mr. Zesch advised that the increase for the District is approximately 26%. Mr. Zesch advised that with some changes in the benefits, it could be decreased some. After much discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to only change the prescription card, which at the present time is \$7 and \$10, to \$10 & \$20. Lewis Allen made the motion to renew the Blue Cross/Blue Shield insurance of the employees, with the one change in the prescription card co-pay. Ray Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding changing the order of the day, so Mr. Jim Hadley, West Texas Rehab, could go ahead and present his presentation. Upon motion by Lewis Allen, seconded by Ray Smith, the Board approved the change in the order of the day to allow Mr. Hadley to speak at this time.

Mr. Hadley presented the contract for physical therapy services

for the facility to the Board. Mr. Hadley went over the several areas of the contract that would benefit the facility that differ from the present contract. Discussion was held regarding the present contract with Premier Therapy, which is up October 1, 1999. The Board discussed an entry made to the present contract extending this contract for one year without the Board being made aware of any changes to this contract. Discussion regarding the two physical therapy service contracts was held in depth. Ray Smith made the motion to give Premier Therapy a 90 day notice of termination and sign the contract with West Texas Rehab for physical therapy services, effective 90 days from now. Virginia Epps seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Board then went to the order of the day.

Ms. Ashcraft presented the budget for 2000. Discussion was held in depth regarding the budget, with several areas being looked at. Discussion was held regarding the revenue the effective tax rate will bring in and if the District will need to increase the tax rate. Ms. Ashcraft advised the Board that the District should receive some Tobacco money in the next year, but at this time, we do not know an amount. It was the consensus of the Board to have a special called meeting on Thursday to finalize the budget and set the tax rate. Upon motion by Lewis Allen, seconded by Paul Chevalier, the Board tabled any action on the bud-

get and setting the tax rate, at this time.

Ms. Ashcraft presented the 3 year capital budget. Discussion was held regarding the various capital items needed for the facility. The Board discussed prioritizing the items and submitting them regularly for approval. Ray Smith made the motion to approve the 3 year capital budget as presented. Paul Chevalier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ms. Lara explained to the Board, that effective September 1, 1999, a federal requirement is requiring the facility to have in place a Patient Concern Policy, regarding patient's rights. Upon motion by Lewis Allen, seconded by Virginia Epps, the Board approved the policy as presented.

Ms. Ashcraft reported to the Board that there was one delinquent chart at this time.

Ms. Ashcraft reported that accounts receivable was down to \$349,661 at the end of August. Ms. Ashcraft advised that there is approximately \$50,000 tied up in physical therapy claims.

Ms. Ashcraft reported that she had received the letter from the Texas Dept. of Health regarding the disproportionate share moneys the facility will receive the next year. The amount for this year is approximately \$125,000.

Ms. Ashcraft reported that there had been a complaint investigation in the Nursing Home by the State. The State wrote the incident up as an isolated incident and will be back for follow up. Regarding this same incident, a notice of claim has been filed by the family. The District's attorney has been notified of this claim and is working on it.

Carol Evans, RN, ADON, for the Nursing Home, gave the report for the Nursing Home, advising that at the present time the census is at 30 residents. Mrs. Evans reported that the staffing is adequate at the present time.

Mrs. Knight gave the financial report for July. Mrs. Knight reported that the Hospital showed a loss of \$69,610.32 and the Nursing Home had a loss of \$31,714.30.

The expenditures for August were presented. Upon motion by Lewis Allen, seconded by Ray Smith, the Board approved the August expenditures.

Cindy Bolen declined to attend. Item #1 for the purpose of the executive session was changed to open session and presented earlier in the meeting. The Board then went into executive session for item #2, under the Texas Open Meetings Act, subchapter D, section 551.074 - Personnel Matters; closed meeting.

The Board then reconvened into open session. Dr. Johnson advised that personnel problems had been discussed. Paul Chevalier made the motion to terminate Ramiro Perez for reasons given in a documented statement by the Administrator. Ray Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ramiro Perez addressed the Board regarding scheduling and communication problems.

There were no other Visitors comments.

There were no Board Member comments. With no further business, Ray Smith made the motion to adjourn. Paul Chevalier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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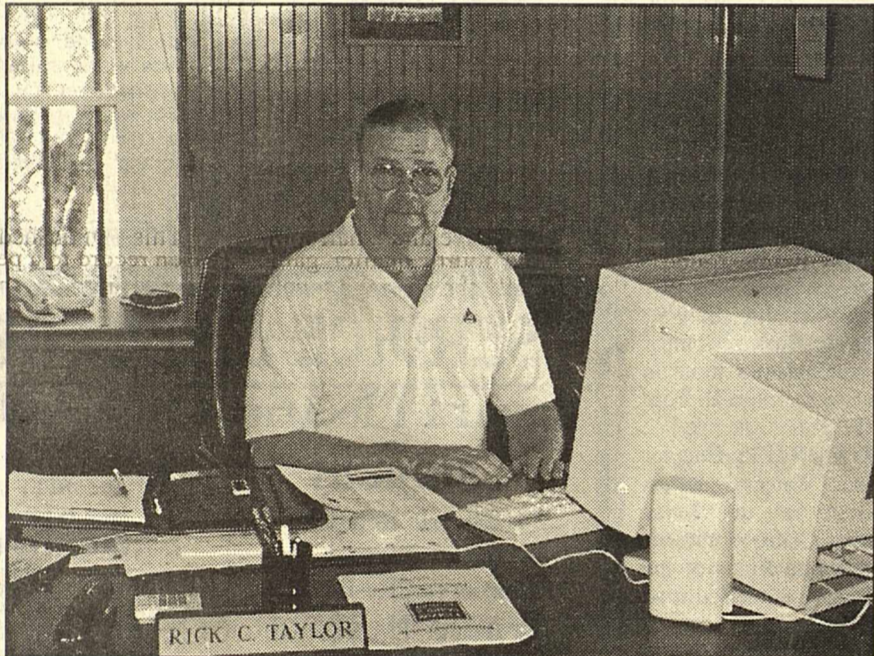
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In a recent interview, Rick stated, "We want to make Sonora a Texas tourist Destination spot, not just a passing through point." He says, "tourism is not the all time answer for Sonora and it will take tourism, nature, hunting, and all kinds of industry to make this town thrive."

Texas has surpassed Florida, becoming the #2 most tourist attractive state in our nation, sec-

ond only to California. Over 400 million out of state visitors travel Texas highways every year. The international numbers have doubled since 1997. One of the first items on Rick's agenda is to put Sonora on the Certified / Registered Tourist Information Center list. This would tie in with our Main Street Program as well as our Historical Society. Being "Certified" across the state, would include us in all tourism information that is circulated world wide.

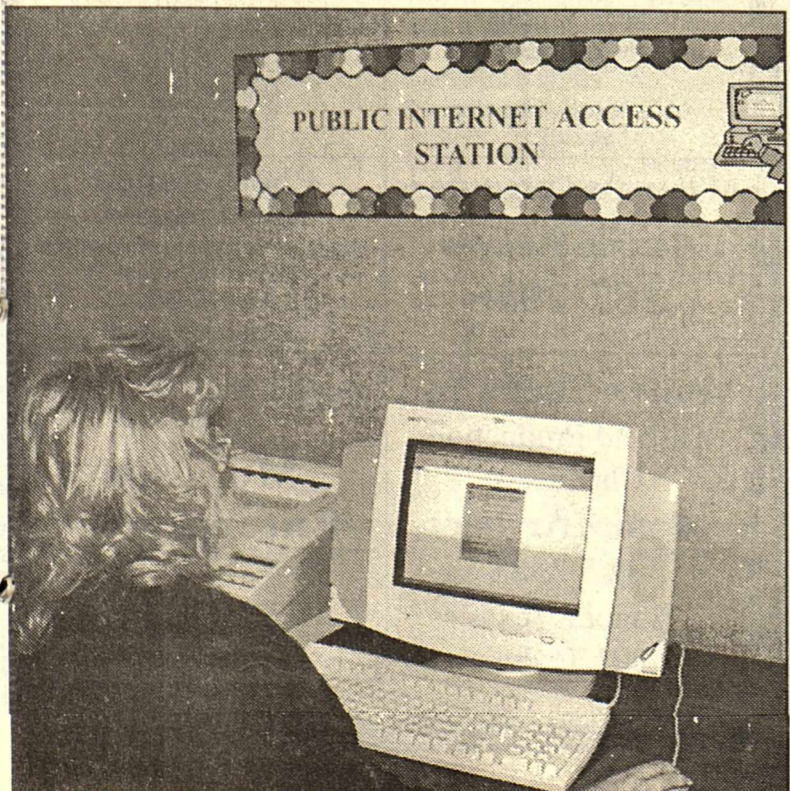
Rick commented that, "We take so much for granted this day and age; if you grow too fast you can hurt a town." He added, "The best growth for a small community is from the inside out. If you market in the right ways you can sell anything." There is so much talent right here in our own little town of Sonora. He was quite surprised that

our town doesn't have a Crafter's Association. Rick has only been in Sonora for a month, and in that short time he has realized that the potential for Sonora's growth is immeasurable. He said, "this town is very lucky to have people like Ann Kay and Justin McGeath on its team. They bring many resources to Sonora, and information is the key to success."

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