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## SONORA, TEXAS

Thursday, January 11, 2001

## Tri-County Tourism Coalition Being Formed

joining forces to form a "Tri-County Tourism Coalition". With the assistance of the Texas Department of Agriculture and Texas A&M University, the coalition has been formed to encourage and promote tourism in the Tri-County region. Though the coalition is in its infancy; representatives from the tourism industry in the tri-county region are already expecting positive results to come from the partnership.

The ultimate goal for the coalinon is to attract tourists to the area and by working together, encouraging tourists to stay in the tri-county January 17, 2001 at the Sutton

The chambers of Commerce in region longer than they might nor-Ildorado, Ozona, and Sonora are mally stay. The coalition's members currently consist of volunteers through the chambers of commerce as well as representatives from the tourism industry within the tri-county region. Justin McGeath, Sonora Chamber of Commerce Manager said, "the volunteers have been working hard on establishing goals and objectives for the coalition and now that those goals have been established it's time to open things up and encourage others in the region to join in the effort".

The first public meeting regarding the coalition has been set for

The seven prison inmates that

The escapees are reported to

Capital murder charges were

escaped Wednesday, Dec. 13, 2000,

from the Connally Unit near Kenedy, Texas are still at large.

have eluded authorities for the past

four weeks by using skills they learned in the military and behind

filed against all seven convicts for

the Christmas Eve killing of Irving,

Texas police officer Aubry

Hawkins, 29, during a sporting

goods store robbery.

Sightings of the men have been

reported all over Texas and

Oklahoma, but none have turned up

any positive results in their appre-

armed and dangerous, and the pub-

lic is reminded NOT to try to appre-

hend them. If seen, contact local

authorities immediately.

These men are considered

County 4-H Civic Center. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. and items to be covered will include the goals and objectives for the coalition, as well as future projects and programs that have already been

One such project will be a "Discovery Bus Tour" which has been scheduled for February 20. The purpose for the tour is to give everyone who comes in contact with tourists and potential tourists an understanding of what there is to do and see in the tri-county region. The tour will cover the tri-county region and will make stops in Eldo-

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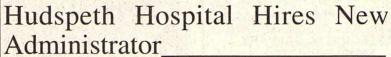
#### Hudspeth To Become Critical Access Hospital

The Hospital District Board of Directors held a Town Meeting on Monday, January 8th to discuss the new funding structure that they plan to implement in the Lillian Hudspeth Memorial Hospital. The Critical Access program is a federal government approved program to help rural hospitals in critically underserved areas. Hudspeth meets the requirements to receive the funding based on the fact that it is the sole medical provider for Sutton

Mr. Richard Hoeth, Vice President, Rural Health/Membership of the Texas Hospital Association informed those present that the process should be practically unnoticeable to the public. Patients will receive the same reliable care as they always have.

The Critical Access program improves reimbursement and staffing flexibility for the hospital. Hospitals in the area that have already started the Critical Access program have seen financial improvements and are satisfied with the results thus far.

The Hudspeth administration feels that this will be a positive change for the hospital and looks forward to completing the applications and implementing the pro-



Keith L. Butler, former San Angelo Community Medical Center's Director of Emergency and Outreach Services has been hired as Hudspeth Hospital Administrator.

"We are thrilled to have the opportunity to hire someone of this caliber and with this much hospital experience," a spokesperson for the hospital said.

Keith, 36 years old, has a Bachelor of Business Administration from ASU and has worked for San Angelo Community Medical Center for 20 years. He is a licensed paramedic and has been an active volunteer to the Sutton County EMS, and instructs EMT and Paramedic pro-

In addition to being an Advanced Cardiac Life Support Instructor, Keith is certified in Advanced Cardiac Life Support, Pediatric Advanced Life Support, and Basic Trauma Life Support.

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**Broncos Chosen For All-State Band** 

Joe Flores & Morgan Hobbs

Keith Butler

Both performed well. Joe will be the

alternate to the All-State Band, and

Morgan was selected to perform

with the All-State Band in San Anto-

nio this February. Congratulations to

both these fine band students on a

job well done!



for their untiring efforts. Too often we forget about the personal sacrifices school board

members routinely make. Too often we forget about the important role school board members play in assuring local control over our public schools, control that is in the hands of people we know...people who are our neigh-

Too often we forget that, in the tradition of a representative democracy, school board members are our connection to influencing how our public schools are governed.

Too often we are quick to criticize school board members without really knowing all the details that went into any given decision.

Too often the efforts of school board members go unrecognized and unrewarded.

January is School Board Recognition Month. This is a time to show our appreciation and to begin to better understand how local trustees work together to provide leadership for our schools.

The school board works closely with parents, education professionals, and other community members to create the educational vision we want for our students.

The school board is accountable to the public. It is responsible for assuring the public that the money allocated to the public schools is providing a good return on the investment. Thus, the board oversees regular assessment of the district's students, staff, and pro-

The school board is also a strong advocate for public schools and is responsible for communicating the needs of the school district to the public and the public's expec-

tations to the district. In January, join with others from throughout our district and state to salute the men and women who provide grassroots governance of public schools. Make a special effort to tell each school board member that his or her hard work has been noticed and is truly appreciated.



OFFICIAL MEMORANDUM STATE OF TEXAS OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Young people are the Lone Star State's most precious resource, and their education is our most important responsibility. In towns and cities throughout Texas, locally elected school board members govern and guide schools in accordance with the will of the people. They also ensure that control of and accountability for the schools stay where they belong -- with the residents of that community.

Texas has more than 7,000 school board members, representing the largest group of elected officials in the state. Most school boards consist of seven locally elected trustees who serve three-year terms without pay. These dedicated men and women make policy, set budgets and work to ensure academic excellence and accountability for students, teachers and

The Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) represents and serves local school boards across the Lone Star State. The TASB has designated January 2001 as School Board Recognition Month to raise awareness of the board members' contributions in helping children learn and succeed academically.

I encourage all Texans to recognize school board members for their service to communities throughout the Lone Star State. Their commitment to quality and excellence helps give students the opportunity to reach their

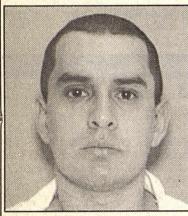
Therefore, I, George W. Bush, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim January 2001,

#### SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH



in Texas and urge the appropriate

## Escapees Still At Large

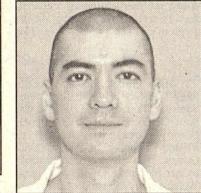


George Rivas W/M 5-6-70 6'00" 230 blk/bro Life Agg Robbery Agg Kidnapping x14 El Paso County

Has G. I. flat top, not real short or long. Has glasses (wire frame). This looks like him.

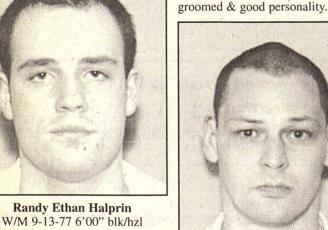


Michael Anthony Rodriguez W/M 10-29-62 5'7" 210 blk/bro Life/Capital Murder Bexar County Thinner than picture, has lost weight.

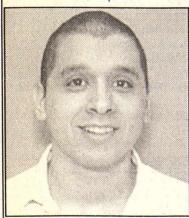


Larry Jame Harper W/M 9-10-63 5'11" 165 blk/bro \*\*wears thick glasses 50 yrs/ Agg Sexual Assault x3 El Paso County A lot thinner, glasses round (wire frames) looks nerd & studious.

Hair longer, neatly combed. Well

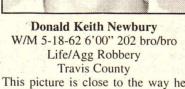


30 yrs/Injury to a Child Tarrant County He is thinner and his hair is combed forward, has a receding hairline.



Joseph C. Garcia W/M 11-6-71 5'11" 198 lbs blk/bro 50 yrs/Murder Bexar County Appears thinner than picture. He wears thick, black framed glasses. His hair is longer, also wears a black onyx ring. This is not a good

picture.





Patrick Henry Murphy, Jr W/M 10-3-61 5'07" bro/blu 50 yrs/Agg Assault D/W Dallas County Less hair or slick back, otherwise it

looks like him.

## Ray Smith as Life-Line representa-

Castillo appointed as Life-Line Rep.

Mary Lou Castillo has replaced tive. Ray Smith, since his retirement from The Bank and Trust, has turned over the Life-Life responsibilities to Mary Lou. Ray and Mary Lou have been to each of the current Life-Line subscribers, homes to verify the operability of each Life-Line unit and to get to know their new representative.

The Life-Line is a call system that activates an emergency alarm

in the nurse's station of the hospital. The subscriber or listed responders are called. If help is needed the police and EMS are dispatched.

On Saturday, January 6, Joe

Flores and Morgan Hobbs repre-

sented the Mighty Bronco Band at

the Area Band Tryouts in Banquete,

TX. They competed against many

other band students from the state.

The Life-Line is available at no charge to anyone in the community needing this service. If you have any questions about the Life-Line or know anyone in need of this service call Mary Lou Castillo at Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital 387-

## **Lions Club Crowns Queen**



Genny Cramer (center) was crowned the 2001 Lions Club Queen on Monday, January 8th. Stephanie Hard (left) was First Runner-Up and Kacci Lewellen (right) was second runner up. You can see all the contestants on page 5.

## Sonora Church Directory

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA **Rick Sanchez** 504 Santa Clara 387-2035

CHURCH OF CHRIST 304 N. Water 387-3190

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH T. Wayne Price Pastor 404 E Oak

387-2951

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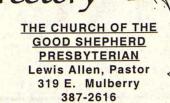
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Rev. Suzanne Steves, Pastor 201 N. Water 387-2466

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

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

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LA IGLESIA HISPANA PENTECOSTAL DEL NOMBRE DE JESUS, INC. Pastor Hector A. Portillo 807 Orient Ave. 387-6065



LIGHTHOUSE BAPTIST CHURCH Don Longoria, Pastor Corner of Hwy. 277 S. and Glasscock

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

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

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

**NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH** Don Seigler 511 Cornell 387-5207

SONORA FAMILY FAITH CENTER Sonora Stock Pens Sunday 6:00 p.m.



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

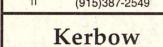
610 S. Crockett

387-6181 Town & Country - Country Kitchen 903 N. Crockett Ave. 387-2169

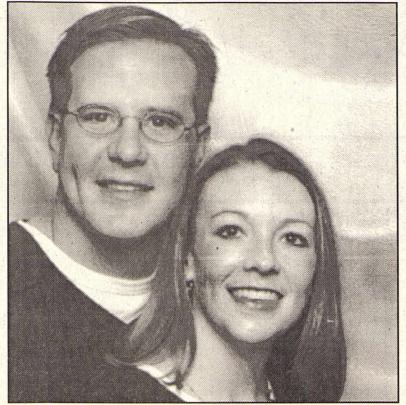
BRONCHO FORD INC. 115 N CONCHO SONORA, TX 76950 (915)387-2549

Kerbow **Funeral Home** 387-2266

Directory







Witt - Kemp

Dawn Witt of Pine Bluff, Arkansas and David Kemp of Sonora, Texas will be married February 16, 2001, in Playa Del Carmen, Mexico.

The bride elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Witt of Pine Bluff, Arkansas. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Sharon Kemp of Sonora, Texas and Glen Kemp of Carlsbad, New Mexico.

Miss Witt is a graduate of Texas A & M University and is employed by Chase Manhattan Mortgage in Houston, Texas. Her fiance is a graduate of Texas A & M University and is employed by Fabco.

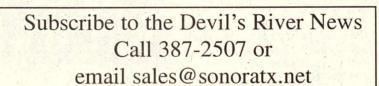
Card of Thanks

Thank you, Sutton County. Your cards, letters, flowers, thoughts, concern, and especially your prayers have been such a comfort to us. The financial help we have received is so appreciated and has helped so much. Words cannot express the strength we have drawn from your love and support. A special thank you is extended to our church family at The Church of the Good Shepherd and Sonora Independent School District. It is indeed with pride that Bill and I call Sonora our home. Thank you again. With love,

Bill and Claudia Dempsey Curt, Drew and Russ

To those in the community that prayed and thought of my family and I in our time of need, I thank you. After my recent back surgery the only thing pushing me forward was the encouragement of those who sent letters, flowers and stopped by the house to visit. Those of you who took time out of your lives to lend a helping hand meant the world to my family and I. I am well on my way to a wonderful recovery even just three weeks after the procedure because of what you all have given me. More than those in the community, I would love to thank my family. This was hard on all of us, but my parents handled it well. They have always given me so much encouragement in all that I have done and will do. I love you and thank you for all that you have ever done for me. A special thanks to David Fisher, James Barton, John Adams, Glen and Linda Fisher, Royce and Gloria Miears, Carol Ann, Victor and Diana Virgen and the Zuniga Family.

Thank you, Stayce Fox



#### **Senior Center News**

Jan. 12 - Beltone Hearing Tests. 11:00 a.m.

coleslaw, carrot cake.

Jan. 15 - Martin Luther King Jr., Birthday. Center will be CLOSED!

Jan. 16 - City Council 2:00 p.m.

Jan. 17 -Van to San Angelo. Call Lilia: 387-3941.

#### Senior Menu

Jan. 15 - Martin Luther King Jr., Birthday. Center will be CLOSED. Jan. 16 - BBQ Chicken, blackeyed peas, beets, rolls, pears with pineapple, chocolate chip çookies.

Jan. 17 - Fried fish with tartar sauce, hominy, broccoli, corn muffin, bread pudding with raisins.

Jan. 18 - Salisbury steak, baked beans, mustard greens, bread, peaches.

Jan. 19 - Roast beef with gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls,

Lunch is served Monday thru Friday at 12:00 Noon. \$1.50 donation is suggested for those 60+ and \$4.00 for others.



Ortiz - Smittle

Jessica Liz Ortiz of Sonora and Mike A. Smittle of Dallas will be married on June 2, 2001, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Richardson, Texas.

The bride elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Flores and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Ortiz, Jr. of Sonora, Texas. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mr. Paul Smittle of Dallas, Texas and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Usher of Plano, Texas.

Miss Ortiz is a 1993 graduate of Sonora High School and a 1999 graduate of Texas Tech. She is employed as an elementary teacher in Dallas,

Her fiance is a 1993 graduate of Berkner High School and a 1998 graduate of Texas A & M University. He is employed as a KPMG consultant in Dallas, Texas.

#### Obituaries

#### George Edward "Smitty" Smith

George Edward "Smitty" Smith, Sr., 76, of Sonora died Thursday, January 4, 2001 in a San

Angelo Hospital. Graveside services were held Saturday, January 6, 2001 at 10:00 a.m. in the Sonora Cemetery with Jones. officiating. Arrangements were with Kerbow

Funeral Home. Smitty was born November 23, 1924, in Mart, Texas. He was married to Hilda Luckie, November 21, 1946, in Ozona, Texas. He was a WW II veteran, having served in Europe with the 1st U.S. Army. He finished college in three years and served as manager in all business departments for General Motors for thirty six years, winning numerous

honors. He was a member of the

Legion of Leaders, Chevrolet Hall

of Fame, Chamber of Commerca Veterans of Foreign Wars, and a member of the Church of Christ serving wherever needed. He was a parts manager and inspector for Morriss Brothers Const. until retirement. He drove a school bus for the Sonora ISD for a number of years.

He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Hilda, of Sonora, one son, George Edward "Eddy" Smith, Jr. of San Angelo, one aunt, K. Dell Donaldson of San Angelo, a sisterin-law, Irma Luckie of San Angelo, numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

his friends served as Honorary Pallbearers.

The family requests memorials be made to the Sonora Church of Christ Memorial Fund or a favorite charity.

#### Mary Frances (Cotten) Welch

ge 87, of San Antonio, Texas, died Saturday, January 6, 2001. She was born October 5, 1913, in Runnels County, Texas, the daughter of Roland Nichols and Nellie Maud Cotten. She was preceded in death by her husband, Rev. Ross Thomas Welch and by her son, Ross Truman Welch. She is survived by daughter, Sandra N. Webb of San Antonio, Texas; daughter and son-in-law, Donna W. and Ennis B. Hill, Jr. of Richardson, Texas; five grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Frances taught Algebra and English in high schools around Texas as she followed her Methodist minister husband to his church appointments. She and Ross retired in 1977 and

Mary Frances (Cotten) Welch, returned to San Antonio, where they Heights United Methodist Church.

Memorial services were held Tuesday, January 9, 2001 at 4:00 p.m. at Alamo Heights United Methodist Church Garden Chapel in San Antonio, Texas with the Reverend Donna Streib officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Alamo Heights United Methodist Church, 825 E. Basse, San Antonio, Texas 78209 or The Ross T. and Frances Cotten Welch Endowed Scholarship Fund, Perkins School of Theology, Office of Dean, P.O. Box 750133, Dallas, Texas 75275-0133. Arrangements were with Porter Loring. 1101 McCullough, San Antonio, Texas

Ronnie Cox would like to be your pharmacist.

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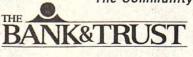
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#### Community

January 12 - 13 Sutton County 4-H Stockshow Sonora Civic Center January 13 West Texas Rehab Telethon January 13 Little Dribblers Practice January 15 SISD School Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.

The Community Calendar



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#### Calendar

January 15 Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday January 17 Tri-County Tourism Coalition meeting Sonora Civic-Center • 7:00 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting Held every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. First United Methodist Church Basement

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Letters to the Editor published in this newspaper do not necessarily reflect the position of this publication on any subject. Correspondence should be mailed to: The Devil's River News-Letters to the Editor, 228 East Main, Sonora TX. 76950. Email us at editor@sonoratx.net

#### by Jo-Ann E. Palmer, Secretary

We are continuing our listing of Sonora Broncos that have won the State Championship with the 1971

Seniors: #20 Rick Street, #21 Freddie Gonzales, #32 Milton Noel, #52 Ric Hill, #63 Gene Thompson, #70 Mike Dillard, #72 Tim Cole, #73 Frank Taylor, #74 Gene Trainer, #81 Richard Bernal, #83 Wayne

Juniors: #11, Eddie Alexander, #12 Mark Rousselot, #23 Steve Street, #30 Tryon Fields, #31 John Weston, #41 Wade Richardson, #44 Wesley Richardson, #50 Joe Eustace, #51 Beto Villarreal, #60 John Beckham, #71 Joe Gutierrez, #85 Jimmy Galindo.

Sophomores: #33 Jack Sykes, #40 Freddie Virgen, #66 Willie Fay, #75 Ladd Turner, #76 William Thompson, #82 Henry Mata, #84 Bruce Kerbow.

Superintendent: Mr. Ken McAllister - Principal: Mr. Jim Pol-

Coaches: Bill Scoggins, Wayne Shaw, Jerry Phillips, Oliver Wuest, Bob Snodgrass, Jerry Horn, Travis Harkins, Ray Mason and David Porter.

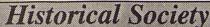
Cheerleaders: June Alexander, Jessie McCutchen, Pat Mooney, Marilyn Morgan, Ruthie Wallace.

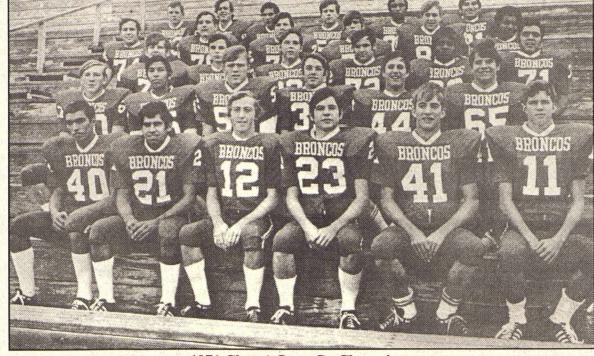
We don't have all the games on file, and they aren't in order as no dates were on the articles we copied, but here are the scores of those we do: Sonora vs Bangs 63-0, Sonora vs Junction Eagles 14-7, Sonora vs Rankin Red Devils 21-12, Sonora vs Coahoma Bulldogs 20-16, Sonora vs Reagan Co. Owls 28-9, Sonora vs Ozona Lions 10-8, Sonora vs Mason 27-13, District 9A title game of Sonora vs Eldorado Eagles 27-6, Sonora vs DeLeon 47-0, Sonora vs Nacona 34-7, Sonora vs Crowley Eagles 19-12. Sonora vs White Deer 20-19, Championship Game Sonora vs Barbers Hill Eagles 3-3 Co-Champions.

Honor Team: Milton Noel polled the most offensive back votes by the Texas Sports Writers Association, Bruce Kerbow - End-Gene Trainer -lineman and Tryon Fields - linebacker, Back-Steve Street, second team defensive men-

Standard Times All-West Texas Football Team: Backfield- Steve Street, Linemen-Gene Trainer, Bill Scoggins-West Texas Coach of the Year, Linebacker-Milton Noel, Defensive Secondary-Rick Street.

Jack Cowan, Standard Times





1971 Class A State Co-Champions

sports writer had this to say about the Barbers Hill - Sonora game: Sonora Shares Title With Bar-

It wasn't quite as sweet as it

could have been, but for the Sonora Broncos, it was far from unsuccess-

The Broncos and Barbers Hill Eagles struggled to a 3-3 tie Saturday night in Nelson Field for the state Class A championship battle, and each left with a share of the crown. With some effort, the Big Red of District 9-A successfully defended its title in and claimed the school's fourth set of honors in the last six years.

Confusion engulfed the final few minutes of the class as the Broncos drove 80 yards to the 15 where place kicker Henry Mata attempted the winning field goal with four seconds left. One official declared the 32 yard try good, but the same referee called illegal procedure against the Sonorans. During the discussion, another official - the one under the goal posts-called the attempt wide to the left, and on that the Eagles refused the penalty and walked off with half a crown.

It meant the end of an unbeaten season for both squads, the Broncos finished 14-0-1 and the Eagles 13-0-2 mark. It was the second successive tie for Barbers Hill, which deadlocked with Schulenburg 14-14 in last week's semifinals and advanced on penetrations.

Sonora controlled Saturday's bout with a 3-1 penetration edge and rolled up 292 total yards to the Fagles 167 The Broncos also held a margin of first downs, 15-8,

The entire Bronco defense performed remarkably and in getting down the previously explosive

Sonora's Steve Street, moving behind the powerful front wall, was the games hero with 149 yards on 19 carries. And Milton Noel ripped the Eagle defense for 114 yards. Mata put the Broncos in front early, climaxing a 67 yard drive with an

used up the first five minutes of the contest in the 12 play march with an 18 yard punt by Street the big play. The Eagles then moved to their 40 following the kickoff, and after chalking up their initial first down, Doucett fumbled. But Sonora couldn't move, and when Tryon

Fields attempted the first punt of the

game, the Eagles broke through to

11 yard field goal. The Broncos

Barbers Hill set up at its 33, and quarterback Jabo Leonard figured it was time to retaliate. He moved his team to the 45, and on first down shot a bomb to Armstrong who gathered it in and stepped out of bounds all at once at the Sonora 21.

Armstrong then hammered at the Bronco defense six straight times, but fell short at the three. On fourth and goal from there Leonard tied the game with a 20 yard field goal. Just under 10 minutes remained in the half when the talented quarterback left his mark, the 25th successful field goal of his career. He missed on try #26 however, three minutes later, hitting the crossbar on a 38 yard attempt into

Sonora had a chance to go ahead with 14 seconds remaining in the half, but Mata was wide to the left on a 24 yard field goal attempt

The second half was all Sonora but the only real threat came in those last hectic minutes. The Broncos took the ball at their own 20 with 3:24 left in the game and with

the help of a pass interference penalty, moved inside the Eagles end of the field.

With a first and 10 at the Barbers Hill 30, Street and Noel moved the Broncos to the 18. But a fumble and an illegal procedure penalty backed them to the 25 before Bronco quarterback Mark Rousselot hit end Rick Bernal with a 10 yard toss to the 15. From there Mata attempted the unsuccessful field goal.

Before the early championship games and up to the present team 2000 we have had many great football teams. I would love to writeabout all of you but my questions on other things are piling up quickly and I must get back to them. I will say that in my book it doesn't matter if you won or lost during your football season, you tried your best and played your hearts out. That is the most any coach can ask of his team and makes you all great football players in my eyes.

We hope to construct files on all the football games over the years but we can't do this without your help. Many years of papers are missing. Folks please either you copy or let us copy your scrap books so we can have complete files. I do have a copy machine here if you would like to come here to make the copies for our files. This is a huge undertaking and we could use some help. So dig out those old scrap books and let's make the Bronco sports teams in all sports the best documented around.

If you have any questions on Sutton County history send them to "Ask the Historical Society" P.O. Box 885, Sonora, TX 76950-0885 or e-mail schs@sonoratx.net. You may call me at 915-387-2885 any day but Wednesdays please. Also please call before coming over. Thanks.

#### Dad, First you gave us your love and then as a bonus you gave us an example that has enriched our lives beyond any material possession. In return, we gave you gray hair and sleepless nights. That's what daughters are for. Happy Birthday with Love, Cyndy, Toni, Trish and Theresa



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## Ring In The New Year With A Technology Tune-Up

(Austin, TX) In many households, computers have become an important part of everyday life, allowing families to get driving directions, shop online, conduct research and much more. To make sure you can continue to do these things seamlessly, you must periodically give your computer a tune-up. The Texas Society of CPAs recommends that you ring in the new year by cleaning up your personal computers, assessing your family's technological needs, and planning for future purchases and enhancements.

Perk Up Your Computer

A little cleaning up can go a long way in improving your computer's performance. Delete files that you and other family members will never use again. If you must save some, put them on a backup disk. Similarly, delete emails that you don't need, especially those with large attachments.

If you don't use all the applications on your computer, you may want to delete these as well. Software applications can consume huge amounts of hard disk space that you may need for other purposes. Under the Windows 95-2000 operating system, most programs that are less than two years old can be deleted by using the Add/Remove program utility. Simply double-click on the "My Computer" shortcut and then on the "Control Panel" icon. Open Add/Remove Programs and highlight the program you want to discard. Click Add/Remove and follow the dialog-box instructions. If the program you want to remove isn't on the computer list, open Windows Explorer, highlight the folder and click on Delete.

Under the Macintosh operating system, simply drag the

unwanted files to the "Trash" and "Empty Trash" under the "Special"

**Debug Your System** 

Given the potential for computer viruses to completely disable your system, it pays to make sure you have anti-virus software. If you already have such software, be sure to check the Internet periodically for upgrades so you can keep up with new viruses as they are detected. Make sure all those who use your home computer are warned about accepting notes or email attachments that can potentially transmit a virus.

Put Yourself on a Faster Track

Today, faster Internet access is becoming the norm. You have several options for obtaining highspeed Internet access, commonly known as broadband. They are cable, DSL, and wireless connec-

With cable, you share bandwidth with a group of subscribers. One downside to this is that your connections may be slow, depending on the number of subscribers.

DSL (digital subscriber line) uses a digital signal to transmit information over telephone lines.

For areas where neither DSL nor cable are available, connecting with a wireless, satellite-based Internet service provider is another

Broadband options usually cost between \$40-\$45 a month, so before signing on, be sure you use the Internet enough to offset the cost. Certainly a family with a work-at-home-parent or student would benefit from the advantages

You may want to investigate options for cable, DSL and wireless providers in your area and weigh the advantages of each. Be aware that only certain types of

services may be available in your neighborhood. Before entering a contract, be sure to get the details about service, customer support and other policies.

Assess Your Computer Capability

If you opt for broadband internet use but have an old computer that can't accept a network card, it may be time to upgrade your system or purchase a new

As a general rule, if it will cost you more than \$400 to \$500 for the upgrade, it is most likely wiser to buy a new system.

If you're only able to run Windows 95, which does not allow you to use the newest printers and scanners, it may be time for an upgrade. Another reason to upgrade is if your computer is very slow, such as 200-megahertz (MHz's).

Also, check with your family to determine if the software they use runs effectively, and if the computer can accommodate their future software needs.

Finally, CPAs point out that. when making a purchase, don't be lured by unnecessary features. However, be sure that the system is capable of accepting upgrades. About the TSCPA

The Texas Society of CPAs is a nonprofit, voluntary professional organization representing Texas CPAs. With a membership of 28,000 and a history of over 85 years, the Society has one of the largest in-state memberships of any CPA organization in the nation. The Society promotes professionalism, ethics, and integrity among CPAs, and is committed to protecting the interests of the public and its members.

#### Letter to the Editor

A special thanks to Archie Crenwelge of Sonora. We had run out of gas about six miles from town over the New Year's holidays and Mr. Crenwelge was kind enough to stop. He took my husband to town to get gas, and brought him back to the car. This was our first trip through Sonora and we had no idea where we were or how far it was to town. Thanks again Archie, hopefully we can return your good deed to someone else someday.

Sharon & Ty Morris

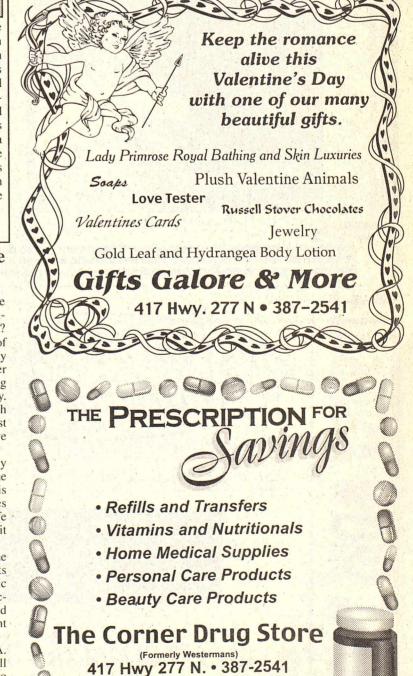
#### Direct Deposit More **Important Than Ever**

Have you ever watched for the mailman, hoping that your government check hadn't been delayed? Well, consider joining millions of Americans who are moving away from the horse-and-buggy paper check method in favor of receiving their check the 21st Century way. That means electronically, through Direct Deposit, the safest, simplest and most convenient way to receive your government benefit.

And because Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits will increase this month, direct Deposit becomes more important than ever. It's a safe and reliable way to get your benefit into the bank

Don't have an account? Some banks offer special accounts designed just to receive electronic payments. These are called Electronic Transfer Accounts (ETA) and anyone who gets a Federal payment can open one.

Not all banks offer the ETA. In order to find one that does, call toll-free 1-888-382-3311 or go to http://www.eta-find.gov on the web. Texas seniors who receive federal benefits can call 1-800-252-9240 for further information.



After hours and holidays please call 387-3646

I have a dream that one day little black boys and black girls will be able to join hands with little white boys and white girls as sisters and brothers

I have a dream today".

Each year on the third Monday of January schools, federal offices, post offices and banks across America close as we celebrate the birth, the life and the dream of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

> Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Monday, January 15, 2001

## Community Justice Holds Meeting

Players In Progress

Students participating in the P.I.P.S program get ready

to show their skills at the half time of the 7th Grade Lady

The Sonora and Sutton County Area Community Justice Panel held its first meeting at 6:00 p.m. on December 19, 2000 at the First National Bank Annex Building. Panel members in attendance included: County & Juvenile Judge Carla Garner, County & Juvenile Prosecutor David Wallace, Sheriffelect Joe Fincher, Municipal Judge Don Sessom, Justice of the Peace Adelita Alvarez, High School Principal Brant Myers, and Chief Adult & Juvenile Probation Officer Jed Davenport. Enclosed is a summary of the results from the first meeting.

The newly formed Community Justice Panel is comprised of individuals who are regularly involved with making decisions that influence the quality of Community Justice Services delivered to the Sonora area. The panel members quickly defined the purpose and parameters of the Justice Panel by adopting a governing set of by-laws. Panel members then identified how each person's decision-making role is interrelated to other components of the community justice process.

Colts game.

Goals established by the panel include:

\*To develop an interrelated system of community justice that satisfies local, state, and federal laws as well as the expectations of Sonora and Sutton County resi-

\* To provide a forum for delineating and resolving issues that exist within the scope of community justice in Sonora and Sutton County area.

\* To network community justice agencies in order to provide consistent and organized services to the people of Sonora and Sutton County area.

\* To provide a linkage of communication and education between the community and respective agencies involved with delivering community justice services.

If you would like information or have something you would like descussed at a future panel meeting please send correspondence to the following address:

Community Justice Panel Serving the Sonora & Sutton

#### Senior Center Accepting Applications for Hearing Tests

The Beltone Hearing Tests will be held every 2nd Friday of each month. The Center is accepting appointments now.

The people with CEAP (energy assist) program will not be coming to our Center until March 2001 because of lack of funds. For more information call San Angelo at 915-653-1680 and ask for Janet Appleton.

Don't forget that the Senior Center will be closed on Monday, January 15th in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday. In case of an emergency, please call 387-3888.

Our van will be going to San Angelo on Wednesday, January 17th. Call Lilia now because we are limited to take only 10 people since that is all we can carry in the van. And remember that the medicals come first.

The Center will hold its monthly birthday party on Friday, January 26th. The public is welcome to join us for cake and punch after lunch. Those celebrating birthdays this month are Pablo Favela, Gretta Smith, Barbara Urbanski, Lionel Samaniego, Jackie Harris, John and Jeannette Cooper, Pauline Ringgold, Nig Wall, Anna Eustace, Vicenta Lopez, Lucy Ramos, Lupe Mendez, Maggie Mesa, Arturo Horace Vernon Humphreys, Baldemar Reina, Lu Ann King, Elizabeth Mayfield and yours truly, Juanita Mesa.

The Center is making plans for their Annual Senior Citizens Retreat at the HEButts Foundation Camp. The van will leave on Tuesday, February 29th and will return on Wednesday, March 1st. The cost will be \$45.00 per senior and it covers meals, rooms

December 12, 2000 -- Marine

During the course at Marine

Corps Lance Cpl. Nathan J. Favela,

son of Debra J. and Jose J. Favela of

Sonora, Texas, recently graduated

Corps Communications-Electronics

Schools, Marine Corps Base, Twen-

ty-nine Palms, Calif., students

from the Radar Repair Course.

Course

and transportation. There will be sponsors for any seniors who can't afford to pay. Anyone interested needs to register by Thursday, February 8th. Call the Senior Center for more information at 387-5657 or

We will be making Valentine Crafts and will start as soon as we get any Seniors signed up. The class will be held every Thursday after lunch til?

We will also be holding our Exercise with video program on Wednesdays at 2:00 p.m. and everyone is welcome!

Free Tax Help will be available at the Sr. Center on Thursday, February 8th. The course is for all taxpayers with middle and low income, with special attention to those age 60 and older. You will need to bring the following with you when you come: current year's tax forms and preparation booklet; a copy of last year's income tax return and suporting documentation; W-2 and W-2p forms from each employer, if you earned a salary; unemployment compensation statements; SSA-1099 form if you were paid Social Security benefits; all 1099 forms showing interest and/or dividends and original purchase price of sold assets; 1099R form from the payer of your pension or annuity; all forms indicating federal income tax paid; child care provider information, all receipts or canceled checks if itemizing deductions; and Social Security numbers for all dependents. The course is administered through the AARP Foundation in cooperation with the IRS. Please call the center for an appointment.

Til next month, Juanita Mesa

receive training in the fundamental

concepts of radar. Training includes

intermediate level of instruction in

electronic theory and servicing prin-

ciples common to radar and associ-

ated electronic equipment. It

encompasses specialized radar cir-

cuitry, analysis of individual stages

in a representative radar training

Sonora High School in Sonora,

Favela is a 1998 graduate of

device and repair of malfunctions.

Favela Graduates From Radar Repair

## F.Y.I.

If you would like to purchase a copy of the Bronco's state winning game or any Varsity or J.V. game tape, please call Kristin Keel at the Hig School, Each tape is only \$6. All proceeds benefit the S.H.S. Radio and T.V. Class. The class is also selling highlight tapes of the 2000 season for only \$15.00. The highlight tapes are edited to the latest music and have the best plays of the season.

There will be a Varsity Football group picture on January 12th at the field house at 11:15 a.m. The athletes will be able to pose with the playoff trophies and have thier individual pictures alone or with their parents. They will receive order envelopes from Coach Herring the week of the pictures. For more information, please call Kristin Keel at the high school at 387-

The Cub Scouts will have their Annual Pinewood Derby Race on Saturday, January 27th at the Sutton County Civic Center. If you have not received your car, please contact your den leader or call Tibba at 387-3988.

The 4th grade Webelos will hold their next den meeting on Monday, January 15. All Scouts need to meet at the Devil's River News office at5:00 p.m. and need to be picked up at the Scout Hut at 6:30 p.m.

Dr. Calderon now has flu shots. Call 387-5666 for an appointment.

The San Angelo Genealogical & Historical Society will hold Beginner's classes January 15-19, Mon-Fri, 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. at the Church of Christ at 901 Main Street, San Angelo, Texas. There will be a \$25.00 fee, which will give you membership to the Society for a year, you will received the Quarterly, and lots of handouts and instruction on getting started on Family esearch. The classes will be taught by Bob Parks. We would like to invite anyone interested in Family research to come join us. There are more classes planned, times will be announced. For more information call 655-6494

The ASU Small Business Development Center is Conducting an Introduction to Quickbooks workshop for individuals interested in setting up their business finances on QuickBooks software. The workshop will be conducted on Saturday, January 20th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at ASU in the Math-Computer Science Building, Room 105. The charge for the workshop is \$30.00 (includes lunch). Basic computer skills needed. Reservations are REQUIRED, to register or for more information, please call the ASU\*SBDC at 942-2098.

The ASU Small Business Development Center is conducting a free CREATING A POSITIVE WORK ENVIRONMENT seminar. This seminar will be conducted on Tuesday, January 23rd from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at ASU in the Rassman Building Conference Room. Reservations are equested. To register or for more information, please call the ASU\*SBDC

There will be a 1:00 dismissal for all schools on Wednesday, January

Registration is still being taken for Little Dribbler's at Business Basics, 112 N. Concho Ave. Practices will begin on Saturday, January 13, 2001.

TAAS/TEAMS Out of School Registration

Individuals who are no longer enrolled in school and who have not previously met minimum expectations on all sections of the exit level TAAS or TEAMS test, may retake the necessary section(s) any time that the tests are offered. The next scheduled test dates for the exit level TAAS and TEAMS tests will be February 20, 2001 (Writing), February 21, 2001 (Mathematics) and February 22, 2001 (Reading).

If you are no longer enrolled in a Texas public school and wish to register to retake the exit level TAAS test or TEAMS test, pick up a registration packet from the Sonora High School counselor. The test registration form must be completed and returned in the pre-addressed envelope and must be received in Austin, Texas, no later than 5:00 p.m. January 19, 2001.

State Champion Shirts and Caps

The Sonora High School is now taking orders for State Champion Shirts and Caps. You can pick up your order form at the high school office, Devil's River News, First National Bank, The Bank & Trust and Food Center. Once completed, mail your order form to the Sonora High School, 807 S. Concho, Sonora, Texas 76950. Orders will be filled as received begin-

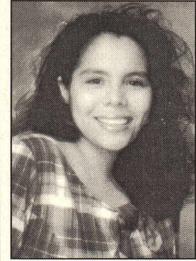
Sonora Intermediate is collecting empty printer cartridges. Recyclers USA pays the school \$1.00 - \$2.00 per empty cartridge. Please help our school recycle and raise money for student activities. Empty cartridges may be dropped off at the Sonora Intermediate School office. Thanks for

## Sutton County Steakhouse congratulates Annette Mabry for being December 2000 Employee of the Month.





#### Sentena Receives Degree From ASU



Bachelor of Science Degree in Education from Angelo State University on December 15, 2000. She is the daughter of Trini Sentena Sr. and George and Gloria Noriega. She has one son, Nathaniel Mata and lives in San Angelo, Texas. Congratulations from your family!



In memory of Freddy Chavarria Jan. 9, 2000 - Jan. 9, 2001

It's been a year Son since you went to be with the Lord, but it seems like it was only yesterday that we saw your smiling face. They say that time heals all pain, but it doesn't, it just helps us cope. Your

loss is a void that will only be filled when you greet us in your Father's Mansion. Our love for you has no measure and your memory will never die.

With Love your Mom & Family We miss you so much!

#### Intermediate School Announces Attendance Winners

Congratulations to the Class Attendance winners for the 3rd Six Weeks. Way to go !!

3rd Grade--Mrs. Healy's Class--98.6%

4th Grade--Mrs. Friess' Class--98.5%

5th Grade-- Mrs. Benson's Class--97.5% Congratulations to the winners of the Perfect Attendance Drawing for the

3rd Six Weeks:

3rd Grade--Britany Hernandez and Osbauldo Castaneda

4th Grade--Samantha Tidwell and Kody Word 5th Grade--Emily Earwood and Zadrian McGee

#### Happy Birthday

January 11

Jalesa Coronado, Nolan Kinder, Krystal Gibbens, Laura West, Ty Fincher, Michelle Lopez January 12

Marty Lipham, Stephanie Hulsey, Kaitlyn Leigh Lopez, Alfredo Ozuna, Sr., Socorro Hernandez, Chad Holmes, Maria Zaragoza January 13

Ralph Mayer, Cheryl Lock, Amy Torres, Tim Cole, Donald Patton January 14

Erin McWilliams, Jody Braly, Rachel Flores January 15

Tony Escalante, Gary Hardgrave January 16

Michael Anthony Perez, Jacquelynn Castillo, Joe Longoria, Angela Martinez, Austin Herd, Edward Mata, Jr., Karen Fincher, Glynn Glasscock

January 17 Matt Dierkes, Tony Lopez, Ruben Garza, Lisa Slaton

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Fine Art by Patricia Nix (Signed Limited Edition Prints & Selected Originals) Sunday, January 14, 2001 1:00 P.M. UNTIL 4:00 P.M at the Gallery

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#### Bronco Offseason Basketball

Bronco Offseason Basketball battled during the early part of the season. Calling themselves a "JV", he Bronco Offseason Basketball group voted to play the varsity opponents whenever possible. Even though many of the opponents proved to be too much for the offseason crew, the boys hung in there and pulled off a 3-8 record while showing much improvement throughout the time period. According to Coach Lowe, "this will definately help the future of the Bronco basketball program. Many of these guys will be leaders on next year's team." Coach Lowe would like to thank this group of young men for the effort they have put up thus far and also thank all of the Bronco fans for cheering them on.

On Nov. 14, the Offseason JV was defeated by the Central Sophomores in San Angelo, 65 to 39. Scoring for the Broncos were Chance Dillard- 13 points, Justin Routh- 12 points, Caleb Gulley- 8 points, Justin Sims- 4 points, and Stevie Hernandez- 2 points.

In Rocksprings, on Nov. 21st, the Offseason JV played a close game against the Rocksprings Varsity being defeated 42 to 36. Scoring for the Broncos: Dillard- 18, Reyes Garcia- 7, Routh- 5, Gulley-2, Crispin Lira- 2, and Sims- 2.

With a homecourt advantage, on Nov. 28th, the Offseason JV defeated the San Angelo Central Sophomores 54 to 46. Outstanding scorers were: Dillard- 21, Gulley-16, Routh- 11, and Lira- 6.

At the Ballinger Tournament, on Nov. 30th, the Bronco boys were defeated by Ballinger in a close

The Sonora Bronco Basketball

season officially began over the

Christmas holidays as the boys trav-

elled to Brownwood for an invita-

tional tournament. It was soon

apparent that the Broncos would be

"shaking off the rust" of a late start

to the season. However, the Broncos

showed much improvement over the

4 game tournament. After a cancel-

lation due to weather on last Tues-

day, the boys faced their final pre-

district opponent in a superb

Ballinger team on Jan 5. The Bron-

cos' shooting woes continued as

they only managed to produce 26

points, however, the Sonora defense

slowed down a red-hot Bearcat

offense, holding them to 57.

points,(som 15+ points below their

season average). With little time left

game 35 to 34. Great effort and scoring by Gulley- 14, Routh-8, Dillard- 6, Lira- 4, and Lionel Cervantez- 2. Against the Wall Varsity, the Broncos fell hard with a 73 to 44 loss. Scorers were: Lira-14, Routh-10, Gulley-13, Dillard-6 and Cervantez-4. However, the Broncos were victorious against the Menard Varsity, winning 68 to 54! Scorers were: Routh-21, Dillard-17, Lira-10, Tan Cade-9, Gulley-5, Hernandez-4, and Cervantez-2.

On Dec. 5th, in Ozona, the Offseason JV were defeated by the Ozona Varsity 67 to 27. Scorers for the Broncos were: Dillard-14, Routh-5, Cade, Gulley, Lira, and Pokey Samaniego each scoring 2 points.

During the Ozona Tournament, the Offseason JV was defeated by Brock Varsity 91 to 27. Scoring for the Broncos were: Routh-14, Samaniego-4, Gulley-3, and Cade, Cervantez, and Dillard each scored 2 points. However, the Bronco boys defeated Klondike in the tournament 65 to 45. Scoring for the Broncos were: Routh-19, Dillard-15, Gulley, Cade-9, Lira-10, Samaniego, and Cervantez each had 4 points.

On Dec. 11th, the Bronco boys fell to Brady here in Sonora with a score of 60 to 43. Leading scoring for the Broncos were: Routh-11, Gulley-9, Dillard-7, Cade-5, Samaniego-5, Lira-4, and Garcia-2

On Dec. 15th, the boys fell to Big Lake 60 to 30. Scorers were: Routh-10, Gulley-7, Samaniego-6, Garcia-5, and Dillard-4.

coming along well. We just need to

find our touch, and shoot the ball

better at this time", stated Coach

did not yield high success for the

Mighty Broncos. In their first game

against Wichita Falls H.S. they

were defeated 72 to 30 with scorers

including Chance Dillard-8, Ryan

Hardgrave-5, Matt Torres-5,

Cameron Sims-4, Justin Routh and

Crispin Lira each scoring 3, and Ed

dealt a tough blow as well, where

the Broncos were defeated 61 to 45.

Scorers were: Riley Crain-10, Matt

Cameron Sims-6, Justin Routh,

Crispin Lira, and Ryan Hardgrave

The next game against Winters

Chance Dillard-7,

Mayfield with 2 points.

Torres-9.

The Brownwood Tournament

Bronco Varsity Basketball Begins

#### Lady Colts Play Junction and Grape Creek

On January 4th, the 7th grade Lady Colts were victorious over the Junction Eagles 32-15. They played with homecourt advantage and scoring was as follows: Desirae Boldt- 6 points, Tissie Wagoner - 5 points, Jillian Gulley, Kristina Hernandez, and Kayla McBride all scoring 4 points each, Candise Martin, Kaleena Samaniego, Lauren Smith, and Kathy Ibarra all scoring 2 points each.

On January 8th, the 7th grade Lady Colts defeated Grape Creek 26 to 8 in Grape Creek. Scoring for the Ladies was: Kayla McBride- 9 points, Desirae Boldt- 6 points, Kristina Hernandez- 4 points, Desiree Alvarado- 3 points, and Jillian Gulley and Tissie Wagoner with 2 points each.

The 8th grade Lady Colts played the Juncton Eagles on January 4th and were defeated 24 to 19. Scoring was as follows: Danielle Fox- 9 points, Chealsey Seaton- 4 points, Alyssa Ibarra- 3 points, Adriana Castillo- 2 points and Courtney Caruthers had 1 point.

On January 8th, the 8th grade Ladies travelled to Grape Creek where they were defeated 30 to 21. Scoring for the Ladies were: Tara Green, Alyssa Ibarra, and Danielle Fox each with 4 points, Kenia Gutierrez, Chealsey Seaton, and Amanda Word each with 3 points.

## 2001 Lions Club Queen Contestants



The 2001 Queen Contestants were presented at the 2001 Sonora Downtown & West Side Lions Club "Ladies Night". This year's candidates were Tiffanie Henry, Amy Gann, Monica Lira, Lindsey Bowers, Stephanie Hard, Genny Cramer, Kacci Lewellen, Shalayne Hobbs, Emily Matchus, Desiree Gonzales, and Jennifer Villanueva. The crowning ceremony followed a dinner in the High School Commons Area, with Dr. Lonnie Pollard as the Mas-

### TXU Agrees to Sell to G&L Utility Services

SAN ANGELO. Texas (January, 9, 2001) -- TXU Electric & Gas and TXU Lone Star Pipeline have jointly agreed to sell selected pipeline and distribution facilities in the Panhandle and San Angelo areas. They have agreed to sell the facilities near the San Angelo area to West Texas Gas and the Panhandle facilities to G&L Utility Services. The facilities are no longer considered a part of TXU's core operating system. The transactions are expected to close in the 1st quarter of 2001.

In the Panhandle, about 250 miles of pipeline serving the towns and unincorporated areas of Clarendon, Dodson, Estelline, Hedley, Lakeview, Lelia Lake, Memphis, Newlin, Paducah, Samnorwood, and Wellington are included in the agreement to sell to G&L Utility Services.

In the San Angelo area, about 100 miles of pipeline serving the towns and unincorporated areas of Christoval, Eden, Paint Rock and Sonora are being sold to West Texas Gas. The city of San Angelo will

continue to be served by TXU Gas. "The decision to sell these facilities was based upon our continuous review of assets to ensure they fit well with our core operations. While we will receive a good value for the facilities, we have also been focused on identifying buyers that are committed to providing continued reliable service to the TXU Electric & Gas.

West Texas Gas and G&L Utility Services are well-known and experienced in buying, transporting and selling energy, and they have demonstrated a commitment to the communities they serve."

G & L Utility Services, Inc. is owned by Greenbelt Electric Cooperative, Inc. in Wellington, Texas and Lighthouse Electric Cooperative, Inc. in Floydada, Texas.

Stan McClendon, general manager of Greenbelt Electric Cooperative said, "We've provided the rural areas around most of these towns with electric distribution service for over 50 years. We are grateful for the opportunity to be of service

to our neighbors. We plan to have qualified, dedicated employees in or near all the communities to provide dependable, personal ser-

Lighthouse General Manager, Bill Harbin added, "We believe there are synergies between our electric business and the gas distribution business we are assuming that will create savings for our existing members and extend our tradition of service excellence at a reasonable cost to our new customers."

Richard Hatchett, Vice President of West Texas Gas, expressed that "We are most pleased with the acquisition of the San Angelo area systems as it allows us to expand our customer base in this area of the state which will create increased customers of these areas," says Dan flexibility in our operations and electric distribution systems in the

in the area."

West Texas Gas' district office in Junction, Texas manages operations and customer billing functions for its Junction, Brady, and Menard systems, in addition to the new systems being acquired in Sonora, Eden, Paint Rock, and Christoval.

TXU Electric & Gas and TXU Lone Star Pipeline employees affected by the sale will have the option to continue employment with TXU or they may be offered

positions by the purchasing

The TXU companies will work with the purchasers over the winter and longer if necessary to provide a smooth transition and continued reliable service to customers.

TXU Electric & Gas and TXU Lone Star Pipeline are subsidiaries of TXU, one of the largest investorowned energy service companies in the world. An international company with headquarters in Dallas, TXU serves 2.6 million electric and 1.4 million gas customers in Texas.

West Texas Gas, Inc. (WTG) owns and operates various interstate, intrastate, and local distribution pipeline systems located throughout the Texas and Oklahoma Panhandles and the West and South Texas areas.

G&L Utility Services is a corporation owned by Lighthouse Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Greenbelt Electric Cooperative, both of which own and operate Farell, distribution president of enhance our service to all customers Panhandle service area.

#### to prepare, the Broncos open district each scoring 4 points and Ed Mayplay on Jan. 12 at Mason. Coach field with 1 point. Lowe said he can't help but feel that The Broncos were defeated 79 the boys will be alright for district to 62 against Coleman in the third play. "I know that they will always game of the Brownwood Tourna-

give 110%, and our defense is really ment. Leading scorers were: Crain-

**Sutton County Stock Show** 

**Schedule of Activities** 

Thursday, Jan. 11, 2001

7:00 p.m. Arrival Deadline for Meat Goats & Market Lambs & Swine

Friday, Jan. 12, 2001 2:00 p.m. Arrival Deadline for Angora Goats 4:30 p.m. Market Lamb Show approx. 6:00 p.m. Meat Goat Show immediately after Market Lambs

Saturday, Jan. 13, 2001

9:00 a.m. Swine Show approx. 10:00 a.m. Angora Goat Show immediately after Swine approx. 12:30 p.m. Beef Cattle Show (Steers followed by Heifers) 6:00 p.m. Buyers Appreciation Supper

> 6:45 p.m. Premium Sale 8:00 p.m. Awards Presented

23, Torres-18, Sims-7, Lira-5, Dillard-4, Routh and Hardgrave with 2 points each, and Pokey Samaniego with 1 point. The final game of the tourna-

ment ended up 66 to 48 with Winters defeating Sonora once again. Scoring for the Broncos were: Sims-17, Crain-13, Torres-11, and

On January 5th, the Broncos travelled to Ballinger where they played a tough game against Ballinger losing 57 to 26. Scorers were: Dillard-6, Routh, Lira, and Sims -4, Mayfield-3, Torres and Hardgrave-2, and Crain with 1

The Bronco JV "A" Basketball team faced Ballinger on January 5th, and was defeated 54 to 37. Scoring for the Broncos were: Justin Sims - 9 points, Caleb Gulley - 7 points, Scottie Moore and Dustin Martin both with 5 points, Emmanuel Lopez - 4 points and Tom Valliant - 4 points.

The Mighty Broncos have had some tough pre-district games and have learned a lot. They have played hard and shown a lot of heart. Stay tough Broncos! We look forward to your District games and support you All The Way!

#### Veterans To Learn About Benefits - Local DAV Chapter Hosts Information Seminar

San Angelo, TX - Detailed explanations of the full range of benefits available to disabled veterans and their families will be presented at an upcoming Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Veterans

Little Dribblers Begin Practice Littler Dribblers practices will begin on Saturday, January 13th. You may still sign up to play at Business Basics until that day. Registration fees are

\$20.00 We will hold another practice on Saturday, January 20th. After that, you will practice with your team. Games will begin on Monday, February 5th and we will do our best to be finished with games before Spring Break. Practice Schedule 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. Little Gym 3 & 4 grade girls

9:00 to 10:30 a.m. 10:30 to Noon 10:30 to Noon

Junior High Gym Little Gym Junior High Gym

5 & 6 grade girls 3 & 4 grade boys 5 & 6 grade boys

If you have any further questions, please call Shelly Hughes at 387-6127 (work) or 387-5008 (home).

Information Seminar.

Like all services provided by the nonprofit DAV, there will be no charge for this informative seminar, which will be hosted by Jesse D. Booth Chapter No. 7. It will be presented at 9:00 a.m. on January 27, 2001, at the Chapter Home, 1030 E. 19th Street, San Angelo, Texas.

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**Varsity Schedule \* District Games** Jan. 12 • Mason - There - 8:00 p.m.

Jan. 16 • Wall - Here - 8:00 p.m.

JV Schedule

Jan. 12 • Mason - There - 5:00 p.m.

Jan. 16 • Wall - Here - 5:00 p.m.

letter inviting local veterans and their families to the seminar.

That's important, he said, because, "So many disabled veterans feel confused about benefits and service they've earned. There's so much to know... and so many changes from one year to the next."

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Mon. - Chili cheese dog, tator tots, mixed fruit, rice krispies treat. Tues. - Grilled cheese sandwich, vegetable soup, apple crisp, crackers. Wed.- Beef enchiladas, Spanish rice, tossed salad, jello with fruit. Thurs. - Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, mixed vegetables, biscuits, fruit.

Fri. - Chicken burger, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, potato chips, orange



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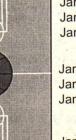
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Jan. 16 - Wall • 6:30 p.m. - Home Jan. 19 - Eldorado • 6:30 p.m - There

JVA Schedule

Jan. 12 - Mason • 5:00 p.m. - There Jan. 16 - Wall • 5:00 p.m. - Home Jan. 19 - Eldorado • 5:00 p.m. - There

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## Ratliff Announces Transition Staff

Austin - Newly named Texas Lt. Governor Bill Ratliff has called in his best and brightest to oversee the brief transition period he's been handed. On December 28, 2000, the thirty one members of the Texas Senate met below an overflowing gallery for an unprecendented race to fill the vacant office of Lieutenant Governor of Texas. Soldiering on through eight secret ballots, Ratliff emerged the winner. But his greatest challenge was before him, readying staff, offices, and committees with only ten days until the opening session of the Texas Legislature on January 9, 2001.

"When the reality of this tremendous vote of confidence from my fellow Senators hit home along with the short schedule I was facing, I knew that the only way to make this all work was to immediately call in some key folks I've come to depend on through the years," explained Lt. Gov. Ratliff.

One of his first contacts was Don Edmonds of Tyler, who served as Manager of Ratliff's three contested Texas Senate campaigns and who has been a close friend of Ratliff for many years. Edmonds will act as Director of Transition.

"I was at home in Tyler when I heard the outcome of the Senate vote. I pulled out my suitcase, knowing that I would be heading to Austin to help in putting another Ratliff team together, but in record time," commented Edmonds. "My job is to see that this transition is smooth and well organized, with people knowing what their job is and exactly where they fit in the overall picture of the operation. That's the Ratliff style and reflects his experience as an engineer."

Tapped as Chief of Staff is Eric Wright of Austin, a young man with a long history of interaction with Ratliff. Beginning as a Senate messenger while still in college, Wright joined Ratliff's staff upon gradua-tion. He eventually was Staff Director for the Senate Finance Commit-

01/05/2001-Assault - Officer met

with a complainant who wished to

file Assault charges. Complainant

advised a female known to her

assaulted her while at a laundry mat

01/07/2001-Child In Need of

Supervision - Officer met with a

complainant who reported finding a

child on the corner of Main St. and

Rock Avenue, unsupervised. The

22 month old child appeared to

have wondered away from his resi-

dence while his father was asleep.

Parent was contacted and child was

01/08/2001-Criminal Mischief -

Officer was dispatched to the 300

block of Chestnut in reference to a

Criminal Mischief. Complainant

advised that someone unknown to

him had broke the windshield of his

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returned.

in town. Charges were filed.

tee chaired by Ratliff. Leaving that post in the last year, Wright became a Principal with Public Strategies, Inc. of Austin.

"I consider it both an honor and a tremendous responsibility to be asked to serve as Chief of Staff. But, also know that Lt. Gov. Ratliff expects his team to be efficient and well organized. It's a challenge I plan to meet," Wright said.

Asked to continue as Executive Assistant, but now with a statewide responsibility, Vatra Solomon views the task ahead as an opportunity. She has been a part of the Ratliff team since his 1988 campaign, when she was brought on board to serve as Assistant Campaign Manager and to organize "Democrats for Ratliff". As a resident of the 1st Senatorial District, I am thrilled that the rest of the State is going to get to know Bill Ratliff. The people he works with in Austin know him to be fair, kind and a man of his word. Now, the rest of Texas will come to know this as well," touted Ms. Solomon.

Edmonds, the first Executive Director of the East Texas Council of Governments, has also served as city manager of the Texas cities of Rosebud, Donna, Monahans and Hurst, as well as Martinsville, Virginia. He was Executive Director of the Republican party of Virginia, returning to Texas in 1991 as Executive Director of the Sulphur River Basin Authority.

In 1993 and 1994 Edmonds was assigned municipal consulting projects in the formerly communist countries of Romania and Bulgaria under the auspices of the International Executive Service Corps. Lt. Gov. Ratliff named Edmonds as his camaign manager for Texas 1st District Senate races in 1988, 1992 and 1994.

Edmonds graduated from Quanah Public Schools and earned a B.A. in government from North Texas State University. He and his wife, Bonny, make their home in Tyler.

A product of Mt. Pleasant Public School, Wright earned his B.A. in economics from the University of

1990 Ford Pickup while parked out-

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plainant wanting to report a theft.

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Newly named Lt. Governor Bill Ratliff with members of his transition team. From the left, Don Edmonds of Tyler, Director of Transition; Ratliff; Vatra Solomon, Executive Assistant; and Eric Wright, Chief of

trict 1.

Texas and did post graduate study in accounting at Southwest Texas State. Serving initially as Legislative Assistant in Ratliff's Senate office, Wright became Committee Director of the Senate Finance Committee in 1996.

In his move to the private industry firm of Public Strategies, Inc. Wright was primarily involved with public affairs consulting for the Huntsman Corporation and Motorola. He and his wife Suzie live in

Ms. Solomon, whose father Democrat Neal Solomon served in the Texas House of Representatives from 1965 to 1972, is a graduate of Mt. Vernon High School. She received a B.S. in elementary education and music from East Texas State

University. After teaching in both the Dallas and Mt. Vernon Independent School Districts, Ms. Solomon joined the Texas State Teachers Association as Unisersy (stet) Director. In this capacity, she was responsible for a portion of northeast Texas that closely tracks

#### 2001 Filing Season Begins

WASHINGTON - Many Texas residents will find the new federal tax packages in their mailboxes soon. When they examine the new instructions and forms, they will not see many tax law changes. They will find that the IRS has made more improvements to make this tax season smoother for Texans who file an estimated 8.5 million individual returns.

this year. The IRS has streamlined several important areas to reduce paperwork and cut red tape," IRS Commissioner Charles O. Rossotti said. "We are determined to improve service and take as much of the headache out of tax time as possible.'

This year, the IRS will help tax-

payers by: -- Expanding E-filing. For the first time, millions of taxpayers can file taxes electronically without sub-mitting any paperwork. This new version of paperless filing will be available to taxpayers who self-select a Personal Identification Number.

The Self-Select PIN -- along with the adjusted gross income and tax amounts from last year's tax return -will serve as an electronic signature for an e-filed tax return. With this option, a paper form for a signature will no longer be needed.

-- Adding A New Checkbox Disclosure Authorization. A new feature on the tax forms will be a checkbox. allowing easier communication between a person's tax preparer and the IRS. Taxpayers may check this box to authorize the IRS to discuss processing problems over the phone

for each of these office holders to ready staff and agenda.

directly with a person's paid preparer. With more than half of tax returns coming from paid preparers, this change eliminates a barrier that slowed communication between taxpayers, practitioners and the IRS. Because the IRS can talk directly to practitioners, the checkbox will reduce the number of IRS letters to taxpayers.

the boundaries of State Senate Dis-

While establishing her own insur-

ance business in Mt. Pleasant, Ms.

Solomon became friends with Bill

and Sally Ratliff, ultimately becom-

ing a part of the team organized to

run Ratliff's 1988 race for the State

Senate. A lifelong Democrat, she

saw in Ratliff, a Republican, the

qualities she had come to believe

Ms. Solomon has served as Exec-

utive Assistant in both the District

and Capital District 1 offices for Lt.

Gov. Ratliff, maintaining a residence

his status as Senator for the 1st Dis-

trict as he finishes the two years

remaining in the office vacated by

Gov. Rick Perry. Perry was elevated

to Texas Governor when George W.

Bush was elected President of the

United States. The prolonged elec-

tion outcome forces a shortened time

Lt. Gov. Bill Ratliff will maintain

in both Mt. Pleasant and Austin.

were needed in Austin.

- Improving Telephone Service. The IRS is putting in place an improved call routing system that will lead to more efficiency and help more taxpayers get better telephone service. This is one of the highest priorities during the IRS reorganization and modernization effort. More work remains, but the IRS is taking steps forward to provide better telephone

"These changes add up to making things easier for taxpayers," Rossotti said. "We still have more work to do, but we are making progress in our effort to provide world-class service.

Throughout the 2001 filing season, the IRS will provide telephone help 24 hours a day, seven days a week at 1-800-829-1040. Several other toll-free services are available day or night, such as automated refund information and TeleTax's recorded information on common tax topics (1-800-829-4477) or requesting copies of forms and publications (1-800-TAX-FORM or 1-800-829-

This year's tax deadline will be April 16. Taxpayers get an extra day because April 15 falls on a Sunday.

#### December EMS Runs

12/1/00 - Medical - Ben Juarez to 12/19/00 - Medical - Sonora Drive Lillian Hudspeth Memorial Hospital to Lillian Hudspeth Memorial Hos-

12/2/00 - Accident - East Pecan Street to Lillian Hudspeth Memorial Hospital - Unit 100

12/3/00 - Medical - San Francisco Street to Lillian Hudspeth Memorial Hospital - Unit 100

12/3/00 - Medical - Lillian Hudspeth Memorial Hospital to Ben Juarez Street - Unit 102

12/4/00 - Medical - Ben Juarez Street to Shannon Medical Center -Unit 102

12/5/00 - Medical - Water Street to Lillian Hudspeth Memorial Hospital Unit 100 12/6/00 - Medical - Stadium Drive

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12/29/00 Medical - Ben Juarez to Shannon Clinic - Unit 102

12/29/00 - Accident - IH-10, 392 MM to Hudspeth - Unit 100 12/31/00 - Stand-by - Structure Fire, Water Street - Unit 100 speth Memorial to Assist AirMed 1

#### Administrator from page 1

Furthermore, he holds certifications as an Advanced EMS Education Coordinator Advanced EMS Examiner, and is an adjunct instructor for Howard College.

Keith was awarded the Emergency Medical Service Educator of the Year Award from the Bureau of Emergency Management in 1989. He is a graduate from Leadership San Angelo in 2000, and has been a Volunteer in Public Schools (VIPS) in San Angelo and Christoval

Keith is married to Rose, a 1980 graduate of Sonora High School. They have two children, Emilly, 11 in the 6th grade and Amelia, 8 in the 2nd grade. Rose Butler is also an EMT and an active volunteer with the Sutton County

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Meet The Parents (PG-13)

Keith enjoys landscape designing, home improvement projects and various outdoor activities.

"I am very pleased to be part of the hospital team. Having been associated with the staff and community for many years, I am grateful to now call Sonora my lifetime home. I look forward to continue and build on my relationship with the citizens of Sutton County."

Dianne Dower, Hudspeth's former administrator will be moving to Austin with her husband. She is staying on until the end of the week to assist with the transition.

#### Coalition from page 1

rado, Ozona and Sonora. Anyone who works with tourists on a regular basis is encouraged to participate in the tour. The cost for the tour is being negotiated, but the volunteers organizing the tour are optimistic that the tour will either be free or at a very minimal cost to each particular

If you are interested in being involved with the coalition or would like to go on the "Discovery Bus Tour", you may contact the Sonora Chamber of Commerce at 387-2880. You may also contact the following representatives for their respective counties:

Stan Meador - 853-2688 -Schleicher County, Stacy Jones -853-2541 - Schleicher County, Kay Stewart - 392-3745 - Crockett County, Leonard Hillman - 392-2656 - Crockett County, Gerry Ingham - 387-3105 - Sutton County.

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Schleicher County TXP, Inc.; 6900' Jones #4, Cleere Drilling. Ladd O&G Corp.; 6200' JM Christian - A - #1, Heart Land Drilling. New Discovery Operating; 7100' Ruth #4, Cleere Drilling. New EN Patton Oil Co.; 6500' Burrus #1B, Cleere Drilling.

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#### Budget, Redistricting, Water Plans Are On 77th Legislature's Agenda

by Jeff Wentworth

State Senator, District 25

The 77th Legislature is facing a full slate of complex issues during its first session of the 21st century.

Between January 9, when the Legislature convened, and when it adjourns on May 28, we must draft a redistricting plan, adopt a twoyear budget and approve regional water plans. In addition, we will consider hundreds of bills related to a variety of issues including rural development, transportation, college grants, teachers' benefits, juvenile justice, health, safety and economic development.

The partisan task of redrawing district boundaries for the U.S. House of Representatives, the Texas Senate, Texas House of Representatives and State Board of Education will top our agenda. The redistricting plan will be effective for the 2002 primary and general elections and, barring legal chalenges, for elections through 2010. Unfortunately, legal challenges

usually ensue. One of my major goals has been to adopt an amendment to the Texas Constitution that will take redistricting out of the hands of those whose political futures could be assured or threatened by the result. During four consecutive legislative sessions beginning in 1993, I have proposed a constitutional amendment that would put the redistricting process in the hands of an independent, bipartisan citizens' redistricting commission. Although it had considerable sup-

port, the resolution failed to pass. I continued these efforts last month when I pre-filed Senate Bill 147 and Senate Joint Resolution 5, which proposes the redistricting constitutional amendment for consideration by this year's Legislature. Even if the bill and resolution pass during this legislative session, they are too late for the 2001 redistricting process.

It is not too late, however, to begin amending a process that cost you and me and other Texas taxpayers \$4.6 million in attorneys' fees

after the district boundaries drawn in 1991 were successfully challenged in federal court.

Redistricting might be considered the 77th Legislature's first priority, but adopting a balanced budget is a close second. When the 76th Legislative Session ended in 1999, school children, teachers, and taxpayers with property tax relief received the lion's share of the largest budget surplus in state histo-

During this session, health-care related costs may be a spending priority. The Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), a request for health insurance for teachers and public school employees, the rising cost of Medicaid and reimbursement costs to nursing homes may impact the budget significantly.

An emergency appropriation could be proposed for the current two-year budget to cover higherthan-anticipated health-care costs and the recently approved salary increases for state prison workers.

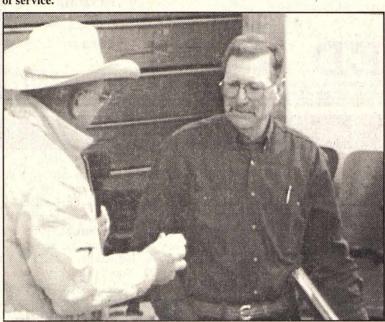
In subsequent columns, I will focus on other budget items and on legislative issues, such as economic development, the environment, higher education, agriculture, transportation and public education.

## **AGRIBUSINESS**

## Magaña, Spiller Retire From Research Station



Dr. Charles (Butch) Taylor says thank you to Benito Magaña for his years of service.



Don Spiller accepts a token of appreciation from Dr. Charles Taylor.

A retirement party honoring Benito Magaña and Donald Spiller was held at the Texas A & M Experiment Station south of Sonora on Saturday, January 6, 2001. Approximately 200 people attended the party and saluted these fine men for their service to the Reasearch Station.

Benito Magaña worked for the Research Station for 27 years. He was foreman for most of those years. He was also recognized as an outstanding dog and horse trainer. After retirement, Benito will be living in San Angelo and Mexico. Hopefully, he will continue to be available to train dogs for stockwork.

Benito's Magaña was also given a token of appreciation for her assistance in the general upkeep of the office and laboratory facilities for many years at the Research Station.

Don Spiller worked for the Research Station for 26 years.

He was responsible for the Rambouillet Ram test and the Angora Billie Test. He was also responsible for the management of the Hill Ranch. After retirement Don will be living near Sonora. Hopefully, he will continue to take an active interest in the Research Station in the future. Both men are truly outstanding individuals and will be very difficult to replace.



Lupe Magaña will also be missed at the Research Station.

#### SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loan Deadline Approaching For Drought Victims In Texas

Fort Worth, TX -- Businesses in some Texas counties have until February 5, 2001 to file applications for low-interest disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). The SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loans are available for businesses dependent on farmers and ranchers sustaining crop losses due to drought that occurred from August 1, 1999, and continuing. Farmers and ranchers are not eligible for these SBA loans. However, nurseries that are victims of drought disasters can apply. Businesses in the following counties are eligible to apply: Edwards, Kerr, Kimble, Kin-

ney, Real, Sutton, Uvalde and Val

Applications and further information can be obtained by calling the SBA toll-free at 1-800-366-6303 or TDD 817-267-4688 for the hearing impaired.

These loans are intended to assist businesses in offsetting working capital losses which they suffered as a result of the severe weather reducing the crop income of the area farmers and ranchers. Small businesses claiming to have been physically injured by the weather are not eligible.

#### Bonilla Appointed Agriculture Appropriations Sub-Committee Chairman



Washington, D.C. -U.S. Representative Henry Bonilla, R -

Congressman Henry Bonilla was oday named chairman of the Agricul-

ture Appropriations Subcommit-

The highly significant Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee is responsible for the programs that keep America the world's leader in agriculture. As chairman of the Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee, Mr. Bonilla will oversee all of the national agriculture funding. He will also oversee a wide range of agriculture issues including the nations food supply and inspection, Food and Drug Administration oversight, emergency disaster relief, agriculture research, rural development, and farm and ranch programs.

In addition to funding a wide range of important, traditional programs, the Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee is also responsible for the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), nationwide nutrition programs, the Conservation Research Program (CRP), the Animal Damage Control Program, the School Lunch Program and the Federal Food Stamp Program.

"The Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee is about crops, livestock, and much more. I am constantly amazed at the wide scope of programs and issues the subcommittee affects," said Mr. Bonilla. "Most people are not aware that this subcommittee oversees issues that touch our lives on a daily basis. The type of lunch your children eat at school, the clothing you wear on your back, and the quality of food on your plate are all affected by decisions on this subcommittee.'

"I am pleased to have Henry as an Appropriations Subcommittee chairman. He has played an important role in the achievements and success of the Appropriations Committee. I know that Henry is committed to working with President-elect Bush to hold the line on spending while preserving a strong agriculture industry," said Appropriations Committee Chairman C.W. Bill Young.

Mr. Bonilla is dedicated to keeping the agriculture industry strong and healthy, and remains committed to reducing wasteful spending and unnecessary projects. Since serving on the Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee, Mr. Bonilla has helped reduce or eliminate several unnec-

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essary programs- saving the taxpayers millions of dollars. In just five years, more than 285 unjustified programs were terminated for a savings of \$3.6 billion. Examples of savings include \$14 million in the National Diffusion Program; \$50 million in the Flexible Subsidy Fund; and \$1 million in River Confluence Ice Research.

"Every dollar that the Subcommittee is forced to unnecessarily spend is another dollar taken away from agriculture improvements in the United States. As chairman of the subcommittee, I intend on taking a hard look at what has and has not worked in order to make things even better," said Mr. Bonilla.

The United States agriculture industry plays a huge role in national markets, as well as those abroad. USDA economists calculate that each dollar earned from agriculture exports, stimulates another \$1.32 in business activity for the economy. In all, more than 23 million jobs -- 17 percent of the civilian workforce -- are involved in some phase of growing and distributing food and clothing world-

"I see this position as an opportunity to make a real difference for farmers and ranchers across Texas and the nation. The agriculture industry is an important sector of the United States economy, with a continuing strong potential for future growth," said Mr. Bonilla.

"Agriculture has been the backbone of Texas since its beginning. From producing crops and livestock, encouraging students to study agriculture, or ensuring that kids have healthy, well-balanced meals, American agriculture affects everyone, everyday of our lives," said Mr. Bonilla. future looks bright for agriculture. I am honored to be a part of that future and look forward to ensuring it's a successful one."

Mr. Bonilla's appointment comes after more than eight years of dedicated service on the Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee. Elected to Congress in 1992, Mr. Bonilla was chosen at the beginning of his first term to serve on the House Appropriations Committee, a position not held by a Republican freshman in more than 25 years. In addition to his position on the Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee, Mr. Bonilla currently serves as a member of two other Appropriation Subcommittees: the Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education; and the Subcommittee on Defense.

### Rep. Turner Ready for the 77th Legislative Session

AUSTIN - Every two years, the Texas Legislature convenes to pass state laws and set budgets that affect the lives of millions of Texans. During the upcoming session, the focus of the 77th Legislature will be the daunting task of redistricting. During sessions that coincide with the beginning of a new calendar decade, the legislature redraws the lines of legislative, congressional, and State Board of Education districts according to information provided by the United States Census Bureau.

State Representative Bob Turner (D-Voss) has been preparing for the session by conducting hearings and studying many different issues throughout the interim. Although the chores of redistricting will overshadow other matters, the legislature must also contend with major topics such as numerous education issues, water rights and passing a balanced budget that takes a cooling economy into account. In addition, legislators throughout the state will file an umpteen number of bills related to issues ranging from the regulation of fireworks to DNA testing for convicted felons.

"Every session is very fastpaced and we deliberate on a large number of issues," Turner said. 'Nevertheless, I'm looking forward to this next session to represent the interests of the people who have entrusted me with this job."

Promoting health care in rural areas, providing public school employees with health insurance and giving voters the option of changing the tenure of Texas House members are just a few of the bills that Turner has leant his name to. As the Chairman of the House Committee on Public Safety, he will also oversee many House and Senate bills that will be heard in his com-

"Throughout the session, I will do my best to keep the public informed of issues being discussed at our state's Capitol," Turner said. 'This will be a very interesting session and its results will undoubtedly impact the lives of rural Texans."

For additional information on the bills presently filed by Turner or other members of the Texas Legislature, please visit the legislature's web-site at www.capitol.state.tx.us <a href="http://www.capitol.state.tx.us">http://www.capitol.state.tx.us</a>.

# Keeping an Eye on Texas The Big Picture

Texas exports reached \$91 billion and accounted for 13.1 percent of the nation's \$692.8 billion export total in 1999. That meant for every eight dollars in U.S. exports, slightly more than one dollar was generated from exports originating in Texas.



# Observando a Texas

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Origenes: Carole Keeton Rylander, Contralora de Cuentas Públicas de Texas (www.window.state.tx.us) y el Instituto de Massachusetts de Investigaciones Sociales y Económicas y la Oficina del Censo de los EE.UU.



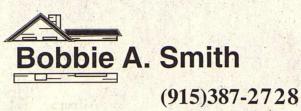


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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of W. B. McMillan, Deceased, were issued on December 14, 2000, in Cause No. 1234, pending in the County Court of Sutton County, Texas, to Richard T. McMillan, Independent Executor, whose mailing address is 550 W. Texas, Suite 945, Midland, Texas 79701. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the 1 manner prescribed by law, in care of the Executor. Dated the 27 day of December, .

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