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Thursday, January 24, 2002

S.I.S.D. Board Studies Bond Election Survey Results

The Board of Trustees of the Sonora Independent School District met for a regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, January 14, 2002. Present for the meeting were: Tryon Fields, President, Dayton Armke, Jesse Bustamante, Tammy Favila, Sam David Hernandez, Scott Jacoby, Tom Payton, Brant Myers, Superintendent, Doug Bawcom, John Berry, Bonnie Lou Campbell, Louise Dermody, Danny Hardin, Diane Jacoby, Cynthia Keel, Storie Sharp, and John Williams.

Board President Fields called the meeting to order and stated that a quorum was present. Superintendent Myers gave the invocation.

The minutes of December 11, 2001 were unanimously approved as written after a motion by Hernandez and a second by Favila.

There were no comments from visitors.

The Superintendent and Board reviewed the monthly report from the Tax Assessor/Collector.

Superintendent Myers stated that January was School Board Recognition Month and he distributed certificates of appreciation to the members of the board. Myers expressed his appreciation to the Board for all their efforts and commented that they did a great job for every student in the district and for the community as a whole.

The Superintendent reported on a number of items including: Enrollment, which is down 1 at 926;

The District Maintenance Report: Myers and Danny Hardin, Maintenance Supervisor, reviewed both the December maintenance jobs and the ongoing projects in the district;

Information Regarding the District's Energy Provider: Myers announced that an agreement had been signed with the Texas General Land Office at a rate of .050;

Librarian update: Myers informed the Board that the present librarian had decided to complete the year. He stated that the district had to pay for library services already received from Region XV but had been able to cancel the remainder of the agreement for the semester;

Financial Report from Football Playoffs: Myers reported that the proceeds from the playoffs stood at \$16,000;

Apartment Renovation Update: Myers and Hardin gave detailed information regarding the renovation project at the Castle Hill apart-

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Hospital Board Chooses Depository

The Sutton County Hospital District, Board of Directors, was held on Monday, January 14, 2002, at 7:00 p.m. in the Hospital Annex. The following directors were present: Alvis Johnson, President, Lewis Allen, Vice President, Virginia Epps, Lenora Pool, Preston Faris, Mike Healy. Also present for the meeting were James Kosub, Attorney, Carolyn Lara, Medical Records, Keith Butler, Administrator, and Kathy Knight, Board Secretary.

The meeting was called to order and the board approved the regular meeting minutes of December 11, 2001. There was no business from the Sutton County Appraisal District.

Mr. Butler advised that he had received two bids (First National Bank and The Bank & Trust) for the depository of the Hospital District's funds. Mike Healy was not present at this time. The Board reviewed the two bids presented. Discussion was held regarding the bids. Lewis Allen made the motion to accept The Bank & Trust's bid for the two-year period beginning February 1, 2002.

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First National Bank Rebuilds Drive-Thru Windows



Above: First National Bank 1978.
Below: First National Bank 2002



by Storie Sharp

What may be new to some, is like *deja vu* to others. The First National Bank has restored their drive-thru windows as they were in 1978. The bank was originally in what is now City Hall and moved to their new location in '78. When they opened their new building the windows were located where they are now, at the end near Crockett Ave. In 1982 FNB purchased the buildings across the street where they built new drive-through windows next to the existing building. These buildings have now been sold to John Boerschig, who is currently working on relocating new businesses to this area. Since '82 the area where the windows have been replaced were used as computer areas, file storage, a kitchen and bookkeeping. In addition to the three remote drive-up windows that have been installed, the ATM machine and the night deposit have also been moved to this location. The First National Bank invites everyone to stop by and see their "Retro Bank", it just might take some back in time.

Sutton County Makes Great Showing at Kerrville Stockshow

submitted

Local 4-H and FFA members exhibited their animals on January 18 & 19 at the Hill Country District Junior Livestock Show in Kerrville. The top honors went to Emily Earwood in the Registered Angora Goat Show as she exhibited the Champion Registered Buck and Champion Registered Doe of the show. The buck was then named the Champion Registered Goat and the Overall Grand Champion Goat of the show. Landon Brockman and Laura Martin were dominant in the Commercial Goat Show. Laura had the first place Doe Kid and first place Yearling Doe. Landon exhibited the second place aged doe which was also named the Reserve Champion Commercial Doe in the show. Laura Martin exhibited the Reserve Champion Pen of Three Commercial Doe Kids. Emily

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Preston Faris, Kelsey Watkins, Emily Earwood, Meredith Earwood and Garrett Watkins display the prizes awarded to Emily Earwood for Champion Registered Buck and Champion Registered Doe, as well as Overall Grand Champion Goat and Premier Exhibitor in Kerrville.

Sonora High School Prepares For Project Graduation

submitted

The Sonora High School graduation class of 2002 will be celebrating their graduation on May 24, 2002 with an all night, chemical free graduation party to assure that none of The Class of 2002 will be injured or killed in alcohol or drug-related accidents.

The junior and senior parents are organizing the all night, chemical free graduation party of Sonora High School students and your help is needed. Donations of money or merchandise for prizes are being accepted. Your help in getting

involved to make the 2002 Sonora High School Project Graduation exciting, fun and safe are greatly appreciated.

If you or your business would like to donate a prize or cash donation to help "Project Graduation 2002" be a success, please donate to the parent that contacts you or forward your donation to: Project Graduation 2002 at P.O. Box 297, Sonora, TX 76950. If you have any questions about Project Graduation 2002, please contact Laura West at 387-5474 or Mary Jean Sims at 387-5433.



Juniors and Seniors enjoy a game of cards at the 2001 Project Graduation.

City Council Names February as "Volunteer Appreciation Month"

On this the 15th day of January 2002, the city council of Sonora, Texas met in regular session with the following to wit: JoAnn Hernandez, Mayor, Gloria Lopez, Councilmember, Jim Stephen, Councilmember, Virgil Polocek, Councilmember, James Blackman, Councilmember, Brent Gesch, City Manager, Beth Wallace, City Attorney, Becky Covington, City Secretary.

Others attending all or part of the meeting were, James McLaughlin, Ann Kay, Justin McGeath, Judge Sessom, Chief Croy, Tony Lane, Russell Green, Vivian Mears, Pat Campbell, Ladonna Wardlaw, Mike Healey, Shelly Hughes, Cynthia Nicar, Juanita Mesa and Sue Moore.

Mayor Hernandez opened the council meeting at 2:00 p.m.. Judge Sessom gave the invocation and the "Pledge of Allegiance" was recited.

Councilmember Stephen made a motion to approve the minutes for the special meeting held on December 4, 2001 and the regular meeting held on December 18, 2001 as written. Councilmember Blackman made a second to the motion and the motion carried.

Councilmember Polocek made a motion to approve the monthly tax collection report for the month of December. \$96,997.96 was collected to date. Councilmember Lopez made a second to the motion and all

members present voted in favor.

Planning & Zoning Case No. 338: Cynthia Nicar and Corie Avila, 1102 Glasscock, Block 42A, Lot 1, South Heights Addition, request a special use permit to operate a cake shop and balloon and gift shop in a Residential Zone. Upon recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Board, a motion was made by Councilmember Stephen to approve the special use permit for the use requested. Councilmember Polocek made a second to the motion and the motion carried.

Becky Covington, City Secretary, gave the quarterly investment report. She advised interest rates were still declining and the last certificate of deposits were renewed at 2.49%.

Russell Green, Fire Chief, reported the following activity for the fourth quarter 2001: Total Alarms - 21, Structure Fires - 3, Grass Fires - 6, Vehicle Fires - 7, Rescues - 3, Trash Fires - 1, Other - 1, Total Man Hours - 148, County Man Hours - 106.5, County Fires - 13, City Man Hours - 20, City Fires - 6, Mutual Aid Man Hours - 21.5, and Mutual Aid Calls - 2. Councilmember Polocek made a motion to approve the report as submitted. Councilmember Lopez made a second to the motion and the motion carried.

Councilmember Stephen made a motion to table items on the agen-

da concerning the Sonora Industrial Development Corporation, Friends of Historic Sonora, Inc., and Sonora Chamber of Commerce until next month and request the City Attorney to meet with these boards regarding reporting requirements and new legislation. Councilmember Lopez made a second to the motion and motion carried.

Mayor Hernandez opened the public hearing to hear comments on possible uses of approximately \$150,000.00 of hotel occupancy tax revenue expected by the city during 2002. For the record, the Chamber of Commerce and Friends of Historic Sonora, Inc. filed budgets for consideration.

No comments were made, therefore, Mayor Hernandez closed the public hearing.

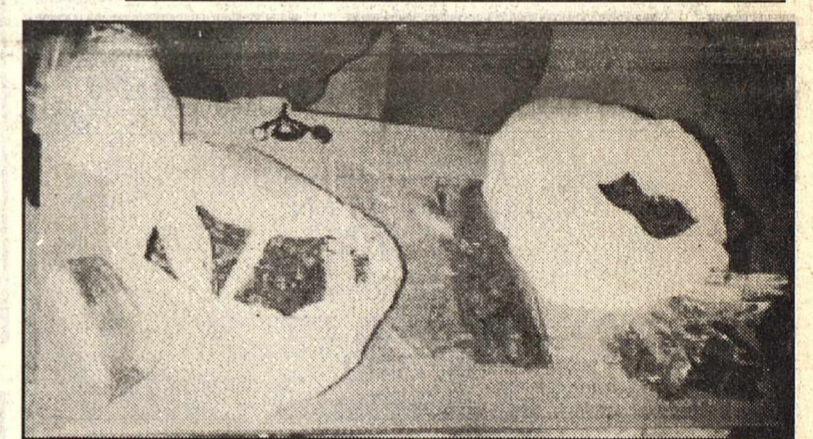
Mayor Hernandez opened and read bids for a 2002 Police Package Four Door Utility Vehicle. Chief Croy reviewed the bids and reported they all meet specifications. Councilmember Polocek made a motion to accept the bid from Broncho Ford for a 2002 Ford Explorer for \$21,538.00. Councilmember Stephen made a second to the motion and the motion was carried unanimously.

Councilmember Blackman made a motion to set the city council salaries at the same rate as the

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Hooray For
T&C Village Market
The First Relay For Life Team
to Sign up!!
Team Captains Call Storie Sharp
at 387-2507 and sign up today!!
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Against Cancer

Sheriff's Office Makes Narcotics Bust



Cocaine and marijuana were found in a storage unit in Sonora.

Sheriff Joe Fincher announced today that his office, along with the Rio Concho Multi Agency Drug Task Force, had arrested two local individuals for narcotics possession. Sheriff Fincher stated that a narcotics search warrant was obtained and served on a local storage unit, where between two and three pounds of marijuana and approximately one half pound of cocaine was found. Further investigation tied the two local individuals to the case. Joe Hidalgo, age 30 and Diana

Hidalgo, age 28, both of Sonora were arrested and placed in Sutton County Jail, under \$75,000.00 bonds each, for Possession of Cocaine. Sheriff Fincher stated that the investigation is continuing and that further Grand Jury action is anticipated at this time. Sheriff Fincher concluded that the Sheriff's Office plans to continue to investigate the local drug situation.

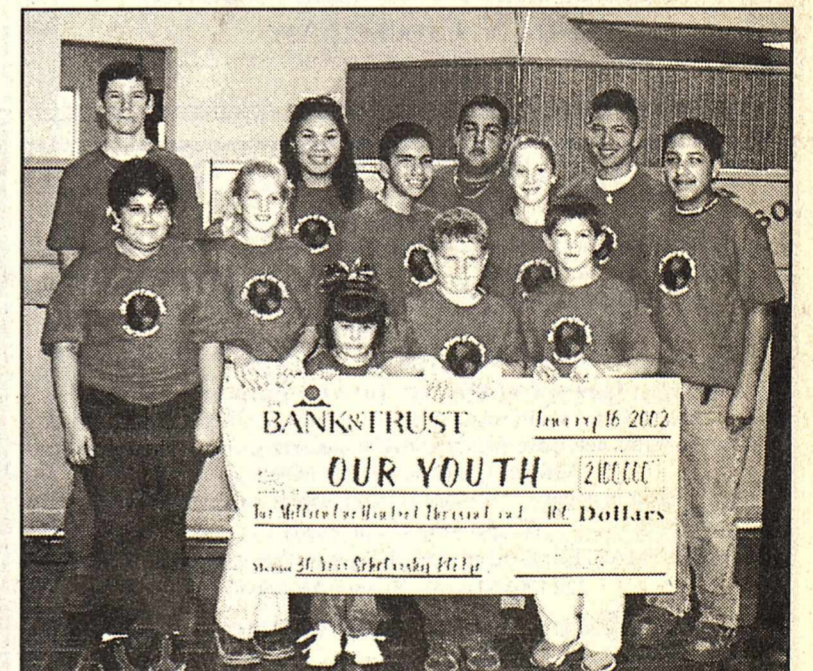
The approximate street value of the confiscated drugs is between \$36,000 and \$37,000.

The Bank and Trust of Sonora Presents Students with Pledge For More Than \$2 Million In Scholarships

submitted

Sonora, Tx. - The Bank and Trust of Sonora, Del Rio and Brackettville presented the Sonora School District a check representing a pledge of \$2.1 million to provide scholarships for high school students in the community as part of their participation in the Community Bankers Scholarship Program™. The bank pledged its commitment to the youth of Sonora in a ceremony held today in the bank's lobby. Attendees included superintendent, Brant Myers, high school principal, Doug Bawcom, Tom Payton, member of the school board, middle school and high school counselors, Ben Solis and Christy Bell, the bank's board of directors, student representatives from each class, and other members of the community.

The pledge represents 30 years of contributions that will enable scores of local youth to pursue post-secondary education. The Bank and Trust is participating in the nationwide Community Bankers Scholarship Program™ to help families offset the cost of post-secondary education as well as demonstrate its commitment to the community.



Representatives from Sonora I.S.D. proudly displayed the \$2.1 million dollar check that will be used to help qualifying students continue their education.

Through the Community Bankers Scholarship Program™, The Bank and Trust will award scholarships over the next 30 years. Sonora students can apply for the scholarships through their high

school guidance counselor's office. The Community Bankers Scholarship Program™ has generated more than \$123 million in scholarships nationwide.



Sonora Church Directory

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA
Rick Sanchez
504 Santa Clara
387-2035

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Jerry Jackson
304 N. Water
387-3190

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T. Wayne Price
Pastor
111 E Oak
387-2951

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Rev. Ted W. Harris
404 E. Poplar
387-2955

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Conrad Archer, 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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387-2616

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707 Glasscock
387-5886

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Pastor
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229 W. Plum
387-2278

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SONORA, TX 76950
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387-2266

Dining Out Directory

Dairy Queen
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387-2118

La Mexicana
240 N. Hwy 277
387-3401

Pizza Hut
401 Hwy. 277 N.
387-3540

Sutton County Steakhouse
1306 N. Service Rd
387-3833

Stagecoach Grill & Cantina
407 South Crockett
387-0623

Taco Grill
232 Hwy. 277 N.
387-9127

Town & Country Subway
610 S. Crockett
387-6181

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

Card of Thanks

On behalf of my wife and myself, I would like to thank all of my friends and relatives who called and kept us in their thoughts while I was in the hospital for a brief time. I would also thank the doctors and staff at Community Hospital for their care and hospitality. It's good to know that so many people care about us during these times. Your calls were greatly appreciated.

Joe and Maria Elena Espinosa,
Cecilia, Jamie and Richard

Obituary

Jessie Boisse

Jessie Boisse of San Angelo went to be with her Lord on Monday, January 21, 2002.

The Rosary was on Tuesday, January 22, in Johnson's Funeral home Chapel. Mass of Christian Burial was at 1:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 23, at St. Mary's Catholic Church. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery.

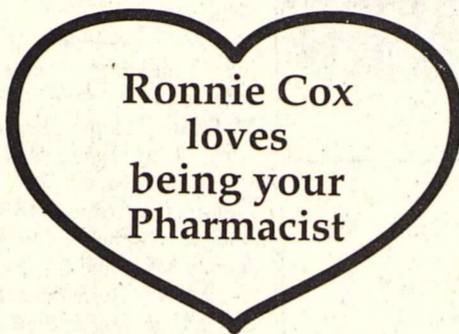
Jessie was born May 5, 1933, to Domingo and Concha Gomez. She married her beloved Ernesto Boisse on October 31, 1950.

She was preceded in death by her parents and beautiful daughter, Judy Ann Boisse.

Survivors include her husband,

Ernest Boisse; children, Ernest Boisse Jr. and wife, Mary, of Brownwood, Rudy Boisse and wife, Alma, of San Angelo Dorothy Cramer and husband, Bob, of Sonora and Linda Perez and husband, Richard, of San Angelo; ten grandchildren, Stacon and T.J. Boisse, Patricia Venzor, Michele, Ryan and Genny Cramer, Ricky Perez, Melissa Mendez and Renee and John Paul Boisse; and five great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Stacon Boisse, T.J. Boisse, Ryan Cramer, Ricky Perez, John Paul Boisse and James Mendez.



Lighthouse Baptist Church

Family Life Center 707 Glasscock • 387-5886

Listen to our Radio program on KHOS 92.1 every Sunday Morning at 10:00 a.m.

Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Worship 11:00 a.m.

School Lunch Menu • Jan. 28 - Feb. 1, 2002

Breakfast

Mon. - Pancake on stick, juice.

Tues. - (3) French toast sticks, juice.

Wed. - Breakfast burrito, juice.

Thurs. - Scrambled eggs, toast, juice.

Fri. - (2) Pancakes, syrup, juice.

Milk and cereal offered with all breakfasts.

Lunch

Mon. - Hamburgers, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, fries, or tots, spiced bars.

Tues. - Beef and cheese nachos, Spanish rice, celery sticks, cookie.

Wed. - Hot turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, jello with fruit.

Thurs. - Chicken spaghetti, vegetable salad, peas, pudding, Texas toast.

Fri. - Chili dog, pork & beans, mixed fruit, cookie.

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Senior Center News

Jan. 28 - Bingo.

Feb. 1 - Run errands and pay bills.

Senior Menu

Jan. 28 - Beef tips, rice, cornbread, fruit cup, strawberry with banana lemon pie.

Jan. 29 - Oven baked chicken, lima beans, broccoli, bread, chunky mixed fruit.

Jan. 30 - Ground beef steak, macaroni and cheese, corn-pepper, roll, carrot salad.

Jan. 31 - Beef stew with vegetables, green beans, cornbread, pear with cottage cheese, vanilla pudding.

Feb. 1 - Ham, candied yams, green beans, rolls, carrot raisin salad, jello with fruit.

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

Menu is subject to change.



Linda Sue Stiles of San Angelo, TX and William Patrick Wade of Eldorado, TX were married December 26, 2001 at Zenter's Daughter's Steakhouse in San Angelo with James Doyle of Eldorado, TX officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Stiles of San Angelo, TX. The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Fannie Wade and the late Bill Wade of Sonora, TX.

Matron of Honor was Diane Schnitzer of San Angelo, TX and Kathy Hargrove of Mesquite, TX who also carried an antique pillow made with lace belonging to the bride's grandmother of East TX. Flower girl was Kelsey Powers of San Angelo, TX.

Best man was John Wade of Sonora, TX. Groomsman was Wes Wade of Eldorado, TX. Ushers were Robert Stiles, brother of the bride of Detroit, MI who also video taped the ceremony, Robert Hargrove, brother-in-law of the bride of Mesquite, TX and Robert Hillin, son of the bride of San Angelo, TX.

The bride is a graduate of Central High School and is a senior at Angelo State University and will graduate in August 2002 with a BS in Psychology/Sociology and plans to do social work upon graduation.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Sonora High School, Technical College in Sweetwater, TX and is employed for United Fuel and Energy Eddins-Walcher in Sonora, TX.

The couple was married under a garden arch decorated in navy and burgundy roses. The bride carried a bouquet of off-white roses, she was dressed in a long crinkle jean skirt with an ivory lace blouse wearing babies breath and roses in her hair. The groom was wearing matching jean attire. Music was performed by Candis Hicks of San Angelo, TX.

After the wedding there was a reception with a beautiful two-tiered ivory cake served by Kathy Hargrove and Susan Wade along with appetizer from Zenter's.

The couple plans a trip to Las Vegas with the bride's sister and her husband on the bride's spring break from college in March.

The couple will reside in Eldorado, Texas.

There's a New Kid in Town!

Blayze Wesley Sykes

was born December 30, 2001.

He arrived weighing 8 lbs. 2 ozs.

and was 20" long.

He was welcomed by his big sisters

Paige and Alexa,

proud parents Blayze and Amy Sykes,

Maternal Grandparents

Preston and Linda Love,

Paternal Grandparents

Alfred and Barbara Sykes.

David Gonzales and Annette Gamez are proud to announce the birth of their daughter

Camilla Lissette Gonsales

born December 27, 2001 at 8:34 a.m. at

San Angelo Community Hospital.

"Cami" weighed 5 lbs. 13 ozs. and was 19 1/2" long.

Cami is welcomed home by her sisters Alysia, Adriana, and Karina. Also, welcoming her home are proud grandparents

Carlos and Faye Gamez, Robert and Margarite Dobbins of

Longview, and David and Gloria Gonzales of Mission.

Great-grandparents Maria Gamez,

Della Shoup of Alpine, TN,

Raul and Juanita Mendoza of McAllen.

Aunts Mari Rodriguez, Amy Gonzales of Kansas City, KS,

Diamond De la Cerda of Mission. Uncles Carlos Gamez,

Erik Gonzales of Longview, JC and Andrew of Mission and

cousins Dehaven Waite of Kansas City, KS

and Shyanne Gamez.

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Community

January 26

Cub Scout Pack 19

Pinewood Derby • Civic Center

January 27

Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest

2:30 p.m. Jr. High Gym

The Community Calendar



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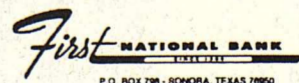
Calendar

January 28

County Commissioners Meeting

9:00 a.m. - Annex Bldg.

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Email us at editor@sonoratl.net

First National Bank Welcomes Sonora To New Drive-Thru



The staff of the First National Bank is proud to display their new drive-thru windows, now located at the end of the bank building on Main Street. The employees of FNB from left to right are: Back row: **Roberta James**, Harold McEwen, Mike Hale, Jean Taylor, Yolanda Avila, Lesa Gamez, JoAnn Jones, Patsy Bryant, John Childers. Front row: **Joy Kemp**, Rosa Sanchez, Jeanie Lawson, **Roy Jean Johnson**, **Elaine Donaldson**, Margaret Garrett, and Gabriel Espinosa. Those names in bold have been employed with FNB since it moved to this location in 1978.

Tax Season Begins With Receipt of W-2 From Employers

DALLAS - Start early, take your time, and try e-filing. That is the advice of the Internal Revenue Service as another tax filing season gets underway.

Most Texas employers are working hard to meet a January 31 deadline of getting Forms W-2 "Wage and Tax Statement" to their employees. Some employers have already provided W-2 income information to their workforce, which helps employees file their tax returns early and receive their tax refunds quickly. By law, employees need to receive Form W-2 and Form 1099, "Statement for Miscellaneous Income," by January 31.

Residents can get started on

their taxes now by finding and organizing receipts, canceled checks and other financial records. Anyone needing tax forms or answers to tax questions can get help now at the San Angelo IRS office at 33 East Twohigh, Room 104 in San Angelo. IRS office hours are 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

"We are working to improve and expand service to San Angelo area taxpayers," said IRS Customer Assistance, Relationship & Education Manager Vincent Walker.

Tax information, forms and publications are also available on the IRS Web site at www.irs.gov.

Do You Have Healthy Bones?

Osteoporosis, a disease that gradually weakens bones until they become fragile and more likely to break, it is a silent but severely debilitating disease. It can lead to pain, height loss, "humped" back, disability and dependence. Calcium and exercise can help prevent osteoporosis. However, many women who take calcium can still suffer from osteoporosis unknowingly - until a broken bone brings the disease to light. After years of steady bone loss, a minor pull or even an ordinary step off a curb can lead to a broken wrist, ankle, or worse, a hip. Women who survive a broken hip often become permanently disabled.

Menopause is the single most important cause of osteoporosis. Unfortunately, hormonal changes and their effects on the body can not be stopped, and can only be poorly controlled in many women. Bone loss after menopause becomes more advanced with time. That is why early diagnosis is so important. Steps can then be taken to limit bone loss, and hopefully start rebuilding the bone already lost.

Besides menopause, which occurs either naturally or by surgical removal of the uterus and/or ovaries, some other factors that may add to the risk of osteoporosis includes family history of osteoporosis; caucasian or asian descent; thin or small build; use of certain

medications such as steroids and thyroid hormones; smoking; alcohol consumption; too little exercise; too little calcium; history of rheumatoid arthritis; over 45 years of age; and history of previous fractures of the hip, rib or wrist.

If you have one or more of the risk factors listed, you may want to have bone - density screening to check for osteoporosis. Several methods for screening are available, and all are fairly accurate at indicating the level of bone loss. Screening is painless - usually an extremity, such as the heel - is tested using either x-ray or ultrasound. The results will tell your doctor if you are already experiencing bone loss, and steps can then be taken to help improve your health. Prevention of osteoporosis is easier and less expensive than treating the results of the disease. Talk with your doctor about your options.

In Eldorado, Forlano Chiropractic is now offering bone-density screening. A fast, simple, and painless test will help indicate whether further testing and/or treatment is needed for your individual case. Their test uses ultrasound on the heel of your foot. The test takes about ten seconds and is totally non-invasive and painless.

Check with your doctor about bone-density screening. It is never too late to do something for your health.

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Letter from the Editor

OOPS!! In the County Commissioner's story last week I inadvertently named Keith Hudson as obtaining the grant for the EMT course. I apologize for this mistake to **Keith Butler**, who actually did the work!

Also, on the 8th Grade A/B Honor Roll that was in last week's issue, Swade Draper was left off. Congratulations Swade.

Storie Sharp
Editor

You're Invited To Worship

A group called Contemporary Praise & Worship, from Primera Baptist Church in San Angelo will be in Concert at Primera Baptist Church here in Sonora.

Everyone is invited to attend and welcome, Sunday at 6:00 p.m. on January 27th. The church is located at the corner of Chestnut and Santa Clara.

Turner Announces New Laws for Teen Drivers



AUSTIN --
Rep. Bob Turner
(D-Voss)

AUSTIN - Rep. Bob Turner (D - V o s s) , Chairman of the House Committee on Public Safety, said that this year Texas began a new system of graduated licensing for teenagers just starting to drive on Texas' roads. This law, which was passed by his committee, will increase safety for our youth out on state highways.

"My committee heard a great deal of testimony in regard to sixteen year old's inability to operate a vehicle when they first received their license," Turner said. "We took a hard look at the problem and agreed we needed to give these kids a little more driving practice with more supervision. Senate Bill 577 will do that."

Rep. Turner said that according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 16-year-old drivers have the highest crash rate for any age group. The crash rate for 16-year-old drivers is also three times the crash rate of 17-year-old drivers and five times the rate of 18-year-old drivers. In Texas, motor vehicle crashes are the number one killer of Texas teenagers, and in 1998 alone, 320 Texas teens were killed and 40,324 were injured in crashes. The Legislature acted to improve safety on the roadways and reduce the number of teens hurt and killed in car accidents.

"Our kids are our future and this legislation will help ensure their ability to grow up and make a posi-

tive contribution to our society," Turner said.

Rep. Turner said that the Graduated Driver License Program (GDL) creates two phases of requirements for drivers under 18 years old who start the process of getting a license after December 31st, 2001. The first phase requires driver's license applicants under the age of 18 to hold an instruction (learner's) permit or hardship license for a minimum of six months, complete an approved driver education course, and turn 16 years old to graduate to the second phase. Teens driving with an instruction permit must now have a licensed driver at least 21 years old in the front seat with them, up from the previous minimum of 18 years old.

A teen entering the second phase of the program receives a provisional license, with restricted driving privileges, Turner said. Under the new rules, teens driving with provisional licenses are not allowed to have more than one passenger under the age of 21 who is not a family member and are prohibited from driving between midnight and 5 a.m., unless it is necessary for work, school or a medical emergency. These time and passenger restrictions do not apply if a licensed driver at least 21 years old is in the front seat with the teen driving with a provisional license.

For more information on the graduated driver's license program or any other issue, Rep. Turner encourages those interested to call his Capitol office at (512) 463-0644 or visit the State of Texas website at www.capitol.state.tx.us.

Don't Drop the Ball

submitted

I received the call earlier that day, "could you and your wife please come and help us tonight at 6:00"; I said we would try.

At first we watched them play different kinds of skill games outdoors and after it started to get dark we moved inside. They divided up into smaller groups by age and each group went to a special location. I was asked to work with the junior age boys and my wife worked with the junior age girls. They got out their books and went to work. Some were trying to memorize different verses from the bible, while others were reading different stories from the bible. Part of my job was to listen to the ones learning memory verses and make sure they said them correctly. I was asked what my favorite verse was and I said John 3:16 and they even made me say it

and made sure it was correct.

For the ones that were learning stories I would give them a short quiz after they completed their workbooks. I was amazed at what these children knew about God and his word. The Bible tells us to teach and train our children about God (Proverbs 22:6, Deuteronomy 4:9&10). I thoroughly enjoyed myself that night and was so glad to see those volunteer teachers and parents trying to raise those children in the proper way. The sad thing is that so many parents don't attend a local church or make an effort to teach their children about God. It just might be we would have a lot less crime and violence in our country and world today if parents had done their jobs. See you in church on Sunday and please take your children.

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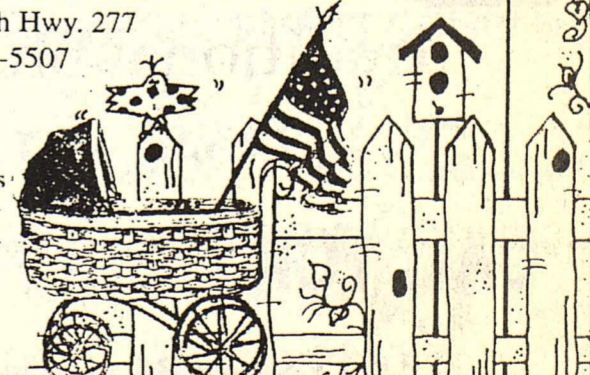
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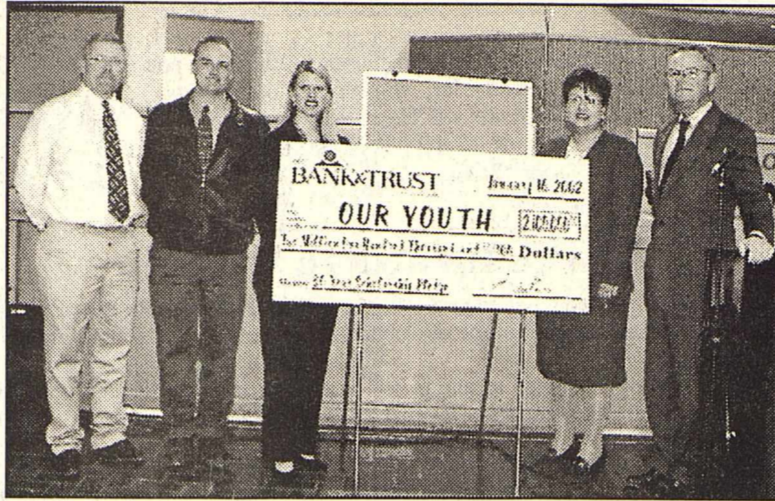
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Sonora Graduates Make The List At Texas Schools Angelo State University

The Dean's List for the 2001 Fall Semester has been announced at Angelo State University in San Angelo, Texas.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must be enrolled full-time and maintain a 3.25 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

The honorees, along with their majors, include the following from the Sonora area: Joe David Gandar, Interdisciplinary Studies; Daisy Marie Mireles, Psychology; and Amy E. Torres, Interdisciplinary Studies.

University of Texas

A total of 2,933 students received undergraduate and graduate degrees from The University of Texas at Austin at the end of the fall semester, President Larry R. Faulkner announced. Justin Joe Allen Eaton of Sonora received a B.A. in Government.

Texas A&M University

According to the final grade reports this past semester, Alan Joseph Nicholas has earned the right to be on the "Dean's List" for the fall semester of 2001 at Texas A&M University.

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Sul Ross State University

Sul Ross State University named 249 students to its fall semester Dean's List, the honor roll of students maintaining a 3.3 or greater grade point average.

Undergraduate students enrolled for 12 or more semester hour who maintain an average of 3.3 or higher on a 4.0 scale are eligible for the Dean's List. Graduate hours are not in the computations. From Sonora, Tryon Robert Fields was named to this honorary list.

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Scholastic Book Fair Benefits

The Scholastic Book Fair held at Sonora Middle School Jan. 14th through the 21st was a great success, providing exciting books for our children and raising \$620.00. More than 80 parents and family members visited the fair during our Family Night. Our classroom libraries received over 50 donated books.

Sandi Ainsworth, credits the success to the school's support and the hard work of several volunteers, including Mrs. Carol Love's GT class for their research and decorations, Mrs. Herring, Mrs. Arispe and Mrs. Young for their talent and help with the Teacher's wish list display, Mrs. Russell and Erin Newton for refreshments. A special thanks to our student helpers during Family night, Chelsea Martinez, Kyla Turney (the Little Mermaid), and Shane Love. Thanks to Mrs. Christina Gaytan and Rachel Aguero in helping with the setting up of the fair and last but not least to the wonderful parents that come and help out during the fair, Mrs. Rose Butler, Mrs. Toni Charo, Mrs. Valvree Draper, and Mrs. Lori Newton.

Winners of the door prizes



given away during Family night was as follows: Free small Blizzard from Dairy Queen -- Christy Martinez, Nicky Escalante, Amanda Berry, Kylie Love and Karley Frasier; Personal Pan Pizza or Free Buffet from Pizza Hut -- Kaija Valkonen, Delma Tovar, Erin Newton, Candace Chandler, and Jena Teasley; Note cards w/matching envelopes from Tedford's Jewelers went to Nicholas Favala; gift certificates from La Mexicana - J. T. Downing and Steven Barthelemy; gift certificates from

Ol' Sonora Trading -- Valerie Torres and Laura Martin. We would like to thank our local businesses for their support of our students and our schools. A guessing game held daily for the Middle school students ended with five winners in which they received a book of their choice from the book fair. The student winners were Felipe Silva, Chealsea Daniels, Chantel Arispe, Federico Romo and Aaron Nitsch. Once again thanks to all that helped make this book fair such a success.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. - Rep. Henry Bonilla (R-TX)

Finally, the national government is giving power back to parents and educators. Finally, the national government concedes that parents and educators know what is best for school children -- not bureaucrats at the Department of Education. Finally, the national government is giving schools the flexibility they need to insure that every child receives the best education possible. Finally, education returns to a common sense grass-roots approach of local and state accountability.

Curious what plan I'm discussing? It's President Bush's new education plan, which he signed into law just days ago. The "No Child Left Behind Act" is going to change the education of our children. By cutting the bureaucratic tape, we're putting our nation's education system in the hands of educators, not political leaders in Washington, D.C.

This is the end of the one-size-fits-all approach to education. The new approach cuts down on federal requirements and gives schools the flexibility they need and deserve. First things first, we're making it possible for schools to reduce class size by hiring more teachers. This is simple math. The smaller the classroom, the more attention students receive and the better they do in school. And we're not just hiring more teachers. We're also giving schools the freedom to provide more professional development for teachers. The more knowledge our teachers possess, the more our children receive.

The "No Child Left Behind"

Act promotes early reading skills and strengthens our focus on math and science education. Funds are allocated for better math and science programs. We're encouraging schools to make their programs more rigorous to help children reach higher educational goals. The new plan includes a performance-based grant program. This program supplies more funding to schools so they may increase literacy in technology. In other words, schools that need the most help will get it.

Perhaps the most important aspect of this legislation is that we're putting discretion in the hands of the schools. We're giving the schools the ability to assess their needs and decide how they will spend their federal funding. They can choose to spend more on development or they can make reducing class size a priority. Schools will make the decisions, not bureaucrats. This is where the parents come in. Washington gives you the power and responsibility to make your school accountable for these initiatives. Parents, you have a right to expect results from your children's schools. And schools have the right to demand results from the parents as well. Prepare your children every day so they arrive ready to learn at school. Reinforce good study habits, and reward efforts made by your children and by the school. Get to know the teachers and faculty. Support your local schools.

Washington is finally learning its lesson. Finally there is an initiative to return education where it rightfully belongs: with the parents and teachers. I'm proud that our new education initiative recognizes that local control of education will provide our students with the best education possible. It is time Washington finally stepped aside, and let Texans decide how to educate the children of Texas.

F.Y.I.

The Sonora Tennis Team will be babysitting at the New Hope Baptist Church on January 26th for Fling Ding, starting at 6:00 p.m. for \$20 per child, \$10 for any other children in the same family. Children must be picked up by 1:30 a.m. For more information call Laura at 387-2780.

The American Cancer Society will meet Monday, January 28th at 4:30 in the First National Bank Founders Room.

The Devil's River Dancers will be giving beginner clogging lessons starting Feb. 7th. Call 387-9315 for more information.

The Pinewood Derby is scheduled for January 26, 2002 at the Sutton County 4-H Civic Center. Any Scout that has not received his Pinewood Derby car, please contact your Den leader or Tibba Edmondson at 387-3988.

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The Knights of Columbus Free-Throw Championship will be January 27, 2002 at 2:30 p.m. at the Sonora Middle School Large Gym. The contest is open to boys and girls ages 10-14. Applications are available at the Sonora Middle School or from Coach Dempsey. For more information contact Mike Villanueva at 387-5300 or Joe San Miguel at 387-6003 or 387-5292.

The 2001 Varsity Football Highlight Tape is now on sale from the S.H.S. Radio and T.V. Department. The cost is only \$15. Also, if you would like to purchase any Varsity or J.V. football game or any Varsity Girls or Boys District basketball game, the cost is only \$6 per game tape. Call Kristin Keel at 387-6533 ext. 315 for more details.

The 2002 yearbooks are on sale. The cost is \$30 and the price will increase. You can send payment to the following address: S.H.S. Yearbook, 807 SE Concho, Sonora, TX 76950 or call Kristen Keel at 387-6533 ext. 315 details.

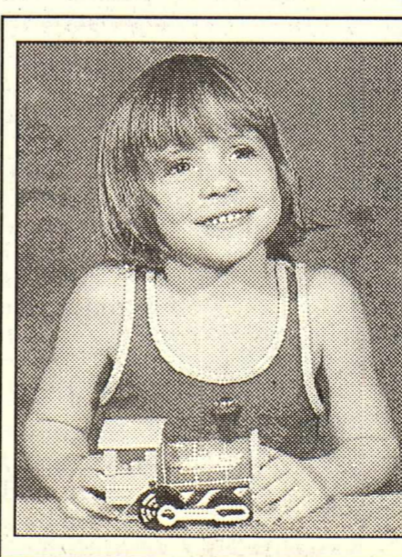
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Lady Colts Play Hard In Wall Tournament

The Sonora Lady Colts traveled to Wall two weeks ago to compete in the Wall Tournament.

The 7th grade Lady Colts dominated the court, bringing home 1st place overall, by defeating Veribest, Brady and Wall.

In the first game against Veribest, Sonora won 29 to 17. Meghan Krieg led the scoring with 13 points and was followed closely by Allyse Edmondson with 12 points. Amanda Berry completed the scoring with 4 points.

The second game was against Brady, with Sonora winning 34 to 23. Krieg once again led the scoring with 20 points. Candace Chandler had 6 points, Edmondson had 5, Kayla Fields 2 and Berry sunk a free throw for 1 point.

Sonora faced wall in the finals, to complete their winning streak, 26 to 19. Krieg stayed in the scoring lead with 15 points, Chandler had 8 and Berry had 3. Congratulations girls! Great job!

The 8th grade Lady Colts didn't fare quite as well, but still played hard. The girls finished 4th in the tournament, winning one and losing two.

The first game for the 8th grade girls was against Wall, where Sonora was clearly the stronger team. The Lady Colts beat them 42 to 14. Tissie Wagner led the scoring with 9 points and Kayla McBride



The 7th grade Lady Colts were happy to show off their first place prize at the Wall Tournament.

was right behind her with 7 points. Kristina Hernandez, Desiree Alvarado and Kaleena Samaniego each had 6 points, Jillian Gulley had 4 and Dee McGee and Desirae Boldt each had 2 points.

The next game against Brady proved to be a tougher match for the Sonora girls. Brady was victorious, 48 to 22. Desirae Boldt led the scoring this time with 7 points, followed closely by Wagner with 6.

Samaniego had 3, McBride and Alvarado each had 2 and Lauren Smith and Gulley each had 1.

The final game against Grape Creek turned out to be another tough match up, with Grape Creek coming out on top 40 to 31. Kristina Hernandez led the scoring with 8 points, Boldt had 6, Smith and Samaniego each had 4, Gulley and Wagner each had 3, McBride had 2 and Candace Martin sunk a free throw for 1 point.

Sonora J.V. Lady Broncos Fight Hard For Victories

The Sonora Lady J.V. Broncos had a very successful week with two hard fought victories. On Tuesday, January 15, 2002, they defeated Mason by the score of 33-32 in the Bronco Gymnasium. Mason jumped out to an early 12-4 first quarter lead. In the second quarter, Sonora was able to cut three points from the lead, making the score 15-10 at half. A big third quarter where the Lady Broncos outscored Mason 17-7 saw Sonora take a 27-22 lead. Sonora was able to hold on in the fourth quarter for the victory. Scoring for Sonora were Debra Martinez 6 points, Brittany Longoria 5 points, Cady Taylor, Shannon Vick and Savannah Hedgecock 4 points and Kenia Gutierrez, Alyssa Ibarra, Chelsea

Seaton, Missy Longoria and Leandra Perez all scoring 2 points.

On Friday, they traveled to Eldorado to take on the J.V. Lady Eagles. The game got off to a slow start with each team only scoring 4 points in the first quarter. The second quarter saw Eldorado jump to a 16-12 lead. Great defense, which allowed 0 points, and a nine point third quarter saw the Lady Broncos move ahead 23-16. Again Sonora was able to come away with a 26-23 victory. Scoring for Sonora were Perez 6 points, Martinez 5 points, Shannon Vick and M. Longoria 4 points, Taylor, Hedgecock and Ibarra 2 points and Ruby Galindo 1 point.

This brings the J.V. record to 4-1 in District action.

Sonora Wins Big at Junction Lady Colts

The Sonora Lady Colts 7th and 8th grades both brought home top honors from the Junction Tournament last weekend, January 18 & 19, 2002.

The 7th grade Ladies played Comfort first, dominating the court for a 43 to 15 victory. Meghan Krieg led the scoring for Sonora with 14 points. Amanda Berry had 8, Allyse Edmondson had 6, Jaimee Duran had 4, Jena Teasley, Madeline Higdon, Taylor Liverman, Candace Chandler and Stacy Sanchez each had 2 and Kayla Fields had 1 point.

The 7th graders kept up the strong play against the Junction team, for an overwhelming win of 40 to 7. Krieg again led Sonora with 14 points, followed closely by Chandler with 10 points. Amanda Berry again had 8 points, Kayla Fields had 4 and Jena Teasley and Allyse Edmondson each had 2 points.

Following their lead, the 8th grade Lady Colts took the court ready to win also. The 8th grade girls started off the tournament with a win against Comfort, 28 to 20. Leading the scoring for Sonora was Tissie Wagner and Dee McGee with 6 points each. Kristina Hernandez, Kayla McBride and Desirae Boldt each had 4 points and Lauren Smith and Kaleena Samaniego each scored 2 points.

Sonora continued the winning streak, taking on Johnson City for a win of 32 to 17. Wagner led the scoring again with 10 points, with Boldt right behind her with 7 points. Hernandez had 6 points, McBride had 5 points and Candace Martin, and Samaniego each had 2 points.

Colts

The 8th grade Colts also finished first at the Junction Tournament, defeating Comfort in the first game and Junction in overtime.

The victory against Comfort was a close one, with Sonora winning 38 to 31. Cullen Parker led the Colts with 15 points, followed by Hilton Bloodworth with 8 points. Steven Duhon had 7 and Embre Smith and Nash Traylor each had 4 points.

Finishing 41 to 34 in overtime, Steven Duhon led the boys for the win against Junction with 12 points. Parker had 8, Cameron Cox and Embre Smith each had 7 and Bloodworth had 6 points.

Lady Colt & Colt Basketball

The Lady Colts hosted Grape Creek on Monday, January 14th. Both teams played well and came out on top. The 7th grade girls were victorious 37 to 21, with Meghan Krieg's 11 points leading the scoring. Candace Chandler had 8 points, Kayla Fields had 6, Allyse Edmondson had 5, Stacy Sanchez had 4 and Amanda Berry had 3.

The girls attempted 27 free throws, sinking 11, for a 41% free throw average.

The 8th grade girls put up a hard fight, refusing to give up the win and came out on top by 1 point, for a final of 30 to 29. Jillian Gulley and Tissie Wagner led the scoring with 8 points each. Kristina Hernandez had 6, Kayla McBride had 4 and Desirae Boldt and Dee McGee each had 2. The ladies were 100% on with their free throws, completing 2 of 2.

The Lady Colts were on the road Monday, January 21st, traveling to Mason.

The 7th grade Lady Colts played a hard game against the Cowgirls, beating them 25 to 22. Allyse Edmondson led the scoring for Sonora with 12 points. Meghan Krieg had 8, Candace Chandler had 3 and Amanda Berry had 2 points. The girls made 5 of their 10 attempted free throws, for a 50% free throw average.

Osborn was the leading scorer for Mason, with 10 points.

The 8th grade Lady Colts played hard, but just couldn't take the edge against the 8th grade Cowgirls. Mason defeated Sonora 31 to 26. Tissie Wagner led with 8 points. Kristina Hernandez had 6, Kayla McBride and Desirae Boldt each had 5 points and Jillian Gulley had 2. The girls completed 2 of 3 baskets, for a 67% average.

Dockel and Smith led the scoring for Mason.

The 8th grade Colts took a strong win against the Mason Puncers, with a 48 to 38 win. Steven Duhon led the scoring with 13 points, followed by Cullen Parker with 11 points. Hilton Bloodworth had 10 points, Cameron Cox had 6, Embre Smith had 4 and Steven Barthelemy and Boomer

Meet The Junior Varsity Lady Broncos



2001-2002 J.V. Lady Broncos: (not in photo order) Juniors: Brittany Longoria, Mayra Martinez, Leandra Perez, Amanda Sanchez, Shannon Vick. Sophomores: Hannah Allison, Megan Fitzgerald, April Flores, Ruby Galindo, Deneyra Gloria, Savannah Hedgecock, Dainah Hernandez, Melissa Longoria, Perla Perez, Nikki Samaniego, Susanna Street, Cady Taylor. Freshman: Adrianna Castillo, Danielle Fox, Tara Green, Kenia Gutierrez, Allison Higdon, Alyssa Ibarra, Debra Martinez, Tabitha Ovalle, Chelsea Seaton, Courtney Caruthers and Amanda Word. Coaches Clyde Dukes and Kathy Marshall.

Lady Broncos Continue District Play

The Lady Broncos fought to the end, but came up just a little short against Mason in the Bronco gym on January 15th. Mason defeated Sonora by just 3 points, for a final of 46 to 43.

Morgan Hobbs led the Lady Broncos with 18 pts. Tamika Marshall followed with 11 pts., Ashley Parker had 8, Monica Lira had 3, Heather Lawson had 2, and Desiree Gonzales had 1 point.

The Ladies then traveled to Eldorado on the 18th, to defeat the Eagles 39 to 30. Morgan Hobbs again was the lead scorer for Sonora with 10 pts., with Marshall right behind her with 9 pts. Lawson had 7 pts., Lira had 6 pts. and Kara Hard and Parker each had 3. Kasey Miller finished out the scoring for the Lady Broncos with 1 point.

Varsity Broncos Defeat Mason

On January 15th the Sonora Varsity Broncos hosted the Mason Puncers in the Bronco gym. The Broncos took well to the home court advantage and defeated the Puncers 48 to 33.

Leading the scoring was Caleb Gulley with 19 points. Louis Segura had 8, Dustin Martin and Chance Dillard each had 6, Justin Routh had 4, Douglas Yocham and Justin Sims each had 2 and Sean Fields had 1 point. Scottie Moore had 12

rebounds, the highest for the game.

The Broncos traveled to Eldorado on January 18, 2002, where they took a tough loss to the Eagles, 61 to 47. The boys played hard, but just couldn't keep up. Gulley led the scoring with 10 points. Martin and Sims each had 8 points, Dillard had 7 and Yocham had 5 points. Fields, Segura and Moore each had 3 points to finish off the points. Moore had 11 rebounds and Dillard had 7.

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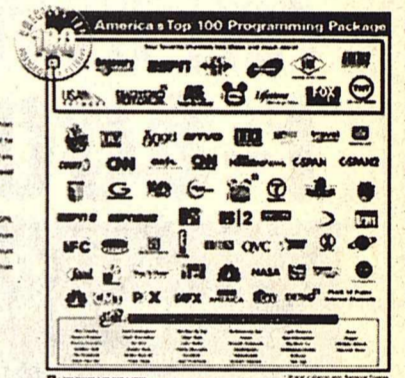
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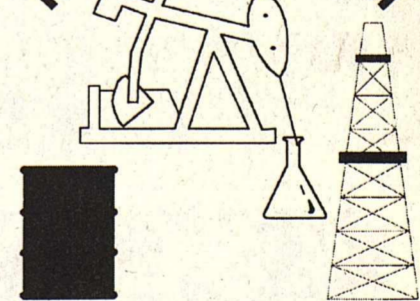
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TPW Staff Recommends No Fee Increases

AUSTIN, Texas - An extensive financial review at Texas Parks and Wildlife has resulted in a recommendation of no increases in boating registration, hunting and fishing licenses or state park fees. TPW Interim Executive Director Robert L. Cook made the recommendation to the Finance Committee of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission.

"We began discussing this issue last year when increasing costs made it clear we needed to either reduce spending or raise additional revenue," said Cook.

TPW began taking steps to address the issue, including a four percent budget cut this year, according to Cook. Operating budgets have been reduced, capital spending has been deferred and some vacant positions remain unfilled. TPW staff also began an exhaustive review of the budget and fee structure, which resulted in the recommendation.

"Economic conditions in Texas and the nation have changed significantly since we began this process," said Cook. "We do not believe fee increases are in the best interest of our constituents or the agency at this time."

Cook says next year's budget will be balanced by examining ways to further reduce costs and by maximizing the use of available funds from all sources, including Proposition 8 bond funds approved by voters this past November. Those funds will allow TPW to address the most critical maintenance and repair needs and the specific projects approved by voters.

"This is a significant belt tightening move," said Cook. "The budget for fiscal year 2003 will be lean, but we'll get the job done thanks to the caliber of our employees and the many partners, volunteers and conservation minded citizens who support us."

As directed by the legislature, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission did approve increasing some commercial fees. Oyster lease fees will increase from \$3 to \$6 dollars an acre and a fee increase proposal for some commercial fishing fees to recover program administration costs will be published for public comment for Commission action in April 2002.

"Texas Parks and Wildlife staff did a great job in closely examining the situation and are to be commended for their diligence in this effort," said Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission Chairman Katharine Idsal. "It's a tough call, but given the reality of the economy and the overall state budget, it's a wise course. Governor Perry has made it clear that in these tight times all state agencies need to be as efficient as possible and look for every possible savings. We will do everything we can to continue providing the best services possible to our constituents."

San Angelo Stock Show Scholarship Fund To Award \$500

The San Angelo Stock Show Foundation Scholarship Fund will award thirty, \$500 renewable scholarships to qualifying high school seniors, beginning this fall. Scholarships will be used to attend a Texas vocational/technical school or accredited Texas college or university. Applicants may pursue a career of their choice.

The San Angelo Stock Show Scholarship Foundation awarded its first ten scholarships in 1987 with an endowment fund of \$200,000. Today 43 students are on scholarship for a total of \$21,500. Over the past 14 years, the Foundation has awarded \$223,000 and assisted 173 high school graduates.

Foundation chairman, Gil Engdahl is "very proud of our volunteer members and their desire to educate area youth. We are extremely pleased that we are able to award deserving youth for their accomplishments in and out of the classroom."

Applicants must be a 4-H, FFA or FHA member and reside in counties within 150-mile radius of San Angelo, Texas. Scholarship applications are accepted without regard to socio-economic level, race, creed, color, religion or national origin.

To obtain an application, contact San Angelo Stock Show Foundation Scholarship Committee, 200 West 43rd Street, San Angelo, Texas 76903, www.sanangelorodeo.com or email: rodeo@wcc.net. Application deadline is March 1.

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Kerrville Stockshow from page 1



Landon Brockman exhibited the Reserve Champion Commercial Doe.

Earwood was named the Premier Exhibitor in the Registered Show and received a \$5,000 college scholarship.

Sutton County youth had a very good day in the Angora goat show which is indicated by the list of the placings following:

Class 1 Comm. Doe Kid
 1st & 4th Laura Martin, 5th Shane Benson, 6th Kelsey Watkins, 7th Meredith Earwood, 8th & 9th Landon Brockman, 10th Meredith Earwood, 15th Emily Earwood and 16th Shane Benson.

Class 2 Comm. Yearling Doe
 1st & 3rd Laura Martin, 5th Landon Brockman

Class 3 Comm. Aged Doe
 2nd & 3rd Landon Brockman. Placings in the registered classes of the Angora show were as follows:

Class 1 Reg. Buck Kid with a total of 50 in the class - 2nd Emily Earwood, 6th Shane Benson, 8th Meredith Earwood, 9th Landon Brockman, 11th Emily Earwood, 22nd Landon Brockman, 23rd Meredith Earwood, and 24th Cash Jennings.

Class 2 Reg. Yearling Buck
 1st and 2nd Emily Earwood, 3rd Meredith Earwood, 4th & 5th Chance Armke, 12th Laura Martin, 13th Meredith Earwood.

Class 3 Reg. Aged Buck
 1st Landon Brockman, 4th Laura Martin, 7th Emily Earwood, 10th Meredith Earwood and 11th Emily Earwood.

In the Registered Doe show, the first class had a total of 51 doe kids in the class.

Class 4 Reg. Doe Kid
 2nd Emily Earwood, 3rd Landon Brockman, 4th Meredith Earwood, 5th Emily Earwood, 7th Laura Martin, 9th Meredith Earwood, 15th Koda Armke, 17th Cash Jennings, 18th Landon Brockman, 22nd Cash Jennings.

Class 5 Reg. Yearling Doe
 1st and 2nd Emily Earwood, 4th Koda Armke, 5th & 6th Meredith Earwood, 17th Chance Armke, 21 Cash Jennings.

Class 6 Reg. Aged Doe
 1st & 2nd Emily Earwood, 8th & 10th Meredith Earwood.

The numbers were up in the Angora show, which again made this show probably one of the toughest in the world. Other local youth

who exhibited and assisted in the show were Hunter Jennings, Kaija Valkonen and Garrett Watkins.

In the Market Classes of the show, local youth also did very well, with Gunter Pennington leading the way for Sonora with a third place in class 5 of the Market Goat show.

Results of the Market Goat show were as follows:
Class 1 - No results available
Class 2 - 7th Thomas Bloodworth, 11th Gunter Pennington, 12th Colton Moore, 16th Thomas Bloodworth
Class 3 - 4th John Duke Hudson, 9th Chelsey Lou Campbell, 12th Word Hudson, showing for John Hudson, 13th Tyler Edmondson, 17th Chelsey Lou Campbell, 20th Dulce Acosta.
Class 4 - 11th Jays Mabry, 12th Hilton Bloodworth, 15th Steely Ingham, and 16th Colton Moore.
Class 5 - 3rd Gunter Pennington, 6th Bailey Joe Pennington.
Class 7 - 5th Steely Ingham and 11th Mandy Brister.

Classes 7 and 8 were very competitive, with an average of 80 goats per class.
 Other exhibitors in the Market Goat Show, which had over 45 goats from Sutton County were Chance Armke, Koda Armke, Brandon West, Rose Karnes, Wylie Wagoner, Colyer Dermody, Austin Wagoner, Zenon Acosta, Jeremy Lipham, Cadesman Pope, Pecos Roberts and Stella Ingham.
 William Renfo, Brea Hughes and Steely Ingham exhibited lambs in a very competitive Market Lamb Show. Results were as follows:
Lt. Finewool - 8th William Renfo
Med. Finewool Cross - 5th William Renfo
Lt. Hvy. Finewool Cross - 3rd William Renfo.
 In the Steer Show, Koda Armke exhibited the **4th place Class 7 European steer.**
 Brea Hughes also exhibited a Polled Hereford and a Charolais steer in the show.
 A number of parents, grandparents, adult leaders and friends were on hand to support the youth with their projects. It is always good to have this kind of support when competing away from home.

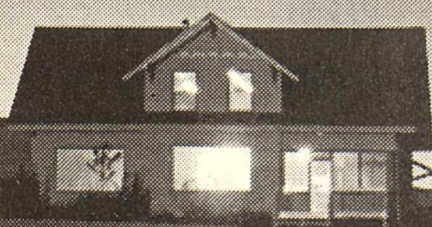
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John Conlee To Return To Sonora's Fling Ding

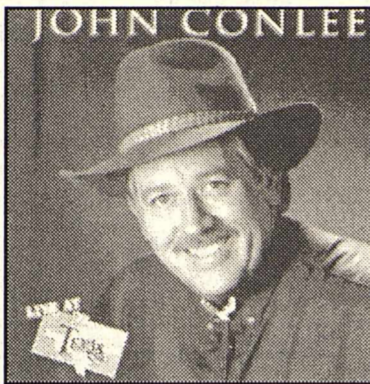
John Conlee will make his second appearance at the annual Fling Ding dance on January 26, 2002. Conlee plays the Grand Ole Opry over 20 times a year and recently released his first Live album, "Live At Billy Bobs Texas". This album has been Conlee's Best Selling Album 3 years running!

Jay Eric and Blieders Creek will open for Conlee at the Fling Ding.

The Fling Ding is uniquely Sonora, Texas entertainment. The dance is held each year at the Sonora Wool and Mohair, a 28,000 square foot wool warehouse.

Organized in the late thirties with a membership of nine, the Fling Ding Club disbanded in the early days of World War II. It was reinstated in 1954 with fifty-five members. The membership is now limited to 135.

Since 1954 many big name bands have had the experience of



furnishing music for members and their guests. They have included Blue Barron, Tex Beneke, Shep Fields, Glenn Miller, Bob Crosby, Gary Lee Archer, Ray Price, Gene Watson, Eddy Raven, Hank Thompson, Joe Stampley, Asleep at the Wheel, Johnny Dee and the Rockett 88's and more.

Some one thousand couples enjoy the Fling Ding each year.

Safety of Food Prepared in a Slow Cooker

submitted by Kelly Thorp, County Extension Office

There is nothing like a bowl of beef stew or chicken noodle soup to warm you on a cold winter day. Many consumers wish to use a slow cooker for these foods, but they are concerned about the safety of food prepared in it.

According to the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), the long cooking times, direct heat and steam of a slow cooker create an environment which kill harmful bacteria, making food safe to eat.

Foods most often recommended for cooking in these appliances include soups, stews and chili. Other foods with high moisture content may also be safe. It is important to defrost food before cooking it in a slow cooker.

Large pieces of meat such as roasts should be divided into smaller pieces before cooking. Because foods cook very slowly in the slow cooker, the center of large pieces of meat could remain in danger zone temperatures (40°F to 140°F) for many hours, allowing time for harmful bacteria to multiply to dangerous levels.

A slow cooker should not be overfilled. Fill the appliance one-half to two-thirds full. When filling, place vegetables on the bottom and around the sides because they cook more slowly than meat or poultry. Add meat, poultry, or other ingredients and cover the food with liquid. The lid of a slow cooker should

only be removed to stir the food or check for doneness. Food is cooked through heat and steam and removing the lid allows some of the steam and heat to escape.

Many cookers have at least two settings. For food that is to be cooked all day, use the low setting. If possible, cook food on the highest setting for the first hour and then turn it down to a lower setting or the setting recommended by the recipe. Foods that are cooked on low for the entire time, however, should be safe to eat according to FSIS information.

If the power goes out during the cooking process and you are at home where cooking is taking place, immediately finish cooking the food if another cooking source is available, such as a gas stove. Throw the food away if no other cooking source is available or if the power goes out when you are not at home, even if the food appears to be done.

Leftovers should be stored in shallow containers and refrigerated within two hours. Never reheat leftovers in the slow cooker because the food will not reach proper temperature within the recommended time. Instead, leftovers should be brought to 165°F (steaming hot or boiling) and then they can be placed in a preheated slow cooker to keep them hot.

For more information about safe cooking, call Texas Cooperative Extension, Sutton County, at 387-3101.

Despite Low Threat, Official Says, Plans Should Be Made To Protect Water Systems

by Blair Fannin, b-fannin@tamu.edu

WACO - The threat of bioterrorism to public drinking water remains low, but a state health official says plans to mitigate such threats should be implemented broadly by water system authorities throughout Texas.

Mitch Cooper, Texas Department of Health emergency planning program director, told participants at the 40th Blackland Income Growth Conference, "There is an extremely low probability of a threat," to public water systems simply because biochemical agents "aren't easy to use."

"Chemicals and biological agents are extremely susceptible to changes in the weather," Cooper said. "It would virtually take barrels and barrels to seriously threaten a water system. However, a terror threat to water supplies may be low, but the risk is still likely."

"There's a very, very low threat, but very, very severe consequences," he said.

In Texas there are approximately 6,000 water entities. Of those, roughly 5,000 are rural systems, according to officials speaking at the B.I.G. water session.

Cooper said the threat to these small water systems would be much lower than a large municipality, but

the threat still remains. He said all water system officials should plan for such terrorist threats.

"Detect, delay and respond," Cooper told the group. "How well does your system detect a problem? As far as delay, what barriers do you have for stopping something? Do you have fences, do you have walls, guards?"

"The goal of a terrorist is to inflict as much psychological pain as possible. The key for you is to have a way of detecting a problem and defeating it. How do we do this? Prevention."

Cooper said developing a plan and letting the public know that such measures have been put into place to protect the water supply should be carried through.

"If you write a plan, let the people know. Let the media know," he said.

In summing up his presentation, Cooper posed this question: "So, is your water safe? It's as safe as you make it," he said.

The B.I.G. Conference, which was held on Jan. 15-16 at the Waco Convention Center, attracted hundreds of participants who learned the latest in soil and crop sciences, equine health, horticulture and other topics as part of the two-day event.

School Board from page 1

Superintendent Myers reviewed the policies contained in Update 67 and stated that there would be one more reading at the February meeting before final adoption.

The Board unanimously approved current bills in the amount of \$306,218.79 after a motion by Bustamante and a second by Hernandez.

Myers stated that the results of a survey conducted by the school district regarding the failure of the bond election had pinpointed several areas of concern, including excessive cost, the purchase of the house behind the Administration Building, and the destruction of the Old High School.

Therefore, the Superintendent requested that John Williams, architect for Pfluger and Associates, present the revised plan which utilized the Old High School along with all other available space and deleted purchase of the property next to the Central Office. Following a lengthy discussion, the

Board directed that Mr. Williams proceed with developing the revised plan and present it to them at the February meeting at which point another bond election would be called.

Additionally, Myers expressed his appreciation to Mr. Williams for attending the meeting on such short notice.

Board member Payton stated that he was proud of Sonora's students and their many accomplishments and that he especially wanted to express his pride in Susanna Street for being named to the All State Band.

President Fields announced that the Board would enter into closed session according to its rights under the provisions of Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, subchapters D and E, regarding the Superintendent's Contract and Personnel. Feilds announced that no action would take place in closed session.

City Council from page 1

previous years, that being \$50.00 per regular meeting and \$25.00 per special meeting. Councilmember Polocek made a second to the motion. Motion carried.

A discussion was held concerning the sewer line and lift station that services Poplar Street area and possible ways to alleviate the system from backing up. It was reported that the trouble calls came in during the winter when cold weather was extreme. Brent Gesch, City Manager, advised that he had the engineer look at the system and he discovered that the float was stuck, due to a bar of soap jammed on the side, and suggested taking out the pipe so the lift station could work properly. The council requested staff to look into plans for improvements at budget time.

Councilmember Stephen made a motion to approve the submitted job description for a code officer and to also include the duties to enforce the ordinances concerning new construction. Councilmember Polocek made a second and motion carried.

Councilmember Polocek made a motion to approve the month of February as "Volunteer Appreciation Month", in Sonora and encourage all citizens to recognize the positive impact volunteers make in our community. Councilmember Stephen made a second to the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

The Friends of Historic Sonora, Inc. requested permission to place a Historical Marker and pour concrete to install it on city property that abuts the corner of Black's property. Questions were raised concerning the drainage, design, and property lines. Members of Friends of Historic Sonora advised that they would like some direction so they could pursue approval from the Texas Historical Commission. Councilmember Blackman made a

motion to approve the historical marker project with the understanding that the water drainage concerns would have to be solved and report to the council on how this would be done before starting the project. Councilmember Lopez made a second to the motion and motion carried.

Fire Chief Russell Green requested a contribution of \$2,500.00 to assist in the purchase of a new paging system for the Fire Department and the Sutton County EMS, that will be utilized jointly between the two departments. Chief Green and Pat Campbell explained that a grant was obtained for \$18,603.00 and a contribution of \$2,500.00 from Sutton County. Councilmember Stephen made a motion to approve the \$2,500.00 expenditure and asked that the funds now in the budget that were designated for capital equipment be used. Councilmember Polocek made a second to the motion. Motion carried.

Councilmember Stephen made a motion to accept a donation from the Sutton County Child Welfare Board for a Sony Digital Mavica Camera to be used in the Sonora Police Department. Councilmember Polocek made a second and motion carried.

There being no further business to discuss, Councilmember Blackman made a motion to adjourn, Councilmember Stephen made a second to the motion, and Mayor Hernandez closed the meeting at 2:55 p.m.

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Wanted: Lambs to feed. PCR Feed Yard. Custom lamb feeding. Robert Lee, Texas. Waldon Millican. (915) 453-2387 or mobile (915) 473-0222.

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Found: Motorola beeper at the Frontier Mini Storage. Call to identify 387-2104.

Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE
 Sonora ISD is accepting sealed bids for apartment renovations. The school district will accept bids for the following, either separate or combined, for 7 apartment units:
 1. bricking entire complex
 2. central heat/air for 7 unit installations
 3. electrical installation of new wiring
 4. plumbing installation
 5. sheetrock/taping/floating/texture
 6. painting interior and exterior
 7. cabinets and carpentry work
 8. windows and installation
 Bids should be received at the Administration Office, 807 S. Concho, Sonora, TX. 76950 by Monday at 4 PM on January 29, 2002 at which time and place they will be opened. The bid/bids will be awarded at the Administration Building as soon as all questions are answered. Any questions should be referred to Danny Hardin, Sonora ISD Maintenance Director at (915) 387-2220 - work or (915) 226-2701 - cell.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

Dominion Oklahoma Texas E & P, Inc., 14000 Quail Springs Parkway, Suite 600, Oklahoma City, OK 73134, is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas. The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Strawn & Ellenburger zones, Fields 20 lease well number 7. The proposed injection well is located 3.7 miles southeast of Sonora, Texas in the Sawyer (Canyon) Field, in Sutton County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 6428 - 7500 feet (Strawn & Ellenburger zones).
 LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.
 Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone (512)463-6792).

BID NOTICE

The Sutton County Sheriff's Office is accepting bids on a 2002 model, 1/2 ton extended cab pickup. Specifications may be obtained from the Sheriff's Office at 309 N.E. Oak Street, Sonora, Texas. Sealed bids may be turned in to the County Judge's Office, 300 N.E. Oak, Sonora, Texas on or before 9:00 AM on January 28, 2002, at which time the bids will be opened in Commissioners Court.

Employment

CNA's/LVN's NEEDED
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Help Wanted: Sutton County Steakhouse is now hiring cooks, wait staff, cashiers and dishwashers. Apply in person at 1306 N. Service Rd.

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Full charge Bookkeeper needed in Sonora. Responsible for preparation of financial statements. Require experience in A/P, A/R, Payroll and inventory. Salary DOE. Submit resume to: P.O. Box 910, Mertzon, Texas 76941.

Help Wanted: La Mexicana is currently hiring waitstaff. Positions available immediately. Please apply in person 308A Hwy. 277 N.

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is accepting applications for a PART-TIME assistant to answer the phone, file, computer data input, and general office work. Pay is \$7.00 to \$8.00 per hour. Send resumes to SIDC APPLICATION, P.O. Box 555, Sonora, Texas 76950 (Position open until filled.)

The Sonora Chamber of Commerce is seeking a qualified individual to fill the role of Manager for the organization. The manager is the chief executive and administrative officer of the Sonora Chamber of Commerce. The manager is responsible for the day to day activities of the Sonora Chamber of Commerce and will report to a 12-member board of directors. The position requires an individual with excellent communication skills, and consensus building. The successful candidate will possess organizational skills as well as an ability to manage volunteers and paid staff.
Requirements: Experience in volunteer management is desirable. A bachelor's degree in Business, Management, Communications, or a related field is preferred, but not required. To apply, send resume and cover letter to: Sonora Chamber of Commerce, Attn: Selection Committee, P.O. Box 1172 Sonora, TX 76950.

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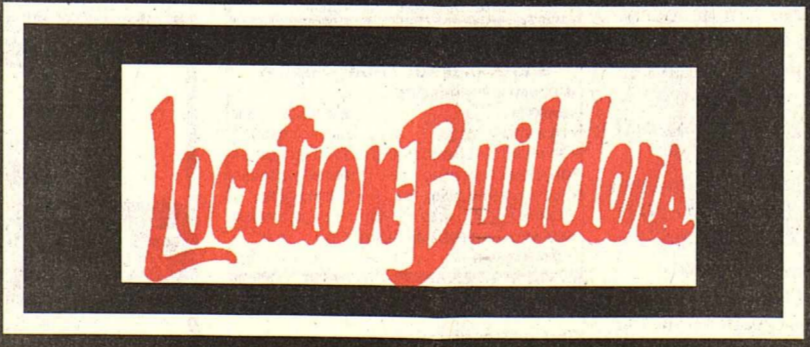
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