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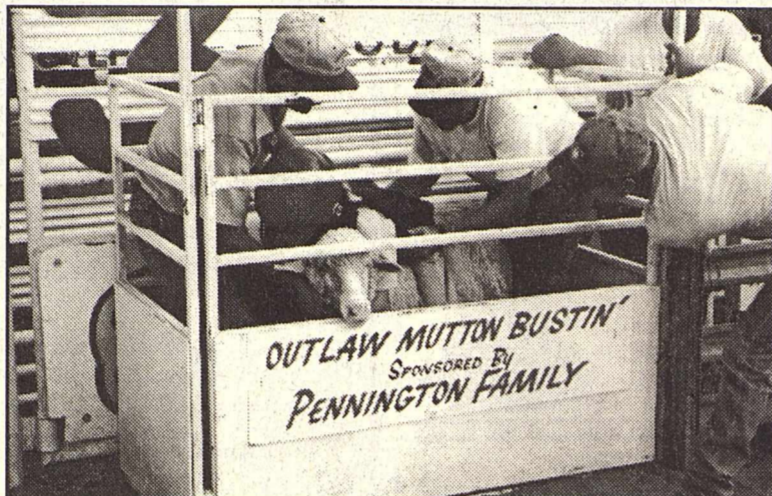
County Ropers and Mutton Bustin' Winner To Perform in Outlaw Pro Rodeo

by Storie Sharp

The dust was blowin' at the Sutton County arena last Saturday as the Pre-Outlaw Pro Rodeo activities took place. The kids mutton busting drew a crowd from all over West Texas, including Rocksprings, Big Spring, and Ozona. There were 20 entries of children age 7 and under who took their turns trying to hold on the longest. After all the sheep had thrown their rider the final results were called out. Returning to perform in the Friday night performance of the Outlaw Pro Rodeo are: 1. Blake Esparza (Sonora, TX) - 6.75 seconds, 2. Rusty Meeks (Big Spring, TX) - 5.37, 3. Trey Meeks - (Rocksprings, TX) - 3.66, 4. Hunter Jennings (Sonora) - 3.66, Kelsey Taylor (Sonora) - 3.56 and 6. Lexi Poindexter (Ozona, TX) - 3.16. It will be a battle of the sexes with three boys and three girls returning. Don't miss the Mutton Bustin' Finals Friday night in the rodeo Pre-Show activities, starting at 7:30 p.m.

Also returning to perform in the Outlaw Pro Rodeo are the top 26 teams that competed in the County Team Roping Challenge, held right after the Mutton Bustin' on Saturday. The team that wins this roping will continue on to compete in the Bad Company Rodeo Finale Roping, held during the Dale' Gas Rodeo in Del Rio, Texas. Winners of the Finale will win a "Shoot the Moon" tour buckle.

Roping in Friday night's performance of the Outlaw Pro Rodeo will be Ben Ingham /Johnny Bounds, Jenni Jones/Collen Wood, Houston



Above: Kelsey Taylor prepares to make her rough ride in the Mutton Bustin' competition. Below: A big smile is on the face of Mr. Blake Esparza as he accepts his ribbon for winning the Mutton Bustin'.

Powers/Sonny Samaniego, Wayland Marth/Jeremy Surber, Corey Stevens/Jess Burner, Laramie Hall/George Spiller, Jenni Jones/Kevin Holt, Ben Ingham/Stetson Hall.

Roping in the Saturday night performance are Bronc Fleming/Will M. Black, Jodi Hooten/Jess Burner, Rick Thomas/Sonny Samaniego, Steve Morris/Will M. Black, Regan Bounds/Jess Burner, Stacey Pennington/Dean Dermody, Wayland Marth/Will M. Black, Jodi Hooten/Mickey Sharp.

Be sure to come out and support your local competitors and have a great time at the 26th Annual Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo.



No Coolers Allowed Inside Gates

The Sonora Police Department and the Sutton County Days Association would like to remind everyone that **no coolers** will be allowed inside the rodeo or dance gates during the 26th Annual Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo and Dance.

Beverages and snacks will be available to purchase inside the gates.

Your cooperation in this matter will help to make this community event a fun and safe place for all of Sutton County and our visitors to enjoy.

The rodeo events begin at 7:30 p.m. both Friday and Saturday night and the dance kicks off at 9:00 p.m.

This year's music is being provided by recording artist Chris Chit-

sey. Chitsey is said to have a voice like no other artist, singing country music from the old days. His first album hit the stores in January and he has been making quite a hit on the country music scene.

So don't miss your opportunity to "scoot a boot" to some of country's hottest new music at the Sutton County Dance Slab behind the arena, Friday and Saturday nights!

County Votes to Keep Two Trappers

by Storie Sharp

The Sutton County Commissioners Court met with a full house on Monday, August 14, 2000. Ranchers from all over Sutton County filled the room and hallway to hear what decision was made on retaining two Government Trappers. The court was discussing the current budget, and necessary cuts. One of the Trapper positions was up for discussion of possibly being cut. Mr. Dorsett addressed the Court with figures taken last year and so far this year, regarding predator control and helicopter use. Dorsett reported that there were 80 ranches worked in Sutton County in the 1999 fiscal year. On the 80 ranches, 14 hours of aerial hunting hours using the helicopter were reported. The predator take for these ranches were: 10 coyotes, 15 bobcats, 6 red fox, 61 gray fox, 174 feral hogs and 87 raccoons. For the 2000 fiscal year this far he reported 68 ranches worked with 8.5 helicopter hours. On these ranches there have been 6 coyotes, 18 bobcats, 7 red fox, 28 gray fox, 133 feral hogs and 106 raccoons.

Dorsett said that there aren't many coyotes taken in this county, but that is because the trappers are keeping them out, thus keeping them from reproducing.

When asked how many ranches were worked each year, Dorsett reported that the number depends on the number of calls received asking for assistance, but that all ranches were able to use the trappers because they are county funded. Commissioner Mike Villanueva proposed that the county continue to fund only one of the trappers and the ranchers fund the second and made a motion on this proposal. A discussion then took place regarding this motion. Commissioner Bill

Nursing Home to Close in Thirty Days

The regular meeting of the Sutton County Hospital District, Board of Directors, was held on Monday, August 14, 2000 at 7:00 p.m. at the Civic Center. The following Directors were present: Alvis Johnson, Jr. - President, Ray Smith - Vice President, Paul Chevalier, Preston Faris, Virginia Epps, Lewis Allen and Sherrill Dannheim. Also present were Dianne Dower - Administrator, residents and employees of the District and Kathy Knight - Board Secretary.

Dr. Johnson called the meeting to order and advised the first item of business was to go into Executive session under article #6252-17 (VATS), as amended by Citation #496. The purpose of said session was Personnel Wages.

After the Board reconvened into open session Dr. Johnson advised that personnel of the Nursing Home were discussed with regards to the ones that have left and/or are leaving. Dr. Johnson advised "severance pay was discussed and stated that no action was needed at this time.

The minutes were inadvertently left off the agenda and will be approved at the next meeting. Upon a motion by Ray Smith, seconded by Sherrill Dannheim, the Board appointed Juanita Mesa as Absentee Ballot Board Judge for the election of August 26, 2000.

A discussion regarding the letter from Rev. Wm.R. Du Buisson, O.M. I. was held.

The Board advised that with the budget presented at the last meeting, there is no way to raise enough taxes

to support the Nursing Home. Paul Chevalier advised that many residents have already moved. he also told that several employees have resigned and some have been laid off. Chevalier then made the motion to close the Nursing Home as of September 15, 2000. Virginia Epps seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Dr. Johnson advised that discussion had been held in executive session on benefits to be paid to the employees that are being laid off. Vacation and holidays earned by each employee will be paid. The Board will try and arrive at a satisfactory severance pay package for the employees. Preston Faris made the motion to direct the Administrator to put together a severance pay package and present it at the special meeting being held to canvas ballots. Sherrill Dannheim seconded the motion and it carried.

Dianne Dower presented the 2001 budget with the adjustments to the line items discussed at the special budget meeting on August 2, 2000. Dower advised she had included several line items for a contingency fund, consultant search firm for lab, and the bankruptcy debt. Lengthy discussion was held regarding the contingency fund. Discussion of the \$150,000 shortfall for the 2000 budget was held. Discussion was also held on the severance pay package coming out of this year's budgets. Ray Smith made a motion to table the budget and the setting of the tax rate until the special meeting to canvas the ballots.

Lewis Allen seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The Board reviewed the list of Hospital vendors and contracted services. A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Faris to approve the list of vendors and contracted services. Motion carried.

Dower reported that the new x-ray equipment has been installed and is up and running. She reported that the accounts receivable for the Hospital was at \$379,625.00. This is the lowest it has been in several years. Dower commended the office staff for their work on getting the A/R down. Ray Smith advised that he had been taking care of the Life Line, for the Committee on Aging, since 1985. Smith advised that one of the Hospital employees will now be responsible for this, with one other person helping. The nurses at the Hospital respond when the Life-Line goes off and contact the person or responder to check on that person.

Kathy Knight gave the financial report for June. The Nursing Home had a loss of \$29,203 which is \$233.56 under budget. The Hospital had an operating loss of \$60,830, which is \$9,736 under budget, with a net loss for June of \$43,614, which is \$74,193.74 under budget.

Upon a motion by Ray Smith, seconded by Lewis Allen, the Board approved the July expenditures.

After several questions and comments from residents of the District, the meeting was adjourned.

Sign Up Now for Sutton County Days Activities

Advance registration for the **Little Mr. & Miss Sutton County Contest** is now being taken at the Chamber of Commerce Office. Early registration forms may be turned in to the chamber office on or before August 18. Late registration will be taken on Saturday morning at 9:00 a.m. at the chamber tent. If you know your child would like to be in the contest, please try to register early so that we will not have a heavy rush of entries Saturday morning.

Entries for the **pie-baking contest** may be turned in at the Chamber of Commerce tent by 12:00 p.m. on Sunday afternoon. The pies will be judged in the following categories: Fruit, Cream, or Other. Pies will be auctioned off at 1:00 p.m.

The Chamber of Commerce is also accepting late entries for the **Sutton County Days Talent Show**. Entry forms may be picked up and returned to the Chamber of Commerce office no later than August 18.

Grand Opening



Bill and Claudean Harrison, Co-owners with Jim Hardy of the Best Western Sonora Inn were joined by friends on August 12, 2000 to celebrate the Grand Opening of the new Inn. Helping to celebrate were Ladonna Wardlaw, Leon and Gussie Burk (Contractors), Justin McGeath, Jim Garrett, Beth Snyder and C.J. Nam (Motel Manager). The Best Western offers 54 rooms and 6 suites with separate living areas. Each room has a coffee maker and there is a free continental breakfast for guests. There is an outdoor pool, an exercise room and a coin operated laundry facility. Everyone is encouraged to check out the new Best Western Sonora Inn and welcome them to town.

Sutton County Days Sewing Exhibit

The Sonora Main Street Program is proud to announce the Grand Opening of the World's Best Handiwork Exhibit. We are proud of our community and the talented folks in this area. The exhibit displays crochet, knitting, sewing, old & new quilts, counted cross stitch, ribbon embroidery, embroidery, porcelain dolls and many more crafts.

The display is located in the Old First National Bank Bldg. (next to the Bank Vault Park and the Mercantile Bldg.)

The Grand Opening will be Saturday, August 19, 2000, following the 26th Annual Sutton County Days Parade.

Come see us soon!

Hughes Returns From Water Camp



Bob Brockman, Dean Dermody, Brea Hughes, Ralph Mayer and Jim Cusenbery discuss Brea's trip to 4-H Water Camp.

Brea Hughes, a freshman at Sonora High School, recently returned from Texas State 4-H Water Camp. The camp is held every year in Monahan, Texas where a limited number of students are offered the opportunity to study and learn more about water resources in the State of Texas. The campers learned the need for water conservation, economic benefits of reduced water uses and technologies for improving water efficiencies. They traveled to several different industrial locations to observe actual conservation measures. Also, Brea and the other campers brought water samples from their homes to test for various constituents. Each camper learned the techniques of testing and worked through the calculations related to each test. Brea's conclusion for water in Sutton County was that "it's very good."

The Sutton County UWCD continues to sponsor young adults to the Texas State 4-H Water Camp each year. The District is committed to quality education of the preservation and conservation of water resources.

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See **Show Results** page 7

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Rick Sanchez
504 Santa Clara
387-2035

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304 N. Water
387-3190

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Pastor
404 E Oak
387-2951

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

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Rev. Suzanne Steves,
Pastor
201 N. Water
387-2466

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St. Ann's Street
387-3600

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

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387-3241

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387-6065

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319 E. Mulberry
387-2616

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Pastor
509 Amistad
387-5266

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229 W. Plum
387-2278

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387-5658 or 387-5518

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387-3018

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Obituary

Roosevelt Fay Sr.

Roosevelt V. Fay, Sr., 86, died Thursday, August 10, 2000. Services were held at Preddy Funeral Home. He was born September 13, 1913, in Brackettville, Texas. Survivors include a daughter, Margaret Kelly of Hobbs, N.M.; two sons, Roosevelt Fay Jr. of Kerrville and Adam Fay of Sonora; a sister, Alice Valdez of Kerrville; and a brother, Henry Fay Sr. of Mexico.

She's Moved


Alma Love has moved to a nice home at Park Plaza Nursing Center in San Angelo. Her new address is: 2210 Howard St., San Angelo, Texas 76903. Phone # 915-944-0561.

She will be missed by her many friends and loved ones and hope you will continue to visit when you can.

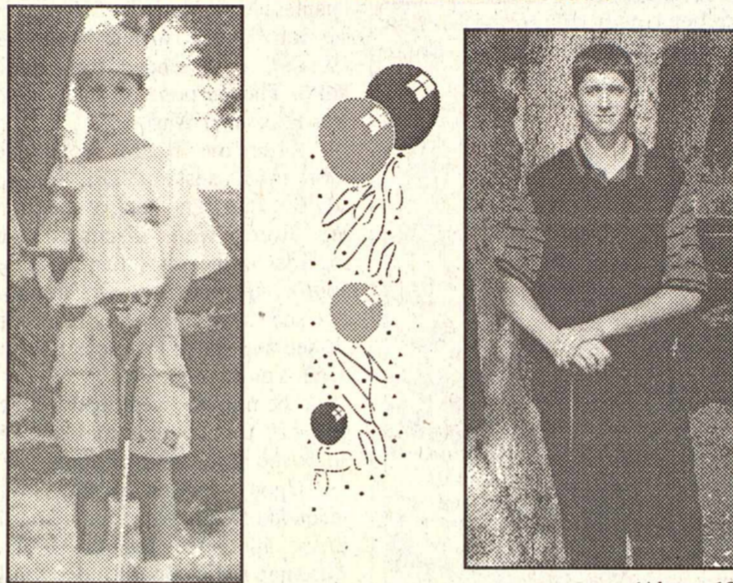
A special thank you to Dr. Pajestka, Ronnie Cox at Cox Drug, Thorp's Laundry and all the Nursing Home staff (especially Julio!) for the great care she's been given since her heart attack in March!

Birthday

Pr'ty! Pr'ty!
Look Who's Thirty!
Happy Birthday Carla!
We Love You!!!



Remember when it all began?
Wonder what the future holds?



Happy 18th Birthday, Ryan!!
Love, Mom, Dad and Kristen

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For More Info. Contact Patricia Chenault at 915-446-3621

Dance Classes

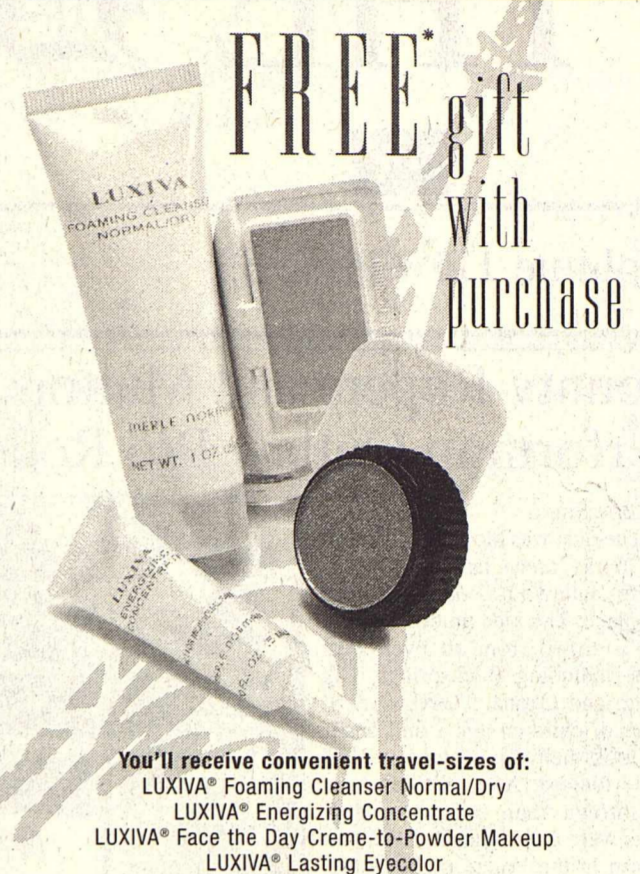
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Senior Center News

- Senior Center News**
- August 21 - Bingo after lunch!
 - August 22 - Exercise with video! 2:00 p.m. Everyone welcome!
 - August 23 - Kooking with Kelly! Nutritional Program - Noon!
 - August 25 - Visit Nursing Home - sign up with one of the staff!

Senior Menu

- August 21 - Frito pie with chili/cheese, chips, spinach, wheat bread, salad with croutons & dressing, applesauce.
- August 22 - BBQ chicken, pinto beans, cornbread, potato salad, apricot & banana medley.
- August 23 - Beef tips with mushroom gravy, rice, mixed vegetables, roll, tossed salad, banana pudding.
- August 24 - Ham with pineapple, corn, macaroni, roll, peaches, lemon bar.
- August 25 - Swiss steak, mashed potatoes, broccoli, fruit cocktail, chocolate cake.

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

Ronnie Cox
would like to be
your pharmacist.

School Lunch Menu

School Lunch Menu
August 21 - 25


Breakfast

- Mon. - Pancakes, syrup, juice or fruit.
- Tues. - Toast, ham & eggs, juice or fruit.
- Wed. - Sweet rolls, juice, fruit.
- Thurs. - Biscuits, honey or jelly, juice or fruit.
- Fri. - Sausage & egg burrito, juice or fruit.

Milk and cereal offered with all breakfasts.

Lunch

- Mon. - Chili dog, tator tots, cheese, brownies.
- Tues. - Sloppy Joe on a bun, lettuce, pickles, onions, potato salad, pudding.
- Wed. - Soft tacos, beef, beans, cheese, tossed salad, brownies.
- Thurs. - Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, rolls, mixed vegetables, fruit.
- Fri. - Hamburger / Cheeseburger, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, potato wedges, dessert.



Dining Out Directory

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1005 N. Crockett
387-9525
- 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
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- Town & Country - Country Kitchen
903 N. Crockett Ave.
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- August 16 - 20
Sutton County Days & Outlaw Pro Rodeo
- August 20
Sutton County Days Talent Show
Sunday • 2:00 p.m. • Courthouse Lawn

The Community Calendar

SUTTON COUNTY
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Calendar

- August 26
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Historical Society



Nannie B. Wheat, Elvie Turney, Addah Miers Cauthorn and Ben L. Wheat enjoy Frontier Days in Sonora.

by Jo-Ann E. Palmer, Secretary
 Q. Do you have any information on Caleb D. Smith?
 A. Devil's River News, Friday, January 4, 1935
 Judge Caleb Davis Smith of Del Rio was a physician in Sonora until 1912 when he left here to live in Del Rio. He died in Del Rio at the age of 73, had been a federal commissioner in Del Rio as well as city corporation judge. He was found dead at his home recently by two custom officers who went there to bring him to town to conduct a hearing in United States Commissioner's Court.
 Caleb Smith had graduated from Southwestern University,

Georgetown, and from medical college in Baltimore. He practiced near Tyler, his boyhood home and in Stamford and Sonora. In 1912 he went to Del Rio and engaged in ranching. He was a Mason and a member of the First Methodist Church. His father the Rev. Caleb Smith was a noted minister of the Methodist denomination.
 Judge Smith was buried in Del Rio and on the day of his funeral the city flew the flag at half mast. "Val Verde County Cemeteries 1879 - 1989" states that Dr. Caleb D. Smith died on December 8, 1934 and is buried in block 2, lot 17A of the Masonic Cemetery in Del Rio.
 In the same issue we find that

Sonora is under a Proclamation of Quarantine. Schools will not be closed. Teachers are to do careful analysis of any illness and if there is a possibility of Scarlet Fever report to Dr. James D. Wilson, county and city health officer. Members of a family where a case has been discovered will be quarantined at once for a period of four weeks. When the quarantine has ended, Mr. Floyd Dungan will fumigate all houses placed under quarantine. This had been done by the family but will now be done by Mr. Dungan with materials furnished by the county. There were four homes quarantined at the time, and the following children are ill: Wilfred Berger, Harold and Louise Briscoe, Mary Burtle and Jo Alice Evans. Since July of 1934 there had been 17 cases of Scarlet Fever in the county.

Edwin Sawyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Sawyer, student at A. & M. College, is serving as accompanist for the glee club of the college this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Mont Merriman are the parents of a baby girl, born Saturday, weighing 6 1/2 lbs.

A ten-point buck was secured last week by Herbert Fields, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Fields, while he was at home for the holidays. He is a student at Texas Technological College in Lubbock. He was hunting on the Mayfield Ranch.

Mrs. A. B. Speed and her children Beamon and Miss Edna Belle, went to a reunion at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Horton in Daingerfield, Texas. Mrs. Speed saw her sister Mrs. Ed. Stevens, Jr., of Glimmer, who she had not seen since 1918. She was gone a week.

Marvin Barnes, son of W. R. Barnes, observed his twenty-first birthday Wednesday the second. He has worked at the E. F. Vander Stucken Co. since August 1933 and graduated from high school here in 1931.

At a session of Commissioners Court it was found that C. C. Smith did not get approval for a bond and therefore his election to constable was set aside and Tom Thorp was appointed to succeed himself. Floyd Dungan was appointed special quarantine officer to assist the city and county health officer during the

period of the scarlet fever epidemic. His salary will be \$25 a week.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Davis, two miles north of town, a family reunion was held for the family of Mr. and Mrs. R. Walter Davis. The daughters present were Mrs. Nell Martin of Austin, with her daughter Billie Virginia and Mrs. Harold Saunders of San Marcos accompanied by her husband. Two sons, G. H. and W. L. (Tom) Davis are Sutton Co. ranchmen and were present as well as two other sons, B. C. Davis of Beeville and Wallace Davis of Houston. Two granddaughters, Marjorie and Flora Dell were also present. Mr. and Mrs. R. Walter Davis had lived here from 1903 to 1919 when they moved to Austin.

Wiley McDaniel now operating the Caldwell Cabinet Shop has moved his business to next to J. W. Wilson garage.

There will be a special service in October of 2000 to honor the late Joseph Terry, a Civil War Veteran that served with the 11th Texas Cavalry, Mason, relative of the Martin family, and place a veterans memorial marker in the Sonora Cemetery. The Sons and Daughters of Confederate Veterans, in period dress, will conduct a service and other organizations will be represented, and we would like to invite the public to be present for this event. It isn't often we get to see one of these groups in Sonora. Please contact me if you are interested in attending this service. Will the descendants and other relatives of Mr. Terry please contact me as I need a little more information from them. Mr. Terry was related to R. H. Martin and John Martin who he had been visiting at the time of his death. He was also the brother of Mrs. Sam Martin. Thank you.

If you have any questions concerning Sutton County history, send them to Ask the Historical Society, P.O. Box 885, Sonora, TX 76950-0885 or e-mail them to schs@sonorax.net. You may also call me at 915-387-2855. The Sutton County Historical Society is a non-profit organization and relies on dues and donations for support of their projects to preserve and protect the history of Sutton County.

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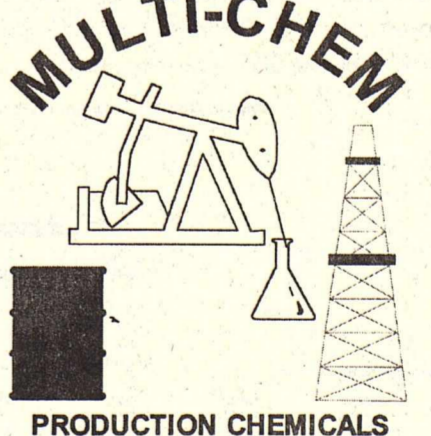
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Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:
 As administrator of the Lillian M. Hudspeth Hospital and Nursing Home, I would like to address paragraph 6 of Reverend Du Buisson's August 10, 2000 letter to the Devil's River News. The letter concerned various issues related to the closing of the Nursing Home. Paragraph six read as follows:

"Finally, the Board (Hospital District) discussed some "severance package" as the "decent thing" to do for those employees who will be terminated. The Board missed an opportunity to provide the necessary counseling for the residents and the staff. Many of these persons have worked, lived together, enjoyed many happy occasions and felt the sad losses by the deaths of other residents, but now are experiencing a heart-rending separation, not of their own choosing. Once again, the "bottom line" got in the way of compassion. As human beings, not necessarily believers in God, the Board could have and should have alleviated this situation."

I would like to point out that the Board and the hospital administration did not miss the opportunity to provide counseling for the residents, their families, and the staff. The hospital retains a social worker, Sherri Munsey, who visits the Nursing Home on a regular basis to counsel about any problems that exist. She has been aware from the beginning, of the disruption and distress the closing of the Nursing Home has engendered, and has been offering assistance and counseling in dealing with these feelings.

Marci Aranda SWA-LPC, (Social Work Assistant - Licensed Professional Counselor) a Regional Ombudsman for the Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley, was contacted. She has been a frequent and welcome visitor to the Nursing Home in the past. I arranged for her to come for two days to hold In-services on Anger, Grief, Change, and Resolution. These counseling sessions allow persons to work through emotional stages related to grief/job loss. Discussion cover denial, anger, depression, reorganization, and resolution. Mrs. Aranda was in the nursing home from 10 AM to 5 PM on these two days, holding group discussions with residents and staff in the common areas before and after the scheduled In-service day. A notice was posted on the bulletin board that she would be happy to counsel one on one with any person who wished to make an appointment. No appointments were made. The regular social worker, Sherri Munsey, was called in from Bronte for additional visits and participated in the entire two-day effort with Marci Aranda in coming to grips with these troubling circumstances.

I have no knowledge of whether Reverend Du Buisson or other local ministers have provided counseling, but the Hospital District Board and the hospital administration have done what was in their power to alleviate this situation.

Sincerely,
 Dianne Dower, Administrator
 Lillian M. Hudspeth Hospital

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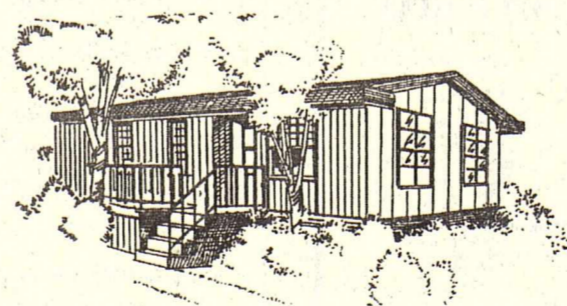
Contact your Representative and Senators today. Tell them to reauthorize the Older Americans Act in the 106th Congress!

Send an e-mail to your legislators at <http://congress.org/elecmail.htm>. Use the Capitol Hill switchboard to call your legislators at (202)224-3121 or call your local area agency on aging for information on contacting your legislators locally.

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The Sutton County Committee on Aging will be holding their annual BBQ dinner on August 18 from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. at the Sutton County Civic Center. Tickets are \$5 per meal and can be purchased at the door or from any Committee on Aging Member. All proceeds go to the Committee on Aging to assist the senior citizens in Sutton County.

The Sutton County Days Parade will take place on Saturday, Aug. 19 at 9:00 a.m. This year's parade will promote an "It's A Small World" theme accompanied by Looney Tune and Storybook characters. Those wishing to participate in this year's event are asked to contact parade chairman, Tonya Brown at 915/387-2593 or remit an entry form as soon as possible. Entry forms may be picked up at The Bank & Trust or The Chamber of Commerce office.

Senior Pictures will be on August 15th & 16th beginning at 7:30 a.m. in the high school auditorium. If you have any questions please call Kristin Keel at the high school at 387-6533 ext. 315.

School pictures for pre-K - 11th graders and all administration, faculty and staff of Sonora schools will be on August 23rd. Students will receive order forms at their campuses. If you have any questions please call Kristin Keel at the high school at 387-6533 ext. 315.

It's not too late to order a 2000 yearbook. The cost is \$35. Please call Kristin Keel at 387-6533 ext. 315 to place an order.

Sonora Intermediate Back-to-School Parent Information Session will be August 15th at 6:30 p.m. in the Elementary Auditorium.

Attn. 3rd & 4th Graders! Pee Wee Football Registration Forms can be picked up at the Intermediate School. The cost will be approximately \$100.00 and the deadline for registration is August 18.

The Knights of Columbus will be having a raffle for 16 de Septiembre Celebration (September 16, 2000). A \$1.00 donation can win you a 27 inch RCA Color Television with Remote Control. Contact any member or call 387-5300 for tickets.

Sonora Family Faith Center, formerly the Cowboy Church of the American West, meets every Sunday evening at 6:00 p.m. at the Sonora Livestock Auction. There will be a guest speaker every Sunday.

Help Traffic Problem at High School

The Sonora High School staff has requested assistance in solving some of the traffic problems at lunch and after school. Parents and guardians are asked to pick up their children in front of the school in the Principal's parking lot during lunch. After school it is requested that students be picked up behind the auditorium to decrease the traffic problems. The school is trying to do everything possible to make the school a safer place for the children. Your help in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Ambulance Calls July 2000

- 7-02 - Medical - Hudspeth Hospital to San Angelo Community Medical Center. Unit #101
- 7-06 - Medical - IH-10 West Rest Area to Hudspeth Hospital. Unit #100
- 7-09 - Medical - Hwy 277 South 33 Miles to Hudspeth Hospital. Unit #100
- 7-10 - Medical - IH-10 420 MM to Hudspeth Hospital. Unit #100
- 7-13 - Accident - IH-10 429 MM to Hudspeth Hospital, 2 patients. Unit #100
- 7-16 - Accident - Glasscock Street to Hudspeth Hospital. Unit #100
- 7-16 - Accident - Hudspeth Hospital to San Angelo Community Hospital. Unit #101
- 7-16 - Medical - Cusenbary Road 11 Miles to Hudspeth Hospital. Unit #100
- 7-17 - Medical - Hudspeth Hospital to San Angelo Community Hospital. Unit #101
- 7-17 - Accident - IH-10 392 MM to Hudspeth Hospital. Unit #100
- 7-19 - Accident - Chestnut Street - Patient Refused Service. Unit #100
- 7-21 - Medical - Hudspeth Nursing Home to Hill Country Care Center, Junction, TX. Unit #102
- 7-21 - Medical - Caverns of Sonora to Hudspeth Hospital. Unit #100
- 7-26 - Accident - 277 South to Hudspeth Hospital. Unit #100
- 7-28 - Accident - Crockett & Chestnut to Hudspeth Hospital, 2 patients. Unit #100
- 7-28 - Medical - Hudspeth Hospital to Shannon Medical Center. Unit #101

Police Reports

- 8-1-00 - Public Intoxication - Officer was on routine patrol in the 700 block of Glasscock, which led to the arrest of Jose P. Lerma of Merkel, TX, for Public Intoxication. Subject was transported to the Sutton County Jail.
- 8-7-00 - Possession of Controlled Substance - Officer was on a routine traffic stop, which led to the arrest of John Allen Bray of Apache Junction, Arizona for Possession of Controlled Substance. Sutton County Deputy assisted officer.
- 8-7-00 - Criminal Trespass - Officer was dispatched to the 300 block of San Jose in reference to a criminal trespass. Complainant advised that someone known to her had entered her residence without her consent. Charges are pending.
- 8-7-00 - Unauthorized Use of Motor Vehicle - Officer was on a routine traffic stop with a 2000 Black Ford Pickup, which revealed to be reported stolen out of Pasadena, TX by two juveniles. Both juveniles were reported as Missing/Run-away. The vehicle was impounded and juveniles were transported to the Juvenile Probation office.
- 8-7-00 - Disorderly Conduct - Officer was dispatched to the 700 block of Calle Real to speak to a complainant. Complainant advised that someone known to her had used abusive and profane language toward her and her husband. Complainant advised she wished to file charges.
- 8-7-00 - Public Intoxication - Officer was dispatched to the Adult Probation Office in reference to a possible intoxicated person. After further investigation it was revealed that subject was intoxicated. Subject was arrested for Public Intoxication and transported to the Sutton County Jail.
- 8-8-00 - Disorderly Conduct - A complainant wishing to file a report contacted officer. Complainant advised that someone known to him had used profane and vulgar language towards him in a public place and wished to file charges.
- 8-9-00 - Driving Under Influence of Alcohol by a Minor - Officer was on a routine traffic stop with a 1993 GMC pickup which led officer to issue a citation for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol by a Minor, Speeding, and No Valid Texas Driver's License.

Deadline For Print is Monday at 5:00 p.m.

AEP-West Texas Utilities Supports Emergency Policy on Disconnections

Abilene, TX- AEP-West Texas Utilities (WTU) today issued a statement praising the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) for adopting an emergency policy prohibiting disconnection of electric service to residential customers agreeing to deferred payment plans. The policy goes into effect immediately and will continue through Sept. 30.

A press release issued Thursday by the PUCT states that, "Effective immediately through September, Texas electric utilities are prohibited from disconnection service to residential customers for non-payment if the customer has agreed to a deferred payment plan for past due amounts."

"The rule adopted by the Public Utility Commission (PUC) on Thursday requires electric utilities to contact delinquent customers and offer them deferred payment plans," the PUCT press release continued.

"Customers choosing not to enter into a deferred plan are subject to disconnection. The rule does not apply to municipal utilities and electric cooperatives, which are not subject to PUC regulation."

Alphonso Jackson, American Electric Power-Texas state president praised the action, saying, "We urge customers to take whatever precautions necessary to ensure their safety during this current heat wave. That's why we support this emergency policy. We encourage customers who are having difficulty in paying their bills to contact us as soon as possible so that payment arrangements can be made. Taking this action will lessen the possibility of customers having to face a large past-due bill at some later date."

WTU customers can discuss deferred plans by calling the 24-hour toll-free Customer Service number of 1-888-216-3523.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

Sonora, Texas, was my hometown.

As a man grows older, his life unraveling behind him like a delicate, colorful ribbon into memories of his youth, oftentimes he will pause and look backward through the years and reflect. If he is inclined and capable, he will write within those reflections, perhaps.

In my minds eye, I see the boy I was in Sonora during the early and middle fifties:

He sits on a eon (having recited in Miz Palmer's Freshman English class, beneath that riveting bluegrey gaze, and he sweats, his pulse pounding beneath his mandible; his stomach shrunken to the size and general consistency of a green pecan; and then, from everywhere and nowhere, like the billowing of a distant, irrepresible ocean, the hard, velvet-cool, perfectly cadenced voice enters his fevered mind, unamused:

"Jerry White..."
 "Yes'm...uh, Yes, Ma'am?"
 "Mr. White, it is consummately to be hoped that your recitation will not too adversely disturb the Universe. I trust that it will not, but Mr. Cooleridge would surely spin in his tomb should he hear his poetry mangled in such a fashion as that."

In the seat beside me Pee Wee Garret tremulously, almost imperceptibly, exhales (he's next); behind me, George Johnson suppresses a gleeful snort (he's already "gone"), Vicki Archer touches my shoulder in sisterly sympathy, and...The bell rings! There is a God.

The sound surceases and the sense expires. The memory goes aglimmering into the long ago when I was a child in Sonora, Texas, and it was my hometown. I was delighted to learn The Devil's River News remains. Please send me a subscription.

Jay Raymond White

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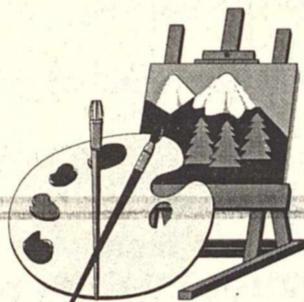
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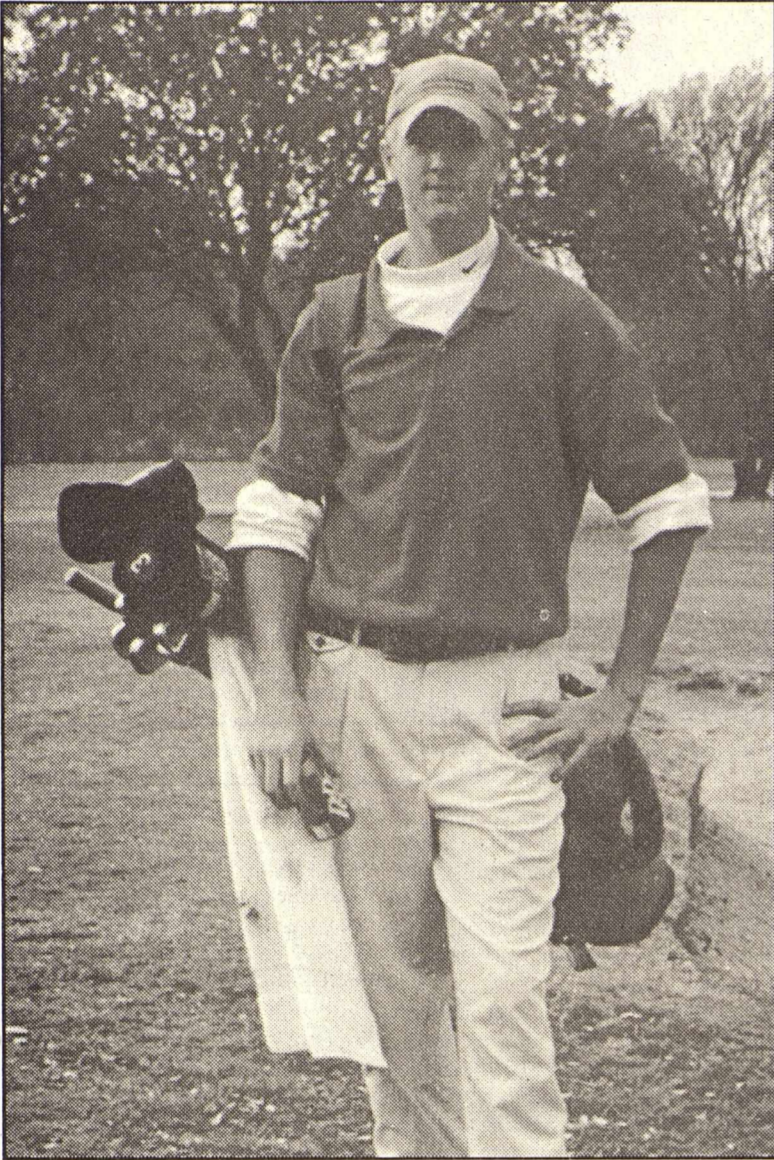
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Hole- In- One



Ryan Hardgrave

Ryan Hardgrave, a 17 year old senior at Sonora High School, made the rare shot -- a hole-in-one -- that is the ultimate thrill for any golfer. Playing on hole number 9 at Sonora Golf Course on Sunday, August 13, 2000, Ryan used an 8-iron to put the ball in the cup. His shot was witnessed by Jacob West, Jason West, Jared Percifull, Tommy

Gutierrez, Chris Martin and Dustin Martin.

Gary Hardgrave, Ryan's dad, was on the number 1 tee-box and shared in the excitement. This school year, Ryan will play for the fourth year as a member of the varsity boys golf team, which has placed second at the state tournament for two years in a row.

Admissions Counselor to Visit Area High Schools

University of Texas of the Permian Basin admissions counselor Edia Hernandez will visit high schools in Rankin, Big Lake, Mertzon, Christoval, Eldorado, Menard, San Angelo, Central, and Lakeview on Sept. 6-8. She will visit Forsan, Water Valley, Grape Creek, Ozona, Sonora, Miles, Ballinger, Winters, Bronte, Robert Lee, Sterling City and Garden City on Sept. 12-15.

She will be available to visit with students individually to discuss admission to U.T. Permian Basin, primarily for Spring 2001. She will also offer information on scholarships and financial aid forms.

Students can make arrangements for individual meetings through their respective high school counselors. Students and parents who would like to schedule appointments outside of school hours may call (915) 552-2605.

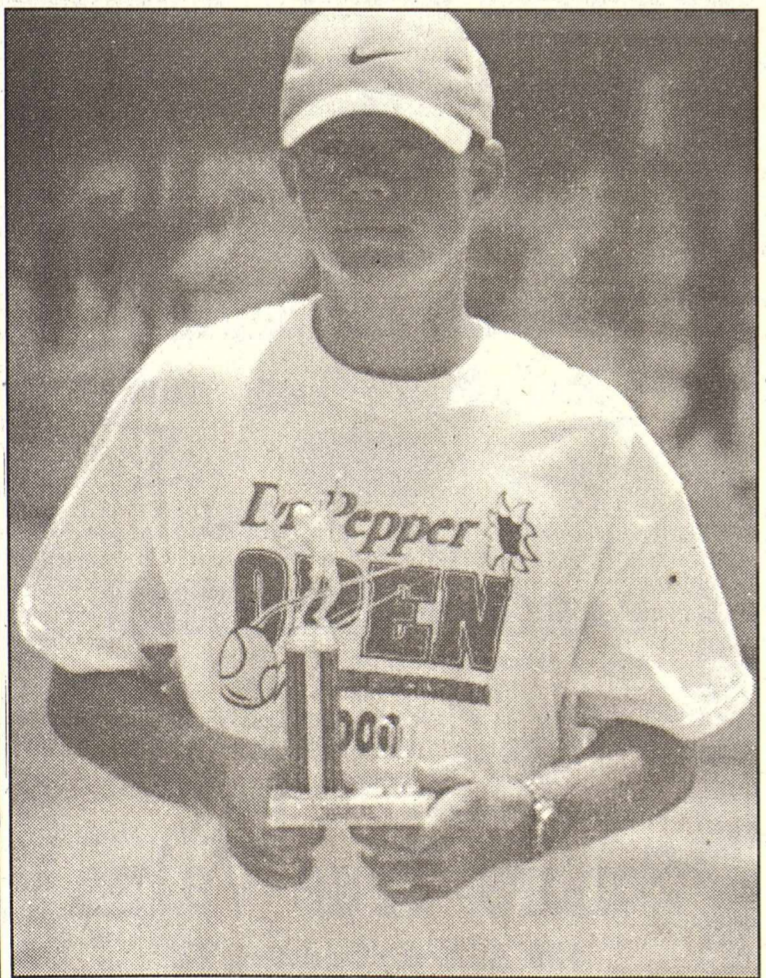
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For more information or to schedule the GED Testing, Call Ben Solis at 915-387-3023 at the Sonora Middle School on Mondays-Fridays from 1pm to 4pm.

Seaton Takes Second



Tyler Seaton of Sonora and Robert Jones of San Angelo competed in the Fredericksburg Dr. Pepper Open Tennis Match on July 28 - 30th. The boys brought back the 2nd place trophy in the Boys Doubles competition.

SHS Officers Chosen

The Sonora High School Class Officers for 2000-01 were chosen. The results are as follows:

Seniors:
 President: Bryce Williams
 Vice President: Ed Mayfield
 Treasurer: Carroll McAfee
 Secretary: Jake Trainer
 Historian: Shane Mathews
 Class Representatives: Riley Crain and Tom Jacoby

Juniors:
 President: Sean Fields
 Vice President: Byron Williams
 Treasurer: Shalayne Hobbs
 Secretary: Ruben Brown
 Historian: Genny Cramer
 Class Representatives: Chance Dillard and Amy Gann

Sophomores:
 President: Juan Rodriguez
 Vice President: Israel Arevalo
 Treasurer: Amanda Sanchez
 Secretary: Amy Gutierrez
 Historian: Katrina Hernandez
 Class Representatives: Morgan Hobbs and Mayra Martinez

Freshman:
 President: Brea Hughes
 Vice President: Tamika Marshall
 Treasurer: Dianah Hernandez
 Secretary: Elizabeth Elliott
 Historian: Megan Berry
 Class Representatives: April Flores and Cady Taylor

Boy Scout Court Of Honor

On August 8, 2000, the Boy Scouts of Troop 19 held a Court of Honor to recognize the boys who have worked hard over the summer months to advance in rank and earn merit badges.

Receiving the Second Class rank were Steven Barthelemy and Shane Love. Receiving the rank of First Class Scout were Steven Barthelemy and Brandon Munn. The Star Scout rank was earned by Frank Gallegos, Ty Love, Embre Smith, Roland Solis, Tyler Talley and Warren Wallace. The Life Scout rank was presented to David Adkins, Laramie Hall, Israel Mendoza and Zed Snodgrass.

Also at this court of honor, merit badges were awarded as follows:

David Adkins: Archery, Camping, Citizenship in the Nation, Emergency Preparedness, Environmental Science, Motorboating, Swimming

Cody Ainsworth: Auto Mechanics, Sports

Joseph Ainsworth: Auto Mechanics, Computers, Sports

Steven Barthelemy: Canoeing, First Aid, Rifle Shooting, Swimming

Frank David Gallegos: Communications, Emergency Preparedness, Environmental Science, Leatherwork, Motorboating, Woodcarving, Swimming

J.J. Galindo: First Aid, Rifle Shooting, Swimming

Matthew Glasscock: Communications, Personal Management

Laramie Hall: Personal Fitness, Personal Management

Stevie Hernandez: Auto Mechanics, Sports

Shane Love: Canoeing, First Aid, Rifle Shooting, Swimming

Ty Love: Astronomy, Citizenship in the Community, Communications, Environmental Science, Rowing, Wilderness Survival, Life-saving

Israel Mendoza: Auto Mechanics, Leatherwork, Motorboating, Pioneering, Sports, Swimming, Wilderness Survival

Brandon Munn: Citizenship in the Community, Emergency Preparedness, Environmental Science, Fishing, Reptile Study, Rowing, Swimming, Wilderness Survival

Justin Odom: Citizenship in the Nation, Communications, Camping, Fingerprinting, Environmental Science

Norbert Ortiz: Golf

Embre Smith: Communications, Cooking, Environmental Science, Fishing, Indian Lore, Lifesaving, Wilderness Survival

Zed Snodgrass: Camping

Roland Solis: Communications, Emergency Preparedness, Environmental Science, Indian Lore, Leatherwork, Motorboating

Tyler Talley: Astronomy, Communications, Golf, Environmental Science, Lifesaving, Rowing, Wilderness Survival

Tom Valliant: Sports

Travis Valliant: Canoeing, First Aid, Rifle Shooting, Swimming

Warren Wallace: Communications, Environmental Science, Leatherwork, Lifesaving, Nature, Wilderness Survival

Wilson Wallace: Fishing, Sports

Devon Yearout: Camping, Communications, Environmental Science, Leatherwork, Motorboating, Nature, Personal Fitness

In Addition, the following boys have completed or nearly completed their Eagle Scout projects: Joseph Ainsworth, Stevie Hernandez, Justin Odom, Norbert Ortiz, Tom Valliant, Wilson Wallace and Devon Yearout.

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NOTICE OF Sutton County Hospital District ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION) Sutton County Hospital District

To the Registered Voters of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas:

(A los votantes registrados del Sonora, Sutton County Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on August 26, 2000, for voting in a Proposition election to levy the 2000 annual tax at a rate not to exceed .35¢ on the \$100 valuation on all taxable property in the District.

(Notifique, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sliados abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 26 de Agosto de 2000 para votar en la Eleccion para la cantidad del impuesto del 2000 por el distrito del Hospital del condado Sutton parapropositos del hospital a un nivel no exceder .35 centavos en la valoracion de \$100 en toda la propiedad imponible en el distrito.

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between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. beginning on August 7, 2000 (entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 4:30 de la tarde empezando el Agosto 7, 2000

and ending on August 22, 2000 (y terminando el Agosto 22, 2000

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: (las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan eniarse a:)

Kathy Knight
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Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on August 18, 2000.

(Los solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el) August 18, 2000

Issued this the 20th day of July, 2000

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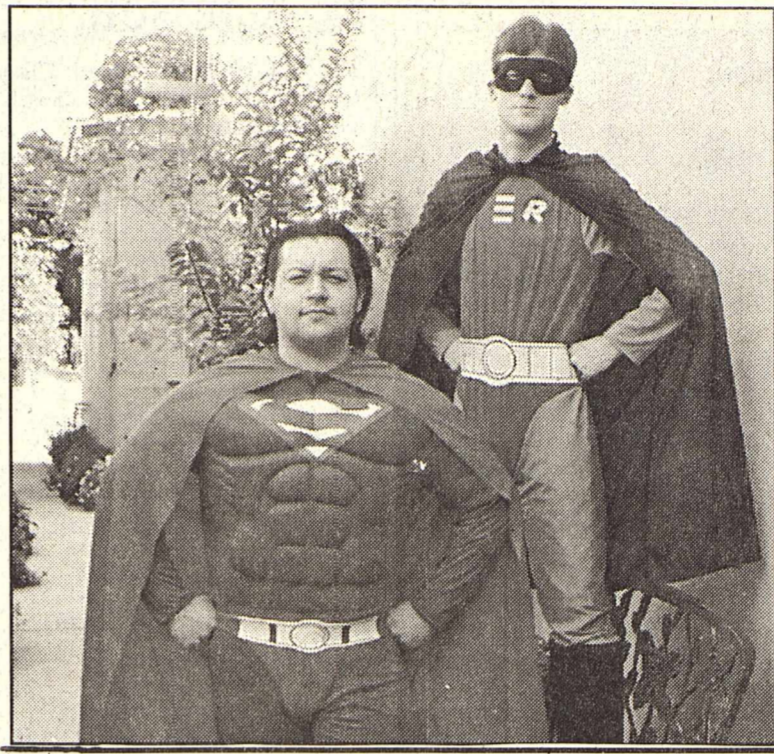
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The San Angelo Symphony is currently selling season tickets for the 2000-2001 concert season. This year's season ticket package includes tickets to all seven-subscription concerts starting in September and ending in May. Season ticket holders save over 40% over the single ticket price. Season ticket holders also receive priority notice of special events planned by the Symphony, the Guild, and the Chorale. Season tickets are \$50 for adults, \$20 for students and \$15 for children under 12 years of

age. This year's season ticket package includes a ticket to the following events:
 * September 16th, 2000 - "Weathering the Storm!", featuring pianist Thomas Pandolfi
 * October 28th, 2000 - "Fiesta!", featuring guitarist Kevin Gallagher
 * November 18th, 2000 - Sorantin Finals
 * December 9th & 10th, 2000 - "Christmas Brass", featuring the Bluebonnet Brass and the San Angelo

Symphony Chorale
 * February 24th, 2001 - "Swept Away!", featuring cellist Wendy Warner
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Parade Draws Interesting Entries



The 26th Annual Sutton County Days Parade has entries from all over this world... and others. Superman and Robin (new Super Duo?) are just a few of the storybook characters that will be making an appearance at the Sutton County Days Parade to be held on Saturday, August 19, 2000. There are over 58 entries in this year's parade, ensuring that it will be a "Can't Miss" event to kick off a full day of activities in downtown Sonora. There will be floats, bands, vehicles, horses, dogs, tractors, and entries of all sorts! Line up for the parade begins at 8:15 a.m. around the Intermediate School area. The parade will begin at 9:00 a.m. If you have not received your line up instructions or for more information, contact Tonya Brown at The Bank & Trust. Winners will be announced on the Main Stage following the parade.

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... department, addressed the court once again to ask that the Deputy Tax Assessor position be made full time. The position had been cut to part time last year during budget cuts. Deedie reported that, as she had predicted, the office has been in a constant training situation and has already had a high turnover rate. She went on to report that this position is a very important part of this office and qualified help is a must. The office provides essential services for this community as well as vital functions for five state agencies. Commissioner Keel reported that he now sees that this

is indeed an important position to have qualified help in and he made a motion to allow for a full time employee with a starting salary based on the secretary scale. The motion was seconded and voted 3 for and 1 against.

County Judge Carla Garner informed that Court that an assistant D.A. had been hired to handle Sutton, Crockett, and Regan Counties only. Since his hiring collections have gone up in our County and everyone is happy with the situation. The bulk of the funding for this position had come from a large seizure that had taken place in Sutton County. A present there is not enough funding to hire a much needed secretary for this office. District Attorney White has requested that the three counties divide the cost of hiring a secretary for this office, which would break down to about \$8600. per county. Garner reported that her counter offer to the D.A.'s office was to use the money that was seized throughout the year. The D.A. agreed to this, thus meaning that Sutton County would only be out the \$8600. if no money was seized in the 112th District this year. A motion was made to agree to this commitment and the motion carried.

Garner then informed the Court that the new ambulance would be arriving in October. She reported that currently there is enough money in the replacement fund to pay for the ambulance out right, but that she suggested they go with a lease to purchase option over three years. This option would

leave some money in the replacement fund in case an emergency were to occur this year. More discussion was held regarding the pluses and minuses of doing this and it was agreed and voted on to go with the lease to purchase option.

An intense discussion was then held regarding the salaries at the EMS office. There were some questions on the amount of the salaries of both the Department Head and the assistant. The staff at the EMS office had been cut last year and the salary of the Department Head was based on a per student commission. The request this year was to pay a flat salary that would compensate for weekends and nights that were worked and do away with the per student pay. After more discussion on the subject, a motion was made to leave the salaries as was and make no changes. A second was made and votes were cast, with 3 voting for and 1 voting against.

A discussion then took place regarding the charge per vehicle tag for the Road and Bridge fund. Large equipment costs this year have depleted this fund. After an explanation on transferring funds from the general fund to the Road & Bridge fund a motion was made to go up to \$10 per vehicle tag purchased. Motion carried.

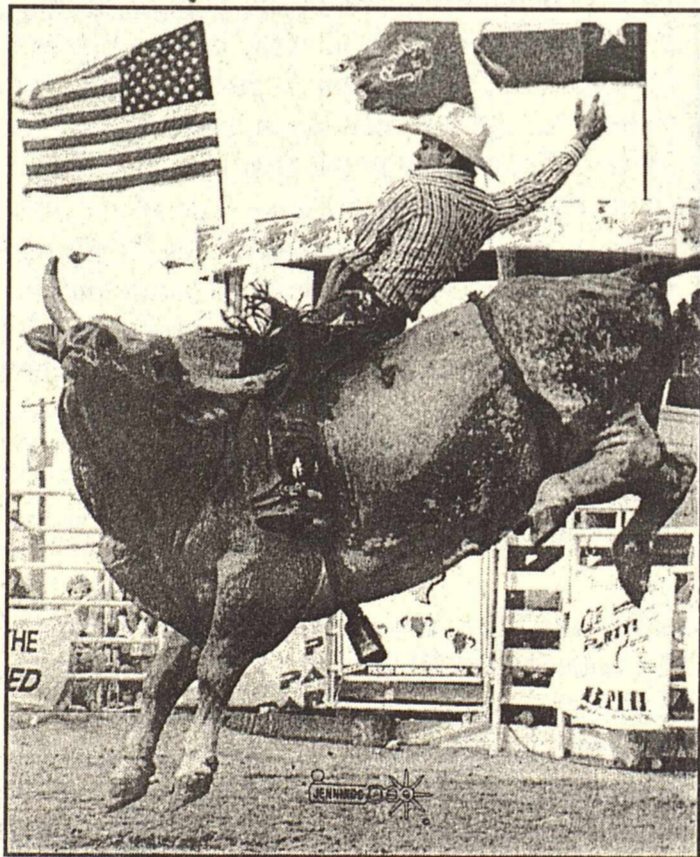
More discussion took place regarding taxes and a 3% increase. Having no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.

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Sutton County ranchers Randee Fawcett and Albert Ward have teamed up with West Texas Rehabilitation Center as local chairmen of the 41st Annual Cattlemen's Round-Up for Rehab—a program through which friends in the agriculture industry step forward in support of WTRC.

They are joined by 150 other volunteer chairmen throughout Texas—and by regional chairmen Carter Behrens of San Angelo and Mike Alexander of Abilene.

The message of all these volunteers is simple: Let's help Rehab help all who turn to them for assistance in overcoming disabling illnesses and injuries. Ways this can be done include:

- * Donating livestock—cattle, sheep, goats, or horses—to be sold at one of Rehab's special auctions during September and October.

- * Sending a cash donation to Rehab if this is the wrong time of year for you to cut out livestock for an auction.

- * Attending one of the special sales and joining the bidding on livestock or novelty items.

- * Notifying a local CRR chairman right now of an intent to have your auction house cut a check to Rehab for proceeds from one or more animals you sell later in the

year.

Launching this year's Cattlemen's Round-Up for Rehab is the "up-front" commitment of four corporate underwriters who've put in a total of \$20,000.00. They include Bluebonnet Feeds, Lone Star Beef Processors, Federal Land Bank of Texas and First Ag Credit, and Farm Credit System.

In acknowledging these gifts, Alexander and Behrens expressed hope that everyone in the livestock industry will join Rehab in thanking these businesses—and will help build on the momentum by adding their own support to this important fund-raising program.

The fall sale schedule includes cattle sales on September 21 at Producers Livestock Auction in San Angelo and September 26 at Abilene Auction and specialty sales on October 4 in Coleman, October 13 in Dublin, October 16 in Junction, October 18 in Stephenville and October 26 in Ranger.

For more information about CRR, contact a local chairman or WTRC-Abilene at (915)793-3507; WTRC-San Angelo at (915)223-6300; or WTRC-Ozona at (915)392-9872.

AGRIBUSINESS

LMAAP Program

Farm Service Agency personnel attended training in Fredericksburg on August 8th concerning the Lamb Meat Adjustment Assistance Program (LMAAP).

This LMAAP program application for Year 1, covering a period from July 22, 1999 through September 30, 2000, has three types of payments. This application may benefit sheep producers who have purchased a ram, made an improvement on a facility that benefited their sheep and lamb operation or have their sheep enrolled in a sheep improvement program. Deadline for application for Year 1 is October 13, 2000.

The LMAAP for Year 2 and 3 will apply to producers who raise feeder or slaughter lambs. It will pay producers \$3.00 per head for certain feeder lambs owned at least 30 days and sold after August 1, 2000 thru July 31, 2002. IMPORTANT: Producers who plan to sell feeder lambs must either self certify their lambs 3 working days prior to the sale or request ear tags for their lambs. Your local FSA Office has the forms that are used for the self-certification of these lambs. This form must be faxed to USDA 48 hours before the 24-hour period that the lambs could be inspected by a USDA representative. The 48-hour notification only includes the Monday through Friday schedule, or the

normal working week. If a producer chooses to use an ear tag to identify their animals, they must request the program ear tags from USDA from:

Ms. Kim Smith, Meat Grading and Certification Branch, AMS/USDA, 4701 Marion Street, Suite 400, Denver, Colorado 80216, phone: (303) 294-7676, ext. 49.

The LMAAP for Year 2 and 3 will pay producers \$5.00 per head for certain slaughter lambs owned at least 30 days and sold after August 1, 2000 thru July 31, 2002. Slaughter lambs must meet certain USDA standards. Slaughter facilities will provide USDA inspectors on site that will certify your application.

Please contact the USDA Schleicher County Service Center located at 510 S. Divide, Eldorado, or call (915) 853-3535 extension 2 for more information or if you have any questions. FSA administers all programs without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status.

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A Scorecard of Congress' Achievements This Year



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

Now that Congress has recessed for August and members are able to tour their districts for an entire month, it's a good time to take a look back at what Congress has accomplished so far this year. Here are a few highlights:

TAXES: Because of fiscally responsible choices, Congress has been able to repeal outdated and burdensome taxes on our nation's married couples, seniors, small businessmen, farmers and ranchers. By passing the Marriage Tax Penalty Relief Act, Congress passed legislation that would remove 63 provisions in the tax code that penalize married couples with higher taxes, specifically middle income Americans. Congress also passed legislation that would repeal the estate tax, commonly referred to as the death tax. The death tax burdens our nation's small business owners, farmers and ranchers by forcing them to pay taxes as high as 55 to 60 percent on the value of their store, farm or ranch. Congress again took the initiative when it passed the Freedom to Work Act, which revoked a five decade old law that penalizes senior citizens who choose to work in their golden years.

LABOR: We are sending the message to our small business owners, who are the backbone of America's economic growth and surplus, that we will not allow needless bureaucratic-forced rules and regulations to be implemented in the workplace. Congress prevented the Occupational Safety Hazardous Administration from mandating an ergonomic rule that would have forced businesses to follow a high-cost one-size-fits-all standard that is not scientifically based.

PRESCRIPTION DRUGS: Congress addressed probably the most vital issue to American seniors when it passed a prescription drug benefit plan. Prescription drug prices are too high for too many seniors. No senior should ever have to choose between food or medicine. Congress passed a benefit plan that would lower drug prices and expand access to prescription drugs for ALL beneficiaries without threatening the patient-doctor relationship. The plan will lower premiums and still keep the quality of

healthcare high.

AGRICULTURE: The needs of our nation's oldest profession did not go unmet by this Congress. We made sure to protect our nation's sheep and lamb farmers by offering direct cash payments as assistance against the surge of cheap lamb meat imports from Australia and New Zealand. This will improve the production efficiency and marketability of U.S. lamb meat. Congress also kept funding for the wool and mohair and Wildlife Services programs. Cuts in these programs would have resulted in increased destruction of communities, wildlife and resources, as well as, further burdening wool and mohair producers.

DEFENSE AND MILITARY HEALTH CARE: A major concern of Congress this year was the nation's security and proper health-

care for those who provide us with that security. Congress appropriated \$3.3 billion more than the President requested. The additional funds will be directed to improve military readiness and continue efforts for a national missile defense system to protect our country from terrorist threats from rogue nations. Congress also initiated a 3.1 percent pay increase for the 2.1 million active duty, reserve and National Guard personnel. In addition, Congress expanded healthcare coverage and access for active military personnel and military retirees.

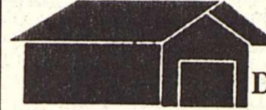
These are only a few highlights of the tremendous accomplishments of Congress so far this year. And we have a long way to go. I promise to continue to work for a better, safer and more prosperous America.

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New Encore Operating LP; 9000' Jones Ranch - B - #1238, Patterson Drilling.

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Terrell County
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Athanor Texas; 9000', Pakenham - 67 - #8, Cleere Drilling.
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Junction Stockyards, Inc. held a Special High Dollar Calf and Yearling Sale on August 11, 2000. Results were as follows:

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- Pen of 5 Steer Calves**
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- Pen of 10 Steer Calves**
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FARMERS INSURANCE GROUP interviewing for a short time for a prospective agent in Sonora who wants to be among the top. We train and assist financially the first couple of years. If you have a degree or a successful past management, contact: Ben Wester - Farmers Insurance Group District Manager P.O. Box 4906 Midland, Texas 79704 915-699-1878

Are you interested in hard work with many rewards? Do you have a patient & caring heart? Few people fit this bill, but if you do, we at Hill Country Care Center of Junction would like to meet you. We have immediate openings for CNA's on all shifts. If you are interested in being a nurses aide, but are not certified, we will train you while you work! We will be starting a Training Class soon, so come by and get signed up! If you are interested in joining our team, call 446-3351 and ask for Lisa Brown, RN, DON. Hill Country Care center is also taking applications for LVN's on the day and evening shift due to our increasing census. Great benefits, financially & personally. If you are an RN looking for a P/T job, Hill Country Care Center is needing RN's to work weekends. Flexible scheduling and great pay! Call 446-3351 and ask for Lisa Brown, RN, DON.

Help Wanted - Part time evenings. Apply at Mr. D's from 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Mon. thru Fri. @ 216 Hwy 277 N.

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Wicker twin bedroom set (headboard, dresser & mirror), hide-a-bed, Singer sewing machine in cherry cabinet, great selection of school clothes.

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 640 acres Schleicher Co. Cabin & Waterwell
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 email: bobc@sonoratlx.net

For Sale By Owner - 105 Hillside - 3BR, 3BA, Pool, \$130,000.00. Call 387-5126. ufn622b

Used Computers for Sale: Call 277-9850.

1987 Oldsmobile, 4-door, Cutlass Sierra. Loaded; very clean, new tires, 80,000 miles. For more information call 387-2541.

For Sale: 1983 Buick Electra. Low mileage. Good condition. Call 915-387-5187.

For Sale: 1992 Ford Explorer. New tires, air, cruise, CD player. \$5,500 Call 387-2507 or 387-3925.

Mobile Home

For Sale: 14 X 66 Mobile Home on private lot. Deck & all appliances included. 387-5402. tfn713b

ABANDONED DOUBLEWIDE - LOTS AVAILABLE. CALL 830-367-2894 OR 800-618-9629.

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 Contract 0907-00-048 for UPGRADE GUARD FENCE in TOM GREEN County, etc. will be opened on September 08, 2000 at 1:00 p.m. at the State Office.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TXDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or District Offices listed below. Bidders must submit prequalification information to TXDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available at reproduction companies in Austin, Texas at the expense of the contractor.
 NPO: 1146

State Office
 Construction Division
 200 E. Riverside Dr.
 Austin, Texas 78704
 Phone: 512-416-2540
 District Office(s)
 San Angelo District
 District Engineer
 4502 Knickerbocker Rd.
 San Angelo, Texas 76904
 Phone: 915-944-1501

ADVERTISMENT FOR SEALED PROPOSALS

The Sonora Independent School District is seeking sealed proposals for its Property/Casualty Insurance Coverage for the 2000-2001 school year. Sealed proposals will be accepted at the Business Office of the Sonora ISD, located at 807 South Concho St. Sonora, Texas 76950-3999 on or before 2:00 P.M. on August 30, 2000. Proposals received after the time and place indicated will be returned to the proposer unopened.

Faxed proposals will not be accepted. The Sonora ISD reserves the right to waive all formalities and to award the Insurance contract in the best interest of the school district.

For additional information and/or questions concerning this proposal please Contact Diane Jacoby, Business Manager, Sonora Independent School District. In writing or by-fax only. The fax # is 915-387-5090.

Competitive quotes will be obtained by Sonora ISD for the 2000-01 school year for purchases in the following categories:

- Band Instruments
- Band Supplies
- Motor Fuel
- Bus Supplies
- Floor Wax / Finish Supplies
- Athletic Supplies/Equipment
- Library Books
- Bread Products
- Grounds Supplies

Submit in writing by Sept. 1, 2000 the name, address, and phone/fax number(s) of person(s) authorized by your company to provide competitive price quotations to: Sonora ISD, Diane Jacoby, 807 S. Concho, Sonora, TX 76950. For more information call 915-387-2545.

Application has been made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a Mixed Beverage License by Brenda Sanchez dba La Mexicana Restaurant, Inc., to be located at 308A Hwy. 277 North, Sonora, TX (Sutton County). Officers of said corporation are as follows: Brenda Sanchez: President, Arturo Sanchez: Vice President and Tabitha Abrego: Secretary / Treasurer.

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Help Wanted: Maid needed at the Holiday Host Motel. Reliability and transportation required. Experience preferred. Come by 127 Loop 467, Sonora, Texas.

La Mexicana Restaurant is now hiring fulltime/partime morning and evening wait staff shifts. Please apply in person. 240 Hwy. 277N

EXPERIENCED DRIVERS NEEDED!

- Must have current Class A CDL and a good driving record
- Experience driving transports, vacuum trucks, operating pump trucks & wench truck
- Monthly performance & safety bonuses
- Health Insurance
- Annual Profit Sharing
- Drivers days off schedule

Please apply in person at Niblett's Oilfield Service, Hwy 277 South, Eldorado. No phone calls please.

A/C Service Technician needed in Sonora area. EPA certified. 2 years experience required. Call Cole Mechanical 1-888-897-8703.

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ADVERTISMENT FOR SEALED BIDS

The Sonora Industrial Development Corporation: Is requesting **SEALED BIDS** for a 5-year (monthly) note for the Eaton Hill Property. **SEALED BIDS** will be accepted at the business office of the Sonora Industrial Development Corporation office located at 103 Hwy. 277 North, Sonora, Texas 76950 on or before **3:00 PM September 1, 2000.** (Any and all bids received after the deadline will be returned to the submitter unopened.)

All bids will be opened at the Regular SIDC Board Meeting on September 4th, 2000. Sonora Industrial Development Corporation reserves the right to refuse any and all bids. For additional information concerning this project call 915-387-6280 or come by the SIDC office.

Texas Community Development Program
 The City of Sonora is giving notice of the City's intent to submit a Community Development Fund application for a grant from the Texas Community Development Program. The grant application request is \$174,999 for water system improvements for the entire City. The application is available for review at City Hall during regular business hours.

SERVICE DIRECTORY

Sonora Electric Company Electric Repair Construction Farm & Ranch Commercial/Residential Arnold Hosford 915-387-3677	Carl J. Cahill, Inc. OILFIELD CONTRACTOR (915)387-2524 Sonora, TX Painting Tile Work Carpentry Pressure Washing Green Contracting General Contractor 214 Sawyer Drive Sonora, TX 76950 (915) 387-5465 • (915) 277-9881
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ADVERTISE TODAY 387-2507	TEAM GRAPHICS CUSTOM SCREEN PRINTING EMBROIDERY T-Shirts • Caps Marla Percifull 915/387-5017 Sonora, TX
S.M. Fence Company All Types Fencing Carports • Concrete Air Compressor • Welding Sam Mata - Owner Res. # 387-2857 • Mobile # 277-7831 Edward Mata - Res. # 387-6216 Mobile #650-7162	Need a Fence Builder. Call Modesto Enterprises FREE ESTIMATES Farm & Ranch. 915-446-4246
Devil's River Internet 228 E. Main 387-2507	Sonora Chemical & Supply, Inc. 301 W. 1st St. (915) 387-6023 FAX (915) 387-2237 1-877-533-5500 Toll Free Air & Fluid Drilling Chemicals Sales • Service • Delivery Curtis E. Lipham Hm. 915-387-3772 Mob. 915-277-3914
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Experienced Driver Needed: Experienced OTR Driver Needed! Must have a class A-CDL. Good driving record required. Call 915-387-3085

BOOKKEEPING SERVICES AVAILABLE
 FMI CONTACT M.J. SIMS
 387-5433 AFTER 5:30 PM

Cheetah Wireless ISP
 277-5560

For Rent

For Lease: Old Bank Building 216 N.E. Main \$500.00 per month. Contact Michael Hale @ First National Bank, 387-3861

For Rent: 3 BR., 2 BA mobile home. Very nice. Located in Sonora. \$425.00 mth. - \$150.00 deposit. Call 387-3371 or 277-1267

Hunters

Hunting Property: Duval Co. - 49.37 ACS. @ \$695 / AC. Edwards Co. 120.3 ACS. @ \$725 / AC. Val Verde Co. - 52.56 ACS. @ \$550 / AC. Zavala Co. 62.4 ACS. @ \$550/AC. More available. Owner financed. Ranch Ent. 210-340-6700.

Hunters! SaveTime & \$\$\$. Have your deer feeder monitored & filled on a routine basis. For more info. call D.E. (Danny) Reinhardt 915-387-2362 or 915-650-3662