It's Time To **Register For** Pre-K and Kindergarten

Sonora Elementary School will be having registration for Pre-Kindergarten Kindergarten on Thursday, April 25th and Friday, April 26th from 7:30 a.m to 4:00 p.m. at the Sonora Elementary School office. A child is eligible for enrollment in pre-kindergarten if the child is at least 4 years of age on or before September 1, 2002 and is 1.) limited English proficient; 2.) economically disadvantaged (qualifies for free/reduced lunch); or 3.) homeless. A child who is at least 5 years old on or before September 1, 2002 may enroll in Kindergarten. Be sure to bring your child's birth certificate, social security card, and immunization record. Please call 387-2414 if you have any questions. Please make every effort to register your child on April 25th & 26th. This will help us in making plans for the 2002-2003 school year.

La matriculacion para Pre-Kindergarten y Kindergarten se llevara acabo en la oficina de la escuela Elementary el jueves, 25 de Abril y el viernes, 26 de Abril, 2002 de las 7:30 a.m. -4:00 p.m. Un niño es elegible para matricularse en Pre-Kindergarten si el niño tiene 4 años edad para el dia 01 de septiembre, 2002 y es 1) limitado en la idioma de ingles; 2.) desaventajado economicamente (que califique para el programa de comida gratis/revajada); o 3) esta sin hogar. Un niño que tenga 5 años cumplidos para el dia 01 de septiembre, 2002 puede matricularse Kindergarten. Por favor presente el certificado de nacimiento, tarjeta de seguro social, y registro de vacunas. Llame al numero 387-2414 si tiene alguna pregunta. Por favor haga todo el esfuerzo de matricular a su niño estos dias de 25-26 de abril Esto nos avuda al hacer planes para el año escolar de 2002-2003.

> **Head Start Program** Registration Information Page 8

J.V. Bronco **Baseball Record First Victory**

by Maray Cearley

Last week the Junior Varsity baseball team got their first win in a non-district game, beating Rocksprings 12-6.

The Broncos jumped to an early 5-0 lead in the second inning. Leadoff batter, Justin Routh, reached base on an error which was followed by Brian Payton and Diego Cardona each hitting triples. The Broncos then executed a flawless squeeze play in which Austin Wagoner bunted down the Third base line while a hustling Cardona scored from Third.

In the third inning the Angoras narrowed the gap 5-3 and then took the lead in the fourth by scoring three more. This proved to be the only runs they would get.

In the fourth inning Cardona hit his second triple of the game, tying the score at 6. Laramie Hall led off the fifth inning with a single but was eventually thrown out stealing Third. Clint Cearley gave the Broncos the lead with an in-thepark homerun. Garrett Watkins also singled, hitting one up the

The Broncos crossed the plate 5 more times in the bottom of the sixth due to the power hitting of Wagoner, Cearley, Routh, Stevie Hernandez and Eliazar Yorba.

See J.V. Baseball page 8

Edwards Plateau Prescribed Burning Association Prepares Film For Awards Ceremony



Members and Directors representing the Edwards Plateau Prescribed Burning Association that are being honored as one of the 12 winners of the coveted Governor's Environmental Excellence Awards were joined by TNRCC representatives on Saturday, April 6th for the making of a special awards video that will be shown at the awards ceremony in Austin, Texas on May 7th. Pictured here are (from I to r) are: back row - Nick Garza, Lewis Allen, Mark Alsup, Curry Campbell, Gus Ward and Ted Hazen. Front row - Dana Macomb, Terry Brooks, Dr. Charles "Butch" Taylor, Bob Brockman, and Tom Payton. For more pictures of the award winning burning association activities see page 7.

2002 Chamber of Commerce **Banquet Honors Outstanding Community Members**

The Sonora Chamber of Commerce would like to invite everyone to join Fred Flintstone and Friends at the 2002 Chamber of Commerce Awards Banquet.

As you walk through the doors at the Sutton County Civic Center on Thursday, April 11, 2002 you will be taken back in time to Sonora Rock for a night "right out of

Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. with the opening of the Water Buffalo Lodge meeting and a Dinosaur dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m.

The awards ceremony will begin immediately following the meal. Fred and Wilma, Barney & Betty, Pebbles, Bamm-Bamm, The Grand-Pooh-Bah, and even Gazoo will present this year's special awards.

Awards will be given to the Conservation Rancher of the Year, Business Person of the Year, Outstanding Chamber

Member, Educator of the Year, Organization of the Year, Employee of the Year, Citizen of the Year and a special "Spotlight on Sonora" award.

These winners will be etched in stone in a special section of next week's issue of the Devil's River News.

Tickets are still available at the First National Bank and The Bank and Trust. For more information you can call the Devil's River News at 387-

Don't miss "yyyyyyyyabba-dabbadoooooooo" of an evening!



The one-act play cast of Marvin's Room celebrates after confirming a spot at Regional competition.

One-Act Play Regional Contenders To Perform Marvin's Room For Sonora

submitted

The Sonora High School Drama Department will be gearing up once again for the One-Act Play Regional Contest in Abilene on April 19, 2002. This year's cast and crew have proven that the drama department at SHS is strong and consistent. Many cast members of this year's show Marvin's Room by Scott McPherson, will be appearing on the Regional stage for the third year in a row. An honor that is to be acknowledged and commended. Due to the success of this year's play, the cast and crew will be having a public performance of Marvin's Room on Monday, April 15, 2002 at 7:30 p.m. in the High School Auditorium.

Admission to the show will be \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for students and can be paid directly at the door.

Marvin's Room is a story about one woman's commitment to caring for her family first, even in the face of personal tragedy. The show stars Margie Becknell, Tori Valliant and Sean Fields. Other members of the cast are Genny Cramer, Heather Lawson, Tan Cade, Landon Brockman, Justin Routh and Andrew Barthelemy. Crew members include Amy Gann, Stetson Hall, Hannah Allison Scott and Beau Hughes. Cody Eoff is the director of the show.

Pre-Kindergarten Grant Allows For New Playground Equipment

To the editor,

The staff of the Sonora Elementary Prekindergarten would like to extend a special thank you to a few people. A few years ago, we became a full-day Prekindergarten (rather than a half-day program) thanks to the insight of Mrs. Louise Dermody, school administration, and our school board. Little did the rest of us know how focused President Bush's administration would be on Early Childhood Education. Many parents were skeptical of sending their young children to a full-day program at such a young age, and to make matters worse, many of the tools used in the existing Prekindergarten were old, broken, out-dated, or not user-friendly for some of our developmentally challenged children. Much of the equipment needed to better follow ADA (American Disabilities

Act) guidelines'. Instead of returning the program to a half-day situation, Mrs. Dermody spent extra hours trying to find ways to improve this new program for 3,4 and 5 year old children, and she came upon a grant that generously provides money to improve Prekindergarten programs that have gone to a full-day setting! This is Sonora's second, and final year to receive this particular Prekindergarten grant, and it has been a wonderful blessing. Since the money has to be used directly

Prekindergarten students, curriculum, and classroom, and classroom setting, we have been able to buy books, curriculum materials, and whole new class-



Sonora Pre-Kindergarten students are joined by Volunteer Grandparents, Grandma Rosa and Grandpa Mike on the new playground equipment that arrived this week.

room settings that directly enhance the Prekindergarten experience. We were also able to invest some of the money into much-needed playground equipment that better meets ADA guidelines for our physically challenged students and it also helps us meet our curriculum Prekindergarten guidelines in the area of gross motor development.

Many of you have seen the playground that was added last year, and will soon see another addition that we developed out of this year's grant money. We wish we had the money to fix the entire school (or at least fix the roof for when it leaks on all of our new things), but we are very thankful for these grants that have come our way.

The Prekindergarten staff

Walk Across Texas Anyone?

By: Kelly L. Thorp Sutton County Extension Family and Consumer Sciences

It's time once again to dust off your walking shoes and gather up a few friends, coworkers, or family members and Walk Across Texas! You may ask-how can I possibly walk across Texas? It's simple. Walk Across Texas is an 8 week walking program for teams of eight people. The teams will have a friendly competition to see who can log the most miles walking, jogging, or biking. Those miles will be recorded on a Texas map posted in the Extension office and other places around our community, so everyone can see our

progress! The team who walks farthest "across Texas" will win, but everyone who participates will take home a healthy habitwalking for fitness.

Do you think you can make it from Beaumont to El Paso? Walk Across Texas and find out! Hey, are you excited?

Here's what you need to do...... 1. First, form a walking team of eight members. A biking team should have four members, just to keep things fair.

2. Make sure you have shoes that are good for walking. 3. Choose a team captain

and pick a name for walking. 4. Pick up registration forms and packets at the Extension office or at the kickoff event. You can all us at 387-

5. Come to the Walk Across Kick-off to check out your competition. The kick-off event will be held in conjunction with the Relay for Life on May 3, however you do not have to attend the kick-off in order to participate in Walk Across Texas.

6. Keep track of the miles you walk and report your weeky total to your team captain. Your captain will add up all the member's miles for the week and report the team total to the county Extension office.

7. Visit the map every now and then to see how your team

8. Plan to have lots of fun!

Bronco District

Lady Broncos - The Sonora Lady Broncos shot a team total of 357-368 = 725 to win the District 2-2A golf tournament by 56 shots over Eldorado. The two day tournament was played at Eldorado on April 1 and at Sonora on April 8. Individual scores were: Ashley Vickers - 82-87 = 169 (1st Medallist), Genny Cramer - 87-88=175 (2nd Medallist), Leslie Gamez - 90 - 88=178 (3rd Medallist), Tamika Marshall - 98-105=203 (8th Place), and Jalys Mabry - 102-108=210. Other individual scores were: Missy Longoria - 101-103=204 (9th place), Thia McKissack - 115 - 114=229, Cady Taylor 131-129=260, and Desiree Gonzales - 94 (played in only one round due to an injury).

The Lady Broncos will advance to the Region I-2A Golf Tournament at Shady Oaks Golf Club in Baird on April 22 and 23.

Broncos - The Sonora Broncos shot a team total of 294-308=602 to win the District 2-2A golf tournament by 59 shots over Wall. The two day tournament was played at Eldorado on April 1 and at Sonora on April 8. Individual scores were Dustin Martin - 71-77=148 (1st Medallist), Stetson Perez - 75-75=150 (2nd Medallist), Chris Martin - 75-77=152 (3rd Medallist), A.J. Hernandez - 73-80=153 (4th Place), and Brandon West 83-79=162 (7th place). Other individual scores were: Heath Prather - 91-88=179. The Broncos will advance to the Region I-2A Golf Tournament at Shady Oaks Golf Club in Baird on April 22 and 23.

would like to extend our very special thanks to the Texas Education Agency for awarding us the grant, to our administration and school board for approving our budget, and to Mrs. Louise Dermody who found (and applied for) this grant. We would also like to invite you to drop by and see our wonderful new materials. Keep an eye out for new playground - our students are already anxiously waiting!

> Sincerely. Nancy A. Jiménez, Pre-K Teacher Kellie Berry, Pre-K Aide, Megan Childress, Pre-K Teacher, Estella Lumbreras, Pre-K Aide

Second City- Wide Clean-Up Scheduled

Sonora is holding the second City Wide Clean-up on Saturday, April 20th. The City of Sonora will waive fees for dumping at the City's Convenience Station (old dump).

Everyone is asked to fill the dumpsters in their area first, before taking trash to the Convenience Station.

The City asks that there please be NO FREON, NO PAINT, NO TIRES

Trash pick-up will be available for those 65 years and older who need assistance.

Everyone is reminded that trash must be stacked at the curb to be picked up. Call the Chamber of Commerce office at 387-2880 to leave your name, number and address.

Volunteers are asked to meet in front of City Hall at 7:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 20th.

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Obituary

Michael Joseph Lombardo

affectionately known 'Goober" to his friends, died March 19, 2002, in Tulsa Oklahoma, where he was a member of the staff at Hewgley Terrace Apartments. Memorial services were Thursday, March 28, in the Chapel, Hewgley Terrace.

He was born at St. John's Hospital, San Angelo, Texas, on Sept. 29, 1949, to Mary Winnie Maxwell Lombardo and Joe Lombardo, both deceased. He attended San Angelo Central High School and lived in various West Texas towns before moving to Tulsa. Always interested in music and art, he enjoyed producing small caricatures in sculpture during recent

He is survived by one son, Jim Lombardo of San Angelo; brother, Paul Lombardo of San sister, Sharon

Michael Joseph Lombardo, Lombardo of San Antonio; two aunts Elnor Maxwell Norwood, Placerville, California, and Betty Jane Maxwell Zans of Castle Rock, Colorado; uncle, Ted Maxwell of Mineral Wells, Texas; and nephew and niece, Nicholas and Georgia Kate Lombardo, Texas. Cousins McAllen, include Bettye Anne Norwood Zalme of Pollock Pines, California, Terry Maxwell of San Angelo; Carol Lynn Maxwell of Sonora, Texas, Kathy Maxwell Flannery of Pflugerville, Texas, Maxwell of Irving, Texas, Mack Frost and Janet Frost Bucknell, both of Cody, Wyoming, and Ellen Collier Zans Franktown, Colorado.

Memorial contributions may be sent to the American Cancer Society or to Good Shepherd Hospice, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

In the Dark

Submitted

We were sitting in the living room, getting ready to go to bed when all of a sudden it happened, the lights went out. My wife and I found ourselves in total darkness. Sometimes the lights will come right back on but not so this time. We talked about what to do; she would get the matches if I would light the candle on the living room mantle. After I lit the candle I sat back down in my easy chair. As I sat there watching the little flame from the candle realizing it was the only light in our house it reminded me of something in the Bible. Jesus said he was the light of the world (John 8:12; John 9:5).

Jesus was not talking about candlelight or light from a light bulb, He was talking about spiritual light, understanding the

things of God. He also went on to say that man is in darkness (John 1:5). The Bible promises that if we let the light into our lives (Jesus as Lord and Savior of our life) we will become Children of God (John 1:9,10,11; John 12:36). It was so quiet and peaceful with all the power off and the one little candle giving off its light (it gave me a great sense of peace and security). It reminds me of what is available to everyone who accepts Jesus (John 12:44-46). It was a little scary until we lit the candle, life can be the same way if we don't have Christ in our lives. Let us let the light of God into our lives today and get out of the darkness. See you in church on Sunday.

Brother J

I'd like to express my sincere thanks and gratitude to my family, and my second family at Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital for the lovely card and a very special thanks to Benita Martinez, Mary Beth and Jody Luttrell and Maggie Bernal for joining us in prayer before I started another round of treatment on March 15, 2002. The get well wishes, prayers, calls and visits mean a great deal to me. I feel very blessed to have such good friends.

Thank you, Vanessa Perez

A heart-felt thank you for all your support, prayers, donations, food and for expressing your love to the Flores Family in our time of sorrow. A special thanks to Father Bill for Mass and Cemetery services. And to Chava and Ruben Castilleja for the lovely music that added a loving touch to the funeral services. May God bless all

> Love, The Claudio Flores Family

In sickness and in death, we learn how very special the people of our community can be.

A very special thank you for your kindness, prayers, food, cards, phone calls, and flowers during the long illness, then the death of my dear brother, Ray Holmes. May God bless each of you. Pauline Ringgold

I would like to thank everyone for all your support during my hospitalization and recuperation. Thank you for all you have done, visits, phone calls, cards, food, and most of all, your prayers and

And a special thanks to my loving, caring family! Margaret Galbreath

I would like to thank Mike Healy and the staff of the Bank and Trust for allowing Sonora ISD to display various informational items regarding our facilities project and the Bond Election scheduled for May 4. It was certainly most helpful to us and we appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely, Brant Myers, Superintendent Sonora Independent School District

The youth of Lighthouse Church would like to thank the community of Sonora that helped us with the "Scavenger Hunt" on March 30, 2002. We had three teams of at least 6 youth with three adults driving all over town trying to win the race with the most items received. We know that this would have not been possible without the help from this community. God bless you all!! Lighthouse Church Youth



Happy Hunters at Dinney's Child Care show off their trea-

Back row I to r: Lauren Dudley, Tim Gardner, Katelyn Lipham, Delaney Croy. Front row: Abigail Dudley, Wheeless Lipham and Mattye Davenport.

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Apr. 15 - Bingo!

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

Apr. 17 - Attend Food Safety Course in San Angelo. Lesa and Juanita.

Apr. 18 - Van to San Angelo. Call Lilia now! Apr. 19 - Food Safety Course. Lesa and Juanita San Angelo!

Senior Menu

Apr. 15 - Chicken nuggets with gravy, roll, zucchini with

tomatoes, potato wedges, peaches. Apr. 16 - Polish sausage, cabbage, baked potato, cornbread,

Apr. 17 - Oven baked BBQ chicken, beans, California mixed vegetables, macaroni salad, cornbread, jello with

fruit. Apr. 18 - Tuna noodles, mixed vegetables, tossed salad, roll, applesauce, cookie.

Apr. 19 - Chopped steak with gravy, parsley potatoes, cooked carrots, cucumber and tomato mix, wheat bread, tapioca pudding.

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.'

School Lunch Menu • Apr. 15 - Apr. 19, 2002

Breakfast Mon. - Breakfast burrito, 2 orange wedges, juice.

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Tues. - Biscuits, sausage, juice.

Wed.- Cinnamon roll, fruit, juice.

Thurs. - Pancake on stick, juice. Fri.- Breakfast burrito, juice.

Milk and cereal offered with all breakfasts Lunch

Chicken pot pie, seasoned rice, jello with fruit,

Wed.- Grilled ham and cheese, tator tots, orange wedges, iced brownies.

Mon. - Burrito with chili, kernel corn, carrot sticks with dressing,

Thurs. - Spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, salad, fruit,

Fri. - Barbecue on bun, French fries, pickles, coleslaw, **SPONSORED BY: Sonora Hardware**

Community

Apr. 11
Sonora Chamber Banquet 6:00 p.m. • 4-H Civic Center Apr. 16 2:00 p.m. City Hall City Council A. C. S. Relay for Life Golf Tournament 8:00 A.M. • Sonora Golf Course

The Community Calendar



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Calendar

Apr. 22 9:00 a.m. Sutton County Annex Commissioner Court May 3-4 A.C.S Relay for Life Bronco Stadium • 6:00 p.m.

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Ask the Historical Society



Ida Decker and Hattie Glasscock in 1912.

by Jo-Ann E. Palmer, the Cubs. Secretary Sutton County Historical Society

Q. Are the years ago columns accurate?

A. Some of them have been edited for reprinting and some of them are not listed right. Example of one is the January 2, 1953 issue of the Devil's River News. Under column 61 years ago and 64 years ago we found the wedding of Dr. T. J. Dodson to Miss Della E. Pool. This wedding took place in 1890 and is reported in the Devil's River News of October 18, 1890 not in 1889 or 1892. So if you are using the "Years Ago" columns double check your dates with birth, death, or marriage records on file to make sure you are getting the correct information.

Q. Do you have an obituary for Luciano Sanchez in

A. Devil's River News, January 30, 1953 - Funeral 744, a destroyer, during the services for Luciano Cruz Sanchez, 56, were held Monday morning here at the Mexican Baptist Church. Sanchez died at his home here Saturday after a short illness. Burial was in Sonora Cemetery. The Rev. Epe attack which sank two Gonzales, pastor of the Japanese ships and damaged Baptist Mexican Ozona, officiated.

Sanchez was born August 10, 1897 in Brackettville and attended schools there. He was married July 27, 1925 in Sonora, and is survived by his wife, seven sons and three daughters.

In the same issue we found the following: Sonora went over the top Thursday afternoon as its quota of subscribers needed to bring natural gas here. Lea Roy Aldwell, chairman of the businessmen's committee, said they had 378, three over the required number meter deposits. He estimated that at least 400 will be signed up before laying of the gas mains begin. Dick Morrison was the 375th signer. Pipe and other material is being ordered and construction will be underway as soon as possible.

One of the leading Angora Goat breeders of Texas and a former San Antonio Stock Show judge, Armer Earwood of Sonora has accepted appointment as judge at the February 20 - March 1 San Antonio Livestock Exposition. According to Exposition officials, Earwood will judge Angora Goats (B & C) during the fourth annual show at Bexar County Coliseum. He on Hattie Glasscock, we couldjudged at the Dallas State Fair in 1952 and at numerous goat shows in Texas.

The Sonora Broncos, crippled by the loss of George Wright who is out for the season with an ankle injury, gave all they had Tuesday night, but just were not in the same class as the Ozona Lions. The Lions swept to the first place spot in District 6-A with a 56-18 victory. In the junior game preceding the district event, the Colts almost doubled up on the Ozona Cubs winning by a margin of 41 - 22. Shannon Ratliff and George Johnson ran 16 and 13 points respectively and Jerry White also turned in a good game. Taylor, Caswell and Williams were the stand out for

Sheriff B. W. Hutcherson announced this week that violators of the law against firing of air rifles in the city limits will be prosecuted in the future. The Sheriffs department dislikes very much having to take such a drastic step to stop air rifle shooting in Sonora but extensive damage has already been done to city street lights and some residence windows and it keeps on increasing. Small boys have been observed in several neighborhoods firing air rifles indiscriminately. City maintenance crews have replaced over \$50 worth of shot out street lights in the last six weeks.

Note: The law against shooting of air rifles in the city limits is still in effect in

Q. Do you have any information on the U.S.S. Blue from

A. The U.S.S. Blue, DD campaigns of Leyte, Luzon, Iwo Jima, Okinawa and Japan in World War II, shot down four Japanese planes and conducted 18 rescues of downed American airmen. On July 22, she took part in a night torpedo Church, others. The "Blue" captured a Japanese sub by overtaking and boarding it near Honshu. In Korea, she rescued four airmen who were forced to ditch their planes at sea. At Wonson her shells destroyed an enemy train. I would suggest you go on line and look up U.S. Navy and find the listings for ships histories.

The picture with this article was sent to us by Gil Allison from the Decker family files. It is of Ida Decker Gilbert and Hattie Glasscock. Ida (Isabell) Decker was born in Pulaski County, Arkansas on April 21, 1896. She was the daughter of William Frederick Decker and Laura Isabell Johnson. Marriage records for Sutton County show that Miss Ida (Elizabeth) Decker married Walter Horace Gilbert on the 24th of May 1914. Gilbert became Sheriff of Sutton County when R. H. Martin resigned, under an appointment made by the Commissioners Court of May 8, 1916 and served until December 31, 1916. Walter Horace and Ida Gilbert were the parents of four children, Walter Horace Jr., Weldon Bruce, Fred Truman and Esther Lee.

If anyone has information n't find a marriage record or listing in the Sonora Cemetery, please share it with the Sutton County Historical Society so that we may add a brief history of the lady in this picture to our files. 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@sonoratx.net. You may call me at 915-387-2855. Old weddings, birth announcements, etc. will be run on request. If you want one run for a certain date please make your request at least two weeks in advance. Thank you!

What is Relay For Life?

Relay for Life is a celebration - a unique, challenging and fun way to raise money for the American Cancer Society and to raise awareness of cancer in the community. Relay for Life is the signature event for the American Cancer Society. More than just a Fundraiser, the events bring together families and friends to celebrate those who have survived cancer and to remember those who have

How Does It Work?

Relay for Life is an allnight team event in which teams of walkers or runners compete against each other to raise the most money, be the most spirited and to travel the most miles. The event is usually held on the high school track. One member of the team is on the track at all times. Teams consist of 8 to 12 people representing various businesses, civic groups, social organizations, church groups, or families. While the Relay for Life is in progress, a community party atmosphere is created by team members camping out and enjoying entertainment, food, games, and camaraderie.

What Makes It Special?

This event is so unique because it offers something for everyone. Cancer survivors are invited and will kick off the Relay with a special "Survivor Lap". Survivors are also encouraged to offer personal testimonials during the 18-hour relay. If you are a survivor and would like to participate in this year's event and have not been contacted please call Noemi Samaniego at 387-3029.

One of the most moving events occurs after sundown, with the lighting of the luminaria in memory of those who have lost their battle with cancer and in honor of survivors. The lights in the stadium are turned down for this event, and it is truly breathtaking to see the candlelit bags lining the track. A moment of silence and special music conclude the ceremony. If you would like to purchase a luminary contact any team member

at T&C Village Market, First National Bank, The Church of the Good Shepherd, Dominion, BB Chemical, The Samaniego Family, Alco, The Beebe Family, Location Builders, or The Devil's River News.

As the night grows later, silliness and madcap mayhem reign. There are fun events and activities to keep everyone entertained and awake. The Relay for Life will end the next day with a closing ceremony and a final Victory Lap for all participants. This year's event will be filled with fun filled "sports" of all types and lots of good music, including Manuel Campos, Border Trash, Souls A-Fire and NDC from San Angelo.

How Is Money Raised?

Each team member is asked to raise a minimum of \$100 before the event. All of the money raised goes directly to the American Cancer Society's life-saving research, education and patient services programs. Other fundraising opportunities for the Relay for Life, include corporate underwriting and sponsorship, the sales of luminarias and individual donations.

How is Cancer Awareness

Relay for Life provides many opportunities for the public to learn more about cancer in their own community. Cancer survivors are there to remind everyone that cancer is not always a death sentence. Their testimonies also provide a way for the public to become aware of the strength and courage shown by cancer patients.

How Successful Is It? Relay For Life events raised over \$4.1 million for the Texas Division in 1998-1999 and more in 2000-2001.

Mark your calender now for May 3-4 for the Sutton County Relay for Life at Bronco Stadium. If you are interested in participating in the event please contact Storie Sharp at 387-2507 or Kim Lewis at 387-5666.

Shailyn Annessa She was born March 28, 2002 at 12:26 p.m. She weighed 8 lbs. 4 ozs. and was 19 1/2" long. She is welcomed by her sisters, Hadison Dawn and Laison Jade. Maternal grandparents are Wes and Tressa Henson of Carlsbad, paternal grandparents are Juhree Mashburn and the late Mitch Mashburn of Midland. Shailyn's great-grandparents are Homer Lee and Doris Hull; Edward Henson and the late Janice Henson, all of Stanton; Joy and Jene Edwards of Midland; and Peggye Johnson of Missouri City. Great-great grandparents are Juanita Hull and Jessie White, both of Stanton. Proud aunts and uncle

Marisha and Michael Hodges and Daisha Henson.

Cason and Ashley Mashburn, of Midland,

are proud to announce the birth of their daughter,







The following letter was received by a Sonora resident in response to her efforts in the "Shoe Boxes of Support" project. We thought everyone would like to know how their efforts were greatly appre-

Dear Mrs. T.,

Thank you for the "Care" package. I am a volunteer here at the Ground Zero Relief Center and I know the firemen and relief workers really appreciate your efforts. Please keep us all in your prayers, the work is still grim and there is much left to be done.

It is amazing how much little kindnesses like yours mean. Thanks again.

Julie Bryn -Lest we forget...





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Bad Weather Doesn't Hinder **Auxiliary Golf** Scramble

submitted

Ladies Golf Sonora Auxiliary held their annual 3 person, 27 Hole Scramble on Saturday, April 6, 2002. The food was great, the weather wasn't; but everyone had fun in spite of that. The winners were as follows:

1st Flight

1st Place - Ronald Koerth, Ricky Webster and Juanita Mcbride, 90

2nd Place - Melissa O'Harrow, Virgil Burge and Thomas Hanson, 97

3rd Place - Sandy Turner, submitted Robert Stone and Craig Allen,

2nd Flight

Place Trowbridge, Jason Trowbridge and Beverly Hanks, 98

2nd Place - Tom Gray, Brenda Gray and Stephen Whitton, 99

3rd Place - Savell and Shelly Shannon and Bill Savell,

3rd Flight

1st Place - Devoe and Melanie Smith and Scott Farley,

2nd Place - Brad Hull. Suzanne Alley, and Scott Alley,

Anita Hudson and Jerry Don Balch, 106

Hole Prizes:

Juanita McBride Longest Drive for Men Ronald Koerth

Closest to the Pin, Hole #9 Ed Newton

Closest to the Pin, Hole #2 Jason Trowbridge

The S.L.G.A. would like to thank Wanda Neville, Jodie Finklea, Ethel Olsen, Helen Bacon, Ronnie Hines, Main Street Realty, Quick Bonds, and Circle S Auto Parts for your generous donations to our tournament.

The purpose of the Sonora Ladies Golf Auxiliary is to promote the game of golf by supporting the Sonora High School Golf Team and funding for improvements at Sonora Golf Course. In the past, the ladies have purchased such things as new carpet for the Clubhouse, a Poway High School. The kitchen, bathroom improvements, and every year supporting the Sonora High School Golf team. Thanks to everyone, past and present, who has donated to the Auxiliary. Our next S.L.G.A Tournament will be the Chili Pepper Chip-in (2 lady), Saturday, May 11,

Last Minute Tax Help Is Available to Texas Residents

Dallas - Approximately 2 million Texans have waited until a week before the tax filing deadline to file their annual tax returns. The Internal Revenue Service estimates that another 800,000 Texans will file for an automatic four-month extension by April, 15.

To help area residents beat Monday's tax deadline, the Internal Revenue Service Office in San Angelo will be open on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Taxpayers are encouraged to take advantage of this special

assistance early, instead of waiting until late in the evening of April 15 to start looking for tax help after the office closes on Monday at 4:30 p.m.

Residents who visit the IRS Taxpayer Assistance Center can get answers to their tax questions, forms and publications, as well as free tax return preparation for low income tax-

The IRS office in San Angelo is located at 33 East Twohig, Room 104 or visit on line at www.irs.gov.

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Judge Alvarez Attends Certification Seminar

Judge Adelita Smalling Alvarez was certified at the recent Twenty Hour Justice of the Peace Seminar held March 24-27, 2002 in San Antonio, Texas. The seminar was sponsored by the Texas Justice Court Training Center, a division of Southwest Texas State University, with offices in Austin, Texas. The seminar is one of five held for elected Justices of the Peace so they can fulfill their Continuing Judicial Education Requirements as set Management.

forth in Article 27.005 of the Texas Government Code. The seminar addressed topics such as Judicial Ethics, Creating a Bia-Free Court, Traffic Laws, Inquests, Family Violence, Miscellaneous Hearings. Juvenile Regulations, Landlord Tenant Issues, Minor in Possession, Attorney and Pro Se Litigants, J.P. Office Procedure, Torts, Deed Restrictions, Media Relations Financial and

Church of Christ Plans Living Skills Lectureship

The Sonora Church of Christ has invited several men who are well qualified to bring lessons to encourage and challenge us to the occasions of our time. The 9/11 incident has brought us back to a reality. We are reminded of the troubled time in which we live and just how much we need God in our lives. There is much fear and uncertainty today. The series is to remind us that God has given us faith and hope.

Our lives need to reflect the calmness of that faith. We need to have the optimism of hope and we need to share it with oth-

Gene Helm of Kerrville will be with us to lead singing at 6:10 p.m each weekday evening. Gene has been with us before and does an excellent job of leading very spirited and encouraging singing. The Bible studies will begin at the Church of Christ at 6:30 p.m and there will be a meal each evening following the study.

Area Youth hosted by the **Church of Christ**

The Church of Christ would also like to invite Area Youth to come to the Church on Sunday evening at 5:00 p.m. for singing, a meal, and a devotional and fellowship. All young people are invited to come.

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3rd Place - James Barton, Moms' Group Prays For Schools

Every week, in every state Longest Drive for Women of the U.S. and in ninety countries around the world, thousands of mothers gather to pray for their children and their schools. They are all part of Moms In Touch International, an interdenominational, nonprofit ministry of women who believe prayer makes a differ-

Fern Nichols founded the group in 1984 while she was living in British Colombia working with a Christian ministry. She had two sons entering junior high school. Nichols knew her boys were going to face their greatest test yet in resisting immoral values, vulgar language and peer pressure. The following summer Nichols and her family moved to Poway, California, where by the fall of 1985, a group was established at women met once a week prayed for a full hour for their children and the school. Two years later, Nichols published a Moms in Touch booklet to encourage other moms in starting groups for their children's schools and establishing the

Today there are 26,388

"brown bag" luncheon and all Moms In Touch group format.

moms are invited to attend. Wow - Guess we had a bad week last week.

The Devil's River News would like to apologize to Roland Solis, Steven Duhon and Anthony Longoria for inadvertently leaving your name off as winners in last week's Colt Relay results. It was not done on purpose, just a human error. Thank you for understanding. In the Shot Put, Roland Solis was 3rd with a throw of 34'1 1/4" and Duhon was 5th with a throw of 31'8 1/4"

Longoria placed 5th in the 100m Dash with a time of

Way to go boys! Good job. There was also a mistake in naming the winner of the Scooter at the Treasure Hunt. The young lady who won the scooter was Chelsea Daniels. Have fun on your new scooter Chelsea!



Showtimes for Monday-Thursday

HIGH CRIMES (dts) PG-13 BIG TROUBLE (PG-13) PANIC ROOM (dts) (R) 4:50 7:30 9:25 4:30 7:10 9:40 PANIC ROOM (R) 5:30 8:10 JOHN Q (R) I AM SAM (PG-13)

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Halls Finish Rodeo Season **Out In Front**



Stetson (left with Championship saddle) and Laramie (right) were both big winners as they ended this year's rodeo season.

Bronco Baseball On A Roll

Designated hitter, Israel Arevalo, prepares to slam one against

submitted

Stetson and Laramie Hall finished another year of High School Rodeo this last Saturday. Laramie won the Steer Wrestling Saturday with a time of 7.6. Stetson placed 2nd with a 9.5. They had a no-time in the Team Roping.

For the year-end standings Stetson won the Steer Wrestling and was awarded a saddle at the Banquet on Sunday.

Laramie finished 4th and received a very nice Spyderco Knife. They also finished 10th in the Team Roping for the year and was given an engraved Kley

Grape Creek.

by Tryon Fields

The Broncos started last

week with the Grape Creek

Eagles. Due to the One-Act

Round, the game was moved

from Grape Creek to Sonora; so

as to take advantage of the

lights. A pitchers duel between

Casey Bartrum of Grape Creek

and Justin Sims showcased the

Sonora's Doug Yocham

Play advancing to the Area

chain for that award.

Region 2 also honored 42 graduating Seniors with a leather checkbook cover.

Stetson was voted to be the Region 2 State Voting Delegate at the Finals in June.

New officers and directors were voted on Saturday and Callaway and Laramie were voted to be the Steer Wrestling directors for the coming year.

The brothers have now qualified for State in the Team Roping and Steer Wrestling. The finals are in Abilene startment haw sw bhathte saulten

One-Act Play Stars Shine In of District and Area



The cast of Marvin's Room practices for competition.

The Sonora High School Drama Department recently participated in the District and Area One-Act Play contests. Both competitions proved to be successful and SHS walked away winners. At the District level, the following awards were won: Technical Theatre Award - Beau Hughes

Honorable Mention All-Star cast - Tan Cade and Tori Valliant All Star Cast - Margie Becknell Best Actor - Sean Fields

District was held at Angelo State University on March 28th. McCamey High School was the host of the Area OAP contest held on April 2. Once again, Sonora came out on top. Awards received at the Area Contest are as follows:

Honorable Mention All-Star Cast - Andrew Barthelemy and

Genny Cramer

All-Star Cast - Margie Becknell Best Actor - Sean Fields Best Actress - Tori Valliant

The cast and crew of *Marvin's Room* would like to say a huge Thank You for the friends, parents, guardians and grandparents who are so thoughtfully supporting the arts at SHS.

U.I.L. Students Place at District, **Head For Regional**

The Sonora High School U.I.L. team recently participated in the District contest at Mason High School. The following students placed at the contest and should be commended for their hard work. Tori Valliant placed 4th in the L-D Debate.

In Persuasive Speaking Evangelina Martinez placed 4th. Margie Becknell placed 4th and Kasey Miller placed 5th in Informative Speaking.

Poetry's 6th place ribbon went to Shannon Vick. Finally, in Prose, Sean Fields placed 1st and Anna Hickman

Both Sean Fields and Evangelina Martinez will be participating in the Regional contest on Saturday, April 20, 2002 at Abilene

Lady Bronco Softball Has First District Win

submitted

The Sonora Lady Broncos had their First District Win on Tuesday, March 26th, defeating Eldorado 8 to 7.

Tamika Marshall pitched 7 innings, walking 10 and striking

There were no runs in the first inning. In the second inning, Brea Hughes singled to first, followed by Ashley Parker who had an RBI single, allowing Hughes to score.

Sonora had 2 runs in the third inning. Deneyra Gloria made it to second base on a double and scored after Tamika Marshall hit a double. Ruby Galindo had an RBI single that brought in Marshall for the second run.

Koda Armke singled in the fourth inning and scored on an RBI single hit by Gloria for the only run for this at-bat. In the fifth inning, Marshall started things off with a single, fol-

lowed by an RBI single by Galindo, allowing Marshall to score. Galindo scored on an error by Eldorado. Although Debra Martinez singled in the sixth inning there were

no runs scored. The score was 6 to 5 in Sonora's favor going into the 7th

inning. Eldorado scored 2 runs in the top of the 7th to go ahead of

In the bottom of the 7th Tamika Marshall singled, followed by Brea Hughes who hit an RBI allowing Marshall to score and tie the game 7 to 7. Ashley Parker hit an RBI scoring Brea Hughes to win the game for Sonora 8 to 7.

Lady Bronco Track Takes Fourth In Ozona

submitted

The Sonora Lady Bronco Track & Field team finished fourth at the Ozona Relays on Friday, April 5, 2002 with 104 1/2 points. In the field events, gold medals were won by Morgan Hobbs in the High Jump with a school record tying and Amy Gann in the Triple Jump with best leap of 34' 2 1/2"

Megan Berry set personal bests with two second place finishes in the Long Jump with a leap of 16'2 1/4" and the Triple Jump with a leap of 33' 2 1/2". Courtney Caruthers also set

a personal best of 7'0" in the Pole Vault which was good enough to tie for fifth place. In the running events Shalayne Hobbs led the way

with winning performances in both the 1600m run and 3200m run with times of 5:40.49 and 12:18.35 respectfully.

Morgan Hobbs placed first

in the 100m Hurdles with a time of 15.57 and second in the 300m Hurdles with a time of 52.63.

Kasey Miller won the silver medal in the 200m dash in a time of 28.28 and Erika McClintock placed sixth in the 3200m run in a time of 14:28.19. In the relays, the 800m Relay Team of Berry, Brook Northcott, Miller and Elizabeth Elliott finished second with a time of 1:52.92 and the 1600m Relay Team of Berry, Brea Hughes, Elliott and Shalayne Hobbs finished fifth with a season best of 4:27.44.

The Lady Broncos will compete this week in the District 2-AA meet in Sonora on Thursday, April 11, 2002 at Bronco Stadium in Sonora. Field events are scheduled to start at 9 a.m., 3200m run at 12:30, the running prelims at 1:30 and the running finals at

Happy Birthday

April 5 Lilia Flores, Alfredo Hernandez, Victoria Robles, Kayla Shurley April 6 Garrett Bawcom, A.J. Hernandez

April 7 Dawson Guthrie

April 8 Miranda Rodriguez, Sterling Love, Marlyn Young

April 9 Charles Barber, Luis Segura, Byron Williams, Kim Batchelor, Lisa Talamantez

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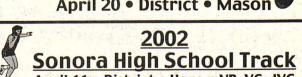
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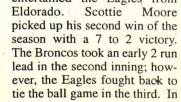
Sonora High School Track

April 11 • District • Here • VB, VG, JVG

April 19 - 20 • Regional Qualifiers TBA • VB, VG

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walking 1 and giving up 1 hit.

On Friday, the Broncos

Bartrum kept the Broncos off balance for four and a half innings giving up zero runs and only two hits. Yocham through four; gave up two runs on six hits. In the fifth, the Red Hosses took advantage of two Eagle errors and a three run RBI double by Israel Arevalo to take a 3 to 2 lead. In the sixth, Bronco Ace Justin Sims came on in relief to close the Eagles out. Sims faced seven Eagles and only allowed one hit and struck out two. In the sixth; the Broncos once again took advantage of some Grape Creek miscues to add an insurance run to The Broncos (11 - 2, 3 and defeat the Eagles by a score of 4 to 2. Doug Yocham gained his second win of the season pitching for 4 innings; facing 24 batters and allowing 2 runs on 6 hits, striking out 4, and walking 1. Sims gained his first save of the year; going two innings, facing 7 batters; striking out 2,

entertained the Eagles from Scottie Moore 4:50 p.m.

the fourth, the timely hitting of Stetson Hall and Tan Cade got

Photo by Ray Glasscock

the Broncos rolling. Scoring 3 runs in the fourth and 2 in the bottom of the sixth, the Red Hosses were well on their way to their third District 2-2A win and their eleventh over-all. Scottie Moore pitch to 28 batters in 5 innings; giving up the 2 runs on 6 hits, striking out 7 and walking 2. The loss will be accredited to Mike Adame; who faced 26 Broncos in 5 innings. Adame gave up 5 runs on four hits, striking out 2, while walking 4. Allen Dykstra came on in relief of Adame and gave up 2 runs on 2 hits and 2

With the wins over Grape Creek and Eldorado; the Broncos now move into a show down with the state ranked Wall Hawks. By the time that the newspaper hits the newsstand this week, the Broncos will either be tied first with the Hawks or in a solid second place to finish the first half.

1 in district) faced the Hawks (10 - 3, 4 and 0 in district) this past Tuesday. Friday, the Broncos start the second half with Junction (to this point; the only district loss). Game time is 5:00 p.m. at the Sutton County Baseball Complex. Come out and support the Broncos as they continue the chase of a District Crown. If you can not attend; tune your radio to KHOS 92.1 FM or KYXX 94.3 to catch the play by play starting at about

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F.Y.I.

Attn. Golfers: Scrambles will begin Thursday, April 18th.

The Kimble Co. Gun Show and Flea Market will be held at the Coke Stevenson Center in Junction, Texas on April 13 and 14th The two-day show will be open to the public from 9:00 to 4:00 both days. Admission is \$3.00 per person. Children under 12 will be admitted free when accompanied by their parent. For additional information contact Patricia Chenault at 915-46-3621.

If you or your company would like to purchase a table at the 2002 Chamber of Commerce Banquet, please contact Linda Love at 387-3833 or Lolabeth Jones at 387-5577. Come see how

The American Cancer Society Relay for Life will be May 3-4th at the Bronco Stadium. For more information or to make dona tions call Storie at 387-2507 or Kim at 387-5666.

The Dominion/BB Chemical Relay for Life team will be raf fling off a TV/VCR at the 2002 Relay for Life. For tickets or for more information call 387-3588 or Denine at 387-6322. Buy your chance today!! All proceeds will benefit the American Cancer

The T & C Village Market Relay for Life team will be raffling off two prize packages from local businesses for \$1 a chance Prizes will include many great prizes from local businesses. All proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society.

The Cub Scout graduation is scheduled for Sunday, April 21 from 2:30-4:30 p.m. at the Depot Amphitheater. All parents and family are invited to attend. Coke floats will be served following the ceremony. Each Scout needs to wear their uniform.

Ken Rowland will do a watercolor demonstration at the Sonor: Bank and Trust on Friday, April 26, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. A recep tion by the Sutton County Steakhouse will follow. Rowland will then have a workshop on Saturday, April 27, 2002 from 9:00 a.m to 3:00 p.m. at the Friends of Historic Sonora, Inc./Main Street Office. The cost is \$20 and includes lunch. Bring your paints and canvas. For more information call Ann Kay at 387-2248.

The 2002 Yearbooks are on sale for \$30. The price will increase on May 1st. Come to the high school or send your payment to the following address: S.H.S. Yearbook Department, 807 SE Concho, Sonora, TX 76950. You can call Kristin Keel at 387-6533 ext 315 for more details.

The West Texas Championship Cook-off Committee is looking for judges for the 2002 Championship cook-off on June 1st. Judges are needed for Brisket, Goat, Chicken, Ribs, Chili, Beans Pies and Margaritas. If you are interested in being a judge please call Storie at 387-2507.

The Girls Hunter Safety Camp to be held from June 10-13 is taking entries now. Girls ages 12 - 18 (must be in school) are encouraged to participate. For more information call Rodney Knight at 387-3068. The cost is only \$10 per entry.

The West Texas Stunners Fast Pitch Softball Team is taking orders for Krispy Kreme donuts. This is a fund raising event for the team. The donuts are \$6 a dozen and will be available on April 15, 2002. To place your order call any team member or Shelly

1st Annual St. Ann's Softball Tournament, sponsored by St. Ann's Catholic Church Men's Class "D" Only. May 18 & 19 2002 at the Sutton Co. Softball Complex. Double Elimination. Deadline for entry is May 13, 2002. Entry is \$125.00 per team. Awards will be given for 1st through 3rd place (trophy & shirt) Consolation Prizes will be given as well as an MVP award. There will also be a Home Run Derby. For more information call Joe San Miguel at 277-1662 or Joseph Jenkins at (830)765-0406.

The American Cancer Society Golf Tournament will be April 20th at the Sonora Golf Club. Tee time will be 8:00 a.m. for a or 5 person scramble. Entry fees will be \$25 per person. All proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society. To enter or for more information call Storie at 387-2507.

A representative of the San Angelo Social Security Office will be in Sonora from 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday April 23,

The Hospital Auxiliary Cookbook is on sale now for \$12 at the following locations: The Devil's River News, The Corner Drug Store, image apparel, The Bright Spot, Sonora Art.com, Suttor County Extension Agents (Civic Center) and the Sutton County Steakhouse. All proceeds will benefit the Lillian M. Hudspetl

Walking Aerobic Classes, Call Annette at 387-3120 or Juanita a 450-4181 for more information.

Rig Locations as of April 5, 2002

Sutton County

New Dominion; 8500' Mayer - 3B - #5, Patterson Drilling. Dominion; 8250' Simmons Ranch #27, Patterson Drilling. Dominion; 7700' Kirby - 183 - #6, Patterson Drilling. Dominion; 6400' Martin #15, Patterson Drilling. New Dominion; 6250' Fields - 55 - #3, Patterson Drilling. Dominion; 6150' Fields - 53 - #12, Patterson Drilling.

New Dominion; 6250' Ned Dunbar #62, Patterson Drilling. **Crockett County** New RME Petro Co; 8000' Union Pacific -A - #92, Patterson

Drilling. W Dale Morris Inc.; 8900' University 12 - #1, Key Energy. New Henry Petroleum; 6000' Archer #1, Big Dog Drilling. **Terrell County**

Exxonmobil; 16000' Banner Estate #26, Patterson UTI. New Fasken Oil & Ranch; 7000' Mobley -2 State #4, Lariat

New Conoco; 13000' Creek Ranch - 12 - #5, Nabors Drilling. EOG Resources; 9800' Noelke - 4 - #2H, Patterson Drilling.

Schleicher Sharp Image Energy; 7700' Williams Ranch - C - #4, Westexas

TXP, Inc.; 5000' Jones #6, Heart Land Drilling. Val Verde Rio-Tex, Inc.; 12500' Leonard - 37 - #2, Patterson Drilling.

Devil's River Internet 387-2507

Oil & Agribusiness

Eighth Annual Meat Goat Performance Test Set For May

by Steve Byrns

SAN ANGELO - The Eighth Annual Meat Goat Performance Test at Angelo State University's Management, Instruction, and Research (MIR) Center is scheduled to begin with delivery of animals May

This test is the largest in the United States and is designed to help breeders select for genetic improvement in growth rate. The 84-day test is conducted by Angelo State University, Texas Cooperative Extension, and the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.

The test runs from June 4 through Aug. 27. It is designed for buck kids only. Kids must have been born between Jan. 1 and March 31 to be eligible.

Breeders may enter no more than 25 animals each. Producers planning to put goats on the test should contact test officials no later than May 15 so proper amounts of vaccine and feed may be obtained and pen allotments can be assigned. When possible, all of a breeder's goats will be penned together.

All goats will be fed for a 10-day warm-up period to allow them to adjust to feeding conditions before the test begins. Goats must arrive at the MIR Center between 8 a.m. and 3

p.m. May 23 through 25 to be considered for the test. Animals may be brought earlier if prior arrangements are made, but no goats will be accepted after May

When delivering goats, breeders should know their entries' sire, birth date, birth type (single, twin, triplet), age of dam, breed or percentage of Boer blood.

The initial weigh-day is set for June 4. The second and third weigh-days are July 2 and 30 respectively. The final weighday completes the test on Aug. 27. Owners may pick up their animals on Aug. 28.

Breeders will be required to pay \$100 per head, in advance. The fee covers feed, veterinary costs, facilities, and manage-

For more information contact Angelo State University's Drs. Mike Salisbury or Brian May at (915) 942-2027 or Drs. Dan Waldron or Frank Craddock at San Angelo's Texas A&M University Research and Extension Center (915) 653-

As information becomes available, it will be placed on the test's website at:

www.angelo.edu/faculty/msalisbu/goattest.htm.

TPW Commission Suspends Deer Importation

AUSTIN, Texas Recognizing that the threat of Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) is not likely to go away anytime soon, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission voted April 4 to close Texas borders to all importation of live whitetailed and mule deer until further notice. The suspension of importation applies only to live animals and will not prevent hunters from bringing legally harvested game into Texas.

The board's action solidifies a March 11 emergency suspension of deer importation in consideration of the recent emergence and spread of CWD in both captive and free-ranging deer populations in several states. The latest occurrence, on April 1 when a mule deer tested positive in Colorado, marked the first documented case of the disease west of the Continental Divide. Seven other states have also suspended importation in response to recent outbreaks in wild deer herds in Wisconsin.

According to Jerry Cooke, TPW Game Branch Chief, CWD is a form of transmissible spongiform encephalopathy similar to Mad Cow Disease, except that CWD has only been found in elk, white-tailed deer, mule deer and black-tailed deer. He said the disease causes a degeneration of brain tissue in affected animals.

Cooke said that according to available research, the effects of the disease on humans are unknown. "The biological and epidemiological nature of CWD is not well understood and has not been extensively studied, but it is known to be communi-

cable, incurable and invariably fatal, he told commissioners. "At the current time, there is no live test for CWD; animals suspected of having the disease must be euthanized in order to obtain brain tissue for definitive diagnosis. Affected animals may take years before exhibiting symptoms of the disease, making it difficult to track and contain the spread of infection."

The Texas Animal Health Commission, which is charged with controlling disease threats to domestic livestock, recently suspended issuing import permits for elk.

TPW regulates the importation of white-tailed and mule deer under the provisions of Scientific Breeder Permit regulations. Prior to this action, deer could be brought into Texas with the proper permit as long as they were accompanied by a veterinarian's statement that the animals were free of evidence of contagious and communicable diseases and had adhered to any TAHC entry requirements.

"The suspension of importation of live deer at this time is a wise and responsible course of action," said TPW Executive Director Robert L. Cook. "This action is intended to minimize the risk of disease transmission that could cause incalculable harm to one of the state's most prized natural resources.'

TPW staff withdrew its recommendation to establish criteria for the sale, barter or exchange of deer under a Scientific Breeder Permit pending efforts by permit holders to enter a TAHC approved voluntary monitoring program.

Federal Import Requirements for Mexican Feeder Cattle in Effect April 1, 2002

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has raised health for importing Mexican feeder cattle in order to protect U.S. animals from tuberculosis (TB), a bacterial infection that can cause internal lesions in the lungs, lymph nodes, or other internal organs. On April 1, 2002, feeder cattle (steers and spayed heifers) from Mexico will enter the U.S. under health regulations published more than a year ago in the Federal Code of Regulations by the USDA's Veterinary Services. By 2003, the USDA will tighten regulations again, when international rules will require exporting countries to fully meet US-equivalent standards for cattle TB eradication.

"Texas cattle producers import approximately a million Mexican feeders each year. On April 1, entry regulations for these animals will be tied directly to the prevalence of TB in their Mexican state of origin, or their region within a Mexican state," commented Dr. Linda Logan, Texas state veterinarian and head of the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC), the state's livestock health regulatory authority.

"Mexican feeder animals

have offered excellent opportunities for cattle producers," she said. "Cattle TB, however, continues to be a problem in many Mexico states, and we must continue to assure that imported animals are properly tested for TB before they enter Texas. Infected animals can spread the disease by coughing, bellowing or snorting. The bacterial-laden aerosol that they expel can be inhaled by animals nearby or could contaminate feed. If we have TB introduced into our herds, our ability to trade interstate or internationally would be restricted.' Dr. Logan pointed out that

in April 2001, the USDA's Veterinary Services published an interim rule requiring Mexican feeder steers to originate from herds that had recently been tested for TB. The USDA then agreed to grant waivers to the whole-herd test, if Mexican states could demonstrate sufficient progress in eradicating TB prior to April 2002.

During the past five USDA-sponsored months, teams have conducted in-depth TB status reviews in 16 Mexican states with active TB

eradication programs. See Federal Import page 7

Federal Import from page 6

The teams, comprised by state and federal regulatory veterinarians, trade association representatives and laboratory specialists, determined that only one Mexican state and portions of five other states could be granted a waiver of the wholeherd test requirement.

Feeder cattle from most other Mexican states will have to originate from tested herds and then also undergo an individual animal test. Some states will be prohibited from shipping feeder cattle to the U.S. due to inadequate TB eradication programs

"These rules are intended to protect the health of U.S. live-stock," noted Dr. Logan. She pointed out that, in the early 1900s, nearly five percent of U.S. cattle herds were infected with TB. Today, she said, the disease is extremely rare in U.S. herds. However, more TB-lesioned cattle are being detected at slaughter, and ear tags indicate that many of these animals are of Mexican origin."

"Prior to pasteurization, or heat treatment of milk, humans could contract the disease from infected cows. Today, human TB cases in the U.S. are rarely, if ever, traced to the cattle form of the disease, due to a combination of slaughter surveillance, pasteurization of milk and disease eradication." she said.

We have worked closely with Mexico on TB eradication since 1988, when the USDA began offering training and technical support," she said. "Since 1994, Mexican cattle have been imported under a 'consensus agreement' established by the state veterinarians in Texas, California, Arizona and New Mexico. At least 20 other U.S. states incorporated the consensus document into their state rules. The new federal rules will provide a more stringent, yet uniform program for imports."

A Binational Committee, with eight American and eight Mexican representatives, also has been meeting three times yearly to formalize status review findings, and discuss TB, brucellosis and trade issues. Dr. Logan also pointed out that, over the years, groups of regulatory personnel and producers from California, New Mexico, Texas and Arizona, and other participating states conducted program reviews in Mexican states. She said they monitored TB prevalence in Mexican

checked slaughter surveillance techniques, and shared ideas and experience.

The new federal requirements will advance the TB eradication effort by protecting all U.S. states that may receive Mexican cattle," pointed out Dr. Richard Ferris, area veterinarian-in-charge for the USDA's Veterinary Services in Texas. The USDA-sponsored teams will continue to review Mexican states as they make progress, so the regulations for each state could change." He said USDA specialists in Riverdale, Maryland, are preparing maps delineating the boundaries of TB regions within Mexican states. The maps are to be ready prior to April 1.

As of April 2002, only feeder cattle--- steers and spayed heifers -- from a designated portion of Sonora (which borders Arizona) may be imported into the U.S. without a TB test, because this area has an infection rate of less than one infected herd per 10,000," Dr. Ferris commented.

"As always, all Mexican cattle must be officially identified with a blue ear tag imprinted with the name of its Mexican state. The animals must also be accompanied by a certificate of origin, which documents where the animals came from," explained Dr. Suzanne (Suzy) Burnham, TAHC's new binational liaison, who is stationed in San Antonio. She said the imported animals must also carry an "M"-brand on the hip and will be inspected for fever ticks at the import station at the

"Feeder cattle must have a negative TB skin test before being imported, if they come from Yucatan; a designated portion of Coahuila, our direct neighbor to the south; Sinaloa; the remaining portion of Sonora; or a designated segments of Aguascalientes or Jalisco," said Dr. Burnham. She said these states or portions of states have between 1 and 5 infected herds per 1,000 herds.

Dr. Burnham explained that an accredited veterinarian conducts a TB skin test by injecting tuberculin into the skin or "caudal fold" under the animal's tail. The site is examined 72 hours later for redness, swelling or other reaction, which indicates the animal may have been exposed to or infected with TB.

Tamaulipas and portions of Baja California, Campeche, Chihuahua, Coahuila, Durango, Jalisco, Nuevo Leon and Veracruz," said Dr. Burnham. "These states will export feeder cattle under the interim rule because they have an infection prevalence greater than 5 infected herds per 1,000 herds in the state or area."

"The parent herd (including the feeder cattle being exported) must have tested negative for TB within the previous 12 months. This will prevent cattle exporters from assembling untested feeder animals from a number of sources shortly before shipment," explained Dr. Burnham. She pointed out that each of the exported animals also must be individually TB tested again. The animals are to move under an import permit from the USDA.

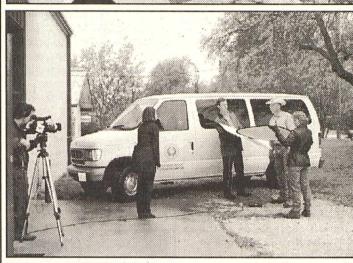
"The whole herd test concept is vitally important, as animals that have been exposed to TB can still test negative for a period of time, if they are incubating infection. By requiring the entire herd to be tested, we have a greater probability of determining if there is a health problem and we can restrict the entry of animals from that herd. The individual animal retest then gives us greater assurance that the feeder cattle haven't been incubating disease," explained Dr. Ferris.

"Feeder cattle from some Mexican states or portions of states will be allowed to enter the U.S. only directly to slaughter. These animals are from areas that have not made sufficient TB eradication progress or met program review criteria for inspection, testing, or surveillance," said Dr. Ferris. "Prior to entry for slaughter, the animals must have a negative TB test and must be accompanied by the proper paperwork, including an import permit and official ear tags."

Dr. Logan said the TAHC also will closely scrutinize Mexican roping and rodeo cattle already in Texas. "We will be checking these animals at events and practice pens to ensure that these animals have had their required post-entry TB tests," she said. "The TAHC requires that these animals be tested every 12 months for TB. We can't have infected imported stock mixing with valuable animals at events. We urge Texas producers to do their part by making sure these roping steers are tested on an annual basis."

Edwards Plateau Prescribed Burning Association Prepares Video For Awards Ceremony







The Edwards Plateau Prescribed Burning Association (EPPBA) has been chosen by Governor Rick Perry and the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) as one of 12 winners of a special Governor's Environmental Excellence Award. This prestigious honor awards Texans that go the extra mile to conserve our natural resources for our children and grandchildren.

A special video was made last Saturday at the Texas A&M Experiment Station highlighting some of the main aspects and purpose of the EPPBA, with interviews of directors and footage of actual burns.

Above is a shot of a burn taking place under the supervision of the EPPBA that will be featured in the film. Curry Campbell (center) and Bob Brockman (bottom) were two of the members that were interviewed by Kristin Steimel, a contractor for TNRCC, and filmed by Bruce Maness, MPA,Inc., also a contractor for TNRCC. The video will be shown in Austin at the Awards ceremony in May.

participating states conducted program reviews in Mexican states. She said they monitored TB prevalence in Mexican herds, inspected laboratories, inspected laboratories, the animal may have been exposed to or infected with TB. "Mexican states that did not obtain a whole-herd test waiver from the USDA include of the reviews in Mexican states that did not obtain a whole-herd test waiver from the USDA include of the reviews in Mexican states that did not obtain a whole-herd test waiver from the USDA include of the reviews in Mexican states that did not obtain a whole-herd test waiver from the USDA include of their part by making sure these roping steers are tested on an annual basis." TOTHING-TO-IT INCLUDED TO THE CONTROL OF THE CONT

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Protect your rights! "Render" your taxable property by April 15th.

A "rendition" is a report to the appraisal district that lists all the taxable property you owned or controlled on January 1st of this year. The rendition form is available at your local appraisal district office... or you may draft a similar form.

Who must file a rendition?

You must file a rendition if you own tangible personal property that is used to produce income—such as the inventory and equipment used by a business.

Are there any advantages to you?

The advantages of filing a rendition are:

- You give your opinion of your property's value, If the appraisal district believes the value is higher, it must notify you in writing of the higher value and explain how you can protest that value to the appraisal review board.
- You record your correct mailing address so your tax bills will go to the right address. If your bill is mailed to the wrong address, the law still holds you responsible for paying your taxes on time or paying extra charges for
- You can also file a "report of decreased value" to notify the appraisal district of significant depreciation of the value of your property in 2001. The district will look at your property before assigning a value in 2002.

What's the deadline?

The last day for filing 2002 renditions is April 15. Call your appraisal district for the last date the rendition may be postmarked, if mailing. You can get an extra 15 days if you ask for it in writing by the April 15 deadline.

Where do you file?

File renditions with your local appraisal district at: Sutton County Appraisal District 300 East Oak St.

Sonora, Texas 76950

915–387–2809 For more information stop by your appraisal district and pick up

"Texas Property Taxes: Taxpayers' Rights, Remedies & Responsibilities" Or contact:

Texas Comptroller's Property Tax Division P.O. Box 13528 Austin, TX 78711-3528

A public service announcement courtesy of this newspaper

¡Protega sus derechos! "Rienda" su propiedad antes del 15º de abril.

Una "rendición" es un reporte al distrito de valoraciones en donde Ud. alista toda la propiedad que poseó o controló el día 1 de enero. El formulario para la rendición se puede obtener en su oficina local del distrito de valoraciones...o puede improvisar una forma parecida.

¿Quien debe hacer una rendición?

Debe hacer una rendición si Ud. es dueño y gana ingresos de una propiedad personal-por ejemplo, el inventorio y equipo utilizado en un negocio.

¿Que ventaja me da?

Las ventajas de hacer una rendición son las siguientes:

- Ud. registra su opinion sobre la valoración de su propiedad. Si el distrito opina que el valor es mas grande, deber avisarle por escrito y explicarle como protestar el nuevo valor a su junta de revisión.
- Registra su dirección correcta para que le pueden mandar sus tarifas de impuestos. Según la ley, Ud. es responsable por pagar sus impuestos sin demora o de pagar cualquier multa que resulte por haberlos pagado tarde—aunque la tarifa se haya mandado a una dirección equivocada.
- Tambien puede someter un "reporte de valoración disminuída" para avisar al distrito de cualquier reducción significativa en la valoración de su propiedad en 2001. El distrito examinará su propiedad antes de designarle un

¿Cual es la hora del cierre?

15º de abril es la última fecha para mandar sus rendiciones para 2002. Favor de llamar a su distrito de valoraciones para obtener la última fecha en que puede mandar su redicion por correo. Puede obtener 15 días adicionales si los pide por escrito antes de la hora de cierre.

¿Donde hago mi rendición?

Haga su rendicion con su distrito local de valoraciones en: Sutton County Appraisal District 300 East Oak St. Sonora, Texas 76950 915–387–2809 Para mas información, visitenos y obtenga una copia gratis de

> "Impuestos Sobre la Propiedad en Texas: Derechos, Recursos y Responsabilidades del Contribuyente de Impuestos" ó escriba a

> Texas Comptroller's Property Tax Division P.O. Box 13528 Austin, TX 78711-3528

Un servicio público de este periódico

Be Prepared For Bad Weather - Part 3

The following is the third part of a series on severe weather. If you have missed any of the prior articles and would like to have one please contact our office.

High Winds

High winds can cause destruction as devastating as a tornado. If winds are high enough to break glass, stay away from all windows, doors, and outside walls. Find an interior space without windows on the lowest floor. Take a battery operated radio with you. Instructions and storm updates will be broadcast.

Hail

The hail produced from a thunderstorm can range from pea size to the size of a grapefruit. If damaging wind is reported, take cover. The safest shelter is indoors. If you are caught outdoors and the thunderstorm is accompanied by close severe lightning, do not seek shelter under a tree, particularly an isolated one.

Safety Precautions for Lightning

Lightning seems to become the greatest killer when people are outside involved in world or recreational activities.

One-fourth of all fatalities result from persons seeking shelter under trees. Trees, particularly isolated ones, serve as a natural lightning rod. In an effort to establish a flow of current between the cloud and the object it strikes, lightning is most attracted to trees, tele-

The Sonora Main Street

Board of Directors have been in

Forth Worth this week, attend-

ing the National Main Street

Town Meeting. The meeting ran

Association will have a Texas

Hospitality Room and the

Sonora Main Street Board rep-

resented our town in the room

The Texas Downtown

The Sonora Main Street

Annual Flower Show

Thursday, April 18, from 4-6

p.m. at the Crockett County

Civic Center, 101 North Avenue

H. Members of the Ozona

Garden Club will display their

designs based on these theater

themes: "Beautiful Mind", "On

Golden Pond", "Out of Africa",

"Rollercoaster", "Lost in

Space", "The Way We Were",

"South Pacific", "Battle of the

Roses", and "Beauty and the

from April 7 - 10, 2002.

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Beast".

phone poles, or any other elevated objects.

Most Dangerous Places:

A. Under trees

B. Open water C. Tractors and other heavy

equipment D. Golf carts

E. Telephone poles If you plan to be outdoors, check the latest weather forecast and keep a watchful eye on the sky. In almost all cases, you can see the towering thunderhead

and occasional falshes of light-

ning at least 1/2 an hour in advance.

Take a small battery operated radio with you if you suspect a thunderstorm may develop. At signs of an impending storm, developing thunderheads, lightning, and increasing wind or hail, tune in your radio for the latest weather information.

1. TAKE SHELTER inside a home, large building or an all metal (not convertible) automo-

2. Avoid using the telephone except in emergencies.

3. If you cannot get to a shelter, do not stand under a tree in an open area.

4. Avoid projecting from the natural landscape as you would if you were in an open field, on a hilltop, on a beach, or fishing from a small boat.

5. Get our of and away from open water. Lightning current from a nearby strike can travel through the water to you.

6. Get away from tractors and other heavy metal equip-

Program was honored at the

awards ceremony and named a

National Main Street City for

2001. Sonora has been honored

with this award for the last three

Board of Directors that attended

the meeting were Joy Galbreath,

Shelly Hughes, Nancy Davis, Jo

Ann Hernandez and Main Street

The flower show will

present to advise gardeners

about plants best suited to our

arid climate. Additionally,

Debbi Hamilton of the Ozona

Garden Club will exhibit her

photos of flora from a recent

trip to Puerto Rico. Ozona

florists; Petals & Pearls and

Baskets & More, will present

special floral displays at the

public and all are welcome.

This event is free to the

flower show.

manager Ann Kay.

The Sonora Main Street

Main Street Traffic

News From the Neighbors

Ozona Garden Club Invites All To

Members of the Ozona include a special exhibit pre-

Garden Club are busily prepar- pared by Don Carraso of the

ing for their annual flower Rustic Wheel Barrow in San

show, "Theater Arts," to be held Angelo. Mr. Carraso will be

7. Get off and away from motorcycles, scooters, golf

carts, and bicycles. Put down golf clubs. 8. Stay away from wire fences, clothesline, metal pipes, rails, and other metallic paths which could carry lightning to

you from some distance away. 9. Avoid standing in small isolated sheds or other small structures in open areas.

10. Ina forest, seek shelter in a low area under a thick growth of small trees.

11. In open areas go to a ravine or valley.

12. If in a level field or prairie, you feel your hair stand on end--indicating lightning is about to strike- drop to your KNEES and bend forward putting your hands on your KNEES. DO NOT LIE FLAT ON THE GROUND.

13. Groups of people should spread out staying several yards apart.

14. People struck by lightning will receive a sever shock an may be burned, but they do not carry an electrical charge and can be handled safely.

Many person apparently "killed" by lightning can be revived if quick action is taken. Treat the apparent dead first. For those not breathing, give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation at the rate of one breath every three seconds for a child, and one breath every three seconds for an infant. If the person is not breathing and has no pulse, CPR must be performed immediately by trained persons.

J.V. Baseball from page 1

On the mound for the Broncos was Dustin Creek and Cearley. Creek went 4 innings; striking out 6, walking 2, hit 1 batter and he gave up 6 runs, 4 of which were earned. Cearley faced 11 batters in 3 innings; striking out 6 and giving up 2 This week the Broncos will

face the Grape Creek Eagles. Good Luck Broncos!

Head Start Registration Information

Tom Green County : Community Action Council Head Start Program has sched-3 uled their registration for the 2002-2003 school year. The registration will be held on Monday, April 22, 2002 from 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. and on Tuesday, April 23, 2002 from 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. at Sonora Head Start at 227 N. Main in Sonora, Texas.

Tom Green County Community Action Council -Head Start Program is a comprehensive, Pre-k program serving children of low-income families. Children 3 & 4 years of age participate in a program that provides them a "Head Start" to education, social and self help; skills and their health and dental care. Head Start children receive a nutritious breakfast, snack, and lunch; participate in large and small group activities; individual activities, center time, story time and many successful, self-esteem building exercises. School days are Monday thru: Friday, hours are 7:45 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

It is required that the child? be three years old by September-1st in order to register for the Head Start Program. Parents or guardians of a child must bring COPIES of the following: Proof of income, (3 recent consecutive) check stubs, 2000 W-2/Filed 1040 Tax Form Return, Proof of child's age (Child's birth certificate), Child's Social Security Number, up-to-date immunization record, and if applicable, Medicaid, Health Insurance; Coverage for child, TANF, and Food Stamp Case Numbers. All of these items MUST BE brought with you to register your child for the program.

Children with disabilities are a priority to the program. If you suspect your child has a disability (i.e. speech, delay/developmentally delayed) or your child has been diagnosed with a: disability, please be sure to inform the enrollment staff at not lies and partor votres for early voting a sail, for said election are set of the Exhibit A at



TON, D.C. -Rep. Henry Bonilla **Saving You** Money

The week is finally upon us. By the time you read this column, you will have less than five days to file your taxes. As we dive into the pamphlets, fill out the forms and contact our accountant, many of us are wondering, "how much worse can it get?" The answer: much, much worse

Would you believe that some members of Congress would like to repeal President Bush's ten-year tax relief plan that we made law last year. They want to do away with the tax relief that is putting money back in the hands of the American people and growing the economy. It's hard to believe, but it's true.

Under the previous administration, taxes reached an unprecedented high. The average family in America paid more in taxes than on food, clothing and shelter combined. But the tide has turned under President Bush. Last year, conservative members of Congress enacted the largest tax relief package in twenty years.

As the April 15th IRS deadline quickly approaches, allow me to touch upon a few changes that have saved you money:

Let's begin by taking a look at some of the folks who benefit from tax relief. Fifteen million Hispanics and sixteen million black Americans will save money under the tax relief law. At least sixty million women benefit as well. For the average family of four, the savings is approximately \$1,900. That is money that can be used for education, a new washer and dryer or to help pay down credit cards and loans. For the twenty million married taxpayers, relief from the marriage tax is welcome news. Lowering taxes across the board means every American who pays taxes -whether rural or urban, rich or middle class -- will get tax relief.

We've done our part to help save family farms and business. Congress and the president have worked hard to eliminate the unfair death tax. With each passing year, we are on our way to ridding the tax code of this burdensome penalty. And for those who are affected by the Alternative Minimum Tax (AMT), current law increases AMT exemption for singles and for married couples.

Keeping true to our commitment to promote family values and leave no child behind, Republicans in Congress were successful in getting a \$10,000 adoption tax credit into law. We have raised the per-child tax credit from \$500 to \$600 as it heads on its way to eventually doubling.

Things are changing for the better. You are seeing more money in your paychecks and sending less money to Washington. Even the economy is appreciative. Many economist have speculated that we climbed out of the recession at a quick pace because of last year's tax rebates.

But the fight is not over. In the coming weeks and month, all our hard-work will be challenged. Some members of Congress will do their best to repeal your tax cut. You can stand assured that I'll do my part to keep it in place.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION TO THE RESIDENT QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF SONORA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an election will be held within Sonora Independent School District on May 4, 2002, as provided in the Order duly passed by the Board of Trustees of said District, which Order is substantially as follows:

AN ORDER BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SONORA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT CALLING A BOND ELECTION TO BE HELD WITHIN SAID DISTRICT; PRO-VIDING FOR THE CONDUCT AND THE GIVING OF NOTICE OF SAID ELECTION; AND CONTAINING PROVI-SIONS NECESSARY AND INCIDENTAL TO THE PURPOS-ES HEREOF

WHEREAS, this Board of Trustees finds and determines that it is necessary and advisable to call and hold an election for and within Sonora Independent School District (the "District:) on the proposition hereinafter set forth; and

WHEREAS, it is further found and determined that holding such election on the date hereinafter provided is in the public inter-

WHEREAS, it is further found, determined and declared that the meeting at which this Order has been adopted was open to the public and public notice of the date, hour, place and subject of said meeting, including this Order, was given, all as required by the applicable provisions of Tex. Gov't Code Ann. ch. 551; Now,

BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SONORA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Section 1. Findings.

The statements contained in the preamble of this Order are true and correct and adopted as findings of fact and operative provisions hereof.

Section 2. Election Ordered; Date; Proposition.

An election shall be held for and within the District on May 4, 2002, at which election the following proposition shall be submitted in accordance with law:

PROPOSITION SHALL THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SONORA INDEPEN-DENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BE AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE AND SELL THE BONDS OF THE DISTRICT IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$7,500,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE CON-STRUCTION, RENOVATION AND EQUIPMENT OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS IN THE DISTRICT; AND SHALL THERE BE LEVIED AND PLEDGED, ASSESSES AND COLLECTED ANNUALLY AD VALOREM TAXES ON ALL TAXABLE PROP-ERTY IN THE DISTRICT SUFFICIENT, WITHOUT LIMIT AS TO RATE OR AMOUNT, TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS AS THE SAME BECOME DUE; SUCH BONDS TO BE ISSUED IN ONE OR MORE SERIES OR ISSUES, TO MATURE SERIALLY OR OTHERWISE, AND TO BEAR INTEREST AT SUCH RATE OR RATES NOT TO EXCEED THE RESPECTIVE LIMITS PRESCRIBED BY LAW AT THE TIME OF ISSUANCE, AS THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES IN ITS DISCRETION SHALL DETERMINE.

Section 3. Precincts and Polling Places.

The election precincts for said election and the polling place for each such precinct are hereby established and designated as set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto, which is incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof for all purposes.

Section 4. Early Voting.

The early voting polling place for conducting early voting by personal appearance, and the address for early voting by mail, for said election are set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto.

Section 5. Voting Hours. (a) On election day the polls shall be open from 7:00 A.M. to

(b) The dates and hours for early voting by personal appearance

shall be as set forth in Exhibit A hereto.

Section 6. Official Ballots.

(a) Voting at said election on election day and early voting by personal appearance and by mail shall be by the use of paper bal-

(b) The official ballots for said election shall be prepared in accordance with the Texas Election Code so as to permit the electors to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the aforesaid proposition, which shall be set forth substantially in the following form:

PROPOSITION THE ISSUANCE OF \$7,500,000 BONDS FOR CONSTRUCT-ING, RENOVATING AND EQUIPPING SCHOOL BUILDINGS IN THE DISTRICT, AND THE LEVYING OF THE TAX IN PAY-MENT THEREOF

Section 7. Bilingual Election Materials.

The election materials enumerated in Tex. Elec. Code Ann. §§ 272.001, et seq., shall be printed and furnished in both English and Spanish for use at the polling place and for early voting.

Section 8. Persons Qualified to Vote.

All resident qualified electors of the District shall be permitted to vote at said election.

Section 9. Notice of Election.

Notice of said election shall be given by (i) publishing a substantial copy of this Order in both English and Spanish one time not earlier than the 30th day or later than the 10th day before election day, in a newspaper published in the District and (ii) posting a substantial copy of this Order in both English and Spanish on the bulletin board in the District's administrative offices used for posting notices of the meetings of the Board of Trustees of the District not later than the 21st day before election day.

AVISO DE ELECCION DE BONOS A LOS VOTANTES HABILITADOS QUE RESIDEN EN EL

DISTRITIO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE SONORA: POR LO PRESENTE SE DA AVISO que se celebrara una eleccion de bonos dentro del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Sonora el sabado, 4 de mayo de 2002, como provisto en la Orden que fue debidamente aprobada por la Junta de Regentes de dicho Distrito, y la orden es substancialmente la siguiente:

UNA ORDEN POR LA JUNTA DE REGENTES DEL DISTRI-TIO ESCOLAR INDPENEDIENTE DE SONORA LLAMAN-DO UNA ELECCION DE BONOS QUE SE CELEBRARA DENTRO DE DICHO DISTRITO; DISPONIENDO EL MANEJO Y EL DAR AVISO DE DICHA ELECCION; Y CON-TENIENDO LAS DISPOSICIONES QUE SEAN NECE-SARIAS E INCIDENTES A LOS PROPOSITIOS DE ESTO.

VISTO QUE, esta Junta de Regentes halla y determina que es necesario y aconsejable llamar y celebrar una eleccion para y dentro del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Sonora (el "Distritio") sobre la proposicion que esta manifestada mas abajo aqui dentro; y

VISTO QUE, ademas se halla y determina que sera provechoso al publico celebrar tal eleccion en la fecha que esta provisto mas

VISTO QUE, ademas se halla, determina y declara que la junta en que se adopte una Orden estuvo abierta al publico, y que se dio aviso publico de la feca, hora, lugar, y tema de dicha junta, incluyendo esta Orden, todo como requerido por las disposiciones aplicables del Anotado Capitulo 551 del Codigo de Gobiernos de Texas; Ahora, Por lo Tanto,

ORDENESE POR LA JUNTA DE REGENTES DEL DISTRI-TIO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE SONORA: Seccion 1. <u>Determinaciones</u>.

Las declaraciones que estan contenidas en el preambulo de esta Orden son verdaderas y correctas y estan adoptadas como determinaciones de hecho y disposiciones operativas de esto.

Seccion 2. La Eleccion Ordenada; la Fecha; la Proposicion. Se celebrara una eleccion para y dentro del Distrito el 4 de mayo de 2002, y en dicha eleccion se presentara la siguiente proposicion de acuerdo con las leyes:

PROPOSICION DEBERA DE ESTAR AUTORIZADA LA JUNTA DE REGENTES DEL DISTRITIO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE SONORA PARA EMITIR Y VENDER LOS BONOS DEL DIS-TRITIO EN LA PRINCIPAL DE \$7,500,000, CON EL PROPOSI-TO DE CONSTRUIR, RENOVAR, Y EQUIPAR LOS EDIFICIOS ESCOLARES EN EL DISTRITO, Y LA ADQUISICION DE LOS SITIOS QUE SEAN NECESARIOS PARA LOS EDIFICIOS ESCOLARES EN EL DISTRITO; Y DEBERAN DE IMPONERSE Y EMPENARSE, TASARSE Y RECAUDARSE CADA ANO LOS IMPUESTOS AD VALOREM SOBRE TODOS LOS BIENES IMPONIBLES EN EL DISTRITO QUE SEAN SUFICIENTES, SIN RESTRICCION EN CUANTO A TIPO O CANTIDAD, PARA PAGAR LA PRINCIPAL DE E INTERES SOBRE LOS BONOS MIENTRAS QUE LOS MISMOS SE VENZAN; DICHOS BONOS ESTARAN EMITIDOS EN UNA SERIE O EMISION O MAS, Y LLEVARAN INTERES A DICHO TIPO O TIPOS A NO EXCEDER LAS RESTICCIONES RESPECTIVAS QUE PRE-SCRIBAN LAS LEYES DURANTE EL TIEM PO EN QUE LOS BONOS FUERON EMITIDOS, SEGUN LA JUNTA DE REGENTES DETERMINE A SU MIRAMIENTO

Seccion 3. Los Precintos y los Sitios de Votacion. Los precintos electorales para dicha eleccion y el sitio de votacion para cada tal precinto por lo presente estan establecidos y senalados en el Documento de Prueba "A" que esta adjunto a esto, y este documento de prueba esta incorporado agui dentro por referencia y se hace parte de esto en todos sentidos.

Seccion 4. La Votacion Anticipada. El Sitio de Votacion en el cual se manejara la Votacion Anticipada en persona, y la direccion para la votacion anticipada por correo para dicha eleccion estan manifestadas en el Documento de Prueba "A" que esta adjunto a esto.

Seccion 5. Las Horas de Votar.

(a) El dia de las elecciones, los sitios de votacion estaran abiertos de las 7 a.m. a las 7 p.m. (b) Las fechas y las horas para la votacion anticipada en per-

sona seran las que estan manifestadas en el Documento de Prueba "A" que esta adjunto a esto. Seccion 6. Las Boletas Oficiales.

(a) La votacion en dicha eleccion el dia de las elecciones y la votacion anticipada en persona y por correo se manejaran por usar boletas de papel.

(b) Las boletas oficiales para dicha eleccion se prepararan de acuerdo con el Codigo de Elecciones de Texas de manera que permitan que los votantes voten o, "A FAVOR DE" o "EN CONTRA DE" la antemencionada proposicion, la cual se manifestara substancialmente del siguiente modo:

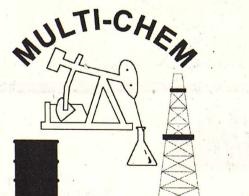
PROPOSICION LA EMISION DE \$7,500,00 EN BONOS PARA CONSTRUIR, RENOVAR Y EQUIPAR LOS EDIFICIOS ESCOLARES EN EL DISTRITO, Y LA IMPOSICION DEL IMPUESTO EN PAGO DE

Seccion 7. Los Materiales Electorales Bilingües.

Los materiales electorales que estan enumerados en la Anotada Sec. 272.001 del Codigo de Elecciones de Texas, et seg., estaran impresos y disponibles en ingles y en español para uso en el sitio de votacion y para la votacion anticipada.

Seccion 8. Las Personas Que Estan Habilitadas Para Votar. Todos los votantes habilitados que residen en el Distrito estaran permitidos votar en dicha eleccion. Seccion 9. El Aviso de Eleccion.

Se dara aviso de dicha eleccion por (i) publicar una copia substancial de esta Orden en ingles tanto como en español una vez entre diez (10) y treinta (30) dias antes de la eleccion, en un periodico que esta publicado en el Distrito y (ii) fijar una copia substancial de esta Orden en ingles y en español sobre la tabla de anuncios en las oficinas administrativas del Distrito que se utiliza para fijar loa avisos de las juntas de la Junta de Regentes del Distrito dentro de 21 dias antes de las elecciones.



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Early Voting by Personal Appearance

Main Early Voting Polling Place Sonora Independent School District Administration Building 807 South Concho Sonora, Texas

Dates and Hours for Early Voting

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> Address for Early Voting by Mail Sonora Independent School District 807 South Concho Sonora, Texas 76950

Attention: Early Voting Clerk Documento De Prueba "A"

DISTITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE SONORA **ELECCION DE BONOS** 4 de mayo de 2002

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