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Thursday, August 7, 2003

30th Annual Sutton County Days & Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo Schedule of Events

Sunday, August 10
12:30 p.m.

Miss Sutton County Style Show at the Sutton County Civic Center - Lunch and fashions take a "blast from the past"!

Wednesday, August 13
5:30 p.m.

Women's Barrel Racing, Breakaway Roping, Steer Roping

Thursday, August 14

9:00 a.m. - Calf Roping, Steer Wrestling, Team Roping

5:30 p.m. - The Special "JailBreak" Performance: Women's Barrel Racing & Breakaway Roping, Calf Roping, Steer Wrestling, Team Roping, Bull Riding

Friday, August 15

9:00 a.m. - Calf Roping, Steer Wrestling, Team Roping, Women's Breakaway Roping

4:00 - 7:00 p.m. - Arts & Crafts Booths open at the Sutton County Park for Sneak Preview, including Sonora Elementary PTO's "Kid's Corner" with the Rock Climbing Wall, Blues Clues Bounce House, The Giant Slide, a duck pond and a fish bowl toss

5:00 - 7:00 p.m. - Masonic Lodge Annual Scholarship Fund Raiser Steak Dinner at the Sutton County Civic Center

7:30 p.m. - Pre-Show Outlaw Pro Rodeo at the Sutton County Arena, Introduction of the Miss Sutton County Queen Contestants, Kids Mutton Bustin', Full Rodeo Performance featuring Bad Company Rodeo

9:00 p.m. - Rodeo Dance featuring Grammy Award Winner - John Arthur Martinez a USA Network Nashville Star at the Sutton County Slab

Saturday, August 16

7:15 a.m. - 5K run/walk registration on courthouse lawn

8:00 a.m. - 5K run/walk begins

9:00 a.m. - Parade begins

10:00 a.m. - Opening Ceremonies at the Sutton County Park with the National Anthem by Jalee Barnes, Arts, crafts & food booths open, registration begins for Horseshoe & Washer Pitchin' at the beer stand, introduction of Miss Sutton County Queens contestants on main stage. Sonora Elementary PTO "Kid's Corner".

10:30 a.m. - Little Mr. & Miss Sutton County contest on main stage

11:00 a.m. - Twin Fiddlers Contest at the 4-H Civic Center

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Chicken Salad Lunch provided by the Women of St. John's Episcopal Church at 4-H Civic Center

11:30 a.m. - Devil's River Dancers on main stage

12:00 p.m. - Jalee Barnes on main stage

12:30 p.m. - Castilleja Brothers Band on main stage

1:30 p.m. - Sonora Band on main stage

2:30 p.m. - Kim DuQue on main stage

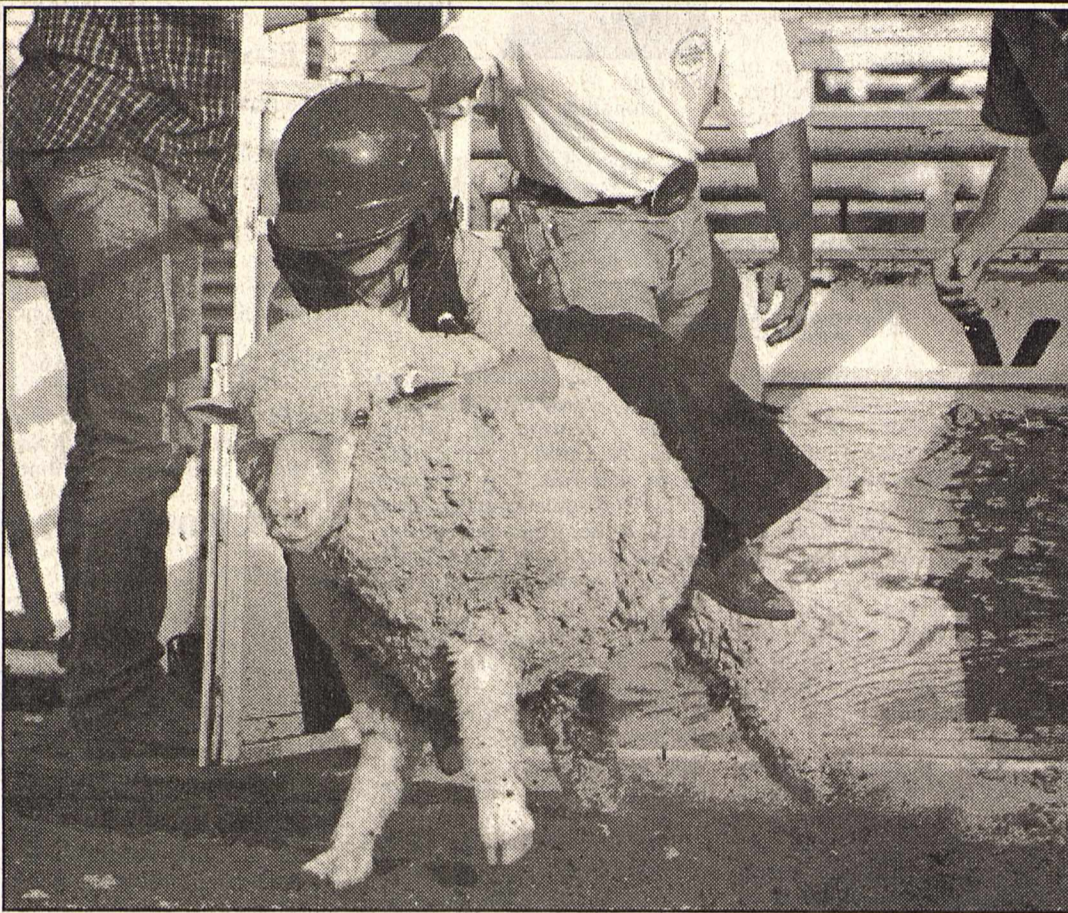
5:00 p.m. - Johnny Dickinson & Big Country Band on main stage

7:00 p.m. - Close of the arts & crafts booths

7:30 p.m. - Pre-Show Outlaw Pro Rodeo with the crowning of Miss Sutton County, full Rodeo Performance featuring Bad Company Rodeo

9:00 p.m. - Rodeo Dance featuring Grammy Award Winner - John Arthur Martinez a USA Network Nashville Star at the Sutton County Slab

For More Information, please call the Sonora Chamber of Commerce at 325-387-2880.



Aaron Brawley holds on with all he's got, trying to make the longest ride!

Bustin' Out At Outlaw Pro Rodeo Pre-Show

by *Storie Sharp*

Even though his ride ended with tears, Aaron Brawley was soon smiling again as the announcer called out his winning time of 3.50 seconds. Brawley was the winner of the qualifying round of the 2003 Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo Mutton Bustin' on Friday, August 1, 2003.

There were about 12 little cowboys and cowgirls that gave it a shot on Friday, hoping to make it to the finals and take home the pair of Justin boots, donated by Justin, that will go to the winner. All of them hit the dirt hard, but got right up, with no major injuries, except maybe their pride.

The second place winner of this year's Mutton Bustin', to be held on Friday, August 15, 2003 in the pre-show of the Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo, wins a pair of spurs donated by Crittendon Water Well Service. Third place will take home a rope, rope bag and a horse blanket, all donated by Rafter W Feed.

This year's top contestants that will make it to the final round are: Aaron Brawley - 3.5, Tachi Munoz - 3.16, J.D. Garcia - 2.87, Kylie Love - 2., Rhea Mansfield - 1.88, James Freeman - 1.85, Jonathan Garcia - 1.69, Dalton Roper - 1.44 and Lauren Dudley - 1.09. Those times are measured in seconds, and if you think that doesn't sound like a long time you should attach yourself to one of

those squirming sheep! All the kids did a great job and are sure to put on a great show at next week's rodeo.

The Outlaw Team Roping Challenge was held right after the Mutton Bustin', with over 250 teams roping. The top 12 teams of Friday's roping will return to rope in the Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo on Friday and Saturday. The best times on three steers was taken to determine the winners. Teams returning on Friday night are:

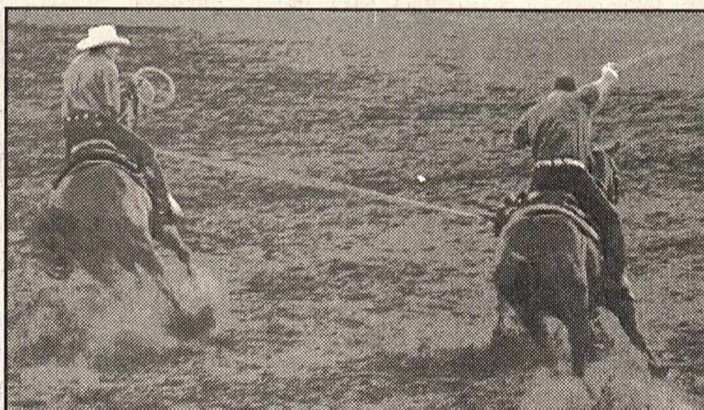
- Jamey Newbury & Kirby Jones - 43.07
- W.A. Kinder & Shorty Hernandez - 44.93
- Daniel Hernandez & Cash Joy - 45.47
- Gary Gardner & Clint Rainey - 46.42
- Renee Weitz & Dean Dermody - 46.44
- Doyle Weitz & R.J. Jordon - 47.86

Saturday night's teams will be:

- Cody Scheussler & Chuck Lambert - 35.98
- Tyler Wright & R.J. Jordon - 34.72
- Doyle Weitz & Dean Dermody - 32.36
- J.R. Carruth & Anthony McGuire - 31.08
- Laramie Hall & Tony Renfro - 28.23
- Roy Herd & Shannon Boyles - 28.22

Alternates are Houston Powers & Sterling Price - 48.84, Kenny Wood & Adrian Arispe - 56.29, Bob Bruce & Cash Joy - 56.80 and Steve Morriss & Terry McMillan - 67.81

Trophy buckles will be awarded to the winning team. Come out and support your local cowboys at the 30th Annual Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo.



Team ropers swing for a chance at an Outlaw Pro Rodeo buckle.

Fiery Crash Claims One, Injures One



Sonora Volunteer Fire Dept. attempts to distinguish flames at a wreck site on Saturday.

by *Storie Sharp*

A one vehicle accident on Saturday, August 2, 2003 took the life of one and sent one to the hospital in critical condition. Texas State Trooper Justin William Baker of Ozona and Trooper Earlie Williams of Sonora reported that a 2001 Mitsubishi was traveling west on Interstate 10 between Ozona and Sonora, at a high rate of speed. At 10:27 a.m. the driver lost control of the vehicle while passing another car. The Mitsubishi left the roadway and went into the center median at the 386 mile marker. The stretch of median soon ended, leading into a draw located below the interstate bridges. The vehicle went airborne over an embankment and rolled approximately six times before coming to a stop on its hood. The two occupants were thrown from the vehicle, which immediately caught on fire. Ervay Torres, 19, of Sonora, TX, was pronounced dead at the scene by Justice of the Peace, Adelita Alvarez. Wayne Tijerina Flores, 23, of Ozona, TX was taken to Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital with multiple head wounds. Flores was later transferred by the AirMed helicopter to Shannon Medical Center, where he remains in critical condition. Sonora Police Officer Dick Dudley, Sutton County Deputy Oscar Chavez, Sutton County EMS and San Angelo Border Patrol assisted at the scene.

"Nashville Star" to Perform at Rodeo Dance

Many of you may recognize John Arthur from this year's new show "Nashville Star" that aired on USA network. He finished second on the show, but it was a close call and he hasn't missed a step since. Martinez will take the stage at the Sutton County Days Dance after the Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo on Friday, August 15th and Saturday, August 16th.

"If the spirit moves you, feel free to belt out a grito," the perspiring performer says to his Hill Country audience at the Wildhorse Grill in Marble Falls. "A grito is a musical cry from the deepest parts of your soul which expresses both joy and sorrow."

Austin-born singer/songwriter John Arthur Martinez then shares his own grito igniting the congregation of fans into a chorus of gritos. "Alright, you've convinced me--gringo grito is not necessarily an oxymoron."

The same charisma Martinez pours into his live shows, the same blend of joy and sorrow, the same dose of country

Sutton County Days' Fun Run/5K Run

The Sutton County Days' Fun Run and 5K Run will be Saturday, August 16, 2003 at 8:00 a.m. Check in before 7:30 a.m. in the Court House Parking Lot area. Runners can pre-register by calling Eddie Favila at 387-3661.

- Division I Grades Kinder, 1st, 2nd 3rd
- Division II Grades 4th, 5th, 6th
- Division III Grades 7th 8th 9th 10th
- Division IV Grades 11th 12th to 25 years
- Division V Ages 26 and wiser

The cost for Division I & II is \$2.00 and the cost for Division III, IV & V is \$5.00

Proceeds benefit the boys and girls cross country teams in Sonora.

Register Today For The Sutton County Days' Parade

The Sutton County Days Parade will begin at 9:00 a.m. with line-up beginning at 8:15 a.m., Saturday, August 16, 2003. Each parade participant will receive information with regard to line-up arrangements prior to Friday, August 15, 2003.

The 30th Annual Sutton County Days festivities will begin promptly at 10:00 a.m. at the Sutton County Park. The PRCA rodeo is set for Wednesday, August 13th through Saturday, August 16th, with dances on Friday and Saturday nights. The Sutton County Park will be the setting for arts & crafts, live entertainment, a talent contest and delicious food on Friday and Saturday.

We would like to make this the best parade Sutton County has ever seen and we need your participation. An entry form is available on page 6. Please return before the August 8th deadline so that we may send you information regarding the parade line-up. We look forward to seeing you!

Adkins and Weingart To Remove Yellow Ribbons From Old Oak Tree

submitted

The Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program, Sutton County, The Devil's River News, Sonora Chamber of Commerce and the City of Sonora would like everyone to help celebrate the return of Lt. Brandon Adkins and Javier J. Weingart. These young servicemen will remove their yellow ribbons from the Old Oak Tree on the Sutton County Courthouse lawn at 11:45 a.m. on August 11, 2003. Lt. Adkins was sponsored locally by Tedford Jewellery and the Mercantile Businesses. Weingart was sponsored by Exxon. The young men will receive a "welcome home" dinner from Sutton County Steakhouse. Come show them your support and help welcome them home!

Diabetes Education Classes to be Offered in Sonora

submitted by *Kelly Thorp, Sutton County Extension Home Economist*

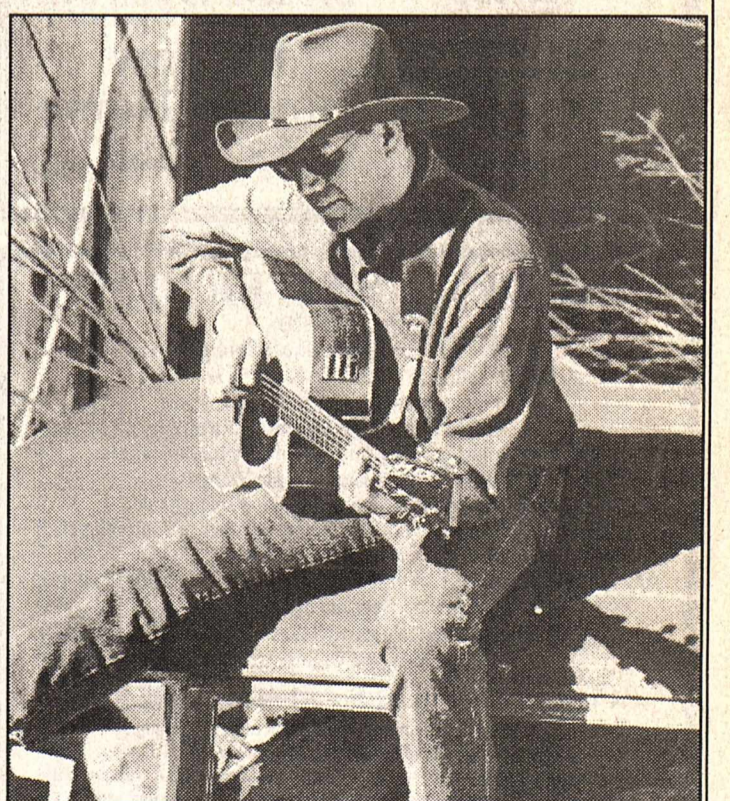
Anybody can get diabetes.

In fact, over 17 million Americans have it, including 5 million who have it and don't know it. Having diabetes means that your blood glucose (sugar) level is too high. Blood always has some glucose to produce energy, but too much glucose isn't good for your health. Being older, being overweight, and leading an inactive lifestyle

all increase your risk of developing diabetes. After the age of 45, you should have your blood glucose level checked every 3 years.

The glucose, or sugar, in your blood provides the energy your body needs. Insulin is the substance that moves the sugar from the food you eat through your blood and into your body's cells, where it can be used to make energy. When your body doesn't make enough insulin, or

see *Diabetes page 8*



John Arthur Martinez will have everyone turning on the Sutton County dance slab during Sutton Co. Days.

and small town influences flow through the tracks of his new album, *Stand Your Ground*. And his words ring with authority. He spent his early childhood on a ranch near

Round Mountain, Texas, and like an old oak, John Arthur's roots reach deep into the rocky soil of the Texas Hill

See *John Arthur Martinez page 8*

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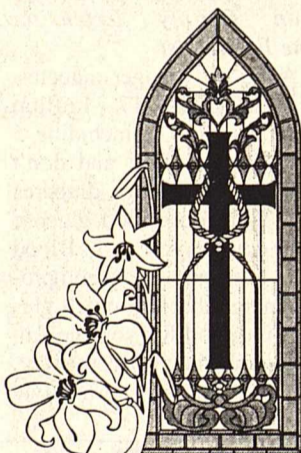
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Obituaries

Ervay Torres

Ervay Torres, 19, died Saturday, August 2, 2003. Services were at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday at St. Ann's Catholic Church, with burial following in Sonora Cemetery. Arrangements were by Kerbow Funeral Home.

Survivors include his wife, Laura Garza Torres, son, Jose Angel Torres, and mother, Anita Duran Torres, all of Sonora; father, Eloy Torres of Eldorado; brother, Eloy Torres Jr. of Sonora; sisters, Veronica Torres of Sonora; Angelica Torres of Arlington and Valerie Torres of Sonora, maternal grandmother, Margaret Duran; and paternal grandfather Domingo Torres.

Pallbearers were Eloy Torres, Jr., Jesus Torres, Jr., Robert D. Guerra, Jose Salazar, Peter R. Duran and J.D.



Borrego.

Honorary pallbearers were Mike Sanchez, Manny Gonzales, Tino Dominguez, Israel Arevalo, Manuel Lopez, Juan Rodriguez, John Barron III and Jorge Guerra.

Carolina L. Dominguez

Carolina L. Dominguez, 59, of Sonora died Thursday, July 31, 2003, in a San Angelo hospital.

Graveside services were held Monday, August 4, 2003 at 11:00 a.m. in the Sonora Cemetery. Kerbow Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

She is survived by her mother, Paula Gutierrez of Sonora; 2 sons, Juan Jose

Dominguez and Jesus Dominguez, both of Sonora; 3 daughters, Carolina Vickers, Paulina Salazar, and Ana A. DeLeon, all of Sonora; 4 brothers, Antonio Gutierrez and Ezequiel Gutierrez, both of Sonora; Matilde Lugo and Jorge Gutierrez, both of Mexico and 3 sisters, Maria Elena Mata of Sonora, Letty Hernandez and Norma Trevino, both of Mexico.

Beavely Dean Wilson

Beavely Dean Wilson was born August 10, 1916, and passed away July 31, 2003, at the age of 86, at Hudspeth Memorial Hospital.

A graveside service was held at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, August 2, 2003 in the Sonora Cemetery with the Rev. Monte Jones officiating. Arrangements were by Kerbow Funeral Home.

The daughter of John and Gladys Wyatt Reiley, Beavely was born and raised at Owensville. She also attended school at Incarnate Word in San Antonio. She married Elmer

Wilson on January 6, 1938. She lived and ranched in Sonora and eastern Sutton County her entire life.

Survivors include her husband of 65 years, Elmer; one daughter, Barbara Jennings; grandchildren, David and Beth Jennings, and Larry and Kate Jennings; great-grandchildren, Cash, Hunter, and Sky Jennings; one sister, Winnie Lynn Joseph, all of Sonora; and several nieces and nephews and their families. Grandson, Steve Jennings, preceded her in death.

Peggy Joann Collins

Following a courageous battle with cancer, Peggy Collins passed away peacefully in her sleep Saturday evening, August 2, 2003, in Tomball. A long time resident of Rankin, Texas, she was born April 23, 1933, in Big Lake, Texas to the late Boyd and Ollie White. Peggy was a 1951 graduate of Big Lake High School. She married L.L. "Tex" Collins in 1951, and moved to Rankin where they raised their four children.

She is preceded in death by her husband of 50 years, L.L. "Tex" Collins, brothers Prentice, Boyd Jr., Paul and sister Willie. Peggy is survived by her brother Thurman White of Las Vegas, Nevada; daughters and sons-in-law Caye and Paul Lankford of Cypress, Texas, and Faye and Donnie Deel of Sonora, Texas; sons and daughters-in-law Baret and Deborah Collins of Midland, Texas and Brent and Patricia Collins of Odessa, Texas; grandsons Marc Lankford of Houston, Texas, Shane Deel and wife Krystal of San Angelo, Texas and Blaise, Logan, and Carson Collins of Odessa, Texas; granddaughters Michael Maturin and husband Chris of Broussard, Louisiana; Courtney Floyd and husband Chuck of San Marcos, Texas; Bethany Deel of Sonora, Texas

and Rebecca Rochelle of San Angelo, Texas; step-grandsons Randy Adamson of Dason, Louisiana, Darin Guy of Burnet, Texas, and Toby Guy of Cedar Hill, Texas; great-grandchildren Karly, Rylie, Ethan and Keifer; special niece Carol Gene Cottle, nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Peggy was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Rankin and Beta Sigma Phi social sorority. She retired from Burlington Resources, and she and "Tex" moved to San Angelo to enjoy their "retirement" years.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to Dr. Elizabeth Wanner, her staff, the Tomball Regional hospital, Crown Hospice, and the many new friends in Houston and at the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd in Tomball. We would also like to express our love and gratitude to her many old and true friends in Rankin, Midland, Big Lake, and San Angelo.

Graveside services were held Wednesday, August 6, 2003, at 10:00 a.m. at the Rankin Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be made to the American Cancer Society, 6301 Richmond, Houston, TX. 77057 or to your local Hospice.

Thank you for reading The Devil's River News

Senior Center News

Aug. 11 - Bingo!
Aug. 12 - Sugar/Blood checks. 11:00 a.m. - ? CEAP Energy Assistants. 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Aug. 14 - Volunteer to deliver meals. Call 387-5657.

Senior Menu

Aug. 11 - Fried chicken breast, mashed potatoes, mixed greens, bread, cantaloupe, jello parfait, milk.
Aug. 12 - Hot dogs with chili on bun, chips, pineapple, Waldorf salad, brownie, milk.
Aug. 13 - Chicken strips with gravy, baked potato, broccoli with cheese, roll, apple cobbler, milk.
Aug. 14 - Spaghetti with meat sauce, spinach, garlic bread, fruit cocktail, pound cake, milk.
Aug. 15 - Soft tacos, meat, cheese, pinto beans, corn with pepper, tortilla, lettuce and tomato, mixed fruit, milk.

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.

Robert Lawrence Bledsoe

Robert Lawrence Bledsoe, 86, of San Angelo passed away in a local nursing home on Thursday, July 31, 2003.

Graveside services were at 10:00 a.m. Monday, August 4, in Fairmount Cemetery.

Lawrence was born on March 19, 1917, in Goldthwaite. After graduation from high school, he attended Tarleton State University for two years. He was a navigator in the Army Air Corps (now the U.S. Air Force) in World War II.

He was a successful businessman, stockman and rancher in Sutton and Val Verde Counties in part due to his choice of Mr. Frank Fish as a partner. Little did he know that this partnership would bring two families

together as one big extended family.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Lucille Hill in July, 2001.

He is survived by one sister, Kathryn Moses of San Angelo; two nieces, Linda Love and husband, Jim, of Houston and Teresa Williams of Juno; and a great-niece, Kristen Cole of Maryland.

The family would like to thank the staff of Meadow Creek Nursing Center, the special caregivers, and special friends, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lieber.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Concho Valley Home for Girls or to a charity of choice.

Cards of Thanks

A special thank you! To all the people that helped with the car wreck on 7-29-03 on the 400 exit I-10. You made a difference. Thank you! From the first person that called 911, to all the Officers, Fire Dept. personnel, the BJ Services employee, Mike Percifull, and other bystanders, you all made a difference in someone's life. We the crew members of Sutton County E.M.S. appreciated all your help! Thank you! You can make a difference in someone's life!

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Thank you to all those at site of one-vehicle rollover on 7/29/03. To the BJ Services employee, Mike Percifull and others who may have been there assisting and providing care to the injured.

Trooper Norbert Ortiz and Trooper Cody Cory

Community

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Sutton County Queen Candidate Style Show
12:30 p.m. • Civic Center
August 11
County Commissioners Meeting
9:00 a.m. • Annex Bldg.
August 13-16
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The Community Calendar



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Calendar

August 15
Masonic Lodge
Scholarship Fundraiser Dinner
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. • Civic Center
August 18
First Day of School - SISD
August 19
City Council Meeting
2:00 p.m. • City Hall

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Ask the Historical Society

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

Q. Do you have any information on the death of Ray Fuller, a pilot, on January 20, 1933?

A. Devil's River News, January 27, 1933- Ray Fuller, an air mail pilot was killed in a plane crash on a flight from San Angelo to San Antonio. His plane crashed into a sheer, brambly side of Mount Smith, near Boerne, Texas. Many residents heard the crash and posed around the plane. You will probably find more information in the San Angelo Standard or the San Antonio papers. They might even have the old photo in their files.

In the same issue we found the following of interest: Mumps and low grades have wiped out the Sonora High School basketball squad. Only two players are available for play, Wes Hill, the lanky center, and G. W. Archer the crack forward and running guard. Herbert Fields and V. J. Glasscock had the mumps. Looks like the season is over for the Sonora boys as you must have a minimum of 5 boys to play.

Also reported as having the mumps are Mesdames George B. Hamilton, A. W. Awalt, and Tom Murray and Miss Faye James.

Mrs. J. M. Stewart, 74, died Tuesday at noon, after an illness of several months, at the ranch home of her son Gordon Stewart and was buried in Junction on Wednesday. She was born Elizabeth Kirkpatrick at Fort Mason on October 16, 1858. She married J. M. Stewart on May 15, 1881 and they lived in the Mason area until 1888. They moved to Flagstaff, Arizona, and three years later returned to Texas where they lived the remainder of their lives in the Mason, Kimble, McCulloch, Menard and Sutton County area. Mrs. Stewart had joined the Methodist Church when she was 16 and was a member the remainder of her life. She was survived by two

children and a sister, Mrs. J. C. Jones of Uvalde.

Mrs. Luella Cauthorn, 65, died Sunday night at 6:30, following an illness of two months, at the Cauthorn ranch 18 miles southwest of Sonora. She was buried in the Sonora Cemetery on Monday. Mrs. Cauthorn was born near Nashville, Tennessee, on January 4, 1868, and came to Texas with her parents when she was 9 years old. They settled near Waco. She came to this area shortly after her marriage to Albert R. Cauthorn who died in 1920. She had lived in this area for approximately 40 years. She was survived by two daughters, Mrs. Stella Altizer, Miss Ida Cauthorn and four sons, Billy, Dan, John and Mack all of Sonora. She was also survived by two stepsons, J. A. and Bob Cauthorn.

The Sonora Boy Scouts, Troop 19, won their sixth pennant Friday as winners of the Ranch District annual winter Jamboree, defeating Troop 20 from Junction 63 to 50 points. Sonora won all places in essay writing, with first going to Wesley Sawyer, second to Reginald Trainer and third to Kenneth Babcock. Semaphore signaling was won by the Sonora team, members of which were W. B. Brantly, Kenneth Babcock, Bobby Nisbet and J. T. Shurley. W. B. Brantly came in second in the newspaper race and Francis Archer third. L. M. Roueche of Sonora was second in fire building. The team of Reginald Trainer, Richard Vehle, Kenneth Babcock and L. M. Roueche, as carriers, and Louis Davis, as rider, won the Paul Revere race. With Wesley Sawyer as patient, J. T. Shurley, Kenneth Babcock and Marion Elliott administering to him, the team won the first aid contest.

At the Court of Honor following the events, Kenneth Babcock and J. T. Shurley received certificates of rank as Star Scouts, while Wesley Sawyer, Marion Elliott, Lloyd McGhee and Reginald Trainer became second class scouts.

At the Piggly Wiggly, Earl B. Lomax, Manager, would sell pure cane sugar for 43 cents for



This unidentified photo simply states: Compl. Joe 1888. Who is this man?

a 10 lb. bag. Quaker Oats in the 55 oz. package sold for 15 cents. Six bars of white unwrapped soap sold for 25 cents and 2 lbs. of pure pork sausage sold for 15 cents. You could buy two packages of spaghetti or vermicelli for 7 cents and a 20 lb. bag of corn meal for 33 cents. A dozen green bananas cost 15 cents and a 1/2 gallon of Mary Jane syrup cost 34 cents. A quart of sour pickles sold for 15 cents and 48 lbs. of Tip Top Flour sold for 79 cents.

Gilmore Hardware Store had Ferry's Seeds for 5 cents and, if you needed, a prescription filled you could just phone the Corner Drug Store by asking the operator for #41.

In The Broncho section of the paper they reported that Pauline Turney, Billy Penick, Marjorie Chadwick, Herbert Fields, Jo Ann Marion, Ella Mae Barnes, V. J. Glasscock and Viba Holland had all been laid low with the mumps. Even Miss Annie Duncan had contracted the dreaded disease.

Miss Langford and the 4th, 5th and 6th grade pupils had put together a zoo display at the grammar school. They had snakes, dogs, alligators and other animals made from clothes pins, twisted rags, old silk hose, etc.

At a meeting at the Valencia Hall on January 22, 1933 the Mexican girls organized a "feminine club," which will be known as El Club Iriz and will

have for its motto "Fe en el porvenir." Officers were elected as follows: Miss Clemencia Cardona, president; Romanita Hernandez, secretary; Marynacia Gomez, treasurer; Clara Brown, vice president; Lena Brown, reporter; and the Misses Eliberta Castro, Laura Hernandez, and Consuelo Torres, guards. Twelve charter members consisted of the above members and the following: Gracia Hernandez; Eudelia Lopez; Esperanza Bermea and Maria Fahila. Speeches were made by Samuel Martinez and Luiz Cardona of Ozona, followed by Ernesto Castro and Miss Clemencia Cardona. Mr. Castro, the organizer, was made an honorary member of the group. Meetings will be held at different members' homes.

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@sonoratax.net. You may call us at 325-387-5084 on Mondays 8-4, Tuesdays 8-noon and Fridays 8-4. The museum is open the same days and we do group tours on other days, if an appointment is made at least a week in advance. Researchers can call and set up an appointment if they cannot get into the office during our normal hours, but we must have advance notice.

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We would like to extend a personal thank you to Lee Bloodworth, Nelda and Stanley Mayfield, Steve Anderson of Location Builders, Multi-Chem, Ol' Sonora Trading Company, Ronnie Cox of Cox Drug and Jimmy Cahill.

Also, thanks to The Image, Dominion and Tedford Jewelry. And, a special thank you goes to Bobby Lou Mayer for all of her help.

The money obtained from the sale of these items is used to support the twelve districts of Texas 4-H, Career Days, Make It Yourself With Wool and the Letter Writing Contest for both college and high school students.

Again, a BIG THANK YOU to those who contributed. Without people such as yourselves, we could not provide this support for our Texas youth.

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- August 11 - Kadie Niblett
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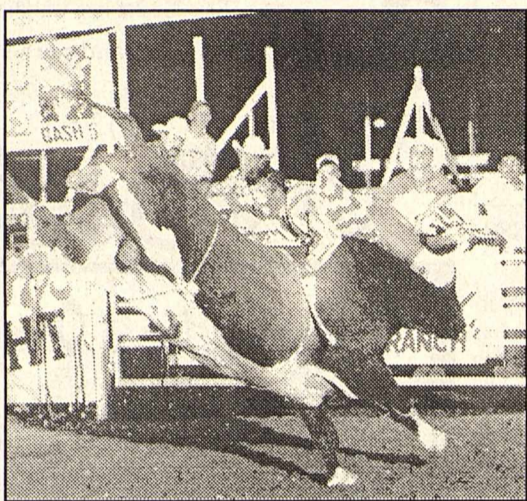


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2003 Miss Sutton County Queen Candidates

Megan Juhree Fitzgerald

Megan is the daughter of Wade and Che'ree Fitzgerald. She has one brother, Casey, sister-in-law, April, one niece, LaDonna Paige, and one nephew, Ethan Wade. She will be a senior at S.H.S. next year and is active in FFA, UIL Academics, FCA, Basketball, Tennis, Spanish Club, and the National Honor Society. Her hobbies and interests include working with animals, riding horses, meeting new people, spending time with family and friends and playing tennis.

Megan would really like to be a Game Warden or be in some form of Law Enforcement. She feels that the best thing about Sonora "is the way, no matter what you're doing, the people in town always treat you like you're family to them. It's like growing up with one huge, extended family."

"I've always liked Sonora just the way it is. I would really be sad if I came back to Sonora from college for Homecoming or Sutton County Days and it had changed too much," she said.



"I would like the opportunity to be Miss Sutton County because, when I was younger, I looked up to the girls that ran for Miss Sutton County. Girls like Vicky Richardson, Candie Sessom, Kelly Jones, Kendra Jones, Andie Allen, Kasey Kearney, Heather Felts and Koda Armke, and several others that ran. I also feel that it's a chance for me to be more involved in the community and it will make my senior year more fun and special."

Tara Green

Tara is the daughter of Russell Green and Diana Green and she has one brother, Chris. She will be a Junior at S.H.S. this year and will be participating in Tennis, Cheerleading, National Honor Society and UIL. Tara was named in the "Who's Who Among High School Students" and was the Freshman and Sophomore Homecoming Dutchess. She loves riding roller coasters and doing anything that gives her an adrenaline rush. She also likes spending time at the lake and bowling.

Tara plans to attend The University of Texas in San Antonio, where she will major in Forensics and minor in Criminal Law.

The best thing Tara likes about Sonora is that "it is a small community and everyone knows everyone."

"I believe there should be more businesses oriented toward entertainment for the youth of Sonora," she said.



"I would like to be Miss Sutton County because our community is very close and I would like the chance to become more acquainted with the people in it."

Kelly Megan Kearney

Kelly is the daughter of Kent and Brenda Kearney, and has one sister, Kasey. She will be a Senior at S.H.S. this year and is active in the National Honor Society, Junior Varsity and Varsity Cheerleading and is a member of the Church of Christ. Kelly was named in "Who's Who Among American High School Students". She enjoys typing on the computer, babysitting, working at Sonora Chemical & Supply and visiting with friends.

Future plans include going to college to major in Business and later attending a Court Reporting School.

Kelly likes the fact that Sonora has "friendly and supportive people who pull together in the good times and the bad." She does say that "it would be nice if there were more places for teenagers to go and do things."



"It would be a big honor for me to represent the county I've grown up and gone to school in. Sutton County is a special place with special people. Seeing the neat experiences and fun my sister had a few years ago, as Princess of Sutton County, made me want to do the same. It would be a privilege to serve my community as Miss Sutton County"

Thia Dawn McKissack

Thia is the daughter of Tommy & Darla McKissack and has one brother, Eddie. Her grandparents are Kathleen S. Moore and Hensel Matthews and Tommy & Marty McKissack. She will be a Senior at S.H.S. this year and has been active in 4-H for 8 yrs., ballet for 11 yrs., golf, the Bronco Spirit Crew, and the National Honor Society.

Thia was the 2000 and 2002 Grand Champion and Champion at the Sonora Wool & Mohair Show, 2000 Grand Champion and Reserve Champion at the San Angelo Wool & Mohair Show, 2003 Grand Champion for Bag of Wool in the open division and Wool Fleece in the junior division at the Sonora Wool & Mohair Show. She was named in the "Who's Who in American High School Students" 2000-2003, the 2002-2003 National Honor Roll, National Society of High School Scholars, and the Art 1-2 Award winner. Thia enjoys oil painting, going to Camp Allison, music, watching television, shopping and traveling. She plans to attend Angelo State University for one year and then transfer to The University of Texas at Austin, with areas of interest being American History and law.

Thia likes that "Sonora is a small, close-knit community with low crime," but "rain and more businesses that families could go to for entertainment, like a bowling alley or a movie theater, etc." would make Sonora a better place to live.



"I will make a great representative for Sutton County because of the fact that I have very deep roots here. I am the 5th generation of a ranching family to grow up and live in Sutton Co. I feel my knowledge of Sutton County will help me to the best of my ability at representing our area."

30th Annual Sutton County Days

August 15 & 16, 2003

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Summer Reading Program Ends at Sutton County Library

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If you didn't visit the Sutton County Library this summer, you missed some fun and reading. The program was held on Tuesdays with various times for different grade levels.

On Wednesdays, the program was taken to the school for the younger children so that they would not miss out on the fun and reading.

Those who were signed up for the program attended at the designated time, participated in arts and crafts and checked out books. Students that were reading books would receive "book bucks" to use for shopping at the Library Store.

The children enjoyed solving crimes, "who dunnit", "I spy" bottles and hand painting a U.S. flag. For a special program the Library held a "Magic Show," for all ages, sponsored by the Woman's Club. Afterwards, a magic class was



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Summer readers make "I spy" bottles at the library.

held for those wanting to learn more magic tricks!

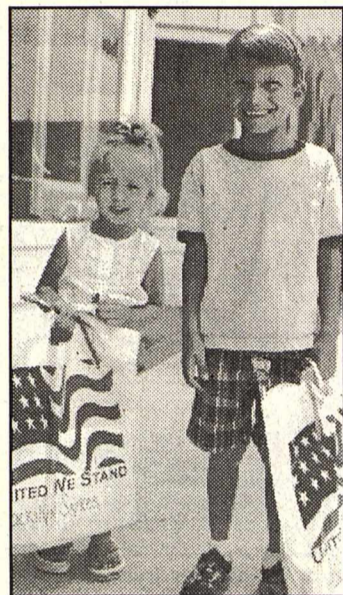
The program came to an end with "hiking" on Eaton Hill on the last day of the program. We all enjoyed seeing the new water pond, fossil rocks, and seeing the huge flag. Those that

were signed up were rewarded with a certificate and invited to a pool party.

A total of 299 children attended all the programs throughout the summer with 46 adults also attending. The children checked out a total of 1009 books just for the summer.



Sutton County Commissioner "Grandpa" Mike Villanueva rewards the top readers at the end of the program pool party. 1st & 2nd grade winners were Kali Mendez and Maritza Villanueva. The winners in the 3rd, 4th and 5th grade levels were Selma Mesa and Josue Dominguez.



Jackilyn Sykes and Jay Hudson read the most books for their age group!

Chamber Chatter



by Ruthie Bounds, Manager

Well, I can't believe another month has already flown by. It is already August and next week is the 30th Annual Sutton County Days. I can't wait for all the festivities to begin!! I hope you are all planning on joining us for a great celebration.

We have several things going on in our great community this week as well as next week. Friday will be a very busy day. We get to welcome two businesses and have grand openings for both. Angel Café, located at 1005 Crockett Street

will start the day off right for all of us with their Grand Opening to be held at 9:00 am, Friday August 8th. We are so glad to welcome Angel Café to Sonora. It's great to see that building "occupied" again. Angel Café serves breakfast and lunch.

We are also excited to see Hudson Technology Consulting, Inc. opening an office on Main Street. Hudson Technology Consulting, Inc is moving into the Mercantile Building, at 222 E. Main, Suite 203. Hudson Technologies will be having their Grand Opening at 4:00 p.m., Friday August 8th. Hudson Technology Consulting offers a full range of computer technology services. We would like to invite all our readers to come to

both of these Grand Openings to help celebrate these businesses. We are very fortunate to have both of them in Sonora.

Next week is our 30th Annual Sutton County Days Celebration beginning with a special performance of the Outlaw Pro Rodeo on Wednesday August 13th at 5:30 pm and continuing through Saturday night. Join us for all the fun festivities at the Sutton County Park on Saturday August 16th. Please see our advertisement for Sutton County Days in this issue of the Devil's River News, and listen to KHOS for more information on Sutton County Days and other upcoming events.

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Sutton County Public Library Receives "Take Home Defensive Driving" Videos

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The Sutton County Public Library is offering the "Take Home Defensive Driving" program, the first program for ticket dismissal and insurance reduction that you can take at your own pace and in the comfort of your own home or office. The program is fully approved by the State of Texas and has been used by over 1.5 million people since 1993.

The program was specifically designed for libraries across the state whereby tapes and DVD's are donated to the libraries. Patrons can register and pay for the program over the internet at www.take-home.com. The student can then complete the program at his or her own pace by watching the VHS or DVD and answering short quizzes on the internet or using the toll-free telephone system. Their state certificate to hand into the judge and/or insurance company is then promptly processed and mailed directly to the student, just like any other defensive driving program.

From your perspective, you need only check out the program like any other video as instruction for registration and usage are on the tape cover.

However, it may help users to inform them that, due to state law, they MUST register for the program online. This is due to the fact that we must have a contract between the student and our company in order to process the course. There is an enrollment agreement that can be accessed and processed during online registration. This does NOT mean that a person must have internet access to complete the program. We do have a toll-free phone system for testing as well, but registration must be done online. Patrons can register via a library computer if they do not have internet access at home.

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Up On Eaton Hill

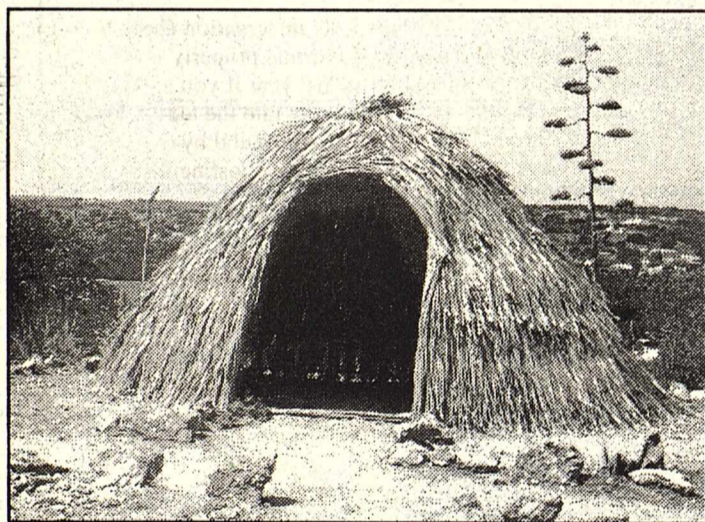


The West Texas purple plant, Eryngo, is sometimes called a "Russian Thistle" by locals. Photo by D. Jaeger

by Delsye Jaeger

Every year about this time, I pull over to the side of the road, roll down the windows and say to my son, "Isn't that purple pineapple plant the strangest thing you ever saw?" Folks who are not familiar with West Texas flora may fear sun stroke when they first lay eyes on the bizarre purple plant known as Eryngo. With the exception of prickliness, everything about the little faux fruit plant is unexpected. They thrive in the height of the summer heat and the blooms closely resemble miniature bright lavender to dark purple pineapples! Considered a weed by most, the aesthetic value of this thistle-like plant is vastly underappreciated. During late summer when most wildflowers are well past their peak, eryngo rises up from the scorching soil to line the roadsides and blanket the landscape with its fascinating shape and vibrant color. Eryngo can also be used in dried arrangements, adding interesting texture and retaining its purple color for quite some time. "Fiesta thistle" might be an appropriate name for this fun little Texas native. If you are feeling a little silly, you could even make up a song about ERYNGO to the tune of B-I-N-G-O. Or perhaps not. Look for eryngo on Eaton Hill and along the roadsides through September.

Are those faint drum beats I hear? Exciting developments continue on Eaton Hill. I recently enjoyed the privilege of speaking about Eaton Hill to the Sonora Lions Club. During my preparation, I had a small moment of revelation concerning the future of Eaton Hill. We have always emphasized tourism, preservation and education as primary functions of this project. What hit me is the magnitude of the opportunity for education on so many different levels and the uniqueness of what Sonora has to offer. One of the exhibits, the Indian wiki, has been completed and is located along the Agave Ridge trail, just off the road to the Eaton house. Having the development and construction phases near completion, we will now turn our attention to interpretation of the diverse resources available on Eaton Hill. The Indian dwelling, constructed of local cedar and sotol, is the first installation of what will become a more comprehensive presentation covering the history of Native Americans in this area and how they lived. How exciting! Seeing an actual structure as opposed to picture in a book, stirs the mind and brings the past to life. Our park is evolving into an experience like no other. We are delighted to offer this exhibit and hope everyone will come out and explore Eaton Hill Wildlife Sanctuary - you just never know what you may see.



The wiki is just the beginning of what can be learned about Native Americans on Eaton Hill. Photo by D. Jaeger

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Local Educator Attends NASA Summer Workshop

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Kim Cole, a teacher at Sonora Middle School, attended NASA's Urban and Rural community Enrichment Program (URCEP) Summer Teacher Workshop held July 13-26 at Oklahoma State University.

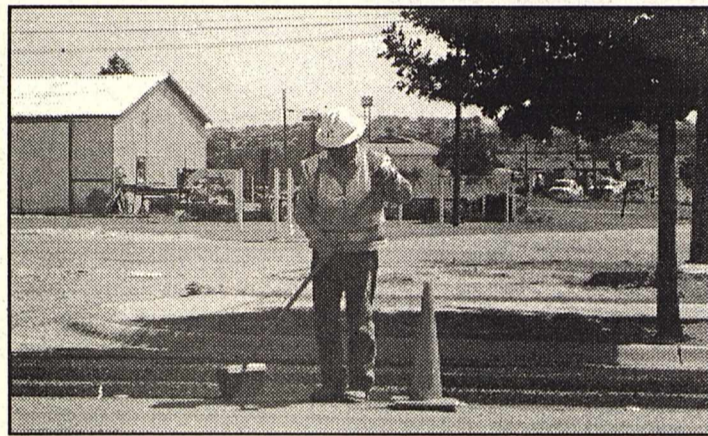
Forty K-12 teachers from around the country, including Puerto Rico and Guam were selected to participate. NASA subsidized the teachers' lodging, meals, and transportation. As a workshop participant, Ms. Cole received training in various activities and teaching strategies that can be integrated into the mathematics, science, geography, and language arts curricula at Sonora Middle School. Highlights of the workshop included Drop Tower at Glenn Research Center in Cleveland, Ohio and piloting a cross-country flight, an introduction to living in space, and building a rocket. Workshop participants also had the opportunity to exchange ideas about effective ways to teach aerospace concepts and participate in a variety of hands-on seminars.

Upon returning from the summer workshop, Ms. Cole will share information with fellow educators in seminars which will enable others throughout the school district to learn ways of incorporating aerospace concepts, provided by NASA, into their classroom instruction.

URCEP is a NASA Aerospace Education Services Program designed to expose students in urban and rural areas to various topics growing out of NASA's missions of research, discovery, and exploration. The URCEP program is designed to capture, channel, and enhance the interest of teachers and students in science, mathematics, engineering, technology, and geography.

For more information about URCEP, visit www.aesp.nasa.okstate.edu/ursep or contact Warren Edwards, URCEP Coordinator; 400 Virginia Avenue SW, Suite 110, Washington, DC 20024; phone (202)554-6485, fax (202)554-5378.

Paving The Way...



Texas Department of Transportation employees were working in the scorching sun last week, putting a new blacktop on Crockett Ave. and Hwy. 277. The on-going project is repairing bumps and curves in the road to allow for "smooth sailing" through Sonora.

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 1 large box of Kleenex
 2 sticks of glue
 2 jumbo pencils
 2 boxes jumbo crayons (8 count each)
 3 pocket portfolio folders
 1 pair Fiscar safety scissors
 1 set watercolors
 1 box gallon storage bags (Ziplocs or other)
 1 box quart size storage bags (Ziplocs or other)
 1 full size backpack or school bag
 1 towel or blanket (for naptime)
 \$5 per semester for snack (total of \$10.00)
 1 change of clothes (for any type of accident)
 1 box of wipes</p> <p>Kindergarten
 3 - 4 oz. bottles Elmers School Glue (no larger than 4 oz. size)
 2 - 24 ct. boxes Crayola brand crayons (Crayola brand only)
 8 - #2 lead pencils (regular size - yellow only)
 1 pair blunt end scissors (FISCAR only)
 1 large box Kleenex
 3 pocket folders - NO brads
 1 pkg. construction paper (size 9" x 12")
 1 backpack
 2 - zipper pencil pouch (zipper type only)
 1 large towel for rest time (no mats)
 1 watercolor paint set
 1 box classic Crayola markers
 1 box freezer Ziploc bags (any size)
 1 box colored pencils
 1 water bottle with lid
 1 large eraser
 1 pencil sharpener
 2 - 1" 3 ring binders
 1 - Composition Notebook
 1 - Black felt tip marker</p> <p>First Grade
 1 box for supplies (no larger than 6" x 9")
 1 box 24 count Crayola crayons
 12 - #2 lead pencils (regular size)
 1 pair metal scissors (Fiscar only)
 1 large eraser
 1 box classic colors washable Crayola markers
 2 large bottle Elmer's glue
 1 watercolor set (Crayola or Prang)
 1 set of 24 Crayola colored pencils
 1 Mead Composition book (hardcover)
 2 pocket folders without brads
 1 large box Kleenex
 1 box Ziploc type bags - any size
 1 personal size pencil sharpener
 1 - 1" ring vinyl binder
 1 Backpack</p> <p>Second Grade
 1 box crayons (16 count or over)
 1 pkg. pencils
 2 erasers
 1 pkg. cap erasers
 1 pair Fiscar scissors
 1 pkg. of assorted markers
 1 pkg. colored pencils
 1 Mead Composition book
 2 colored grading pens
 2 bottles of glue
 1 pkg. notebook paper - 3 ring
 1 pencil sharpener
 2 boxes of Kleenex
 2 pocket folders
 1 box of zip lock baggies - quart size</p> | <p>Third Grade
 2 packages #2 pencils
 1 pencil sharpener
 1 eraser
 1 bottle of glue
 1 pkg. washable markers
 1 pkg. colored pencils (map colors)
 1 set water paints
 1 of each color folder - red, blue, yellow, green, white
 1 ruler
 2 boxes of Kleenex
 1 - 1" white three ring notebook
 1 box for supplies
 2 red checking pens
 1 pair of scissors
 1 zipper bag for pencils
 1 box Ziploc bags - any size
 5 subject spiral notebook
 1 pkg. Notebook paper (wide ruled)</p> <p>Fourth Grade
 2 Highlighters (2 different colors)
 1 pair of Fiscar scissors
 2 grading pens
 1 package pencils
 1 big pink eraser
 1 pencil sharpener with cover
 1 package map colors
 1 box crayons
 1 package washable markers
 1 bottle of glue (no glue sticks)
 1 ruler (centimeters and inches)
 2 boxes of Kleenex
 1 pencil pouch
 1 - 3 subject spiral notebook
 3 pocket folders with brads
 3 pocket folders without brads
 1 - 2" three ring binder
 1 pkg. subject dividers
 2 pkgs. notebook paper (wide ruled - NOT college ruled)</p> <p>Fifth Grade
 Pointed Fiscar scissors
 1 Glue Stick
 1 pkg. Map colors
 2 pkgs. Notebook paper
 6 Plain solid color pocket folders with brads
 1 pkg. 5" x 8" index cards
 1 pkg. #2 pencils (non-mechanical)
 2 red pens
 2 large boxes of Kleenex tissues
 1 ruler - (centimeters and inches)
 1 3 ring binder
 blue or black pens</p> <p>Sixth Grade
 Trapper Keeper/Notebook
 Notebook paper
 2 - Highlighters
 2 - Red pens/pencils
 6 - Blue or black pens
 6 - #2 Pencils
 1 - Glue Stick
 1 - 3 ring binder (at least 1" size)
 1 expanding file folder (with or without flap)
 5 pocket folders with brads
 1 - 12 inch/cm ruler
 4 spirals
 2 Large boxes Kleenex
 Map colors
 Scissors
 2 - small bottles of rubber cement
 Read 180 - 1 Folder, 1 Spiral & 2 - #2 pencils
 1 set of dividers with labels</p> | <p>Seventh Grade
 Highlighters (at least two colors)
 Washable marker set (Crayola)
 Map Colors
 #2 Pencils
 Black or blue ballpoint pens
 4 - Spiral Notebooks as follows:
 2 - two subject, 1 - five subject, 1 - three subject
 6 plain solid pocket Folders with brads
 Read 180 - 1 Folder, 1 Spiral & 2 - #2 pencils
 1 Glue Stick
 2 pkgs. white notebook or (3-hole wireless neatbook)
 1 large box Kleenex
 1 pkg. of 4 AAA batteries
 4 - Red grading pens
 2 - 3 ring binder (at least 1-2")
 1 large brown paper grocery bag
 Scissors
 2 pkg. subject dividers</p> <p>Eight Grade
 Map colors - pencil type
 6 - Pocket folders with brads
 Pens - blue or black
 1 Red pen
 #2 Pencils
 2 Highlighters (different colors)
 1 - 12" Ruler
 1 large box Kleenex
 4 single subject spiral notebooks
 1 large wide ruled notebook paper
 Read 180 - 1 Folder, 1 Spiral & 2 - #2 Pencils
 1 pkg. of 3 x 5 index cards</p> <p>Health
 1 Pocket Folder</p> <p>6th Grade - Technology Applications
 1 Pocket Folder
 1 500 count ream/package white copy paper</p> <p>7th and 8th Grade - Technology Applications
 1 Pocket Folder</p> <p>SPANISH
 1 Spiral notebook
 1 Folder with pockets
 Map Colors
 Scissors</p> <p>5th, 6th, 7th & 8th Grade PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASS
 * S.M.S. P.E. Uniform (red t-shirt with SMS PE Logo & solid black shorts)
 Deodorant
 Gym Bag
 Tennis shoes & socks</p> <p>P.E. Uniforms will be brought daily to class. Uniforms will be kept in student's locker in the main building. A gym bag will make getting things to and from the gym easier. Monogramming the uniform is not mandatory, but is certainly allowed.</p> <p>P.E. Clothes will be purchased in advance from Team Graphics at 208 East Main in downtown Sonora.</p> <p>Middle School Art
 1 - 3 ring notebook (at least 100 sheets of regular writing paper)
 1 - pkg. of No. 2 pencils
 Blue or black ink pens
 Crayolas (8-12 color set)
 Color Pencils (8-12 color set)
 Color Markers (8-12 color set, washable)
 1 - 12 inch ruler
 1 - 8oz. bottles of Elmer's glue
 8 - pan watercolor tray with brush
 1 pair of scissors
 * Be sure to put student's name on every item.</p> |
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This is a very basic list. Individual teachers may request additional supplies. PLEASE PUT YOUR CHILD'S NAME ON EACH ITEM WITH A PERMANENT MARKER:

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KCS Resources; 8500' Jones - 121 - #17, Patterson Drilling.
New Falcon Bay Energy; 8500' FBE 17-5 #17-5, Patterson Drilling.
Dominion; 8400' Simmons Ranch #25, Patterson Drilling.
Dominion; 8150' Diebitsch - 70 - #9, Patterson Drilling.
New Dominion; 7800' Lancaster - 154 - #3, Patterson Drilling.
New Dominion; 6100' Steen #72, Patterson Drilling.
New Dominion; 6000' Cusenbary - 58 - #4, Key Energy.
New Dominion; 6000' Meckel #73, Patterson Drilling.
New Dominion; 5400' Canyon Ranch 104 - #12S, Patterson Drilling.
New Range Production; 5000' NB Davis #15, Patterson Drilling.
Crockett
New Concho Oil & Gas; 10500' Johnson #603, Patterson Drilling.
Anadarko; 9700' McMullan - 2 - #13, Patterson Drilling.
Harrison Interests; 9500' Perry - 21 - #3, Patterson Drilling.
Dominion; 9450' Hunt - 24 - #3, Patterson Drilling.
New Dominion; 9150' Friend #2801, Patterson Drilling.
New J. Cleo Thompson; 9000' Hudspeth Memorial Hospital #1, Patterson Drilling.
New John M. Clark; 6550' Pierce #6, Patterson Drilling.
Oxy Permian; 5600' South Cross Unit #222, Key Energy.
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Exxonmobile Dev.; 14500' Banner Estate #40 H, Patterson UTILV.
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Nuevo Texas Inc.; 19000' Mitchell - 7 - #5, Nabors Drilling.
Edwards
New Newfield; 10500' Earwood - A - #12, Patterson Drilling.
New Par Minerals Corp; 8000' Four Square Ranch #2, Big Dog Drilling.
New Dominion; 5200' Canyon Ranch #2124E, Patterson Drilling.



Local 4-H Girls Log One For The Books



Sutton County 4-H members submitted record books for district judging and won blue ribbons. Meredith Earwood (left), a pre-junior, and Laura Martin (right), a junior, both entered the goat category in their respective age divisions. Laura's book won in a group of 11 entries and Meredith's book won in a group of nine entries. photo submitted

Texas Historic Farms And Ranches Being Sought For Recognition

AUSTIN — Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs announced that the Texas Department of Agriculture is seeking applications for the Family Land Heritage Program that honors farms and ranches that have been in continuous agricultural production by the same family for 100, 150 and 200 years. Since the program started in 1974, TDA has honored 3,773 farms and ranches in 220 Texas counties.

"Texas was built by agricultural pioneers," Combs said. "The Family Land Heritage Program honors their contributions to the settlement of the Lone Star State. It chronicles the unique history of Texas agriculture, a proud record that otherwise might be lost forever."

To be eligible for the program, the farm or ranch must meet these qualifications.

- * The farm/ranch has to have been agriculturally productive for 100 years or more and the line of ownership traced from the first family member to the present, either through direct relatives or by marriage.
- * The land must fit the old U.S. Census definition of a farm: 10 acres or more with agricultural sales of \$50 or more a year; or if less than 10 acres, sales of at least \$250 a year.
- * Owner(s) must be actively managing the everyday operation of the property.
- * If ALL the land has ever been rented to someone outside of the family, it will not qualify. If only a portion was leased, and as much as 10 acres retained in the family for agricultural production with sales of at least \$50 annually, it will qualify.
- * Deadline to submit applications for properties established in 1903 or before is Nov. 15, 2003.

Farms and ranches that qualify will be honored during the ceremony in Austin in March 2004. The history of the farm or ranch will also be chronicled in a registry. Honorees can also obtain historical farm or ranch signage for their property.

Program applications are available through TDA, county judges and on TDA's website at www.agr.state.tx.us. For more information, contact Family Land Heritage Coordinator Melissa Burns-Blair, Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711 or (512) 463-2631.

R.A.W.H.I.D.E. Symposia In August Address Ranching

by Steve Byrns
ABILENE -- Folks needing continuing education units (CEUs) for pesticide applicator licenses have two chances to earn more than a few during the upcoming Texas Cooperative Extension R.A.W.H.I.D.E. symposia in Abilene Aug. 4-5 and again in Alpine Aug. 7-8.

Both locations will offer 10 Texas Department of Agriculture CEUs. Early-comers to the Abilene program can earn an additional two CEUs in laws and regulations during a special training from 9:30-11:30 a.m., prior to the Abilene symposium's start.

The Society for Range Management has agreed to offer 10 CEUs for its Certified Professional in Range Management program for those attending either symposium.

R.A.W.H.I.D.E. stands for "Ranching Aimed at Wildlife Habitat Improvement and Diversification of Enterprises". The Abilene program will be at the Abilene Civic Center, and the Alpine event will be in the University Center at Sul Ross State University. Registration starts at noon both places.

Ken Cearley, Extension wildlife associate at San Angelo and the events' coordinator, said there's plenty of reason to attend either symposium aside from the lavish number of CEUs offered.

"This program is really aimed at anyone interested in improving wildlife habitat so they can diversify into additional wildlife-related enterprises," said Cearley. "Our overall purpose is to help give a renewed sense of hope to ranchers. We really want to convey the idea that ranchers can indeed help maintain their operations' long-term viability by making a few well-thought-out wildlife/livestock concessions relating to stocking rate, grazing systems and type and class of livestock grazed. The bottom line here is to develop a long-range plan for an economically stable ranching enterprise while creating healthier rangelands.

"We're offering the twin programs, with the same curriculum at both locations, to expose more folks to this information. It's true the two sites vary considerably geographically, but the problems and solutions are fairly universal no matter where you are in West Texas."

Registration is \$100 per person. To register online visit <http://www.pware.com/1542>. For registration by mail or FAX contact conference registration at (979) 845-7692.

Learn About Electric Deregulation

The ASU Small Business Development Center, the Small Business Administration, & Texas Electric Choice are sponsoring a free seminar entitled "Texas Electric Choice Campaign". There will be an overview of electric deregulation, and this event will help you understand how to shop for an electric company.

The seminar will be conducted on Thursday, August 14th from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the CJ Davidson Conference Center located in ASU's University Center. To make your reservation, please call 942-2098.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Sonora Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 5:30 p.m. • Aug. 25, 2003, in the Board Room of the Admin. Bldg., 807 S. Concho, Sonora, Texas.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted.

Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

	Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates			Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total		
Last Year's Rate	\$1.40718	\$.15410*	\$1.561280	\$9,880	\$628
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$1.876944	\$.151703*	\$2.028647	\$10,102	\$282
Proposed Rate	\$1.50	\$.151703*	\$1.651703	\$8,260	\$282

*The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

	Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence	
	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$48,368	\$49,992
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$24,805	\$26,048
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$1.561280	\$1.651703
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$387.27	\$430.23
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$42.96

Under State Law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 2.088647. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 2.088647.

Fund Balances	
The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:	
Maintenance & Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$2,831,136
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$48,046

2003 PROPERTY TAX RATES IN SUTTON COUNTY

This notice concerns 2003 property tax rates for Sutton County. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

	SUTTON GENERAL	SUTTON FM & FC	SUTTON HOSPITAL	CITY OF SONORA
Last year's tax rate:				
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 1,679,842	\$ 356,288	\$ 1,049,519	\$ 397,364
Last year's debt taxes	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Last year's total taxes	\$ 1,679,842	\$ 356,288	\$ 1,049,519	\$ 397,364
Last year's tax base	\$ 583,065,858	\$580,046,808	\$ 583,065,858	\$ 78,209,490
Last year's total tax rate	\$288105/\$100	\$.061424/\$100	\$.180000/\$100	\$.508077/\$100
This year's effective tax rate:				
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 1,679,458	\$ 356,091	\$ 1,049,279	\$ 396,874
= This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$569,363,696	\$566,392,646	\$569,363,696	\$ 78,811,783
= This year's effective tax rate for each fund	\$.294971/\$100	\$.062869/\$100	\$.184200/\$100	\$.503571/\$100
Total effective tax rate	\$.357840/\$100			
X 1.03 = maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing	\$.368575/\$100		\$.189726/\$100	\$.518678/\$100
This year's rollback tax rate:				
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$ 1,679,458	\$ 356,091	\$ 1,049,279	\$ 396,874
= This year's adjusted tax base	\$569,363,696	\$566,392,646	\$569,363,696	\$ 78,811,783
= This year's effective operating rate	\$.294971/\$100	\$.062869/\$100	\$.184200/\$100	\$.503571/\$100
X 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$.318568/\$100	\$.067898/\$100	\$.198936/\$100	\$.543856/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$.000000/\$100	\$.000000/\$100	\$.000000/\$100	\$.000000/\$100
= This year's rollback rate for each fund	\$.318568/\$100	\$.067898/\$100	\$.198936/\$100	\$.543856/\$100
This year's total rollback rate	\$.386466/\$100			

STATEMENT OF INCREASE/DECREASE

If SUTTON COUNTY adopts a 2003 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$.357840 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2002 taxes by \$4769.
If HOSPITAL DISTRICT adopts a 2003 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$.184200 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2002 taxes by \$2010.
If CITY OF SONORA adopts a 2003 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$.503571 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to a 2002 taxes by \$2030.

UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCES

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

	TYPE OF PROPERTY	BALANCE
Sutton County	General Fund	\$904,000
	FM & FC	\$ 80,000
City of Sonora	General Fund	\$500,000
Hospital District	General Fund	\$700,000

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at Sutton County Appraisal District.

Rex Ann Friess
Chief Appraiser
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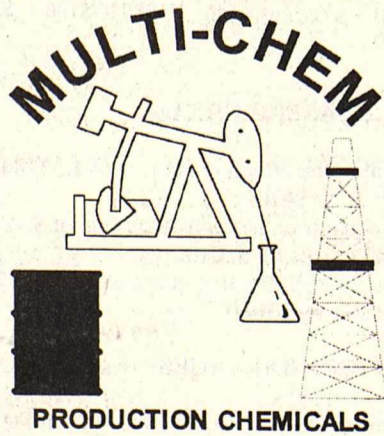


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Country. Beginning with the lead track, "The Man Who Holds the Bow," the inspiration for the album dates to "the lessons I learned standing in the pastures of my grandfather's farm-trying to be like him." The road that led to the fulfillment of the album continues onto a winding road experience with a big armadillo. "Spinning Our Wheels" takes the listener into the soul of his community which was spiritually paralyzed by several automobile tragedies involving its youth while he was coaching and teaching at Marble Falls High. "Everything I Never Knew I Wanted" allows us to feel the passion and surprise he felt when he unexpectedly fell for wife Yvonna. Yes, this multi-talented songwriter reveals his affinity for the country life in his gripping lyrics and stunning vocal performances. No, he doesn't just write songs, he has lived them.

Martinez' songs are driven by a desire for success, ambition, and even some failures. But, ultimately they are songs of optimism, which have impressed audiences and critics alike.

Earlier in his career John Arthur's composition "Seguro Que Hell Yes", co-written with Alex Harvey and Mike Blakely, certainly impressed the executives at Arista Records. The song was the Arista debut single and video release for the Grammy-winning album Flaco Jimenez by Flaco Jimenez, sung by Raul Malo of the Mavericks, Radney Foster, and Lee Roy Parnell, with a cameo video appearance by Martinez.

"Stunned! That's how I felt when I heard from Alex (Harvey) that our cocktail napkin gibberish was a part of Jimenez' Grammy nomination (Best Mexican-American

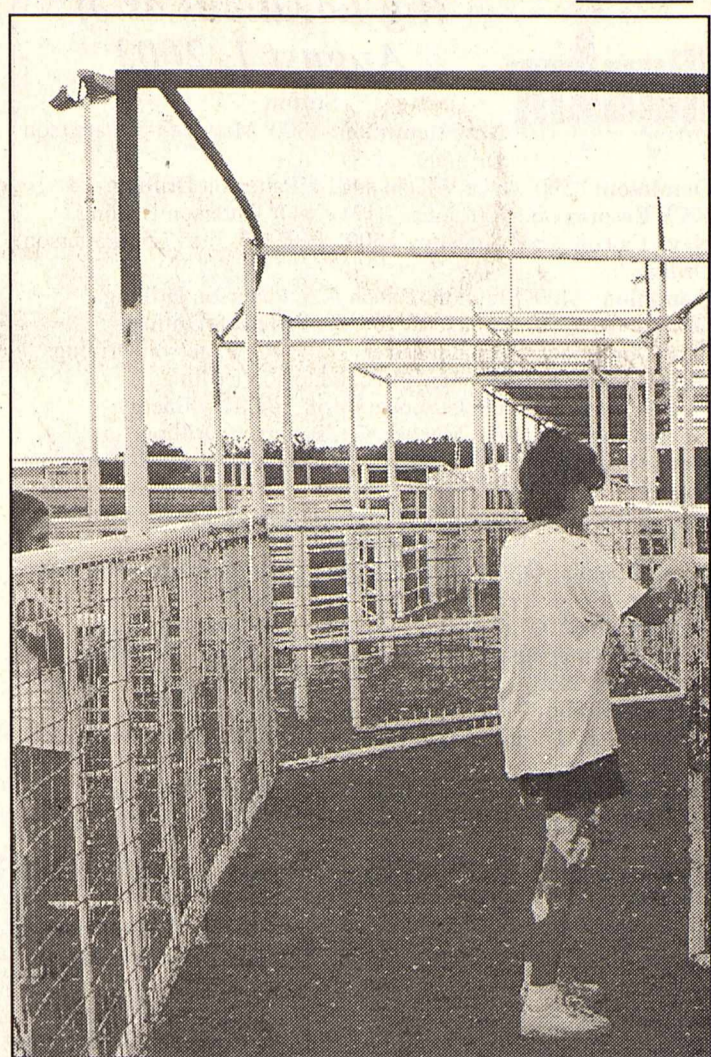
Performance, 1995). And then we won."

John Arthur's musical roots began with his father, a drummer who played in several Austin-area Mexican conjuntos and country bands, and his education-minded mother, who sharpened his poetic instincts. In grade school, John Arthur began writing poetry and was soon writing heartfelt songs. It was in college that John Arthur's singer/songwriter career emerged. An uncle had given him a small amount of money with some advice attached: Buy something you don't need. John Arthur spent the money on a guitar. "At the time, I didn't think I needed a guitar," he recalls. "Of course, now I know I couldn't live without one."

By the time John Arthur graduated from Southwest Texas State University, where he was voted most talented Hispanic and nominated best dancer, he was playing three engagements a week. This has grown to an average of five nights a week including openings for Diamond Rio, Reuben Ramos, The Texas Tornados, Robert Earl Keen, Tish Hinojosa, Emmylou Harris, Holly Dunn, John Prine, Hal Ketchum, Gary P. Nunn, Johnny Gimble and Floyd Tillman.

Recent highlights include an invitation to open the prestigious songwriter showcase of the Ben Crenshaw, Darrell Royal, Willie Nelson Golf Tournament, which included Whitey Shafer, Alex Harvey, Allen Shamblin, Jim Ed Brown, Sonny Throckmorton, Pat Green and Doug Supernaw. With the current release of John Arthur Martinez' *Stand Your Ground* the fruits of his labors are blossoming—ready for the harvest.

Volunteers Give Sutton County Arena a Fresh Coat of Paint



Volunteers have been working late into the night to help brighten things up for Sutton County Days. A handful of Sonora residents decided that the Sutton County Arena needed a new paint job before the Sutton County Days festivities and the Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo. The pens, roping chutes, and box seats have all been getting a little "face lift" in the evenings, helping to make things look shiny and new for the annual event that brings in visitors from around the United States. The Outlaw Pro Rodeo Committee has provided the paint and supplies and the girls have donated their time. Thank you to all the volunteers that help make Sutton County Days and the Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo a great event.

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Diabetes from page 1

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If it isn't managed properly, diabetes can cause serious health problems. If you ignore diabetes, you are at risk for: stroke, blindness, losing your foot or leg, heart attack, kidney disease and nerve damage.

The good news is that, if you have diabetes, you can still live a healthy life. With good information and a few good changes, you can take control of diabetes and live the kind of life you want to live. You can do well and be well with diabetes!

To do well and be well with diabetes:

1. Find out what type of diabetes you have.
2. Get regular care for your diabetes.
3. Learn how to control your diabetes.
4. Treat high blood sugar.
5. Monitor your blood sugar level.
6. Prevent and diagnose long-term diabetes problems.
7. Get checked for long-term problems and treat them.

People who have diabetes and keep their blood sugar levels under control can expect to live a long and active life. You can do it, too!

Do Well, Be Well with Diabetes is an educational program for people with type 2 diabetes. Classes in Sonora will begin September 9 to October 14, and will be on Tuesday evenings from 5:30-7:30 p.m. To learn more, please call your county office of Texas Cooperative Extension at 387-3101. Class space is limited.

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-AMERICAN WEDDING dts (R).....	2:30	5:00
-AMERICAN WEDDING (R).....	1:45	4:25
-GIGLI (R).....	2:10	4:40
-LXG LEAGUE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENTLEMEN dts (PG-13).....	2:20	4:45
-HOW TO DEAL (PG-13).....	1:50	4:15
-TERMINATOR 3 dts (R).....	2:15	4:20
-BRUCE ALMIGHTY (PG-13).....	6:45	9:20
-CHARLIE'S ANGELS (PG-13).....	9:40	

Times good for the week of 8/08 thru 8/14

\$3.00 Matinees before 6:00 p.m.

Friday-Thursday	7:00	9:30
-AMERICAN WEDDING dts (R).....	7:30	10:00
-GIGLI (R).....	7:10	9:50
-LXG LEAGUE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENTLEMEN dts (PG-13).....	7:15	9:45
-HOW TO DEAL (PG-13).....	7:20	9:40
-TERMINATOR 3 dts (R).....	7:05	9:35
-BRUCE ALMIGHTY (PG-13).....	6:45	9:20
-CHARLIE'S ANGELS (PG-13).....	9:40	

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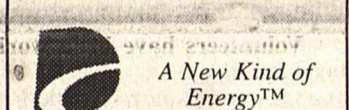
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Sutton County 4-H Summer Playdays Come To An End

The last of the summer playdays took place on Tuesday, July 29th at the county arena. Awards were presented at the conclusion of the event. Once again, all participants left with something in hand. This year everyone received a saddle cover and a sack of miscellaneous goodies.

The four lead line participants were Sky Jennings, Pistol Babb, Franklin Buchholz, and Cheyenne Teasley. They each received a saddle blanket and a plush toy pony.

Very nice awards, including belt buckles, breast collars, head stalls, halters, clippers, and many other items were given to winners in the other age divisions. Overall winners in the Pee Wee group were:

1. Gunter Pennington, 2. Daniel Newbury, 3. Zella Powers, 4. Paige Sykes, 5. Lexi Poindexter, 6. Shelbie Darr, 7. Cuatro Jones, 8. Sierra Stokes, 9. Stella Ingham, 10. Chance Campbell, 11. Nolan Kinder, 12. Macie Friess, 13. Shawnda Price, 14. Dalton Buchholz, and 15. Alexa Sykes. Other participants in this age division were Kaden Kinder, Maddie Lang, Jaime Sauer, and Austin Mayfield.

Novice winners were:

1. Jady Poindexter, 2. Sol Stokes, 3. Bailey Joe Pennington, 4. Brandy Tebbets, 5. Dustin Neff, 6. Shae'na Price, 7. Robert Buchholz, 8. Alex Lang, 9. Cash Jennings, and 10. Hunter Jennings. Also riding in this age group were Hanna Swanson, Dustin Crittendon, Johnna Pullig, Chelsey Lou Campbell and Regan Mayfield.

The Junior division was



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won by Jenna Teasley. Second and third places were won by Steely Ingham and Holly Ford.

The Keyes Caruthers award, a revolving trophy which is presented to the overall high point contestant from Sutton County, was won by Gunter Pennington this year.

Thanks to the efforts of wonderful volunteers and parents, the summer series continues to draw area wide participation with families coming from Eldorado, Ozona and Junction. Total entries this year numbered fifty-four. Cowboys and cowgirls gained a lot of experience and had great fun at the Sutton County 4-H Playdays.

Photo: Sherry Ingham presented Jady Poindexter, Gunter Pennington and Jenna Teasley with the top place prizes.

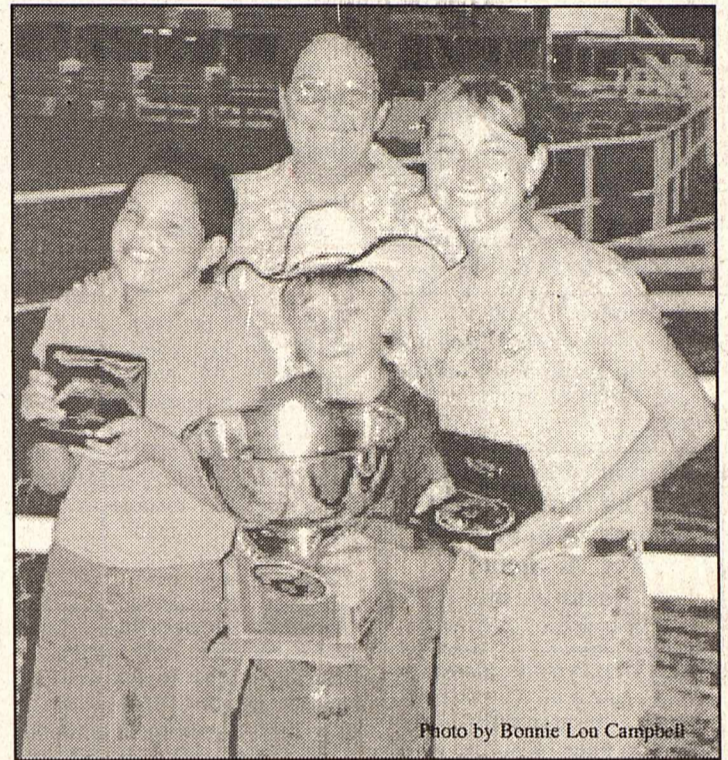


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Mutton Busters Get Down and Dirty



F.Y.I.

The Sutton County Game Dinner Association is looking for "Hunter of the Year" nominations. If you, or someone you know, has hunted in Sutton County for at least 20 years and should be voted the "Hunter of the Year" call Carl Teaff at 287-2452 by September 1, 2003 to make your nomination.

Girl Scout Registration Pool Party Aug. 14th 5:00 p.m. City Pool. Attention ALL GIRLS & MOTHERS & AUNTS & GRANDMA'S. Girl Scouts is searching for new Leaders. If you are interested please call Tammy Favila 387-3661. If we don't have enough Leaders the program will not work. Please come to the Pool Party on Aug. 14 at 5:00 p.m. Help the Girl Scouts of Sonora by joining us.

Two-A-Days football practice begins Monday, August 4th at 7:30 a.m. All 9-12 grades interested in playing football please bring with you all the necessary signed paperwork.

Applications for YMCA Youth will be available at the Elementary Office, Jr. High office, and J.J.'s Automotive starting Monday, August 18th through Friday, August 22nd. This is for grades 3 through 6. Deadline for all applications is Friday, August 22, 2003.

Lighthouse Community Church will have a Walk to Emmaus Community Gathering for all who have been on a Walk or Chrystals at 6:30 p.m. on August 12th at Lighthouse Community Church, 1705 N. Crockett. FMI call 387-7094.

Defensive Driving Course - Crockett National Bank in Ozona, August 23 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. FMI call Maria at 325-223-9149.

Lighthouse Community Church presents: "Breaking Free" by Christian Author and Leader, Beth Moore. Do you struggle with issues that seem to repeat themselves over and over? Well, maybe this study of God's word is for you! Everyone is welcome for classes beginning Wednesday, September 10th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, with childcare provided. FMI call Jane Rushing at 387-3625.

Big Lake Bluegrass Festival - September 5-7, 2003 at the Reagan County Community Bldg. Indoor Stage. Pot luck dinner Thursday. The Batten Family, Tennessee Valley Authority, The Duffin Family, Concho Grass, Star Canyon, and the Gore Bros. - FMI call the Big Lake Fire Dept. (325)884-3650

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