

# THE Devil's River NEWS

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Thursday, April 14, 2005

## Sonora Middle School students compete at District, State Science Fair

On Wednesday, March 23, 2005 the Sonora sixth through eighth grade students who placed in our local Science Fair competed in San Angelo at the District XI Science and Engineering Competition held at Angelo State University. The students who placed first, second, and third at the district level were able to go on to compete at state in San Antonio on March 25th.

Results for District were as follows:

### Behavioral & Social Science

1. Bailey Joe Pennington
6. Kallie Humphrey
6. Josh Barnes

### Biochemistry

3. Caleb Gonzales
4. Allison Freeman
5. Cash Jennings

### Botany

1. Yolanda Sanchez
8. Rosario Moreno

### Chemistry

5. Michael Stephens
7. Bethany Berry
8. Rose Karnes

### Earth Science

2. Meredith Earwood
3. Edna Dominguez
7. Alberto Tovar

### Zoology

2. Monica Traylor
4. Chelsey Lou Campbell
7. Clinton Hudson

### Space Science

1. Steely Ingham
2. Jesse Mallas
5. Will Dunn

### Engineering

3. Serena Allison
7. John Duke Hudson

### Environmental Science

6. Tyler Edmondson

### Medicine & Health

8. Karley Fraiser

### Math

3. Kaitlyn Henderson

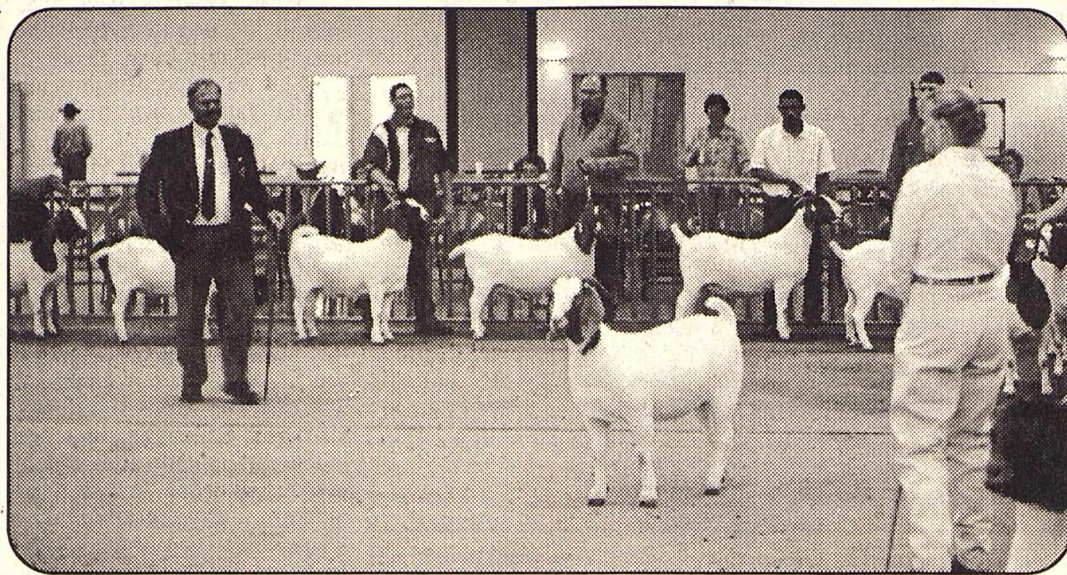
At the State Science Fair Yolanda Sanchez finished 3rd in Botany and Steely Ingham

## District 2-AA Track Meet Schedule of Events

The District 2-AA Track Meet will be held in Sonora on April 14, 2005 at Bronco Stadium.

The schedule of events will be as follows:

- 8:00 a.m. - Scratch meeting (weigh in shot/discus)
- 9:00 a.m. - Field Events - Long Jump (VB, VG, JVB); Triple Jump (JVB, VB, VG); High Jump (VG, VB, JVB); Shot (VB, VG, JVB); Discus (VG, JVB, VB); Pole Vault (VB, VG, JVB)
- 12:30 p.m. - 3200m Run - VG, JVB, VB
- 1:30 p.m. Running Prelims - 100m Hurdles (VG); 110m Hurdles (JVB, VB); 100m Dash (VG, JVB, VB); 400m Dash (VG, JVB, VB); 300m Hurdles (VG, JVB, VB); 200m Dash (VG, JVB, VB)
- Running Finals
- 4:30 p.m. - 400m Relay (VG, JVB, VB)
- 4:45 p.m. - 800m Run (VG, JVB, VB)
- 5:00 p.m. - 100m Hurdles (VG)
- 5:05 p.m. - 110m Hurdles (JVB, VB)
- 5:15 p.m. - 100m Dash (VG, JVB, VB)
- 5:30 p.m. - 800m Relay (VG, JVB, VB)
- 5:45 p.m. - 400m Dash (VG, JVB, VB)
- 6:00 p.m. - 300m Hurdles (VG, JVB, VB)
- 6:15 p.m. - 200m Dash (VG, JVB, VB)
- 6:30 p.m. - 1600m Run (VG, JVB, VB)
- 7:00 p.m. - 1600m Relay (VG, JVB, VB)



Lukas Burger from South Africa and Claire Powell of Eldorado judging the 2004 Sonora Classic Goat Show. Photo submitted

## Boer Goat Clinic and Show Coming To Sonora

submitted

Mark your calendars for April 16th and 17th and the Sonora Classic Goat Show, to be held at the Sutton County Civic Center in Sonora, Texas. To be more specific, this event will be two days filled with the top South African Boer Goats that Texas has to offer. While the Boer Goat has been in this country since 1993, the dedicated American breeders are still turning to the South Africans for their input regarding how the breed is progressing in this country, thus the importance of the Sonora show.

This year's show starts off with the goats arriving on Friday, April 16th. This is a busy time for the exhibitor as they unload, wash, trim and feed the goats. Then at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Mr. M.D. Shurley of Sonora will welcome the first goats into the ring as he starts judging the percentage doe class. Mr. Shurley will then follow with judging of the full-blood does and full-blood bucks.

To make this show even more special, one of the judges on Sunday, April 17th will be South African, Lukas Burger. Mr. Burger is well known and in great demand throughout the world, as one of the top breeders and judges of Boer Goats. Not only has he judged three World Championships in his own country, but he has traveled to Australia and twice judged their National Show and conducted judging clinics/schools. Mr. Burger is no stranger to the American Boer Goat scene as he has judged three American Boer Goat Association (ABGA) National Shows. In addition, he will be judging this year's American Boer Goat Association National Show this coming June in Louisville, KY. Among his duties while in the United States has been to train many of the judges that now judge at Sanctioned ABGA shows. Burger genetics can be found all over the world in the top herds and in the top animals in the show ring.

As an added bonus to exhibitors and goat breeders, Mr. Burger will be conducting a short clinic on the evaluation of the Boer Goat on Saturday evening, (April 17th) at 7:00 p.m.. During the course of the clinic, which will include the evaluation of a pen of bucks and a pen of does, the finer points of selection and breed character will be discussed. This will be an excellent opportunity for those new to Boer goats, as well as the seasoned Boer goat breeder to learn from one of the foremost teachers in the field. The clinic is designed to encourage participant input with a question and answer session. This is a free clinic and everyone is welcome.

Saturday evening a great meal of goat enchiladas and chicken will be prepared by Daryle Coates of Big Spring. The meal will start at 6:00 p.m. and meal tickets will be available at the door. The Lukas

See Boer Goat Clinic page 7

## 7th Grade Lady Colts end track season as undefeated District Champions



submitted

With four meet championships on our belt, the 7th grade girls track team went to the District meet in Grape Creek on Thursday, April 7th full of confidence. We knew that there was just one team that could keep us from claiming the District title, and that team was Wall.

The girls definitely came to compete and we started off with Shainah Johnson placing first in the shot put with a throw of 30' 5 1/2" followed by Jessica Loera who placed 2nd with a throw of 30' 2". In the triple jump Bethany Berry placed 1st with

28' 8" and Amy Hernandez placed 4th with 24' 9 1/2". Bethany Berry also jumped 13' 3" in the long jump to place 3rd, followed by Bianca Trevino who placed 5th with 12' 9". Gina Valdez threw the discus 65' 5" to place 3rd and Meredith Earwood also placed 3rd in the pole vault. In the high jump Brittaini Dover tied for 5th, clearing four feet. We won the coin toss for the place, but split the points with Grape Creek - giving us one and one half points which later proved to be a very important half of a point. Even with that strong a showing in the field events, we still fell

short behind Wall by 20 points. If we wanted a District Championship, we had our work cut out for us. We were going to have to run like we had never run before.

To start the running off, Keeli Taylor placed second in the 2400m run with a time of 10:05 and Alejandra Reynosa finished sixth with a time of 11:33. Our 4X100 relay consisting of Bethany Berry, Amy Hernandez, Regina Morales, and Bianca Trevino won the race with our fastest time - 55.71. Berry put us in the lead

See 7th Grade Colts page 8

## FHS to welcome home Brandon Adkins and Javier Weingart with Yellow Ribbon ceremonies

Submitted by: Ann Kay

Welcome home Brandon Adkins, who will return home on April 16. The Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street invites everyone to join Tony & Tammi Adkins, Brandon's family, as they remove his Yellow Ribbon on Sunday, April 17, 2005, at 2:00 p.m., at the Old Oak Tree on Sutton County Courthouse Lawn. We are so proud of you and the price you have given for our freedom is appreciated.

We welcomed home Sgt. Javier Weingart on March 29, 2005 and we will remove his Yellow Ribbon on Wednesday, April 13,

2005, at 11:30 a.m., at the Old Oak Tree on the Sutton County Courthouse Lawn. Maura Weingart and Javier's family and the friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program invite you to come and express to Javier your appreciation and a hardy welcome home!

We will be honoring Sgt. Javier Weingart with a special Texas Resolution by House Representative Harvey Hilderbran, showing him special appreciation for receiving a Purple Heart from Iraq Freedom. We are so proud of you and the price you have given for our freedom is a high cost. Thank you!

## Chamber brings a beach party to Sonora

by Ruthie Bounds, COC Executive Director

This is such an exciting week for the Sonora Chamber of Commerce. "Beach Party in Sonora", the Annual Sonora Chamber of Commerce Banquet, will be at the Sutton County Civic Center, on Thursday evening beginning at 6:30 p.m. Chamber members and other guests will be fed a wonderful "luau" style meal catered by Sutton County Steakhouse, so come hungry and dressed for the beach. Enjoy frozen "mocktails" at the Tiki Lounge, try your hand at swinging a hula-hoop, or have your picture made at the "boardwalk."

Outstanding citizens of Sonora will be recognized in Sonora's own "tribal council" ceremony. That's right, the votes have been cast and the

"tribe has spoken," come see who you chose as the 2005 "Business Person of the Year," "Organization of the Year," "Employee of the Year," and "Citizen of the Year." The Sonora Chamber of Commerce will also announce the "Chamber Member of the Year," voted on by the Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. You won't want to miss this trip to the beach.

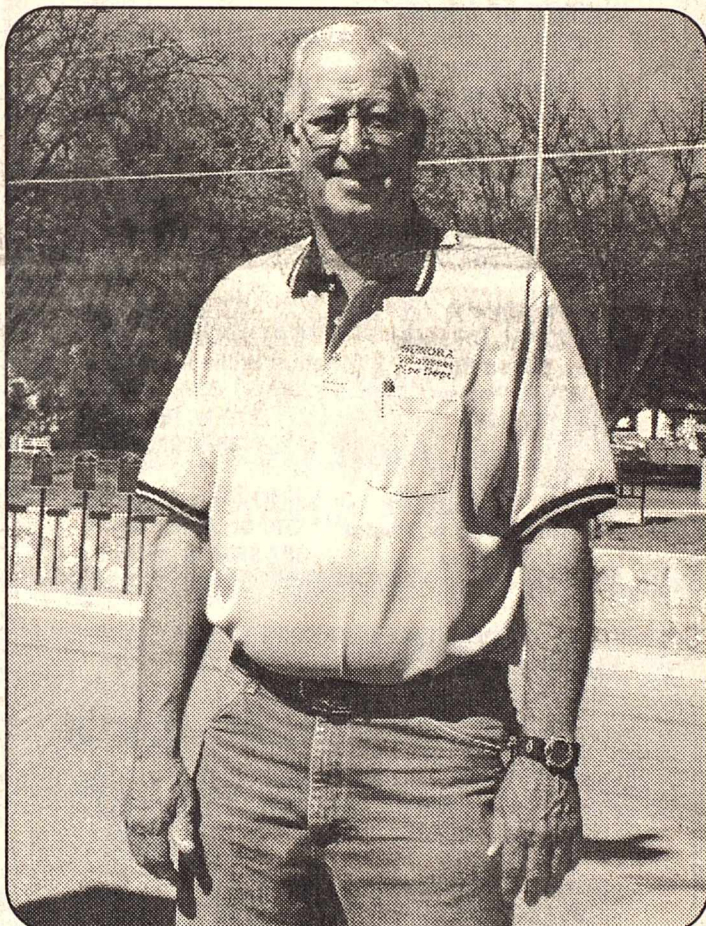
The tickets for this event are \$15.00 per person and will be available at the door. Those of you that have purchased a table in advance can come out Wednesday evening or Thursday morning to decorate your table for the table decorating contest.

Sonora Chamber of

See Chamber Chatter page 8

## Kyle Donaldson named Hill Country Firefighter of the Year

### Sonora Volunteer Fire Department attends Spring Convention



Hill Country Firefighter of the Year, Kyle Donaldson

Submitted

The Sonora V.F.D. and Ladies Auxiliary members traveled to Ballinger, Texas on April 2, 2005 for the convention where they attended meetings and participated in pumper races. During the morning meeting area towns nominated firemen for the Hill Country Firefighter of the Year Award. Sonora nominated Kyle Donaldson for this award. The area towns then voted on the three nominees. The rest of the business was concluded and the meeting was adjourned for lunch.

During the afternoon business meeting it was announced that Sonora's Kyle Donaldson had won Hill Country Firefighter of the Year. Kyle's career in the Sonora Volunteer Fire Department has spanned 41 years, starting in 1964. He has served tirelessly in many capacities of the organization, including fire chief, president, 1st vice president and secretary-treasurer. He is currently serving as certification officer and treasurer. He holds an advanced certification status with the State Fireman's and Fire Marshal's Association.

Kyle was on the committee that presented the local Fireman's Pension Plan to the City of Sonora in 1990 and was instrumental in the acceptance of the plan by the City Council. He served on the local board for 3 years.

Kyle served as secretary-

treasurer of the Hill Country Fireman's Association for 10 years. He represents the Hill Country Association on the T-Flag Committee of the state association. Kyle also volunteers with the Fire Prevention Poster Committee at the state conventions. Kyle has missed very few Hill Country meetings in the past 41 years and he has only missed 6 state conventions. He also makes the state pre-convention meetings in January each year.

Kyle attended the Texas A&M University Municipal Training School from 1980 to 1986. Through these years of training he took courses to become a certified instructor on the warehouse in field operations. He has been an instructor on this project for 18 years, from 1987 to the present time. He brings the knowledge he gains back to his own department for further training for them.

In 1998 Governor George W. Bush appointed Kyle to the Board of Trustees of the Statewide Emergency Services Personnel Retirement Fund. This retirement fund is for fire department and ambulance services personnel regardless if they are volunteer or paid. Kyle was reappointed to the board by Governor Rick Perry in 2004 for another 6-year-term.

As a member of this board Kyle has attended schools and

See Fire Department page 8

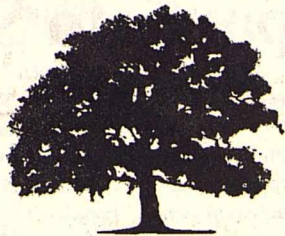


## Lighthouse Community Church

A place for returning Prodigals and recovering Pharisees

### Sunday Services

Bible Study 10:00 a.m.  
Worship • 11:00 a.m. • 6:00 p.m.  
1705 N. Crockett



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## Sonora Church Directory

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387-2035

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## Notes of Appreciation

We would like to express our deepest expression of thanks to our family and friends who have prayed, and continue to pray, for our mother, Maria Elena Favila. She has received many cards, food and flowers during her time of recovery. She is doing well at this time and would like to extend her thanks to all who thought of her during her surgery.

May the Lord continue to Bless you!  
Joe & Betty Longoria; Mario & Rachel Lira; Eddie & Tammy Favila

We had a fantastic show of support from the community at the hamburger supper for Alyssa Collins. It would not have been possible without everyone's participation and help. We appreciate everyone's donations and patience. A special thanks goes to Rosie Ovalle for allowing us to use Rosie's Cafe. We would also like to thank our "kitchen help" who worked tirelessly for five solid hours, Rick & Maray Cearley, Jessie & Cindy Paredes, Brenda Valliant, Becky Collins and Glenda Lowe.

Thanks again, Carl & Melissa Teaff

I would like to give thanks to my mom and dad for giving me a wonderful day and everlasting memories on my 15th birthday. I would also like to extend thanks to all my relatives from Canadian, New Mexico and California, who traveled so far to join me on this special day. I also want to thank our serving crew and Stirrup Trouble for everything they did to help, and all my friends and relatives for the wonderful gifts. Also, thank you to my Court of Honor and a kiss and hug to my parents, Nino, Nina & Jackie.

Thank you all, and may God Bless You.  
Paula Isabel Zaragoza

The Family of T.C. McCutchen would like to thank everyone who called, came by, sent flowers, provided food or remembered us in their prayers, during his recent illness and death. Once again, we are overwhelmed with the kindness, thoughtfulness and generosity of the citizens of Sonora and Sutton County.

The T.C. McCutchen Family - Ann McCutchen, Brenda & Wayne Bryant & Family; Linda & Dick Hearn & Family; Thurston & Bonnie McCutchen & Family; Jessie & Bruce Kerbow & Family and Callie & Dennis Pedini & Family

Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program would like to express our appreciation to: Linda Johnson, Marlyn Young, Jim Kay, Tabby Sanchez Abrego, City of Sonora, Sutton County, Mayor Gloria Lopez, Sally Gonzales, Joy Galbreath, Keith Butler, Ladies Hospital Auxiliary, Johnny Solis, Carlos Gallegos, Sonora Abstract Company (Thanks for the pretty yard for the 2-year-old children.), and anyone else who was a helper at the Sutton County Courthouse Easter Egg Hunt. Saturday was rained out and we had to move the Easter Egg Hunt to Sunday, but we had a wonderful day with sunshine to hunt the Easter Eggs on Sunday.

The Eaton Hill Treasure Hunt was a great success because of the volunteers who were: Rev. Lewis Allen, Delyse Jaeger, Rev. Beverley & Dwain Parson, and all the parents who helped with the trails and hunt.

We would like to express to the First National Bank and The Bank & Trust of Sutton County a special "thank you" for the silver dollars that were hidden on the courthouse lawn and Eaton Hill. We especially appreciate Sonora Merchants, Alco, Everetts Pharmacy, Gift Galore and More, Town & Country Stores Store #191 (gift certificates) Town & Country Store #97 (drinks & bottled water), Sonic (free meals & drinks coupons), Dairy Queen (gift certificates), La Mexicana Restaurant (gift certificates), KHOS Radio (special news spots about the change in day), Devil's River News, and Oilfield Answering Service (the Big Easter Bunny). The events could not be possible without the support of our community, supporters of the Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program, and the Motels (who help advertise the events to our out-of-town guests).

We would like to express appreciation to all the ladies and Keith Butler with the Lillian M. Hudspeth Hospital Auxiliary for having the best homemade goodies at the annual Easter Bake Sale. It was great to have you be a part of this event. There were 51 out of town guests and 276 community guests, even after the rain-out on Saturday. If you missed the Annual Easter Egg Hunt & Eaton Hill Treasure Hunt 2005 this year, we will be looking for you next time to join us!

Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program would like to express a note of appreciation to First National Bank of Sonora for allowing us to display and honor our Boys Scouts and their leaders and the Girls Scouts and their leaders during the month of February. Special note of appreciation to Johnny Solis, Carlos Gallegos, Delyse Jaeger, Jan Stevens, Rita Mendez, Nelda Tobias, Lewis Allen, Tibba Edmondson, and anyone else that helped with this exhibit for sharing their photos, uniforms, and memories with us. It was a great success because of you and our community. Thanks to the our community, Devil's River News, and KHOS Radio for always being a supporter of the events and exhibits.

**Coming soon to a stadium near you...**  
**"Fiesta, No Siesta"**  
**2005 ACS Relay for Life**  
**May 20-21**

## Obituary

### Janette Davis

BAYTOWN — In the early morning hours on Sunday, April 3, 2005, God called his angel Janette Davis home. She had a long and courageous battle with breast cancer that amazed even the medical personnel that treated her. She graciously gave up the battle surrounded by her loving family.

Mary Janette Davis was born to J.C. and Rose Berry on June 9, 1954, in Iraan, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her father; two brothers, Calvin and Glen of Sonora; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Berry, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack McMillan of Odessa; and mother-in-law, Marie Brown of Berryville, Ark.

Survivors include her husband of 32 years, Jerry Davis of Baytown; one daughter, Jarrett and husband Walter Shields of Oklahoma City; one son, Jason, his wife, Samantha, and one much-anticipated and much-loved grandson, Jaylynn; her mother and stepfather, Lee Ridgeway of San Angelo; sister Joan and her husband, Donald Montgomery of Baytown; one special niece, Kimberly, her husband, Rudy, and their four boys, Sutton, Brady, Noah and Jayce; one brother, Darrel Berry and wife Teri and their daughter, Laura of Marrero, LA; a sister, Jan and her husband, Leroy Markee of Katy; numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins; an extended loving family; her best friends of 27 years, Don and Annette Cherry, also of Baytown; and her childhood friend Cathy Evans Hamilton of Christoval.

Janette grew up in West Texas and graduated from Ozona High School in the top 10 of her class. She excelled in numerous sports, loving volleyball and basketball and band. She was especially proud of being the drum majorette for the Lions. She was band sweetheart

her senior year.

She inherited her dad's love of horses and was an avid horse-woman, winning numerous awards on the rodeo circuit for two years. She won the first division UIL twirling award. She also loved music and dancing, spending two years with the Tri-City Ballet Troupe, where her roles included understudy for The Swan Princess in Swan Lake.

She always had a drive to succeed and never settled for second best; this carried over to her professional career and served her well the many times she participated in The Race for The Cure and other breast cancer-related activities. She lived life to the fullest, never complained about her illness, and encouraged and uplifted everyone she met.

She met her soulmate in Ozona. When they married in 1972, Jerry was serving his country as a U.S. Marine. They moved numerous times during their life together, finally settling in Baytown 11 years ago, where Jerry established an oil field services company. Her courage and charisma will always inspire us.

She was interred next to her father at 3 p.m. Wednesday, April 6, in Sonora.

Pallbearers in Baytown were Sutton Montgomery, Rudy Villarreal, Chris Berry, Travis Cherry, Dave Yates and John Graham. Honorary pallbearers for Baytown were Don Cherry, Donald Montgomery and Delmer Jackson.

Pallbearers in Sonora were Sutton Montgomery, Billy Ralph Gilbert, Shane Gilbert, Jack Alan Wells, Michael Marker and Lance Marker. Honorary pallbearers in Sonora were Kirk Dunnam, David Miller, Terry Marker and Billy Gilbert.

### School Lunch Menu • April 18-22, 2005

#### Breakfast

Mon. - Banana nut muffin, orange pineapple juice.  
Tues. - Peanut butter toast, asst. juice.  
Wed. - Glazed donut, asst. juice.  
Thurs. - Pancakes, syrup, asst. juice.  
Fri. - Pigs in a blanket, asst. juice.

#### Milk and cereal offered with all breakfasts.

#### Lunch

Mon. - Hot dog/chili, pork and beans, pears, oatmeal raisin cookie.  
Tues. - Chili beans w/meat, vegetable salad, fresh fruit, cornbread.  
Wed. - Chicken pot pie, broccoli w/cheese, sliced peaches, hot roll.  
Thurs. - Grilled cheese sandwich, vegetable soup, pickles, mixed fruit.  
Fri. - Cheese pizza, kernel corn, vegetable salad, gingerbread.

### Senior Center News

April 18 - Bingo  
April 19 - CEAP energy Asst - 11a.m. - 3p.m./City Council 2p.m.  
April 20 - Van to San Angelo. Call Lilia 387-3941  
April 22 - B-day Party for April - noon

### Senior Center Menu

April 18 - Chicken salad sandwich, tomato soup, potato chips, carrot/celery sticks, banana, milk  
April 19 - Steak fingers w/ gravy, mashed potatoes, sliced tomato, biscuit, juice, heavenly hash cake, milk  
April 20 - Glazed ham, cooked cabbage, sweet potatoes w/ apples, wheat roll, banana pudding, milk  
April 21 - Chicken fried steak w/ gravy, potatoes, carrots, roll, veggie salad, white cake w/ caramel icing, milk  
April 22 - BBQ brisket, potato salad, green beans, coleslaw, bread, fresh fruit cup, milk

Mon. - Fri 7:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

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

#### April 13

Sutton County Days Meeting  
Arena 7:00 p.m.

#### April 14

Chamber of Commerce Meeting  
12:00 p.m. at Chamber Office

Chamber of Commerce Awards Banquet  
Civic Center 6:30 p.m.

The Community Calendar is made possible by:



#### April 16

Sutton County Days "Workday"  
Arena 8:00 a.m.

#### April 19

City Council Meeting  
2:00 p.m.

#### April 25

County Commissioner Meeting  
9:00 a.m.



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## Ask the Historical Society

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

Memorial Donations Received  
this week:

Corky Schwiening, Jr. in memo-  
ry of T.C. McCutcheon

Q. Do you have an obitu-  
ary for Clara Guest in 1934?

A. "The Devil's River  
News," November 2, 1934-  
Funeral Rites for Mrs. Guest  
Monday Young Woman Came  
Here with Parents in 1922-  
Scarlet fever early Sunday  
morning caused the death of  
Mrs. Homer Guest, 22, who  
was buried here Monday after-  
noon at services conducted by  
the Rev. Frank Nixon.

Mrs. Guest is survived by  
her husband, her parents, Mr.  
and Mrs. W.N. Taliaferro of  
Sonora, three children one of  
whom is a baby only a few days  
old, and two brothers and a sis-  
ter of Sonora. The latter are:  
Charlie and Clayton Roy  
Taliaferro and Mrs. Tom Guest.

She came to Sonora with  
her parents in 1922 from  
McCullough county where she  
was born in December of 1912.  
She married Mr. Guest October  
1, 1928.

In Nelson Diversified's,  
"Sonora Burial Park," Clara  
Belle Taliaferro Guest, wife of  
John Homer Guest, born  
December 12, 1912 in Melvin,  
Texas, died October 28, 1934 in  
Sonora, Texas. It states she mar-  
ried John Homer in Sonora and  
that her parents were William  
Norvel and Ella May Laymen  
Taliaferro.

John Homer Guest married  
a second time on November 4,  
1940 to Ruby Viola Sessom  
Hearn. John Homer Guest was  
born in Sutton County on  
November 12, 1902 and died  
February 25, 1961 at Andrews,  
Texas.

John Homer and Clara  
Belle Guest have a young son  
buried between their graves;  
Homer Claud Guest, born 1932  
and died March 6, 1934, the  
same year as his mother.

In the same issue we found  
a photograph of an open freight  
car loaded with hobos making  
their way to California. They  
hoped to make a new life for  
themselves in the western "par-  
adise" and be able to bring their  
families to join them.

Nearly 2,000 people  
Monday night enjoyed the hospi-  
tality of the Sonora Wool and

Mohair Co. and Sonora business  
and professional men when they  
swarmed to the warehouse for a  
barbecue supper and a dance  
afterward to music by Jimmie  
Klein's 11 piece orchestra from  
San Antonio.

J.T. Penick, barbecue  
expert was on duty to see that all  
was in readiness from the stand-  
point of goat meat done to a  
tasty brown over coals in a pit  
50 feet long. Serving counters  
were erected next to the compa-  
ny's loading platform. Pickles,  
beans, son-of-a-gun, iced tea  
and coffee with cream complet-  
ed the menu.

Tom Davis was in charge of  
serving the barbecue which was  
under the sponsorship of the  
Lions Club. A group of Lions  
assisted him. Cold storage for  
the goats was furnished without  
charge by the West Texas  
Utilities Co.

At the dance, made possible  
by the warehouse company,  
business firms and individuals,  
excellent orchestra music was  
enjoyed. At midnight a platform  
show was given by the orchestra  
with special vocals and accor-  
dion numbers by Mrs. Jimmie  
Klein, a member of the group.

Nancy Ruth is the name  
that has been given to the 7 1/2  
pound daughter born  
Wednesday morning to Mr. and  
Mrs. John Eaton in a hospital in  
San Angelo.

The members of the Young  
Woman's Missionary Society  
entertained with a Halloween  
party Wednesday night at the  
Methodist Church. Ghosts and  
spooks entertained the party  
with amusing games.

Refreshments of hot choco-  
late and cookies were served by  
a "real" witch to the guests who  
had gathered beneath the Ozona  
bridge.

Guests were: Messrs. and  
Mesdames O. L. Richardson and  
sons, O. L. and Glen, P.C.  
Lightfoot, Clayton Puckett,  
Preston Prater, A. W. Awalt,  
Cecil Allen, E.B. Heinze,  
Russel Long and son, Joe  
Richard, Joe Logan, E. A. Bode,  
Ralph Jones, Joe Berger and  
son, Wilfred, W. C. Warren,  
Perry Mittel, George D. Chalk,  
Dr. and Mrs. J.F. Howell and  
daughter, Marguerite, and the  
Rev. and Mrs. E. P. Neal.

Mrs. Virgil Powell was  
hostess for six tables of bridge  
Friday afternoon at the ranch.  
The decorations, bridge  
appointments and refreshments  
were appropriate to the



WWI found in box with Cauthorn/Labenske photos. Who is he?

Halloween season. High score  
award was won by Mrs. Sterling  
Baker, second high by Mrs.  
Henry Decker and low score by  
Mrs. R. A. Halbert.

Individual pies, sandwich-  
es, mints and coffee were served  
to the following guests:  
Mesdames S. H. Allison, John  
Hamby, J.A. Ward, Jr., Joe  
Brown Ros, Marshall Huling,  
R.C. Vicars, Henry Decker and  
John Fields, W. P. McConnell,  
Jr., Mike Murphy, Sterling  
Baker, E. C. Mayfield, E. F.  
Vander Stucken, W. C. Evans,  
Andrew Moore, Gordon  
Stewart, Clifton Brooks of Big  
Lake, R. A. Halbert, B. M.  
Halbert, Jr., Hilton Turney, Sam  
Karnes and the Misses Ada  
Steen and Alice Karnes and  
Faye James.

We would like to thank  
Delyse Jaeger for bringing her  
Cub Scouts to visit the Miers  
Home, Museum, this past week.  
We really enjoy having young  
people tour the museums and  
learn the history of their country.

The lady in last week's pic-  
ture, according to about 9 peo-  
ple, was Mildred Labenske  
Cauthorn born August 27, 1904  
Hays Co., TX, died April 5,  
1984 Sonora. She was married  
to John Basil Cauthorn on  
January 12, 1942 in San Angelo,

Texas.  
We think the two little boys  
in the sailor suits the week  
before were also Cauthorn fam-  
ily members but no one called  
in. Does anyone know who this  
week's picture is? It came from  
the same box of donated photo-  
graphs.

If you have any questions  
concerning Sutton County his-  
tory send them to "Ask the  
Historical Society," P.O. Box  
885, Sonora, TX 76950-0885 or  
e-mail us schs@sonorax.net.  
You may also call us at the  
office 325-387-5084 Monday,  
Friday and Saturday mornings  
from 8:00-11:45. Rentals of the  
grounds and buildings can be  
made on the same days, during  
the same hours. Thank you!

In case you didn't notice,  
some teenage volunteers and  
one adult have been doing a lot  
of work on the big bay window  
at the back of the "Old Depot"  
and on some doors back there.  
Weather had almost stripped the  
paint off this area and we thank  
Johnny Rodriguez for his late  
hour work and the young girls,  
Anna, Carla, Delila and  
Desiree, for all their hard work  
scraping, sanding and getting  
the trim ready for painting.

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Becca Fields bride-elect of Jesse Worley  
Lauren Whiteside bride-elect of Anthony

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Lauren Whiteside bride-elect of Anthony Renfro  
Sarah Kate Hendrix bride-elect of Walt Epperson  
Carla Weaver bride-elect of Bonner Walsh  
Ashley Henson nee T.J. Harris

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Bridal Registry  
Lauren Whiteside bride-elect of Anthony Renfro  
Carla Weaver bride-elect of Bonner Walsh  
Becca Fields bride-elect of Jesse Worley

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**WEDDING**  
Lindsey Bowers bride-elect of Colt Williams

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**AMIS GIFT SHOP**  
Gift Registry  
Biddy Ramirez  
50th Birthday Celebration

## House approved \$137.5 billion state budget

### State Capital Highlights

Texas Press Association

by Mike Cox

AUSTIN - It's just the next  
step in the process, but it sounds  
impressive: The House  
approved a \$137.5 billion two-  
year budget April 7 that would  
provide more money for public  
schools, more to protect child-  
ren and the elderly, and more  
for social services.

But the Senate earlier  
passed its own version of a  
budget, and the upper chamber  
is not expected to approve the  
House version. That means the  
budget goes to a joint confer-  
ence committee. And that's  
where the real numbers will  
start to emerge.

State raises looking like-  
ly...

Texas' 142,000 state  
employees are probably going  
to get a pay raise, but the House  
and Senate have different ideas  
on what's fair. The Senate thinks  
4.5 percent in January 2006 and  
another 4.5 percent in January  
2007 would be proper. The  
House version is 3 percent, one  
time.

"I do, Governor..."

A state representative has a  
bill in the hopper that would  
make it legal for members of the  
Legislature and other state offi-  
cials to hear couples say "I do"  
to the "love, honor and obey"  
question.

House Bill 1228, filed by  
Rep. Dianne Delisi (R-Temple),  
would add representatives, sena-  
tors and current and former  
statewide elected officials to the  
list of people allowed by state  
law to conduct a marriage cere-  
mony.

Lawmakers, the governor  
and other statewide officehold-  
ers would not be allowed to  
charge a fee, and they could  
only marry a man and a woman.

The bill languishes in com-  
mittee, likely until death do it  
part.

Safety seat law may get  
boost...

The House Transportation  
Committee has unanimously  
approved House Bill 183, a  
measure that would require child-  
ren up to age 8 and shorter than  
57 inches to ride in an approved  
child safety seat.

The current law covers only  
children to age 4 or shorter than  
36 inches. Those extra years and  
inches will translate into lives  
saved, says bill sponsor Rep.  
Fred Brown (R-College  
Station.)

**Battle reenactment set...**

The history of the world  
changed on April 21, 1836,  
when a rag tag Texas army  
defeated Mexican Gen. Antonio  
Lopez de Santa Anna at San  
Jacinto.

It won't look quite the same  
with petrochemical plants and  
oil tankers in the background,  
but the historic battle will be  
reenacted at 3 p.m. April 23 at  
the San Jacinto Museum of

History.

For a free brochure on the  
Texas fight for independence,  
visit the Texas Historical  
Commission Web site at  
www.thc.state.tx.us.

**Tired of mowing?**

If you have other things  
you'd rather do than mow your  
back yard, the Texas Parks and  
Wildlife Department has an idea  
- convert your yard, or at least a  
part of it, into a wildscape.

You'll have to put down and  
maintain native plants, build  
feeders and ponds, install bird-  
baths, and provide shelter for  
wildlife. But after that, about all  
you have to do is let nature, not  
your lawnmower, take its  
course.

The department's Texas  
Wildscapes Web page at  
www.tpwwd.state.tx.us/nature/  
wildscapes has more informa-  
tion.

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*Senior citizen (60 & Over), corporate, and pre-pay discounts available.*

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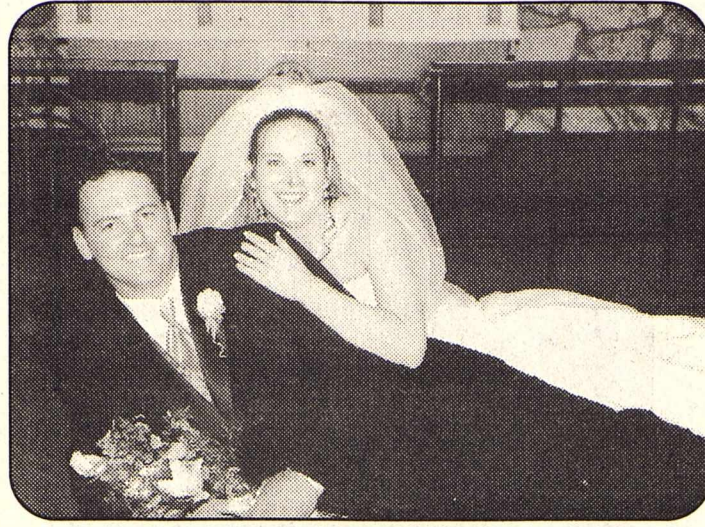
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### Wedding Announcement

#### West, Crain unite in marriage



Ryon and Jesse West

Jesse Amanda Crain and Ryon Walker West, both of Sonora, were married on March 12, 2005, at the St. John's Episcopal Church in Sonora.

Reverend Milton Black officiated the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Melinda Earwood Crain of Sonora.

The groom is the son of Bud and Jill West of Mullin, Texas, and Mona and Roy Krempin of Copperas Cove, Texas.

The bride was given in marriage by her brothers, Quincy Crain of Sonora, and Riley Crain of Lubbock.

Maid of Honor was the sister of the bride, Blair Crain of New Braunfels. Flower girl was the cousin of the groom, Savannah West of Channing. Ring bearer was the nephew of the bride, Jarrett Jackson of New Braunfels.

Serving as best man was the friend of groom, Jory Sutherland of Goldthwaite. Honorary groomsmen were the son of the bride, Jayden Crain of Sonora.

Serving as Acolyte was Meredith Earwood of Sonora.

A reception following the ceremony was held at the T-Saucer Ranch Country Retreat.

Following a wedding trip to Big Bend National Park, the couple is at home in Sonora.

The bride is a 1996 graduate of Sonora High School and a 2000 graduate of Angelo State University.

The groom is a 1992 graduate of Goldthwaite High School, and later attended Hill College and Tarleton State University. He is employed with Champion Technologies in Sonora.

#### Hilderbran to award scholarships

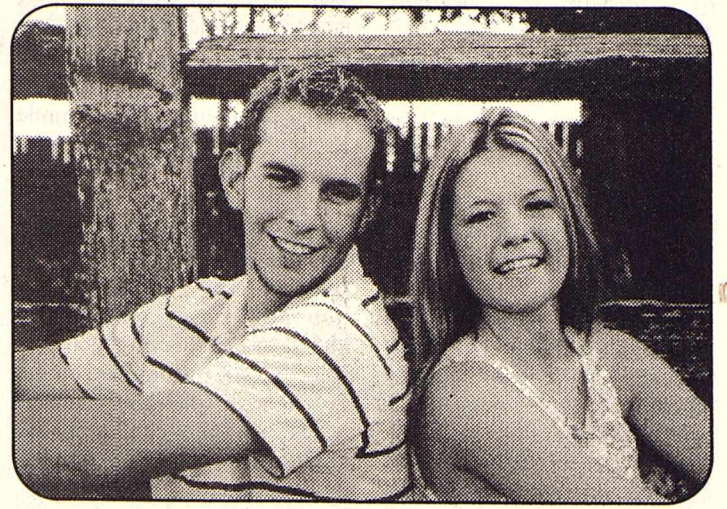
AUSTIN - Representative Harvey Hilderbran (R-Kerrville) will be awarding two \$500 scholarships to students in the Hill Country and District 53 graduating from an accredited high school in May 2005.

The scholarship may be used at any university, college or technical school, and will be awarded based upon academic standing and an essay. Applications must be returned to the student's counselor no later than April 25, 2005.

The representative will present the scholarships to winners at their respective awards banquets, if time permits.

For more information, please contact Debbie Van Bibber at 512.463.0536.

### Engagement



Colt Williams and Lindsey Bowers

#### Bowers, Williams plan April wedding

Lindsey Nicole Bowers and Colt Levi Williams will be wed on April 30, 2005, in Sonora, Texas.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Ronnie and Kari Bowers of Sonora, Texas. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mark Williams of Forney, Texas, and Becky Colvin of Leander, Texas.

Lindsey is currently attending American Commercial College in San Angelo, and Colt is the Assistant Manager of Fastenal in San Angelo, Texas.

#### Fun Snack Ideas for Kids

*Families are changing and we're changing families.*  
By Kelly L Thorp  
County Extension Agent-FCS Texas Cooperative Extension

Kids like to snack. Most children do best when they eat 4-6 times a day. Snacks timed about 2 hours before a meal can help curb the craving for non-nutritious foods. Here are some fun, easy-to-fix, nutritious snack ideas to try with your kids:

- Milkshakes and fruit smoothies - Blend milk, juice, and crushed ice; or, blend low-fat milk or yogurt with fresh or frozen fruit(s). Try different varieties, such as strawberries, bananas, peaches, or other fruits.

- Fruit juice popsicles - Freeze 100% fruit juices in ice cube trays or paper cups. Use popsicle sticks or rounded

toothpicks\* inserted in the juice for handles.

- Peanut butter logs - Fill celery with peanut butter - add raisins\* to the top of the peanut butter for "ants" on the log.

- Frozen fruit - For a fun summer-time snack, peel and freeze bananas or freeze whole or sliced grapes\*.

- Crunchy bananas - Peel bananas. Roll them in peanut butter or yogurt and crushed, non-sugarcoated, ready-to-eat cereal. Freeze.

- Cracker and/or fruit stacks - Stack whole grain crackers or apple rings with low fat cheese and/or peanut butter.

- Trail mix - Mix non-sugar-coated, ready-to-eat cereal with raisins\* or other dried fruit; add a few nuts\*.

- Cinnamon toast - Toast 100% whole wheat bread. Add a small amount of butter or margarine on top and sprinkle with cinnamon sugar. (Note: cinnamon sugar can be made with 2 tablespoons sugar and 2 teaspoons cinnamon - keep in a sugar shaker for easy use.)

- Popcorn\* - Choose low-fat varieties.

- Cheese - Choose low-fat varieties of string cheese or individually wrapped packages for fun.

- Hard-cooked eggs - Cut eggs in wedges or slices.

- Dip, dip, dips - Kids love dipping sauces. Choose low-fat varieties of salad dressing, bean dip, yogurt, or pudding. Dip vegetable sticks (carrots\*, celery\*, cucumber, broccoli, cauliflower, bell pepper, squash), fruit slices (apple, pear, peach, orange, nectarine, papaya, mango) or berries.

\*Some foods and serving items such as raisins, nuts, popcorn, grapes, carrots, celery, and toothpicks can pose a choking hazard for young children. Make wise choices. Cut foods into small, manageable pieces or avoid these items all together for young children.

#### Happy Birthday

Belated wishes to  
Jasmine Daniels

April 14

Noemi Samaniego, Patrick Campbell, Lynn Burleson, Katie Taylor, Kenley Black, Doris Seigler, Marcos Quiroz

April 15

Milton Cavaness, Hannah Henderson, Kylea Liggett, Austin Castaneda, Tibba Edmondson, Sandi Espinosa

April 16

Dakota Daniels, Clarissa Sanchez, Palmira Sanchez, Tori Valliant, Terrie Alvarado

April 17

Bonnie Lou Campbell, Carolyn McMeans, Slade Dermody

April 18

Marcus Perez, Calvin Johnson, Marcus Perez, Homer Hull, Chance Dillard, Joli Hooper, Edgar Hernandez, Anali Garica, Mikey Mata

April 19

Felton Jackson, Frank Avila, Christian Kenney

April 20

Justin Routh, Tanner Myers, Spencer Hall, Brianna Espinosa, Cindy Paredes, Pepe Cervantez, Kathy Morris, Carolina Gonzales

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#### Thursday, April 14, 2005

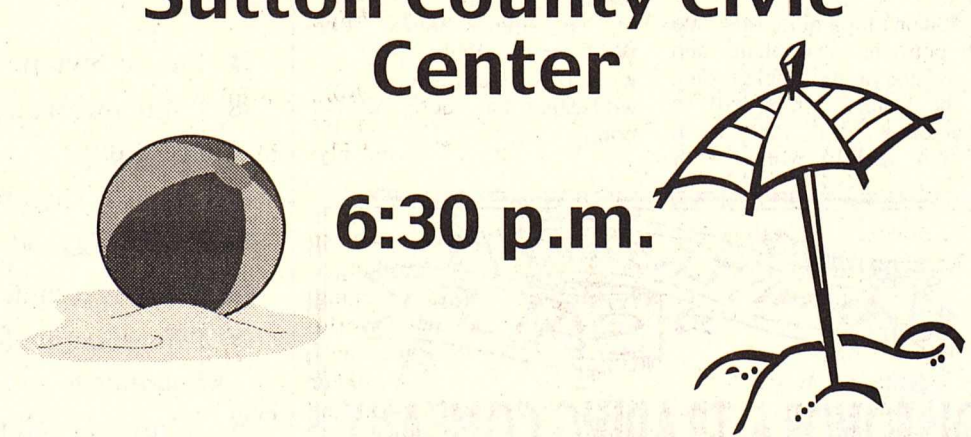
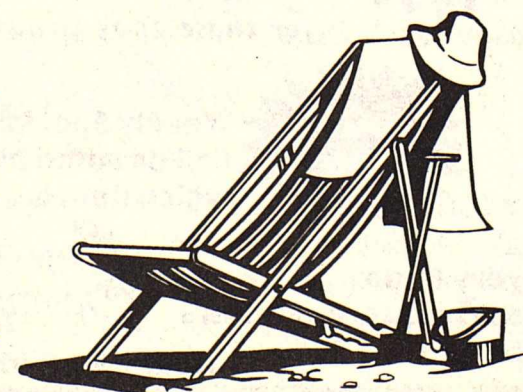
### Sutton County Civic Center

6:30 p.m.

Come dressed for the beach, relax and enjoy a Luau style dinner and drinks in the Tiki Lounge!

**\$15.00**

To purchase tickets or for more information call the Sonora Chamber of Commerce at 387-2880



## Lady Broncos get back on winning track

by Tryon Fields

This past week the Lady Broncos returned to winning form by defeating Ozona and Junction. Sonora scored 32 runs and only gave up 1 in the two ball games. Granted this was against a first year team (Ozona) and a struggling team from Junction. However, this gave Coach Thomas Hanson an opportunity to work on some much needed game situation fundamentals, as well as give his backups some much needed playing time.

Meghan Krieg and Heather Hughes teamed up on the mound against Ozona on Tuesday. Between the two pitchers they were able to pitch a no-hitter and strike out 12 Lady Lions. In 5 innings they faced 2 batters more than the minimum and these two reached base only after being hit by a pitch.

The Lady Broncos pounded out 12 hits on their way to a 14 to 0 win.

Meghan Krieg led the team with 3 hits plus being hit by a pitch to reach base all 4 times. Kimble Luna had 2 hits, with Madeline Higdon, Heather Hughes, Jennifer Burton, Jaimee Duran, Brandy Neff, Amanda Word, and Laura Martin each having 1 hit. Of the 3 balls put into play, Brandy Neff and Jaimee Duran would handle the two grounders and Felicia Castillo would catch the only fly ball hit.

Friday would start the second go-round of play with the Lady Broncos entertaining the Lady Eagles from Junction. Junction would score their only run in the top half of the first off of two Sonora errors. For the next four innings, Meghan Krieg and her defense would limit the Lady Eagles to only 3 other base runners.

Two of these runners would result from base hits and one drawing a base on ball. Krieg would strike out 9 and walk 2 Lady Eagles on her way to an 18

Sonora 14, Ozona 0										
Score	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
Ozona	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	0	1	1
Sonora	10	1	0	3	0	-	-	14	10	0

Sonora	AB	R	H	RBI
#6 Fields, K., SS	1	2	0	0
#1 Luna, K., C	3	2	2	1
#10 Krieg, M., 1B,P	3	2	3	2
#7 Hughes, H., P, 1B	4	1	1	2
#9 Burton, J., CF	2	1	0	0
#4 Duran, J., 2B	1	2	1	1
#11 Neff, B., 3B	2	2	1	0
#25 Castillo, A., DH	3	0	1	1
#18 Word, A., LF	2	1	0	0
#8 Martin, L., LF	1	1	1	0
Totals	22	14	10	7

3B: #10 Krieg, M. HBP: #6 Fields, K (by #1), #10 Krieg, M. (by #1), #9 Burton J. (by #1), #11 Neff, B (by #1)

Sonora 18, Junction 1										
Score	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
Junction	1	0	0	0	0	-	-	1	1	4
Sonora	12	4	1	1	0	-	-	18	12	5

Sonora	AB	R	H	RBI
#6 Fields, K., SS	3	2	1	0
#4 Duran, J., 2B	3	4	2	0
#10 Krieg, M., P	2	2	1	1
#1 Luna, K., C	2	3	0	0
#7 Hughes, H., 1B	3	2	1	3
#25 Castillo, A., DH	2	0	1	1
#3 Castillo, F., RF	0	0	0	1
#9 Burton, J., CF	1	0	0	0
#11 Neff, B., 3B	3	2	1	1
#18 Word, A., CF	4	2	3	0
#13 Higdon, M., LF	3	1	1	0
#8 Martin, L., LF	1	0	1	1
Totals	27	18	12	8

2B: #7 Hughes, H 3B #10 Krieg, M HBP #11 Neff, B (by #1)

to 1 victory. Jaimee Duran, Jennifer Burton, Heather Hughes, and Krieg herself would handle the other five balls that were put into play. Amanda Word would lead the Sonora batters with 3 singles in 4 trips to the plate. Brandy Neff would go 2 for 3 with a single, a double, and reach base after being hit by a pitch. Jaimee Duran would single twice and draw a walk. Meghan Krieg would add a triple, plus be hit by a pitch and reach on a walk. Heather Hughes would lead the team in RBI's with three off of a

double and a walk. Adriana Castillo, Laura Martin, Madeline Higdon, and Kayla Fields would round out the hitting with a single each.

This week the Lady Broncos will be on the road. On Tuesday, they will have traveled to Eldorado and on Friday will be in Grape Creek. If you can, try to get to the game and support the Lady Broncos in their quest for a second straight District Championship!

GOOD LUCK LADY BRONCOS - REMEMBER ONE GAME AT A TIME!!!!!!

## Bronco baseball improves record

by Maray Cearley

The Sonora Broncos improved their record in district to 8-0. On Tuesday they played the Ozona Lions. After a 2 hour delay and facing 40 mph winds the Broncos won 16-3. Clint Cearley got the win finishing with 10 strikeouts, 1 walk and 5 hits.

Almost every Bronco had at least 1 hit. Hitting for extra bases were Anthony Longoria, with a 2-RBI homerun and Cearley with a triple and a double with 3 RBI's. Diego Cardona went 3 for 3 with 2 doubles and 1 single. Martin Gonzalez had a double. Roland Solis, Garrett Watkins, Brian Payton, Steven Duhon, Dustin Creek and Lito Trevino all had singles.

Friday the boys traveled to Wall. Creek went 5 1/3 innings on the mound. He had 10 strikeouts, 1 walk and 10 hits. Cullen Parker was the closer finishing with 4 strikeouts and 1 hit. The Broncos had 3 home runs in the game. Embre Smith had a shot over centerfield while Solis and Creek hit over right field. These were the first of the year from all 3. In addition to the long ball, Smith had 3 singles. Also having 3 singles were Duhon and Gonzalez. Longoria had a double while Cearley and Parker each had a single. Final score Sonora 15 - Wall 9.

This week the Broncos will play 3 games. Big Lake is on Tuesday and then they are at home on Friday against Grape Creek at 5:00 p.m., and Saturday against Wall at 1:00 p.m.

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### SPRING SPORTS

Varsity Baseball			
Date	Opponent	Site	Time
4/15	Grape Creek	Here	5:00
4/16	Wall	Here	1:00
4/19	Junction	Here	5:00

Junior Varsity			
Date	Opponent	Site	Time
4/15	Grape Creek	Here	After Varsity
4/16	Wall	Here	1:00
4/18	Junction	There	5:00

Girls Softball			
Date	Opponent	Site	Time
4/15	Grape Creek	There	5:00
4/19	Wall	Home	5:00

Track		
Date	Location	Teams
4/23-24	Regional Qualifiers	VB, VG

Golf	
Date	Location
4/25	Regional Tournament week - Baird

## Students of the Week

Chealsey Daniels

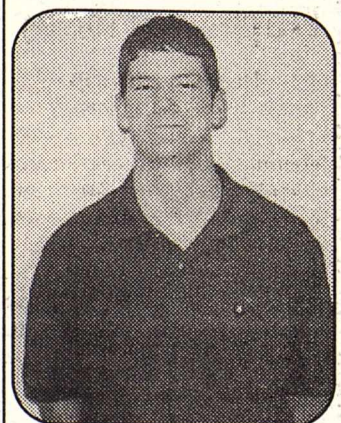


Sophomore Chealsey Michelle Daniels is the 15-year-old daughter of Anna Daniels. Chealsey, who was born in San Angelo, enjoys playing basketball with friends and talking on the phone and chatting online.

She lists her favorite subjects as Theater Tech and History.

After graduation she plans to attend Texas Tech or Duke University. She is still unsure of her major.

Embre Smith



Embre Jay Smith is the 17-year-old son of Jack and Lauri Smith. He is currently an 11th grader at SHS. Although Embre was born in San Angelo, he has lived in Sonora all of his life.

Embre enjoys playing many sports, including football, basketball, baseball and golf. He also states that he enjoys spending time with his family, traveling, and working on the computer. His favorite subjects are BCIS II with Mrs. Benson and AP US History with Mr. Buchanan.

Embre has big plans after high school in that he will attend Rice University in Houston to study either Aeronautical Engineering or Computer Engineering.

## Boy Scouts advance at Court of Honor



Front Row: Michael Stephens, Stephen Dominguez, Manny Paredes. Back Row: Tyler Edmondson, Ryder Crites, Tyler Creek, Ross Crites, Paul Faz

The Sonora Boy Scouts held their Court of Honor on April 5, 2005. The Scouts earned advancements as follows:

**Tenderfoot Rank** - Stephen Dominguez

**Star Rank** - Tyler Creek, Paul Faz and Michael Stephens

**Merit Badges Earned**

**Tyler Creek:** Citizenship in the Community and Environmental Science

**Ross Crites:** Citizenship in the World and Fingerprinting

**Ryder Crites:** Citizenship in the World and Fingerprinting

**Tyler Edmondson:** Camping, Citizenship in the World, Fingerprinting and Fly-fishing

**Paul Faz:** Citizenship in the Community, Citizenship in the World and Fingerprinting

**Manny Paredes:** Camping, Citizenship in the World, Fingerprinting and Fly-fishing

**Mikael Samaniego:** Camping, Citizenship in the World and Fingerprinting

**Michael Stephens:** Citizenship in the Community and Environmental Science.

Troop officers were elected

as follows:

**Senior Patrol Leader** - Michael Stephens

**Asst. Patrol Leader** - Paul Faz

**Quartermaster** - Stephen Dominguez

**Scribe** - Manny Paredes

**Librarian** - Tyler Creek

**Historian** - Ross Crites

**Chaplain Aide** - Tyler Edmondson

**Troop Guide** - Mikael Samaniego.

Congratulations to all these Scouts that work very hard to earn these advancements and merits.

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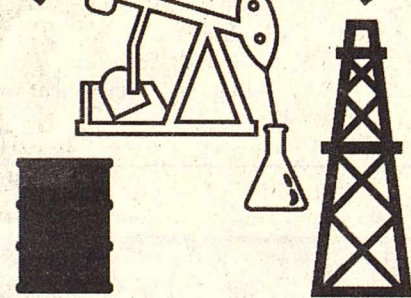
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### Tomatoes in the home garden



submitted by Pascual Hernandez, Sutton County

Tomatoes are the most popular vegetable in the home garden. They are available in a wide variety of colors, sizes, and shapes. Tomatoes also vary in growth habit. Tomato varieties are classified as determinate or indeterminate. Determinate tomatoes are small, compact plants. They grow to a certain height, stop, then flower and set all their fruit within a short period of time. The harvest period for determinate tomatoes is generally short, making them good choices for canning. Indeterminate tomatoes continue to grow, flower, and set fruit until killed by the first frost in the fall. Accordingly, the harvest from indeterminate varieties often extends over a 2- or 3-month period. Yields are generally heavier than determinate types, but are usually later to mature. Indeterminate tomatoes are tall, sprawling plants which often perform best when supported by stakes or a tall wire cage.

Choose varieties with disease resistance bred in for best results. Fusarium and verticillium wilt are common diseases that can destroy a whole tomato crop; treating either disease is difficult. Many varieties are resistant to these two diseases; look for VF after the cultivar name, indicating resistance to the wilts. VFN means the plants are resistant to verticillium, fusarium and nematodes; VFNT adds tobacco mosaic to the list.

When purchasing tomato plants, select stocky, dark green plants. Harden or acclimate the plants to outdoor conditions before transplanting into the garden. Initially place the plants in a shady location, then gradually expose them to longer periods of sunlight.

After several days of hardening, the tomatoes should be ready to be planted into the garden.

Plant tomatoes in full sun for best yields. If the plants are in peat pots, tear off the top edge or make sure the top edge is well below the soil surface once planted. If the top edge of the peat pot is exposed to the air, it will act like a wick and draw water from the soil around the plant. If the tomatoes are in plastic pots or cell-paks, carefully tap out the plants. Use a sharp knife to cut around plants growing in small flats. Set plants into the soil up to their first true leaves. Pinch off the bottom leaves of tall, spindly transplants and lay them sideways in a trench. Carefully bend the stem upward so that the upper few inches of stem are above the soil surface. Roots will develop all along the buried stem.

Spacing of the plants depends on the growth habit of the variety and training system employed. Indeterminate varieties that are staked can be planted 1 1/2 to 2 feet apart in the row. Allow a 2- to 3-foot-spacing for indeterminate plants grown in wire cages, while tomatoes allowed to sprawl over the ground should be spaced 3 to 4 feet apart. Determinate, ground-grown tomatoes can be planted 1 1/2 to 2 feet apart. Rows should be spaced about 4 feet apart. After transplanting, fertilize the tomato plants with 1/2 pint of a starter fertilizer solution. A starter solution can be prepared by dissolving 1 or 2 tablespoons of a 5-10-5 in a gallon of water.

For suggested tomato varieties contact your local County Extension Agent or visit the Sutton County website at <http://sutton-co.tamu.edu>. Look for the publication titled "Recommended Vegetable Cultivars For West Texas."

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## Sutton County ranching families honored by Ag Commissioner

The Texas Department of Agriculture's Family Land Heritage Program recently honored owners of 142 farms and ranches from 89 counties for maintaining their property in continuous agricultural production within the same family for 100 years or more. Since the Family Land Heritage Program began in 1974, the Texas Department of Agriculture has honored over 4,020 farms and ranches from 226 Texas counties.



Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs recognized Wade Richardson and Glen Richardson of Simon Richardson Ranch at the Family Land Heritage ceremony in Austin. Simon Richardson Ranch in Kimble County was being honored for their acceptance into the Family Land Heritage Program for 100 years of agricultural operation. Simon Richardson Ranch has been in continuous agricultural production since 1904 by the same family.



Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs recognized Sheryl R. Strauch and Dr. Patti R. Strauch, DVM of Simon Richardson Ranch II at the Family Land Heritage ceremony in Austin. Simon Richardson Ranch II in Kimble County was being honored for their acceptance into the Family Land Heritage Program for 100 years of agricultural operation. Simon Richardson Ranch II has been in continuous agricultural production since 1904 by the same family.



Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs recognized John R. and Dell (Davis) Tedford of Davis T-Heart Ranch at the Family Land Heritage ceremony in Austin. Davis T-Heart Ranch in Sutton County was being honored for their acceptance into the Family Land Heritage Program for 100 years of agricultural operation. Davis T-Heart Ranch has been in continuous agricultural production since 1903 by the same family.



Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs recognized Armer Earwood and Edward Earwood of Earwood Ranch at the Family Land Heritage ceremony in Austin. Earwood Ranch in Edwards County was being honored for their acceptance into the Family Land Heritage Program for 100 years of agricultural operation. Earwood Ranch has been in continuous agricultural production since 1901 by the same family.

## Ag Secretary responds to Bonilla's call on Ag cuts



by **Congressman Henry Bonilla**  
WASHINGTON, D.C. -- After prolonged discussions with Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee Chairman Henry Bonilla and other Members of Congress, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has changed its position on agriculture budget cuts that negatively affect Texas farmers.

"I'm pleased the Administration has heard the concerns of farm state members such as myself. This is an important first step in working with the Administration to ensure a viable future for agriculture," said Chairman Bonilla.

The original USDA budget proposed sharp cuts in agriculture programs throughout Texas and the nation. The budget proposal would have lowered the payment limit cap for individuals, eliminated the three-entity rule and changed a farmer's eligibility for marketing loans. In a study published by Texas A&M University for the USDA's Payment Limits Commission in 2002, researchers at the Agriculture and Food Policy Center found that payment limits would force many family farmers out of business.

Chairman Bonilla joined fellow Members of Congress and lobbied the USDA to reconsider the damaging cuts. This morning, Secretary of Agriculture Mike Johanns made the following statement: "We believe the President has presented a budget that has some reasonable suggestions for

reducing the costs of our farm programs. However, we acknowledge that many of these policy proposals, such as the reduction in the payment limit, are quite sensitive. We recognize Congress may have other proposals to achieve these savings, and we are willing to work with Congress on other cost savings recommendations." This concession by the Administration allows Congress the flexibility to find savings, which will least affect farmers and ranchers.

"As long as I serve as chairman of the subcommittee, I'll do everything within my power to protect Texas farmers and ranchers. It's never easy to lobby against the Administration, but in this case it was for the good of our farmers and provided a positive effect for all involved," said chairman Bonilla. "Secretary Johanns and the USDA recognize that our federal government should not punish certain states based on the crops they produce."

As Chairman of the Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee, Bonilla oversees all agriculture funding. He was the first freshman Member of Congress in 25 years to be given a seat on the powerful Appropriations Committee. In addition to serving as chair of the Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee, Bonilla is also a senior member of the Defense Appropriations Subcommittee. Given his role on the Committee, Bonilla is now regarded as one of the two most influential lawmakers in Texas.

## Hair Sheep Program Slated for Sterling City

by **Steve Byrns**,

STERLING CITY — Texas Cooperative Extension and the Texas Hair Sheep Association will present a hair sheep program at 10 a.m. April 16 in the Sterling County Community Center here.

"The interest in hair sheep is steadily growing across Texas," said Chad Coburn, Extension agent for Sterling County. "We anticipate this trend to continue for quite some time. These animals are ideal for landowners who measure land by the acre or by the section (640 acres). For the small-acreage holder the sheep offer a low maintenance alternative to chemical weed control and a viable way to maintain an agricultural tax exemption. For the larger landowner, the animals offer a way to further diversify their income while relieving them of shearing-related worries."

Art Roane, Crockett County hair sheep producer, and Duane and Sue Vinson, Midland County hair sheep producers, will open the program with production testimonials.

An update from the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association will be presented. Dr. Dennis Shelly, head of the Texas Tech Leather Institute, will discuss leather research at Texas Tech University.

Following a catered noon meal courtesy of the Texas Hair Sheep Association, Dr. Frank Craddock, Extension sheep and goat specialist at San Angelo, will present a "Parasite School."

"Sheep Swap, Show and Tell" will begin at 3 p.m. Producers will be able to sell, swap and display their animals.

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## Boer Goat Clinic from page 1

Burger Clinic will follow this at 7:00 p.m. (no charge for the clinic).  
Sunday morning's show starts again at 9:00 a.m. with Mr. Burger and Beverly Hadley of Sabinal welcoming the goats into the ring. Sunday's class order will be the same as Saturday's with percentage does followed by the fullblood does and the buck classes closing the show. Mr. Burger will be available to answer exhibitor questions following the show.  
A full concession stand will be available Friday evening through Sunday lunch with a variety of tasty meals prepared by Mr. Coates and his

crew. The Sonora Classic Goat Shows are being proudly sponsored by the Sonora Chamber of Commerce (<http://www.sonoratx-chamber.com>). For more information on the show please contact Beverly Hadley, 830-988-2113, or [bbhadley@starband.net](mailto:bbhadley@starband.net) or visit the show web site at: [www.sonoraclassicgoatshow.com](http://www.sonoraclassicgoatshow.com). The show is being organized by Boer goat breeders; Powell-Holman (Sonora & Eldorado) and the Coates and Hadley Partnership (Big Spring & Sabinal). The show is sanctioned by the American Boer Goat Association, San Angelo, TX.



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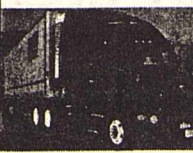
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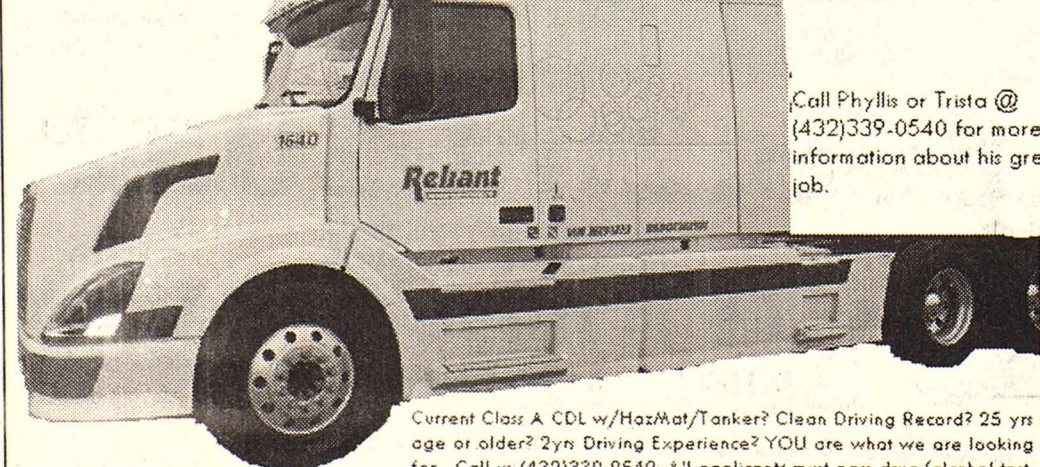
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## Chamber Chatter from page 1

Commerce is also sponsoring the Sonora Classic Goat Show that will be held at the Sutton County Civic Center this Saturday and Sunday April 16th and 17th. To learn more about the Sonora Classic Goat show visit the website: [www.sonora-classicgoatshow.com](http://www.sonora-classicgoatshow.com). We want to encourage everyone to come to the Sutton County Civic Center to see one of the best goat shows in the country. We also want to remind everyone to welcome these goat show participants to Sonora with open arms. We are very fortunate to have these great people visiting Sonora so let's make them feel welcome.

Sonora Chamber of

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## Fire Department from page 1

conferences for money managers and trustees to learn how to better manage your retirement funds.

Kyle has spent many countless days in Austin in board meetings and meeting with the House of Representatives and the Senate to keep their continuing support of the pension plan. They are working to get more cities and counties to join the fund for their paid and volunteer departments.

This is a great honor and the Sonora V.F.D. is proud of Kyle for his accomplishments. He has done so much for the department and the community. Donaldson will now represent the Hill Country at the state convention in June, and will compete for State Firefighter of the Year.

Once business was conducted the fun part began, consisting of racing competitions.

The first race was Women's Water Polo. Kristin Johnson and Tammy Yocham put up a good fight but were unable to place. Next, Men's Water Polo. David

Alaman and Leonard Lloyd of Eldorado went the distance and brought home first place. Women's Six Person Race team members - La Donna Alaman, Jacqui Bills, Christy Blackman, Kristin Johnson, Maggie Lloyd of Eldorado and Tammy Yocham ran a good time but weren't able to place. Men's Six Person Race, team members - Douglas Yocham, Donny Yocham, Jr., and Donny Yocham, Sr. placed first. Women's Three Person Team - Christy Blackman, Kristin Johnson, and Tammy Yocham weren't able to get water and received a no time. Men's Three Person Team - Douglas Yocham, Donny Yocham, Jr., and Donny Yocham, Sr. placed first. Women's One Person - Kristin Johnson ran a good race but again was unable to place. Men's One Person - Douglas Yocham was able to bring home first place in this event. Congratulations to all teams and team members.

## State sales tax collection increase in March

### April Sales Tax Allocations to Local Governments Jump 5.5 Percent

(AUSTIN) — Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn said today that the state received \$1.2 billion in sales tax revenue in March, a 2 percent increase compared to March 2004.

Local sales tax revenues also continue to grow. Strayhorn sent \$311.4 million in April sales tax allocations to cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts, a 5.5 percent increase compared to April 2004. So far this calendar year, sales tax allocations to local governments are up 6.5 percent.

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## 7th grade Colts from page 1

with at great start from the blocks and then handed off to Hernandez who was running the relay for the first time. She held her own and handed off to Morales who ran a great curve then passed the baton to Trevino for the finish. In the 100m hurdles Maraya Dunn placed first with a time of 18.14 and Meredith Earwood finished sixth with 20.04. Bethany Berry won the 100m dash with a time of 13.82 and Gina Valdez finished sixth with 14.74. The 4X200 relay also won first with a time of 2:01.76. Bethany Berry again gave us a great lead and then handed off to Cassie Krieg who passed the baton to Brittany Hernandez who handed off to Amy Hernandez for the three second win. Bianca Trevino finished fourth in the 400m dash with a time of 68.06. In the 300m hurdles Maraya Dunn won with a time of 51.95 followed by Meredith Earwood who placed fourth with a time of 57.41. Amy Hernandez finished fourth in the 200m dash with a time of 30.83. In the 1600m run Keeli Taylor placed third with a time of 6:27 followed by Vanessa Lopez in fourth with a time of 6:33 and Monica Sanchez in fifth with a time of 6:38. That brought us to the last race of the evening - the 4X400 relay. For those of you unfamiliar with track, first place in a relay gives you twenty points and second place gives you sixteen points. Going into the mile relay we had one hundred fifty-eight and one half points; Wall had one hundred sixty-two. We were behind by three and one half points. We would HAVE to win the relay to win the meet.

The 7th grade Lady Colts' mile relay team consists of

Regina Morales, Cassie Krieg, Maraya Dunn and Bianca Trevino. Our fastest time this year before district was four minutes and forty-five seconds. As the gun went off, Morales came flying around the corner out in front. On the home stretch she was beginning to slow down, but one glance to the side let her know that Wah was right there with her and she dug deep within to hold the lead. Morales handed off to Krieg with Wall just one step behind. Krieg made a great break into lane one, just in front of Wall. She kept the lead and passed the baton to Dunn. With Wall nipping at their heels, Dunn ran the fastest leg and began to pull away with a strong finish. That left Trevino, who would be racing the last leg from Wall who had previously beat her out of third place in the 400m dash. Dunn handed off to Trevino and on the back stretch Wall made an effort to go ahead. But Trevino held her ground. On the home stretch she fought to the finish. We won with a 4:31, one second ahead of Wall and fourteen seconds faster than our best time.

As they called out team totals we heard "Wall- 178, Sonora- 178.5." In the middle of the field all you could see was a red cluster of people jumping up and down and all you could hear were cries of joy. WE WERE THE 2005 DISTRICT CHAMPIONS! Other team totals were: Junction - 72, Mason - 48.5, Grape Creek - 47, Ozona - 39, Reagan County - 27, and Eldorado - 25.

Thank you girls. It was a pleasure coaching you. Congratulations on an incredible season!

## The Age of Aquarius?

"When the Moon is in the 7th House, and Jupiter aligns with Mars / Then peace will guide the planets, and love will steer the stars." This wonderful "age of Aquarius" was predicted by the 1960s rock opera "Hair" in the song "Aquarius" made popular by The Fifth Dimension. The musical prediction was reportedly made in consultation with astrologers.

If astrology and the Internet are to be believed, peace and love should start sweeping over us any time now. According to an Internet report sent to me by a friend, Jupiter and Mars were aligned in a "trine" with the Moon in the 7th house on April 7. In astrology a trine is a good-omen alignment occurring when two objects are separated by 120 degrees as seen from Earth.

Being an amateur astronomer, and not an astrologer, I decided to check it out with my astronomy software. Sure enough the morning of April 7 Jupiter was in the southwest 120 degrees from Mars in the southeast. But I'm not sure the Moon was right as it was in the constellation Pisces which according to my sources is the 12th house. So will peace and love have to wait a while longer?

Checking further I found that Jupiter-Mars trine alignments aren't rare, occurring about every 13 months. And the Moon travels around Earth every month, spending 1-3 days in each of the zodiac's constellations (houses). So regardless of which house is considered the 7th, the predicted Jupiter-Mars-Moon configuration occurs on average at least every

12-13 years. If the Moon wasn't in the proper house this year, it has been within the last few years and will be again in the next few years--over and over again.

Unfortunately I've not noticed any 12-13-year cycle of peace and love sweeping over our planet. Perhaps that state of affairs is awaiting, not some mystical alignment of the Moon and planets, but rather us Earthlings getting in "proper alignment" with each other. And that, it seems, requires not wishful or magical thinking or futile faith in a pseudoscience like astrology, but resolve and hard work from us all.

Sky Calendar.

\* 13 Wed. morning: Mars passes just to the lower left of Neptune low in the southeast shortly before dawn. Seeing faint Neptune requires a telescope, but now Mars can help find it.

\* 15 Fri. evening: The Moon is above Saturn with Gemini's brightest stars, Pollux and Castor, to the upper left.

\* 16 Sat.: The Moon is at 1st quarter.

\* 18 Mon.: The Moon is above Leo's brightest star, Regulus.

\* 21 Thu. evening: Jupiter chases the Moon across the sky all night, then the next night the Moon chases Jupiter, with Virgo's brightest star, Spica, chasing them both.

\* 22 Fri. morning: The bright Moon interferes with seeing the Lyrid meteor shower.

\* 24 Sun.: The Full Moon of April, called Grass Moon, Egg Moon, Pink Moon and Milk Moon, will feature a slight, barely noticeable penumbral lunar eclipse.

Naked-eye Planets.

(The Sun, Moon and planets rise in the east and set in the west due to Earth's west-to-east rotation.) Evening: Jupiter, the brightest starlike object now visible, is seen all night, in the east in the evening and in the west in the morning. Saturn is high in the west in the evening and sets after 2 a.m. Morning: Mars rises 3 hours before the Sun and is seen in the southeast. Mercury, now barely peaking above the eastern horizon before sunrise, will be at its highest above the rising Sun Apr. 26. Venus is in the Sun all month.

Stargazer appears every other week. Paul Derrick is an amateur astronomer who lives in Waco. Contact him at 918 N. 30th, Waco, 76707, (254) 753-6920 or [pjderrick@aol.com](mailto:pjderrick@aol.com). See the Stargazer Web site at [stargazerpaul.com](http://stargazerpaul.com).

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**Devil's River Days Inn** is now hiring Front Desk personnel for the evening position. Apply in person at 1312 N. Service Road.

**Help Wanted:** Part-time evenings and weekends. Apply at **Mr. D's**, 216 Hwy 277 N. from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday - Friday.

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**Rodeo team dominates Steer Wrestling in San Angelo**



Dustin and Steven Duhon and Laramie Hall represented Sonora well in the Region II Steer Wrestling finals.

The Sonora High School rodeo team dominated the steer wrestling at the Region II finals. Laramie Hall won 1st and brought home the saddle sponsored by Jimmy Powers Ranches of Sonora. Steven Duhon won 2nd winning a buckle with Dustin Duhon 3rd winning a headstall. Laramie also qualified for state in the team roping with Cody Can Jordan from Hobbs, New Mexico. The team would like to thank the fans from Sonora who came out and cheered them on. They were GREAT!!

On Sunday the banquet food was cooked and donated by Mr. Mike Weaver from Nacogdoches. He owns and operates Delacroix's. It was great Louisiana eating and we know that west Texas rodeo fans were really "treated" with his cooking. If you want to come to the State finals they will be in Abilene starting June 12th!

**F.Y.I.**

Relay for Life team registrations due by Monday, April 18, 2005. Brief Team Captain meeting 5:30 p.m., Chamber of Commerce office.

Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo and Sutton County Days Committee will be having a "work day" at the Sutton County Arena on Saturday, April 16, 2005, 8:00 a.m. to prepare for the upcoming AJRA rodeo and Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo. Volunteers welcome.

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Book Sale at the Sutton County Library, began April 11, 2005. All kinds of books to sell. Children, youth, fiction, non-fiction. Hardcover books= \$1, paperbacks .25

The Days Inn/Comfort Inn/Steakhouse Relay Team is having a bake sale on April 16.

All Band students 6-12 grade are selling "to go" only BBQ plates on Sunday April 24. Please purchase your tickets now and pick up your plates at the Bronco Stadium from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call Tammy at 387-6504 FMI. All students please bring Mrs. Favila your ticket money. Thanks for your support.

9th Annual West Texas Ranch Rodeo & Trades Day, Saturday, April 23, 2005, Mertzson City Park, Trades Day - 9:00 a.m., sponsored by 48 Study Club, Chuckwagon Demonstration, Ranch Rodeo Grande Entry: 10:00 a.m., Shrine Clowns for kids, Team Penning 10:30 a.m., Ranch Style Barbecue 12:00 p.m. - sponsored by Lions Club, Ranch Rodeo resumes at 1:00 p.m. Events: Steer Roping & Tying, Calf Branding, Boot Scramble for kids, steer loading and wild cow milking. For more information call Mike Dolan 835-5301 or 835-2027 (ranch rodeo), Country Dance - 8:00 p.m. Mertzson Community Center, Band: Old Hat Band. All money raised by Lions Club and 48 Study Club goes to scholarship fund.

West Texas Ranch Horse Show (in conjunction with West Texas Ranch Rodeo), Friday, April 22, 2005, Irion County Arena, Mertzson, Cowboy Class begins at 9:00 a.m., Jr. Class: 4-year-old horses and under; Sr. Class: 5-year-old horses and older; \$75 per event; Sanctioned event, must be a member of R.H.A.A. Prizes to be awarded for 1st place in each event. FMI call Frank Lindley 835-7010 or Mike Dolan 835-5301.

Project Graduation 2005 committee members are hard at work to make this year's graduation night party the best ever. If you have not yet been contacted and would like to help with this project, please send donations to Project Graduation c/o Beth Wallace, 105 SW Main, Sonora, Texas 76950. If you would like to volunteer your time on the night of Project Graduation, May 27, 2005, please call Beth Wallace at 387-5786 or Jane Rushing at 387-3625. At this time, orders for Project Graduation T-shirts are being taken. Shirts can be ordered until May 1, 2005 at a cost of \$12.00 (payment due at the time of order). If you would like to order a shirt, contact Kay Friess at the Sonora High School or order at Team Graphics.

The Dominion Relay for Life team, "Vanessa's Guys & Terry's Gals" will be holding a Fish Fry on May 5, at 6:00 p.m. at the Sutton County Park. The event is being held by National Oilwell, Cactus Flow, HEEP Equipment, Weatherford, Crume Sales, and RJ Sales. Come out for fish, fries and fun, with all proceeds going to the ACS Relay for Life. Tickets may be purchased, \$6 or \$10 for 2, from Dominion team members or for more information call 387-3588 or National Oilwell at 387-6567, or go by the office on Hwy 277 S.

The First National Bank Relay for Life Team will be selling water, pickles and popcorn at the Cinco de Mayo celebration on April 30, 2005 at the Sutton County Park to raise money for the 2005 Relay for Life.

AJRA Rodeo - On April 30 & May 1, beginning at 10:00 a.m., the Sutton County 4-H Club will be hosting a junior rodeo. Proceeds from the rodeo will benefit the Sutton County 4-H Scholarship Fund. Please call in to sign up for working the concession stand and helping with the event, 387-3101.

FYI - The high school counselor's office is getting the list together for this year's local scholarships. If you or your organizations would like to sponsor a scholarship, please contact Kay Friess at Sonora High School. Scholarship applications will go out on March 14, 2005. For more information, you can contact Mrs. Friess at 387-6533.

Transformation is a youth-focused event that is bringing the youth of Sonora, Eldorado and Ozona together as one body with one vision. Join together on the 2nd Sunday of each month at Lighthouse Community Church - Meal at 6:00 p.m. Praise and Worship at 7:00 p.m. FMI please contact Silas Politte FBC Eldorado 853-2662 or Lighthouse Community Church 387-9100.

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**Friends of Historic Sonora looking for tea cups and fashions from the past**

Submitted by: Ann Kay, FHSMS Manager

Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program and the Bank & Trust would like to honor your favorite grandmother, mother, aunt, or special lady in your life by displaying their favorite tea cup, hat, bonnet, or dress in the month of May at the Bank and Trust. We would like to spotlight the ladies from the past in the month of May, which is Preservation Month for the State of Texas. The tea cups, stories, ranch women photos, dresses, bonnets, hats, and post cards (Smith Neal's Aunt Mattie Neal Hunt postcard collection from early 1900's) will be on display at the bank for all to enjoy and take a walk back into time. We need your help in making this exhibit complete and you can help by loaning such items that you would like to spotlight in this exhibit about your favorite special lady.

We create these exhibits to remind our community of the great western heritage and to share with visitors to our community a taste of the west. We also invite the schools to visit the exhibit to teach our children the rich western heritage of which we are a part in West Texas. We already have some dresses from the early 1900's and hats from 1900's and early 1960's. Smith Neil has loaned us a collection of post cards that have a photos from all over Texas in the early 1900's which were written to his Aunt Mattie Neal Hunt. There will be photos of Sutton County Ranch Women on display, with favorite family memories written.

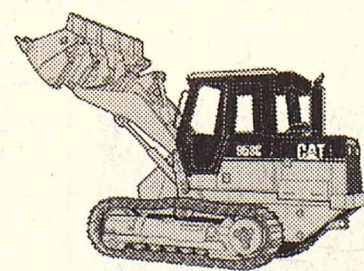
Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program are honored to be a part of the celebration of the remodeling project of



the Bank & Trust Lobby Area. We will have the Tea Cup & Postcard Romance Exhibit at the newly remodeled bank lobby during their reception on Thursday, May 5, 2005 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The Bank & Trust and Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program invite you to come by and enjoy the refreshments, visit the exhibit, walk back in time, remember the memories of the west, and see the new lobby of the Bank & Trust. Come join us and celebrate! It's a Party West Texas Style!

If you would like more information you may call Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program at 325-387-2248 or visit 232 Main Street suite 101 (Mercantile Building). We will be collecting the items for the exhibit displays during the month of April. We hope you will be a part of this special project.

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