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Miss Sutton County Candidates light up the steps of the court house. Left to right are; Kaija Valkonen, Alyse Edmondson, Alexie Ortiz, and Chasady Garcia

City Council Updates Fee Schedule

Submitted By Ray Glasscock

In a 3 to 1 decision, the Sonora City Council voted last week to institute a new fee schedule. Councilman Thomas Adkins voted against the decision. He expressed his concern that the increased fees would discourage people from purchasing, building, or moving homes into the city. City Manager Jim Polonis stated that we have fees for water, sewer taps and inspections, but they are out of date. Sonora's fee/permit schedule has not been reviewed or revised for quite some time, years. He cannot give an exact number of years since the last update, because it differs from person to person. Polonis said, "We have numbers that support the increases and I backed it up with a comparison to other communities. We are charging what it costs us and not a penny over it." The new fee schedule will be effective immediately and can be viewed on the City of Sonora's website.

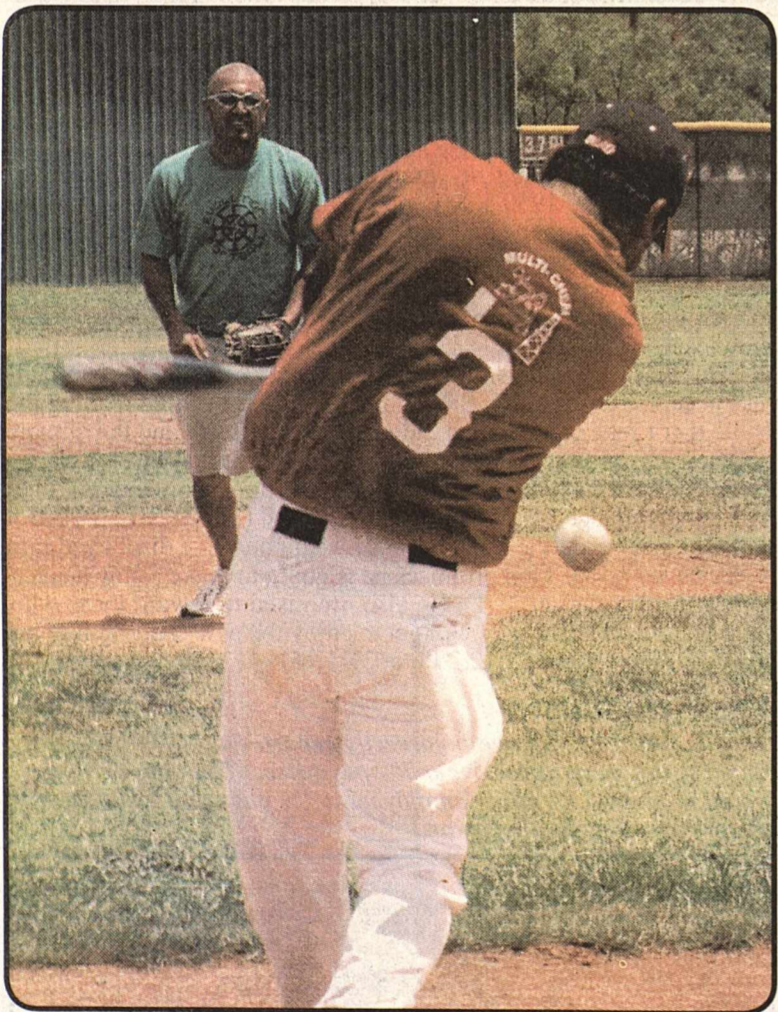
During the meeting, two public hearings were held. There were no comments at either the hearing about the annexation of 20 acres of land off East 2nd Street or the hearing to discuss plans to file an application for Texas Community Development Grants funds. The council also passed a resolution to hold two public hearings on the possible annexation of .80 acre of land near 313 Railroad Street. The hearing dates will be published in the Devil's River News.

The council approved quarterly reports for the Fire Department, the Sonora Industrial Development Corporation, Historic Main Street, and the Sonora Chamber of Commerce. The council also approved both the Chamber of Commerce and the Main Street annual audits performed by Armstrong Backus.

All council persons unanimously approved the City of Sonora Texas Homeland Security Regional Response Plan prepared by Charlie Graves and the Keep Sonora Beautiful's request for approval to submit a grant request to the Concho Valley Council of Government to purchase a recycling trailer.

The next regularly scheduled Sonora City Council meeting is August 15, 2006 at 4 pm at City Hall.

St Ann's Softball Benefit Tournament A Success



Edward San Miguel Swings For The Fence!

Submitted By Marrisfa Faz - Staff Writer

The Fifth Annual St. Ann's Softball Tournament was held this past weekend with 13 teams from across West and South Texas participating in the event. The team from Kerrville took home first place. A Sonora based team sponsored by Multi-Chem finished in second place. The Del Rio and Eagle Pass teams took home the third and fourth place awards.

The tournament was organized by Team R.A.Z.P.A who are raising money for the building fund. The tournament was a huge success due to the support of all of the local companies and individuals who donated food, money and prizes.

**Once Again,
Thank You
Sonora!**

Hydroplaning Causes Two Accidents

By H. Greeley

A thunderstorm caused two travelers to hydroplane and crash on Interstate 10 this past Saturday. A 2004 Dodge Durango, driven by Eloise Marable, 69, along with four passengers from Suisun, California was traveling west bound. Marable lost control in heavy rainfall, hydroplaned across both the West and East bound lanes, slide sideways into the south side bar ditch. The Durango hit a large rock taking out the oil pan. The vehicle came to rest facing West on the south service road. There were no injuries.

Eduardo Tribaldos, of Juarez, Mexico was traveling with his wife and three children. He entered the heavy rain and lost control of his 1997 Blue Ford Expedition. The Expedition hydroplanned across both the west bound lanes of travel. It entered into the center median sideways and flipped over onto its left side where it came to a stop. One of the children was taken to Lillian Hudspeth Memorial Hospital for observation.

Both accidents occurred within 5 miles of the 395 mile marker.

There is rumor spreading that the Sonora Airport is on the Texas Department of Transportation (Tx DOT) closure list. This is NOT true. In fact, Tx DOT has no plans to force any airport in Texas to close. The Sutton County Transportation Committee will meet soon to find ways to increase traffic for our outstanding airport.

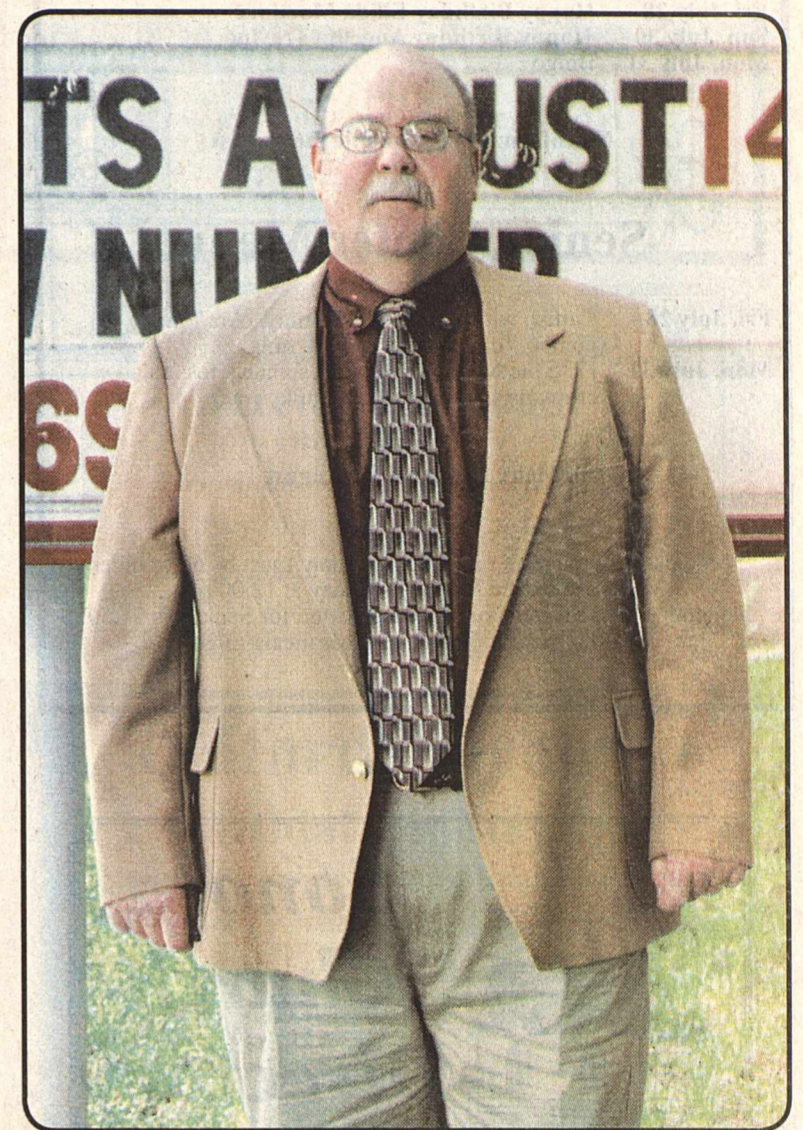
Meet Joe Young Sonora Middle School Principal

By Ray Glasscock

Mr. Joe Young is the new Sonora Middle School principal. He is a native of San Angelo where he graduated from San Angelo Central in 1974. He received his undergraduate degree and his MED from Angelo State. Mr. Young came to Sonora from Kermit where he was the middle school principal. While at Kermit, he improved their TAKS scores by 17 percent. Before getting into administration, he taught and coached for seventeen years. He has coached the Coleman Bluecats, the Ballinger Bearcats, and the Grape Creek Eagles. I asked him if he had ever coached against Sonora, and he said he had the privilege of trying to get the Grape Creek Eagles to beat the 2000 Sonora Broncos.

"I wanted to come to Sonora, because Sonora has always excelled in everything. Sonora has a reputation of excellent academics and obviously great athletics." His goal at Sonora Middle School is to take the middle school to a higher level of excellence. "I plan on letting my teachers teach and letting them know I trust them and they can have faith in me." Mr. Young feels that his teachers can give our students the education they need to succeed in high school. Therefore, improving the TAKS scores will naturally occur and will not be the sole goal of Sonora Middle School.

"I want to meet as many families as possible. I want to meet them and for them to know me. I want them to come to see me and to be involved with their children's education." The middle school will be having an open



house soon so that the community can meet the new teachers and visit with the current teachers.

Robin Young is the nurse manager of Cedar Manor Retirement Center in San Angelo. She will continue to work there by commuting. Matthew, age 12, will be in the seventh grade and be a lineman for the Mighty

Seventh Grade Colts. Briana, age 10, will experience excellent instruction as a fifth grader at Sonora Middle School.

**Joe, Robin, Briana,
and Matthew
Welcome to Sonora!**

County Commissioners Discuss 2006-2007 Budget

By Ray Glasscock

The Sutton County Commissioners met this past Monday morning for their regularly scheduled fourth Monday of the month meeting. The commissioners and the County Auditor reviewed each department's proposed 2006-2007 budget submissions with County Judge Carla Garner. The commissioners also approved minutes from the last meeting, the Justice of the Peace report, and the County Treasurer's report.

During Judge Garner's report, she briefed the commissioners on two requests her office had received from circus companies to use the county arena on August 31st and September 8th. Each circus would be here one day and then move on to another city. Judge Garner asked Roads and Bridges Superintendent Oscar Jimenez, if the circus companies had, in the past, cleaned up before leaving town. He stated that his crews always had to clean the arena area after the circus companies depart Sonora. Judge Garner also mentioned the circus companies used the water and electricity on the county property. In the past, no fee was charged for the private businesses to use the county arena facilities. John Wade made a motion that was seconded by Milton Caveness to establish a \$1,000.00 fee for each circus company to use the arena area. The motion passed unanimously.

A representative from an identity theft insurance company made a presentation to the commissioners court. The commissioners also approved the Attorney General's child support contract with the county.

The next County Commissioners meeting will be held at 9:00 a.m. on August 14th in the Sutton County Annex.

Devil's River Billy Bustin' World Championship Goat Roping Comes to Sonora

Submitted By Fran Pennington

The Goat Roping Championship started in San Angelo and remained there for several years before moving to Ozona for several more. This year, Johnny Bounds brought the competition to Sonora.

The first round was held on Friday night. The teams were competing for \$500 of added money to be brought back on Saturday night during the short go-round of the open roping. The top 15 teams would advance to the short go of the open roping on Saturday night. The first and second place positions were split by the team of Johnny Bounds for Eldorado and Kip Harrell of Brady and the team of Johnny Bounds and Will Petrus of Finton.

The Shawn McMullan Jr. Memorial Roping was held Saturday morning. The junior roping was open to anyone 14 years and younger. Lane Hale of Ozona won first place and received a \$500 scholarship donated by Brown Automotive of Del Rio. Gunter Pennington of Sonora finished in second place. Mossy Oak sponsored \$1,000 of added money.

The first four rounds of the Open Roping (World Champion-



Gunter Pennington, Letane Kothman, and Lane Hale Letane is the mother of the first ever World Champion Goat Roper, the late Carl Kenny Kothman of Menard.

ship Goat Roping) was held also held on Saturday morning with the top fifteen to be brought back for the finals on Saturday night. This roping was sponsored by First Horizon Home Loans and AB Distributing held \$5,000 added money (whatever the hell that means). The winner of this title was Hayse Worthington of Ozona.

The Saturday night roping was cancelled due to the wonderful and much needed rain. All prize money was paid to the winners of first three rounds of roping.



Lane Hale from Ozona - Winner Of The Junior Goat Roping

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

Senior Center Activities

Fri. July 28 - Happy Birthday Elida Martinez
Sun. July 30 - Happy Birthday Angelita Trevino
Mon. July 31 - Bingo

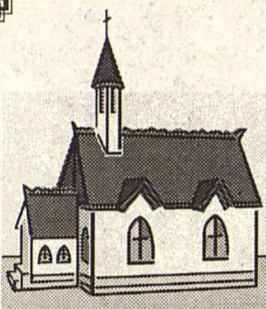
No Information Available for August

Senior Center Menu

Fri. July 28 - Catfish with tatar sauce, hominy, okra/tomato gumbo, roll, apple crisp, and milk.
Mon. July 31 - Frito pie w/chips & cheese, spinach, toss salad w/ croutons, applesauce, and milk.

No Menu Available for August

Participants in the senior nutrition program must be 60 or older.
Meals are served Monday - Friday at 12:00 p.m.
Donations are accepted (suggested donation for Seniors is \$1.50; \$4.00 for under 60 and all other meals-to-go)



Sonora Church Directory

Primera Iglesia Bautista 504 Santa Clara 387-2035	Church of Christ 304 N. Water 387-3190
The Church of the Good Shepherd Presbyterian 319 E. Mulberry 387-2616	First Baptist Church 111 E. Oak 387-2951
Lighthouse Community Church 1705 N. Crockett 387-9100	St. John's Episcopal Church 404 E Poplar 387-2955
Pentecostal Calvary Temple United 509 Amistad 387-5266	First United Methodist Church 201 N. Water 387-2466
St. Ann's Catholic Church 229 W. Plum 387-2278	Templo Jerusalem Asamblea De Dios 306 W. 4th St. 387-5713
Jehovah's Witness 310 St. Ann's St. 387-5658/387-5518	Hope Lutheran Church 417 E. 2nd St. 387-5366

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Faith-based Organizations Deserve Level Playing Field

AUSTIN – Gov. Rick Perry today called for an end to barriers that prevent faith-based and community-based organizations from serving people in need and thanked attendees for their important work in Texas communities. The governor made his comments at a White House Conference on Faith-Based and Community Initiatives, which provided participants with a general overview of federal grant opportunities for faith-based and community organizations.

"It is a great honor to be in the presence of more than 1,500 men and women who are the foot soldiers of the Army of Compassion, men and women who live out their faith and their values through a labor of love," Perry said. "Texas is indeed grateful to you for your willingness to partner with government to meet the great needs of our citizenry."

Perry's office of faith-based and community initiatives is located in the OneStar Foundation, a non-profit organization Perry created to strengthen the capacity of local communities to address their most pressing needs. By coordinating the efforts of important community initiatives in our state, OneStar promotes service and volunteerism, forges effective public and private partnerships, and works to increase the performance of non-profit organizations.

"The reason I joined several good-hearted Texans in forming the OneStar Foundation is because there are a great many in our midst who are suffering and who need a helping hand," Perry said. "And so often, while we look to government first, those

most equipped to deal with suffering and poverty are serving in private foundations, civic organizations and faith-based organizations. I have long believed that government can't solve every social ill, and certainly can't give meaning to the human heart or replace strong families and vibrant communities."

"Texas aims to be a national leader in leveling the playing field for faith-based and community organizations so that all organizations can compete equally for public dollars to provide public services," Perry said. "These groups should be able to compete on a level playing field for opportunities to partner with government in meeting human needs."

Recently, OneStar provided grants totaling half a million dollars to 25 faith-based and community-based organizations in Texas from the federal Compassion Capital Fund, which will be used to help providers strengthen their capacity to offer services. And in March 2006, Perry announced a collaborative, interagency effort will launch Amachi Texas to match trained adult mentors with some 1,300 at-risk youth.

"Faith-based institutions and community-based organizations can greatly add to the social service goals of government, providing hope not because it is their job but because it is their mission," Perry said. "I happen to think, if we welcome people of faith and good will to the mission of individual and community revival, our efforts will not fail, but flourish."

Andi Allen... Sonora's Ambassador to China

Submitted by Cyndy Allen

Andi Allen, daughter of Lewis and Cyndy Allen, has spent the past five months teaching conversational English in Jinan, China. A 2001 graduate of Sonora High School, Andi works for Aston English School which specializes in after-school and weekend English classes for children and adults. With the 2008 Olympics coming to Beijing, more and more Chinese people want to learn English, and schools, such as Aston, are springing up all around the country.

Located in the western part of the center of Shandong Province, Jinan is at the juncture of the Beijing-Shanghai and Qingdao-Jinan railways. Andi has traveled by rail to both Beijing and Shanghai several times as well as Dalian, Qingdao, and most recently to Xi'an, home to the famed terra cotta warriors.

From experiences with Chinese medicine, to foods, and to other ancient customs, Andi has gained a wealth of knowledge about the Chinese. An excerpt from an e-mail sent after a visit to a Chinese clinic states, "It was crazy! They had waiting rooms crammed with people. There were doctors at the table, and you just sort of shove your way to the front, and

tell the doctors your symptoms right in front of everyone. I had waited at least 45 minutes, and was making no progress toward seeing a doctor, so my friend got me in to see his doctor friend in a private room. The doctor could speak English, thank goodness. Apparently this guy is very well-renowned—he guest lectured at Ohio State and wrote a textbook on Chinese medicine for American students. Anyway, he wrote down my symptoms, checked my pulse, and had me stick out my tongue. Then he diagnosed me with "the common cold" and prescribed two different herbal concoctions. I had to go down one level to the in-house "pharmacy" that looked a LOT like an old-time apothecary. There were drawers and bins of herbs everywhere. My medicine turned out to be pills that I take 3 of three times a day for the cold, and then this powder that I mix three packets of into hot water 3 times a day for my sore throat. So far I've done that once because it was absolutely RANCID. It came out looking, smelling, and tasting like mud."

Editorial note: Andi has agreed to share her experiences for periodic publication in the DRN. We would like to thank Andi, Lewis and Cyndy Allen for the opportunity.



Andi Allen and one of her students after winning the Aston English Cup competition.
Photo courtesy of Cyndy Allen

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Obituaries

Frank Darwin Nichols



He had been a Christian since the age of 13, and was a member of Immanuel Baptist church and a member of the San Angelo Masonic Lodge No. 570 and the Phil Head Lodge No. 1415 in Carlsbad. Frank was an avid fisherman and a loyal friend to many.

Frank was preceded in death by his parents, Fred and Jennie Nichols; one daughter, Barbara; two brothers, Lawrence and John Nichols; and one sister, Alice Allison.

He is survived by his loving wife of 57 years, Marjoria; two sons, Bobby Darwin Nichols and his wife Renee; four grandchildren, one whom he raised, Sydonia Pechacek and her husband, Dan; four great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; two step grandchildren; one sister Sydonia Wilson of Sonora; and three nieces.

Pallbearers for the service were all special friends in his life, and they were Leo Cauley, Ron Bruton, J.T. Hinson, Danny Ortiz, Leslie Thompson and Robert Stanley. The honorary pallbearers were Perry Ray Henderson and Rusty Smith.

The family would like to give a special thank you to the staff of San Angelo Community Day Surgery unit, Dr. Rahman and his staff. They would also like to thank the staff of VistaCare Hospice for all their support and care. Words cannot express how grateful the family was to have had their support.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to VistaCare Hospice, the Immanuel Baptist building fund, or to a favorite charity.

Homer "Rick" Jolly Jr.

Homer "Rick" Jolly age 49, passed away Thursday, July 20, 2006 in Vero Beach Florida.

He was born February 6, 1957.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Monday, July 24, 2006 at the Hollenbeck-Cahill Funeral Home in Bradford, Pennsylvania.

He is survived by his wife; Diane and two children; Michael and Sabrina Hines of Port St. Lucie Florida, his parents; Homer and Margaret Jolly of Sonora, and one sister; Brenda Solis of Sonora, and four grandchildren; Gregory, Corrina, Dallas, and Michael Jr.

Joe A. Sanchez Jr.

Jose A. Sanchez Jr. age 67, of Ft. Worth and formerly of Sonora, passed away Saturday, July 22, 2006 in Ft. Worth. Graveside services were held at 11:00 a.m. Monday, July 24, 2006 in the Sonora Cemetery.

Arrangements were by Kerbow Funeral Home.

He is survived by four sons; Paul, Joel, Jonathan, and Joshua, a sister Margarita Trevino, numerous grandchildren and great-grand children.

Floods and Droughts

By Brother J.

I remember helping my grandfather during the hard times of the drought of the 1950's. My job was to drive the feed wagon (an old pickup that smoked and rattled). A few years after the drought broke, he planted many acres of cotton, and it looked as if he was going to have one of the best cotton crops ever. Just as they started to pick the cotton, a hurricane blew in from the Gulf of Mexico and they lost the whole crop.

This was very confusing to me as a young boy. It was not until after I accepted Jesus as my Savior and Lord, and I started reading the Bible that I realized that God did not make the earth and the climate the way it is today. Originally a mist watered it and there were no seasons or storms (you didn't need air conditioners or heaters), food was in abundance all year around (Genesis 1:29-31; 2:15-16). But God put a curse on the earth because Adam and Eve disobeyed him (Genesis 3:17-19). God promises he is going to make a new heaven and earth (Revelation 21:1). He also promised to reward those who have accepted Christ; they will get to enjoy the new creation forever and ever (Revelation 22:1,2; Peter 3:11,15)

CORRECTION:

In the July 13 issue, we incorrectly reported that ONLY county supervisors were to receive a 7% pay raise. The commissioners voted to give ALL county employees a 7% pay raise. The Devil's River News regrets this error.



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Your memorial gift helps preserve access to quality healthcare for generations to come.
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Letter to the Editor

Historical Society

ASK THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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

Q. Who were the parents of Earl W. Hardgrave?

A. Earl Wylie Hardgrave was born on July 15, 1892 in Ballinger to James and Edwina Burnett Hardgrave. He was married to Janie Marie Lee, the daughter of William and Elizabeth Jane Sayner, on March 29, 1914 in Tom Green County. Janie Marie died on October 18, 1918.

Earl was elected to the office of Sutton County Treasurer on November 5, 1918 and held that office until January of 1920. He also resigned as manager of the Sonora Telephone Exchange and as general manager of the construction site of the "hotel that never was" on the corner of Main and Water. Mr. Hardgrave stated he had to leave for reasons of health. He left because his late wife's parents were trying to raise his 5 and 3 years old sons and it was just too much for them. He had tried to care for them alone at first, but the task was too much for him. He took them to Elizabeth Jane and William but at their advanced age two young boys were taking a toll on their health. He considered putting the boys up for adoption but Elizabeth Jane had a better idea.

Her daughter Elizabeth Lee was married to Robert N. Allen. Robert N. Allen had a sister, who was unmarried, named Penelope "Nellie" Allen. Elizabeth Jane suggested that Earl marry Nellie and give his children a new, young mother who could handle the growing boys. His brother-in-law Fitzhugh Lee, encouraged him to go along with the idea.

On July 15, 1920 Earl Hardgrave and Nellie Allen in San Angelo, Tom Green Co., Texas. Her father and mother, Sam N. and Edna Tomlinson

Allen gave the couple four sections of land. Her brother, Robert N. Allen, gave the couple their first car. They moved to their new property in Terrell Co. and started the Hardgrave Ranch. Robert N. Allen and Earl W. Hardgrave acquired more property and worked as business partners. About 1934 they dissolved their partnership and split the ranch in two. After the split Earl had about 11,000 acres of land. Earl died December 3, 1958 at Dallas, Texas after an unsuccessful surgery and was buried in the Cedar Hill Cemetery at Abilene, Texas.

Earl had two children from his marriage to Janie Marie Lee: Earl Lee born in 1915 married Joyce Frary about 1938. Jack William born in 1917 married Ruth Griffin.

Earl had three children from his marriage to Penelope Allen: Allen Wylie was born in 1921 and married Jo Nell Williams on April 16, 1944. Mary Bess was born in 1923 and married Claude Harkins. John D. Was born in 1924 and married 1. Billie Hale and 2. Peggie McDonald.

Earl Hardgrave was best known for making arrangements with managers of other telephone offices to let him know when severe weather, that was headed for Sonora, was in their area. He was able to relay the information to his customers and many head of stock were saved due to his innovative warning system.

Q. Who was A. J. Swearingen?

A. A. J. Swearingen was born in Alabama about 1861. He came to West Texas when he was 10 years old and ranched here for 35 years. He had Swearingen & Co's which he started out with A. Morrison who sold out his share to D. H. Covington. His sheep brand was a circle with a cross. He even served a term as county treasurer. In 1952 he was at the San Antonio Livestock Exposition, at the age of 91, and told how he had lived here and then moved to

San Angelo in 1905 then to the Medina River where he ranched for many years. At that time he was living with his son Dr. Judson J. Swearingen, senior scientist in charge of petroleum for Southwest Research Institute at 116 Hammond St., in San Antonio. I would check Bexar Co. records for his obituary.

Q. When did Annie Dickenson Cusenbary die? Your cemetery book says April 21, 1937 but her obituary is listed as October 16, 1936, which is the correct year?

A. Annie Dickenson Cusenbary died at her ranch home on April 21, 1937. She had been in San Angelo for a number of weeks but on April 2 was brought home to the place she loved, where she had lived since her marriage to D. B. Cusenbary in January of 1893.

The reason we listed the date of October 16, 1936 was there was a much more complete article on her life in that issue than her obituary of April 23, 1937. This article was a reprint from an article in the "Texas Magazine" on her life and times as a rancher in West Texas. We felt that anyone researching her family tree would glean much more information from the article of that date than the obituary. Both article are in our Cusenbary file in the archival safe room at the office and anyone is welcome to come and research them.

In the 1930's, when Mr. Wilson took over as editor of "The Devil's River News," he ran many articles on people who lived in Sutton County. They were life stories of individuals and in many cases had a picture of the person accompanying the article. They usually were much more complete stories than the later obituaries. We always try to copy these and add them to family files. They contain a wealth of information.

One story tells of a man whose hobby was raising roses. Now who would think of a

person in our semi-arid climate having gardening of flowers as his hobby. Others told of wonderful gardens, chickens, stock, etc. that people raised over the years. The articles were really a much more complete insight into the lives of people here.

We are still working on the Ice House and could still use some volunteers. Remember don't ask me why it isn't done yet if you haven't raised a hand to help. Currently we are having a lot of iron removed from the building. It has to be cut with a torch by an experienced person so we are paying to have this part of the gutting so that it is done correctly and no one is injured. There is still a lot of cork wall and concrete to be cleaned up off the floors and another section still to be torn down. Weeds have to be pulled out back and the inside area mowed. Plenty of work, much too much for Rick to do alone. So if you have some time please volunteer.

If you have any questions on Sutton County history send them to "Ask the Historical Society," 307 Oak St., P.O. Box 885, Sonora, Tx 76950-0885 or e-mail them to: schs@sonoratx.net. You may call us at the office on Tuesday and Thursday from 9-12:30 with questions or to rent the Old Depot and grounds or on Saturday mornings from 8-12. Our phone number is 325-387-5084.

It is coming up time to pay dues again. Help save us some money and pay ahead of time. If you aren't a member and would like to join just send a check for \$10 to the above address and state it is for dues. With the raise in oil/electric/insurance, etc. we really need some more members and more donations. We are a private organization, no part of the county or city and totally reliant on dues, donations, rentals of our grounds and donations to the museum to operate. It costs about \$12,000 a year, not counting upkeep, to care for all our buildings and we could use some help please.

Letters to the Editor

This week we received the following letters.

R P s K e Q and T

TEAM GRAPHICS
Krystianna Mendez
 Sweet 15th Selection
 208 E. Main St.
 387-5017

Gifts Galore & More Everett's Pharmacy Bridal Registry

Tracy Barbatto bride-elect of Ryan Hardgrave
 Pam Jones bride-elect of T.J. Thorp
 Christin Linton bride-elect of Allan Nicholas
 417 N. Hwy 277 • (325) 387-5871

Tedford Jewelry Bridal Registry

Tracy Barbatto bride-elect of Ryan Hardgrave
 Pam Jones bride-elect of T.J. Thorp
 Trish Ruiz bride-elect of Ruben Ynguanzo
 Mrs. Russell Dempsey nee Elizabeth Hatla

Sweet 15th
 Kristianna Mendez

107 N Concho, Downtown Sonora 387-3839

Happy Birthday

- July 27**
 Tanner Fields, W.A. Kinder, Scott Garrett, Bob Cramer, Anna Castro, Michael Castilleja
- July 28**
 Yates Cypert, Ronald Gonzales
- July 29**
 Rhonda Wilson, Chris Smith
- July 30**
 Eddie Perez, Joe Perez, Rebecca Castillo, Angelita Trevino, Douglas Skoulaut, Nacho Romero, Danny Solis, Pat Hughes, Autumn Castilleja, Robert Davis
- July 31**
 Laura Martin, Chacho Mesa, Rafael Estrada
- August 1**
 Allyse Edmondson, Jose J. Perez, Frankie Gonzales, Yolanda Duran, Meredith Kesinger, Megan Kesinger, Luis Samaniego III, Greg Gallindo
- August 2**
 Nick Favela, Joe San Miguel, Kendra Vyvlecka, Ryan Rowell, Tina Chambers, Sam Dillard



Ximango AMT-200 Lands at Sonora

Submitted enviously by Ray Glasscock

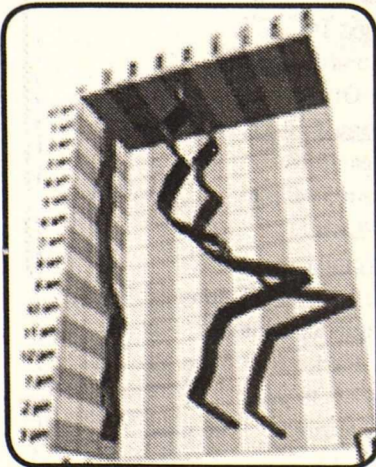
Last week as I was driving by the airport, I noticed a strange looking plane in its approach to landing. I drove out the airport to look at what could be the world's safest airplane. I expected the airplane to be a home built. The Ximango AMT-200 is FAA certified that is built in Brazil. It is basically a retractable gear glider with a 100 hp engine. It will cruise at 125 mph with an approach speed of less than 50 mpp. It usually gets about 40 mile per gallon of gas. I can get much more depending on the winds aloft. Pilots often shut down the engine and cruise on the thermals. The basic airplane costs about \$105,000. This one cost a quarter of a million dollars, being equipped with a GPS navigation system and a satellite weather warning system.

The airplane is going to be bought by the United States Air Force. It will be used at the Air Force Academy to teach basic airmanship.

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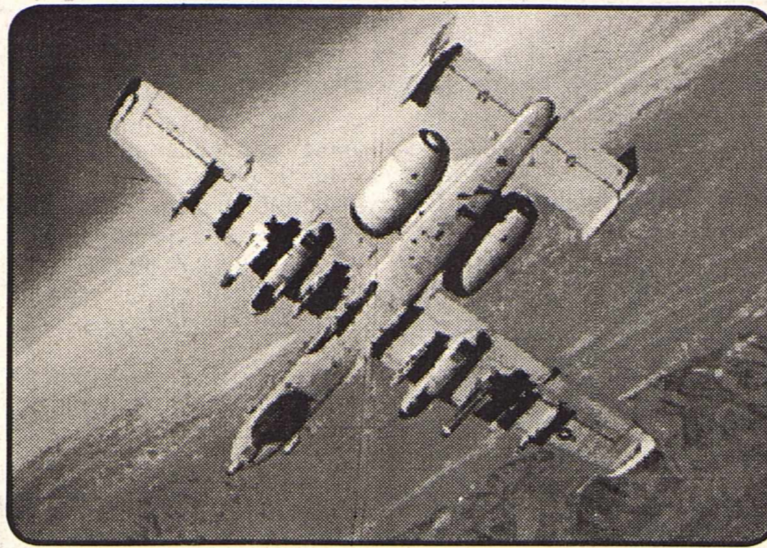
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WELCOME BACK

By Mary Ann Kay- We removed two more Yellow ribbons from the Old Oak Tree. Raymond Rainer and Eric Lee Cardenas. We are so thankful to have them return home safely to all of us. They were joined around the tree with family and friends with smiles on their faces. Gifts from the Chamber of Commerce and meals were donated from La Mexicana. Raymond is the son for Lester and Patti Rainer of Sonora. Eric is the nephew of Pete and Dee Martinez.



The A-10 Thunderbolt

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Sonora to Receive National Television Exposure

Submitted

Rafter W Ranch again hosted television crews from the Outdoor Channel, filming a turkey hunt. This is the sixth year the Warlaw family has opened their operation for the national broadcast. This year, two film crews were in the Sonora area, the Primos crew and Scent-Loks' "Getting Close with Lee and Tiffany".

The Primos show, headquartered in Flora, Mississippi airs on Tuesday nights at 7:30 p.m. central time, and again on Thursday night and Sunday mornings beginning in late February or early March.

Scent-Loks' "Getting Close with Lee and Tiffany" will air the Sonora segment on the Outdoor Channel Tuesday, August 1st at 6:00p.m. central, Friday, August 4th at 8:00 a.m. and again on Sunday, August 6th at 5:00 a.m. central time.

Their show will feature many parts of the arrival into Sonora with a hood mounted camera taping the arrival into, and around town.

Know Your Numbers: Tracking Medical Lab Results



Submitted by: Kelly L Thorp, MS County Extension Agent-FCS Texas Cooperative Extension- Sutton County

COLLEGE STATION – So you've decided to take better care of yourself and have been to the doctor for a check-up. You've been prodded, poked, weighed and measured. Routine lab tests have been done and the results are in.

Now what? The next step is finding out what your lab test results say and keeping track of them, said Dr. Carol Rice, Texas Cooperative Extension health specialist.

This step is possible because more and more doctors are providing their patients with copies of their own lab results and making recommendations based on these reports, she added.

But without advanced training, will you even know what those test results say?

Asking questions and finding out what they mean can be good for your health, Rice said.

"In view of how impersonal our system has become – because so many people have to change providers so often – I think it is a good idea that everyone keeps their own file of these reports," she said. "I also recommend that people look at the report and seriously try to read what they say. Almost always, the report has some definitions of what is normal and how your result compares to normal."

If your numbers on any given test fall outside that normal range, Rice advised contacting the doctor's office to get specific information as to what that means to you and your health.

"It is not a good idea to just trust that if it is important, your doctor will tell you what to

do," she said.

Instead, get answers to specific questions and recommendations as to what actions, if any, you should be taking, Rice said.

For example, if your blood glucose level is in the pre-diabetes range, your doctor may recommend you lose some weight or get at least 30 minutes of exercise a day, at least five days a week. You may also be advised to come back in a few months for a follow-up test.

"Because we are all busy people, we may forget about this unless we make it a priority to remember that we need to go back," Rice said.

That's why knowing what your lab reports say and following up on your doctor's recommendations are so important, Rice said.

Next, keep track of your lab reports and how your results change over time, she advised. And find out about your family's medical history if at all possible.

"Check your reports to see if certain things – like blood glucose – are checked, especially if you know people in your family are at a higher risk for this," Rice said. "The same goes for cholesterol if you know your family has heart problems."

And remember, she advised, if you have any questions about any of the findings, make sure your doctor explains exactly what they mean and how you should deal with them.

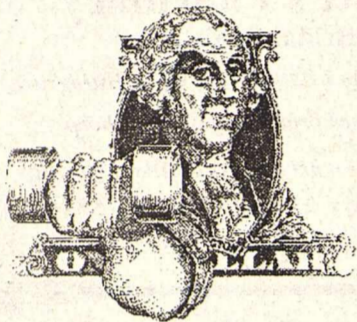
Information is the first treatment for any medical condition, Rice said.

"Being an informed patient is always in our best interest," she said.

For more information on lab results, visit Extension's Family and Consumer Sciences Web site at: http://fcs.tamu.edu/health/Health_Education_Rural_Outreach/Health_Hints/2006/june06/lab-results.pdf and click on the link to "Health." Issues of HealthHints Newsletter also are available at the site.

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Devon Ambassador Lynn Hinsley is a west Texas native and has been a district foreman for the company for 13 years. Sports of all kinds play a significant role in Lynn's life, which is why he is a committed Sonora City League activity supporter. Lynn is also an avid football fan and looks forward to the time he spends coaching YMCA Youth Football in Sutton County. Lynn and his wife, Susan, are the proud parents of 11-year-old twins, Aaron and Jared, and daughter Kayla, who is the mother of grandchildren, Bailey and Kenzie. Lynn fills his free time during every season pursuing his other hobbies, which include hunting, fishing and golfing.

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Chamber Roundup

By Greta Ramsdell

Rodeo is in the air in Sonora...The telephone has been ringing constantly as vendors prepare to come to Sutton County Days on August 11th and 12th. We are looking forward to the big event and all of the related festivities. One event we haven't touched on is the Dee Ora Masonic Lodge Scholarship Fundraiser Dinner, which will be held on Saturday, August 12th from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. at the Sutton County Civic Center. Plates are only \$8.00, with children under ten years old eating for \$5.00. Bring your appetite as the plates include sirloin steak, potato, cole slaw, beans, Blue Bell ice cream and a drink. The members of the Masonic Lodge spend their Saturday afternoon cooking fabulous steaks and then serve them up with all of the trimmings. All of this hard work is for a great cause, as deserving college-bound graduates of Sonora High School will be rewarded with scholarships to assist with their education. Please make plans to support this worthy cause; not only is the scholarship a tremendous help for a student, but the food is great and the atmosphere is even better! Tickets may be purchased at the door or from any member of the Masonic Lodge. Call 325/387-2672 for more information.

The entertainment calendar for Sutton County Days is looking exciting and KHOS will start

off the fun on Friday with a live radio broadcast. On Saturday the Devils River Dancers will kick off (no pun intended) the day with their fabulous clogging, and then Too Far Gone featuring Pete Skains and his grandson Chris Green will be playing Texas country. Later in the day another local band, Fly by Night will be showcasing local talent Rick Hyatt and Leroy Valliant, so come enjoy the great music while you shop 'til you drop! KHOS will also have a live broadcast on Saturday, and lots of free prizes will be given away during the afternoon.

If all of that music puts you in the mood for dancing, don't forget that John Bendele and his band Keeping Texas Country will be playing at the Sutton County slab after both night performances of the rodeo. The dance will start at 8:00 p.m. on Friday and at 9:00 p.m. on Saturday. Dancing under the West Texas stars...what a great way to end a fun day at Sutton County Days and the Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo!

Several deadlines are coming up soon, including the Little Miss and Mister Contest. The registration form for that event is due on July 26th, and the Kid's Mutton Bustin' contest deadline is August 2nd. Stop by the Chamber office at 205 Highway 277 North or call us at 325/387-2880 for more information.

CHAMBER EVENTS CALENDAR

- Thursday, August 3:**
Sutton County Transportation Committee Meeting, 4:00 p.m. The Bank and Trust
- Saturday, August 5th:**
Mutton Bustin' & County Team Roping, 4:00 p.m., Sutton County Arena
- Thursday, August 10:**
Chamber of Commerce monthly meeting noon, Chamber Office
- Thursday-Friday, August 10-11:**
Outlaw Pro Rodeo Slack
Thursday 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. and Friday 8:30 a.m.
- Friday & Saturday, August 11-12:**
Sutton County Days, 2:00 p.m. Friday and 9:00 a.m. parade Saturday, Sutton County Park
Rodeo Performances - 7:30 p.m.
Dances: Friday 8:00 p.m. and Saturday 9:00 p.m.
- Monday, August 14:**
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Sonora Middle School School Supply List 2006-2007

This supply list includes items for which all students are expected to have for each class for the entire year. If an item is lost or used up, the student is expected to replace it promptly, and to continue to have it available for use in class. Individual teachers may request additional supplies.

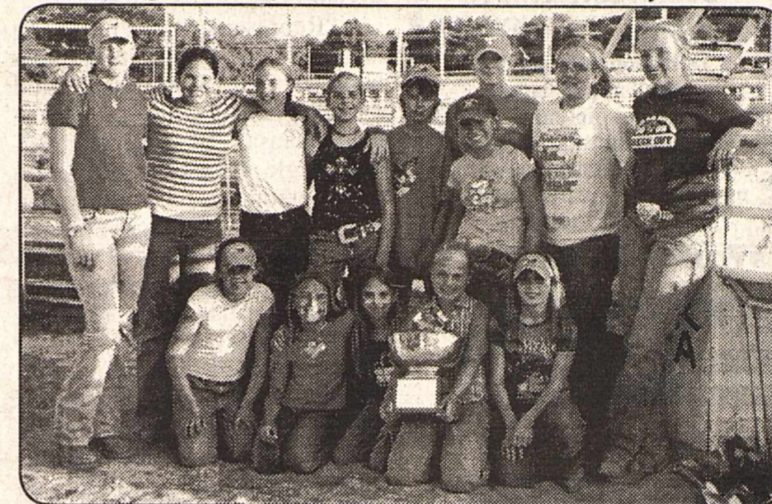
All students will be given the opportunity of using a school issued lock for their locker. We recommend that all students use their locker and lock. If you choose to bring your own lock from home, students must provide the office with an extra key/combination.

- 5th GRADE**
 Pointed Fiskar scissors
 Glue sticks
 1-pkg. map colors
 Notebook paper (wide rules)
 1 subject spiral notebook
 1 large spiral notebook/Math
 2-pocket folders with brads, yellow (Sci), blue (S.S./L.A.)
 1- Trapper Keeper notebook
 1-pkg. of #2 pencils (**no mechanical**)
 Blue or black pens, and red grading pens
 2-Large boxes of Kleenex Tissues
 1-Ruler (centimeters and inches)
 1-4 pack AAA batteries
6th GRADE
 Trapper Keeper notebook
 Loose leaf notebook paper
 4-highlighters (multiple colors)
 12- red pens/pencils
 12- blue or black pens
 2-gluesticks
 1-4 pack AAA batteries
 Scissors
 6- pocket folders with brads
 1-12 inch/cm ruler
 4-spirals
 2-large box Kleenex
 12-#2 pencils
 2-bottles of rubber cement
 2- 10x13 manila envelopes w/brads
 1-plastic expandable folder
7th GRADE
 Highlighters (at least two colors)
 Washable marker set (Crayola)
 Map colors
 #2 pencils
 Black or blue ballpoint pens
 3-spiral notebooks
 1-three subject notebook

- 6 pocket folders w/brads
1-500 count ream/package of white copy paper to Mrs. Love
 1-glye stick
 2-pkgs of white notebook paper
 1-large box Kleenex
 1-pkg of 4 AAA batteries
8th GRADE
 Map colors-pencil type
 Ruler
 4-pocket folders w/brads
 Pens-blue or black
 1-red pen
 2-#2 pencils
 2-Highlighters (different colors)
 1-plastic expandable portfolio file-any color
 6-single subject spiral notebooks
HEALTH
 1-pocket folder
6th Grade - Technology Applications
 1-pocket folder
1-500 count ream/package of white copy paper
7th and 8th Grade - Technology Applications
 1-pocket folder
SPANISH
 1-spiral notebook
 1-folder with pockets
 Map colors
 Scissors
CHOIR
 1-pocket folder w/brads
 2-#2 pencils
5th, 6th, 7th, & 8th Grade
PHYSICAL EDUCATION
 Soap
 Deodorant
 Shampoo
 Towel
 *SMS P.E. Workout Clothes
 P.E. students will need a lock for their locker room basket. SMS will provide a combination lock. If you choose to use one of your own, you must provide the Coach with an extra key or combination.
 *P.E. clothes will be purchased from: **Team Graphics @ 208 East Main in downtown Sonora**
 **Be sure to put the students' name on every item, including lunch bags, coats, jackets, P.E. clothes, towels, backpacks, etc.



Macie Friess with her Keyes Caruthers traveling trophy, presented by Danine Brister and Annette Mabry



Standing left to right; Johnna Pullig, Jaydyn Poindexter, Jennifer Allen, Serena Lee Allison, Justin Pullig, Kara Voight, Shae'na Price, Stella Ingham and Steely Ingham. Kneeling left to right; Lexi Poindexter, Shawnda Price, Dakota Paxton, Macie Friess and Zella Powers
 See results on page 6

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Pre-Kindergarten Supplies Checklist 2006-2007

- 1 large box tissues (Kleenex)
- 2 medium bottles of glue
- 2 sets - jumbo crayons (8 count box)
- 2 pocket-portfolio folders
- 1 pair Fiskar safety scissors
- 1 box of "wipes" ("baby wipes")
- 1 box of small quart-sized storage bags (Ziploc or other)
- 1 FULL-SIZE backpack or school bag
- 1 towel or SMALL blanket (for nap time)
- 1 change of clothes (for any type of accident)
- 1 large bottle of hand sanitizer (10 oz. or larger)
- 1 container of sanitizing wipes (like Lysol or Clorox)
- 1 spiral notebook
- \$5 per semester for extra curricular Cooking and Art activities

*Pencil boxes/bags are not needed at this level.
 **Please write your child's name on each item (each crayolas, pencil, etc.) with a permanent marker.

First Grade Supplies Checklist 2006-2007

- 1 - box for supplies (no larger than 6"x9")
- 1 - zippered pencil pouch
- 2 - box 24 count CRAYOLA crayons
- 12- #2 lead pencils (regular size)
- 1 - MEAD Composition Book (hardcover)
- 1 - pair metal scissors (FISCAR only)
- 2 - large eraser
- 1 - Classic colors washable CRAYOLA markers
- 1 - watercolor set (CRAYOLS or PRANG)
- 2 - large bottles ELMERS glue
- 2 - sets of 12 CRAYOLA colored pencils
- 2 - large box KLEENEX
- 1 - box Ziploc type bags - any size
- 1 - Backpack

Your child's name **must** be on each item (Each pencil, crayon, marker, etc. with a permanent marker)
 Additional items may be requested on the first day and throughout the school year.

Third Grade Supplies Checklist 2006-2007

- Scissors
- Pencils
- Eraser
- Glue
- Map colors
- Markers
- Crayons
- Watercolors
- 1 dry erase marker
- 4 folders WITHOUT BRADS-red, blue, yellow, green,
- 1 mead composition book
- 1 one subject spiral (wide-ruled)
- Box for supplies
- 2 inch, 3-ring Binder with place to slide in a cover page
- Zip lock baggies-1 box, any size Tissues-2 boxes

Please put names on all items.

Kindergarten Supplies Checklist 2006-2007

- 4- 8oz. Bottles Elmer's School glue
- 2 - 24 ct. boxes crayons (Crayola brand only)
- 30- #2 lead pencils (regular size - YELLOW ONLY)
- 1 - blunt-end scissors (FISCAR only)
- 3 - large boxes tissue
- 1 - backpack (regular size)
- 1 - pkg. assorted construction paper
- 1 - Kinder nap mat only (no towels or pillows)
- 2 - watercolor paint sets
- 1 - box (10) classic CRAYOLA markers
- 1 - box of gallon FREEZER Ziploc bags, boys
- 1 - box of quart FREEZER Ziploc bags, girls
- 1 - set of dry erase markers
- 3 - large erasers
- 2 - red pocket folders (no brads)
- 3 - green pocket folders (no brads)
- 1 - spiral notebook
- 1 pkg. wide-ruled notebook paper
- 1 standard size can of play dough

***** PLEASE DO NOT write your child's name on ANY of the school supplies except the kinder nap mat and backpack.

Second Grade Supplies Checklist 2006-2007

- 1 - Box of Crayons (16 count or over)
- 1 - Package of pencils
- 2 - Erasers
- 1 - Package of cap erasers
- 1 - Pair of Fiskar scissors
- 1 - Package of assorted markers
- 1 - Package of colored pencils
- 1 - Mead Composition book
- 2 - Colored grading pens
- 2 - Large bottles of glue
- 1 - Package of notebook paper (3-ring, wide-ruled)
- 1 - Pencil sharpener
- 2 - Boxes of Kleenex
- 1 - Package of construction paper
- 2 - Pocket folders (plastic with brads)
- 1 - Box of zip-lock baggies (quart size)

Please write your child's name on each item with a permanent marker.

Fourth Grade Supplies Checklist 2006-2007

- Large binder
- Crayons
- Washable markers
- Colored pencils
- Covered pencil sharpener
- Elmer's school glue (not a glue stick)
- 2 large pkgs. wide rule notebook paper (not college rule)
- Pencils
- Fiskar scissors with a pointed tip
- 2 one-subject spiral notebooks
- 3 pocket folders with holes for notebook
- 2 pocket folders with brads
- 2 red pens for grading (not pencils)
- large eraser
- pencil pouch for notebook
- 1 box Zip Lock bags- snack, quart, or gallon size
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- 2 large boxes of Kleenex
- 2 jumbo stretchy book covers

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Sutton County 4-H Summer Series Results

Submitted by Janalyn Jones

The last of five playdays was held on Tuesday, July 18th at the Sutton County Arena. Awards were presented at the conclusion of the event. Awards included buckles, breast collars, saddle pads, halters and leads, and spurs with leathers. Hay bags holding a variety of products such as fly spray, brushes, curry combs, goat tying strings, and ropes were given to each of the participants attending at least three of the five playdays.

There were eight novice contestants in the 9-12 age division. Macie Freiss was the winner in this division, taking home the Keyes Caruthers traveling trophy. Other contestants placed as follows:

2nd - Zella Powers; 3rd - Shawnda Price; 4th - Stella Ingham; 5th - Lexi Poindexter; 6th - Dakota Paxton; 7th - Johnna Pullig; and 8th - Justin Pullig.

Six junior contestants ages 13-15 finished in this order:

1st - Kara Voight; 2nd - Sha'na Price; 3rd - Steely Ingham; 4th - Jady Poindexter; 5th - Serena Allison; and 6th - Jennifer Allen.

Thank you to all of the parents, volunteers and donors who helped make the summer series so successful.

See pictures of all the competitors on page 5

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Texas State Representative Phil King Named Legislator of the Year

San Francisco, CA State Representative Phil King of Texas was recognized as Legislator of the Year by the American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC) on July 20th at the organization's 33rd Annual Meeting in San Francisco, California.

"Representative Phil King is one of the finest state legislators in the nation today," said ALEC's 2006 National Chairman, Kansas State Senator Susan Wagle. "He's a leader who truly personifies the Jeffersonian principles of limited government and individual liberty through his work as a state legislator."

As chairman of the Regulated Industries Committee in the Texas House of Representatives, Representative King shepherded through legislation that had a major impact in telecommunications resulting in increased competition and new investment in Texas. The legislation was so groundbreaking it became the basis for ALEC model legislation.

ALEC represents a network of over 2,400 Democratic and Republican state legislators who are committed to the fundamental Jeffersonian principles of limited government, free enterprise, federalism, and individual liberty.

State Capital Highlights

Texas Press Association

By Pauline Word

AUSTIN - Attorney General Greg Abbott on July 21 filed a brief supporting the Republican Party's efforts to replace former U.S. Rep. Tom DeLay's name on the Nov. 7 ballot. "Because the district court issued an injunction against the secretary of state and declared a portion of the Texas Election Code unconstitutional, Secretary of State Roger Williams will be filing an amicus brief in Fifth Circuit (court) defending the constitutionality of Texas law," Angela Hale, communications director for the attorney general, said. U.S. District Judge Sam Sparks earlier this month issued an injunction preventing Williams from removing DeLay's name on the ballot. Democrats sued to keep DeLay on the ballot after Republicans sought to name a replacement for the Houston area Congressional District 22. DeLay won the March primary but resigned June 9 and moved out of Texas to Virginia. The former House majority leader still is under indictment in Travis County on charges of money-laundering and campaign finance fraud in connection with the November 2002 election.

The indictment alleges DeLay funneled about \$190,000 in campaign donations from Texas entities to his national committee, Americans for a Republican Majority (ARMPAC), and then returned the money to his Austin-based Texans for a Republican Majority. On July 20 the Federal Election Commission fined ARMPAC in Washington, D.C., \$115,000 over misstatements of financial activity, failure to report debts and obligations, and failure to properly allocate expenses between federal and non-federal accounts. The fine was based on an FEC audit last year covering the committee's financial activity from Jan. 1, 2001, through Dec. 31, 2002.

AG submits redistricting map On July 21 the attorney general's office submitted a revised redistricting plan in response to the U.S. Supreme Court's decision that Congressional District 23 needed to be redrawn. Solicitor General Ted Cruz said the proposed plan only alters District 23 and three adjoining districts, avoids pairing any incumbent members of Congress and leaves the existing partisan balance of the four altered districts undisturbed.

The League of United Latin American Citizens sued over the current redistricting plan, which was spearheaded by DeLay and approved by state lawmakers in 2003.

Students taking the fifth-grade reading and math Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills test continued to show improvement over last year, the Texas Education Agency reported.

TAKS scores up slightly
Students taking the fifth-grade reading and math Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills test continued to show improvement over last year, the Texas Education Agency reported. Students taking the fifth-grade reading test in Spanish increased their passing rate by 3 percent over 2005, with 86 percent passing. For the fifth-grade math test in Spanish, 74 percent passed this year compared to 73 percent in 2005. On the fifth-grade tests in English, 91 percent passed the reading test and 93 percent passed the math exam. These scores reflect a 1 percent increase on both tests over 2005.

At the third-grade level, students taking the reading test in Spanish saw a 2 point gain over 2005 with 91 percent passing. Third-graders taking the test in English held steady with 95 percent passing, the same percentage as 2005.

The Conaway Chronicle

By Congressman Mike Conaway

As the violence continues to escalate, it is important that we support our allies in the Middle East. Last week, Congress passed a resolution that reaffirms America's steadfast support for the State of Israel. The unprovoked attacks against Israeli soldiers and innocent civilians by Hezbollah are horrifying and deplorable. Israel has the right to defend itself against Hezbollah and take action to eradicate terrorists operating within and across its borders. It is essential that we support the right to defend against these heinous attacks, and condemn the state sponsors of terrorism. My condolences go out to all the families of the innocent victims of this recent violence.

Also last week, Congress voted on both the Pledge Protection Act (H.R. 2389) and the Marriage Protection Amendment (H.J. Res 88). The Pledge Protection Act will prevent federal judges and lawyers from de-

nying Americans of their right to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Americans have been people of faith since the beginning of this country, and the words 'under God' in the Pledge of Allegiance plainly acknowledge this fact. This legislation will ensure that Americans who choose to recite the Pledge may do so freely. The Marriage Amendment would amend the U.S. Constitution to define marriage as a union between one man and one woman. This legislation received a majority of the votes, however it did not receive the two-thirds necessary to become a Constitutional amendment.

The President used his power of the Veto for the first time on Wednesday when he rejected a bill that would federally fund embryonic stem cell research. There are still many questions regarding stem cell research that are unanswered. I support the President's decision, and I want to encourage the search for

crucial all-purpose stem cells, from sources other than embryos, for life-saving research. It is vital that this research be carried out in a way that respects the sanctity of life and that we not sacrifice life for science under any circumstance.

This upcoming Tuesday, the U.S. Department of Energy will announce their 'short list' for the remaining eligible FutureGen sites. The FutureGen initiative is a \$1 billion government/industry partnership to design, build and operate a zero emission, coal-fired electric and hydrogen production plant. Odessa is a natural choice for the FutureGen Initiative, as it is an active community, possesses all necessary resources, and has an innovative and ambitious economy. I am confident that Odessa is the best choice, and I am looking forward to working with the Department of Energy to keep FutureGen moving swiftly in the right direction.

Extension Sets Aug. 8 Dove Appreciation Day

SWEETWATER - Texas Cooperative Extension has scheduled a dove appreciation day from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Aug. 8 at the Longworth Community Center. The community center is located on Farm-to-Market Road 57, 2 miles east of State Highway 70 between Roby and Sweetwater.

Zachary Wilcox, Extension agent in Nolan County, said the program is meant to increase awareness of dove biology and management, and the economic role dove hunting has in rural communities.

The morning portion will be an in-the-field look at habitat management practices, and the afternoon indoor sessions will cover dove biology and dove-hunting economics.

Two Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units (one integrated pest management and one general) will be available for those with a private pesticide applicator license.

Individual pre-registration is \$15 until Aug. 3 and \$25 thereafter. Registration includes lunch, refreshments and handout materials.

The program is being conducted by the Extension offices in Nolan, Fisher and Jones counties.

For more information contact: Wilcox at 325-236-6912, Todd Vineyard at 325-823-2432, or Steve Estes at 325-776-3259. mailto: d-rollins@tam.u.eduhttp://teamquail.tamu.edu

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One of the best ways to lower higher electric bills is to shop around for a less expensive retail electric provider (REP). Finding different offers can be done quickly and efficiently.

- 1) Visit the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) electric choice website at www.powertochoose.org. If you don't have access to a computer, you can call the PUCT's Electric Choice hotline at 1-866-PWR-4-TEX (797-4839).
- 2) Use the information you receive to contact different REPs to collect more information on various services and offers. Also contact your current REP at the number listed on your electric bill for other offers that may be available. Ask about contract terms and prices and be sure to look at the REPs' Electricity Facts Labels to make a good comparison.

Need some help?

Customers having trouble paying their electric bills and wishing to avoid disconnection should discuss their concerns with their current retail electric provider. All REPs are required to offer deferred payment plans to eligible customers who express an inability to pay. REPs also offer balanced billing plans, which allow eligible customers to pay an average amount each month year-round.

Additionally, many community action agencies may be able to help with electric bills or energy efficiency programs. For more information, contact the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) at 1-800-525-0657, e-mail at info@tdhca.state.tx.us or visiting one of the following websites.

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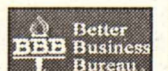
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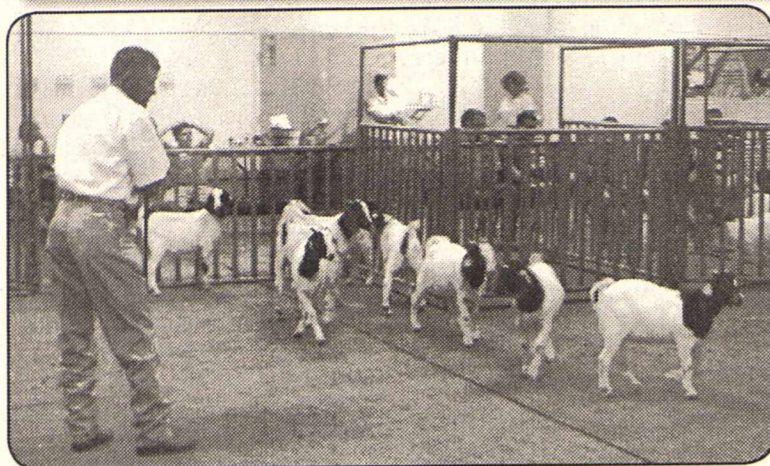
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Danny Thompson of Shawnee, OK judges a good pen of doe kids at the recent AMGA Conference, Show & Sale.

The American Meat Goat Association's 15th Annual Conference and Premium Breeding Goat Sale and Show Results

Many of the finest meat goat producers in the country were in Sonora July 15-16, for the annual event. Participants were treated to educational speakers, a question and answer forum, a goat burger lunch on Sunday, the opportunity to fellowship with other producers, show, sell and buy fine breeding stock.

Breeding Goat Show Results:
Grand Champion Doe - Marvin Shurley; 2. Marvin Shurley; 3. Marvin Shurley; 4. Calvin Berger; 5. Wanda Shurley; 6. Marvin Crabtree; 7. Wanda Shurley; 8. Calvin Berger; 9. Calvin Berger; 10. Calvin Berger
Reserve Champion Doe - D&D Worley - Two Tooth Doe
Reserve Champion Buck - Gilbert Godina - Buck Kid
Doe Kids - 1. Gilbert Godina; 2. Gilbert Godina; 3. Mabele Donop; 4. Mabele Donop 5. Holly Carrell; 6. Marvin Shurley; 7. Joan Peters; 8. Lisa Haneman; 9. Lisa Haneman; 10. Mabele Donop
Two Tooth Does - 1. D&D Worley; 2. D&D Worley; 3. D&D Worley; 4. D&D Worley; 5. Marvin Shurley; 6. Bob King; 7. Ramon Baez; 8. Ramon Baez; 9. Ramon Baez; 10. Bob Sims
Aged Does - 1. Gilbert Godina;

Program Development Group Meeting

Submitted by Tom Payton

The Texas Soil and Water Conservation Districts invite the public and any agencies with interest, to participate in the Program Development Group (PDG) meetings. These meetings are led by the local Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) in partnership with USDA- Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) in each county and provide an opportunity for participation and comments from a broad range of local agencies, organizations, businesses, and especially farmers and ranchers that have an interest in natural resource conditions and needs. Each county in Texas holds public meetings annually. County meetings will soon be posted on the Texas NRCS website www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov. The purpose of the PDG is to allow members of the community a forum for providing recommendations on local issues and county based funding that can be addressed through the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP). These local stakeholders include landowners, commodity groups, agri-business groups, and others who may have an interest in local natural resource needs.

Following the PDG meetings, there will be Local Work Group (LWG) meetings chaired by the NRCS District Conservationist scheduled prior to September 15, 2006. The role of the LWG is to consider the recommendations of the PDG, and to provide their own input. They will advise NRCS on how the local people would like the EQIP program carried out. All recommendations will be taken into account before finalizing the program. Members of the LWG include: NRCS District Conservationist, Soil and Water Conservation Board members, Farm Service Agency (FSA) County Committee members, FSA County Executive Director, Cooperative Extension, state or local elected or appointed officials, and other Federal or State government representatives, and representatives of American Indian governments.

One of the guiding principles of the 2002 USDA Farm Bill is that conservation programs are locally fed. Through stock holder meetings, the public is given an opportunity to help local conservation leaders set program priorities.

The Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) was established in the 1996 Farm Bill to provide a single, voluntary conservation program for farmers and ranchers to address significant natural resource concerns. Nationally, it provides technical and financial assistance to address natural resource concerns. Administered by the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS), EQIP was reauthorized in the 2002 Farm Bill, and awards cost share assistance to agricultural producers who will apply cost share and incentive practices which provide significant environmental benefit. In Texas, NRCS provides funding to each county to address local high priority resource concerns.

For more information, call the USDA-NRCS office in your county, listed under USDA in the Yellow Pages, or access the information on the Texas NRCS website at www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov.

Program topics will deal with rangeland health, deer, quail and livestock interactions, brush management, rangeland economics, and the various conservation programs now available for landowners.

Individual registration is \$15 until July 28 and \$20 thereafter. Call to R.S.V.P. The fee covers lunch and teaching materials. For more information, call Cearley at: 806-651-5760.

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 Contact: Ken Cearley, 806-651-5760, k-cearley@tamu.edu

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- New 9 Dominion Ok Tx E&P 7350' Sawyer -128- #12 Dw Patterson Drilling/A 107 07/26/06 Assigned
- New 10 Dominion Ok Tx E&P 7350' Ward #72 Dw Patterson Drilling/A 115 07/24/06 Assigned
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- New 15 Dominion Ok Tx E&P 6650' Shurley #134 Dw Patterson Drilling/A 40 07/26/06 Assigned
- New 16 Dominion Ok Tx E&P 6350' Shurley #116 Dw Patterson Drilling/A 40 07/19/06 3 Drlg Ahead
- New 17 Dominion Ok Tx E&P 6250' Canyon Ranch #1-5s Dw Patterson Drilling/A 161 07/24/06 Assigned
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Texas Cooperative Extension Sets Three RAWHIDE Workshops in August

CANYON - Texas Cooperative Extension will hold three RAWHIDE workshops the first week of August.

RAWHIDE stands for "Ranching Aimed at Wildlife Habitat Improvement and Diversification of Enterprises." All three meetings will start with registration at 8 a.m. and end by 4 p.m. The program will be the same at each site, but the content will be tailored to that particular area.

Meeting dates, sites and contact numbers are:

- Aug. 1, Ozona, (Crocket County Civic Center, 100 N. Medical Drive), 325-392-2721.
- Aug. 2, Monahans, (Ward County Convention Center), 432-943-2682.
- Aug. 3, Midland (Midland

Extension Office located at 2445 E. Hwy 80 in Midland), 432-686-4700.

Ken Cearley, Extension wildlife specialist at Canyon, said the meetings are for those wanting to improve wildlife habitat and diversify into additional wildlife-related enterprises.

"We're trying to convey the idea that ranchers can indeed enhance the likelihood of maintaining their operations' long-term viability by making a few well-thought-out wildlife/livestock decisions," Cearley said. "Those decisions relate to stocking rate, grazing systems, and type and class of livestock grazed."

"The real goal here is to help give ranchers a renewed sense of hope for economic survival. The end result will likely be a more economically stable ranching business and healthier rangelands."

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 Bucks -.30-.50
 Solid Mouth Ewes - no mkt. test
 Ewe & Lamb Pairs - no mkt.
Goats:
 Baby Tooth Angora Stocker Nannies - no mkt. test
 Solid Mouth Angora Stocker Nannies - .55-.65
 Stocker Angora Muttons - .65-.75
 Angora Kids - 1.40-1.50
 Angora Kids Shorn 1.00-1.15
 Weighing Angoras-Shorn (Thin) .35-.45
 Weighing Angoras-Shorn (Fat) Nannies - .45-.55
 Stocker Spanish Nannies .70-.85
 Fat Spanish Nannies .45-.55
 Fat Spanish Muttons & Billies .70-.85 mutt. .90-1.10
 Fat Yearlings - .95-1.05
 Fat Spanish Kids - 1.05-1.15
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 Thin Kids - .90-1.00
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Sonora Horse wins APHA World Championship

Locally owned Paint Horse FF Shameless Tommyboy, owned by Lucy McGuffin of Sonora, Texas, captured a World Championship title on July 8 at the 2006 World Championship Paint Horse Show. The show, which was held in Fort Worth, Texas, June 26 - July 8, was the premier event of the American Paint Horse Association (APHA).

FF Shameless Tommyboy, a 6-year-old gelding, captured the Championship in Overo Color Class and was shown by Fred Tabor. In the class, horses are judged 40 percent on conformation and 60 percent on color. FF Shameless Tommyboy bested a field of 10 for the win.

The World Championship Paint Horse Show is the largest Paint Horse event in the world, attracting competitors competing for more than \$250,000 in prize money, along with valuable awards and coveted trophies. Approximately 2,000 horses competed at this year's show, with more than 4,500 entries including about 1,300 youth entries, 1,500 amateur/novice entries and 1,700 open entries.

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- New 1 Approach Operating 9000' Lauffer #1317 Dw Patterson Drilling/A 710 07/15/06 7 Drlg Ahead
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Arrest(s):
July 22, 2006
5:30 AM: One male arrested for public intoxication.
July 23, 2006
11:15 PM: One male arrested for reckless driving and for possession of marijuana.
Incidents:
July 17, 2006
12:00 AM: Report of loud music. Officer responded.
7:55 AM: Ambulance Escort.
8:45 AM: Wide load escort.
9:45 AM: Funeral Escort.
11:00 AM: Caller requested to speak to animal control officer. Animal Control Officer notified.
3:30 PM: Caller reported goat on highway. Officer responded.
4:30 PM: Ambulance escort.
5:50 PM: Caller requested welfare assistance. Officer responded.
9:40 PM: Caller requested welfare assistance. Officer responded.
July 18, 2006
7:00 AM: Caller reported a dog bite. Officer responded.
8:20 AM: Caller reported a dog in street. Officer responded.
9:35 AM: Funeral Escort.
10:05 AM: Caller requested to speak to an officer. Officer notified.
10:56 AM: Caller reported a goat on her property. Officer notified.
11:26 AM: Wide load escort.
1:27 PM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.
1:38 PM: Caller advised found spare keys on vehicle. Officer notified.
1:40 PM: Caller advised ran out of gas on IH-10. Sheriff's Office notified.
3:00 PM: Caller requested funeral escort. Officer notified.
4:30 PM: Caller reported a suspicious vehicle. Officer responded.
6:00 PM: Report of a minor accident. Officer responded.
9:33 PM: Caller requested an officer at residence. Officer responded.
9:55 PM: Caller requested an officer at Hospital. Officer responded.
10:15 PM: Report of vehicles racing on street. Officer responded.
July 19, 2006
7:00 AM: Caller reported dead animal on street. Officer responded.
9:40 AM: Wide load escort.
10:50 AM: Caller requested animal control at residence. Animal Control Officer responded.
10:53 AM: Caller reported cat in animal trap. Animal Control Officer responded.
3:55 PM: Caller reported dead animal in street. Animal Control Officer responded.
5:30 PM: Caller reported a vehicle blocking drive way. Officer responded.
9:00 PM: Report of a suspicious male. Officer responded.
9:05 PM: Report of a minor accident at the Holiday Host Motel. Officer responded.
9:10 PM: Caller reported a truck blocking traffic on highway. Officer responded.
9:15 PM: Caller reported a suspicious male. Officer responded.
July 20, 2006
9:27 AM: Caller reported suspicious male. Officer responded.
9:50 AM: Funeral Escort.
10:09 AM: Caller reported injured rabbit in front of residence. Animal Control Officer responded.
11:10 AM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.
1:00 PM: Report of a disturbance. Officer responded.
1:40 PM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.
1:41 PM: Caller requested to speak to an officer. Officer notified.
3:49 PM: Caller requested an officer at business. Officer responded.
5:05 PM: Caller reported suspicious male. Officer responded.
6:15 PM: Reported of a disturbance. Officer responded.
July 21, 2006
8:07 AM: Caller reported two dogs on street. Animal Control Officer responded.
8:24 AM: Wide load escort.
8:26 AM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.
8:57 AM: Caller requested to speak to animal control officer. Animal Control Officer responded.
10:00 AM: Report of a minor accident at Teaff Oil. Officer responded.
10:34 AM: Caller reported dead cat at residence. Animal Control Officer responded.
10:42 AM: Caller reported a dog on highway. Animal Control Officer responded.
11:20 AM: Caller requested welfare assistance. Officer responded.
12:25 PM: Wide load escort.
1:11 PM: Caller reported a reckless driver. Officer responded.
2:16 PM: Caller requested to speak to animal control. Animal Control Officer notified.
5:25 PM: Caller reported kids throwing objects on roadway for vehicles to run over. Officer responded.
6:50 PM: Report of a family disturbance. Officer responded.
7:20 PM: Burglary Alarm.
8:27 PM: Caller reported a vehicle following him around town. Officer responded.
9:25 PM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.
9:50 PM: Caller requested to speak to an officer. Officer responded.
July 22, 2006
5:28 AM: Report of a possible drunk male in motel room. Officer responded.
9:40 AM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.
2:40 PM: Funeral Escort.
7:23 PM: Report an accident on highway. Officer and Deputies responded.
8:28 PM: Ambulance Escort.
11:00 PM: Report of a family disturbance. Officer responded.
July 23, 2006
1:18 AM: Report of minors drinking. Officer responded.
8:10 AM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.
10:30 AM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.
12:50 PM: Caller reported vehicles driving recklessly. Officer responded.
7:55 PM: Report of a minor accident on street. Officer responded.

Sonora High School 2006-2007 Registration

Seniors	Tuesday	August 1, 2006	8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Juniors	Wednesday	August 2, 2006	8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Sophomores	Thursday	August 3, 2006	8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Freshmen	Friday	August 4, 2006	8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
New Students	Friday	August 4, 2006	1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Student Parking Permits

Student Parking Permits will be issued during registration. Students will be required to pay \$5.00 for their parking permit, and must provide proof of driver's license and vehicle liability insurance. They will also be required to provide vehicle information including license plate number before parking permits are issued.

Sonora High School 2006-2007 Dress Code

Dress And Grooming

The District's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, prevent disruption, and minimize safety hazards. Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided they comply with the following guidelines. We expect students to come to school in clothes that are clean and neat, and we expect students to exhibit basic cleanliness and grooming that will not be a health or safety threat to themselves or to other students and staff. While we respect students desire to express themselves in their clothing and grooming styles, we do not permit students to wear clothes with pictures, emblems, or writing that is lewd, offensive, vulgar or obscene, or that advertises or depicts tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, drugs, or any other substance that students are prohibited from having or using at school. The principal makes decisions about dress and grooming violations.

General Guidelines:

- Be neat, clean, and well groomed.
- All pants and shorts must be worn at the waist.
- All clothing will be proper size for the student and must be gender appropriate.
- Hemmed shorts are permitted and may not be shorter than fingertip length in a normal standing position.
- Shirt tails, which extend beyond the palm of the hand while in a normal standing position, must be tucked in.
- Special dress days may occasionally be declared with the principal's prior permission. When such days are held, rules that pertain to decency, modesty, and decorum must still be followed.
- Hair styles must be neat/well groomed and should not distract from the educational setting.
- Body piercing of any kind is prohibited, with the exception of traditional girl's earrings (lobe only).
- Tattoos must not be visible at any time while at school, or at school sponsored activities on or off campus. This includes artificially induced scars produced to resemble or represent something else.
- Body markings of any kind, pens or markers, is prohibited.
- Contact lenses that are distracting (red, cat eye, etc.).

Inappropriate Garments:

- Shirts, blouses, or dresses with large neck or arm openings.
- Shirts with objectionable lettering, drawings, or advertisements of alcohol, tobacco, etc. including pictures or symbols of groups or individuals representing deviant or evil ideas.
- Athletic garments issued by the school sports program may not be worn to school, except on game days with approval from the team's coach.
- Muscle shirts, tank tops, or similar T-shirts. Plain white T-shirts may not be worn.
- Overly baggy pants. Clothing that is torn or frayed.
- Caps or hats inside the buildings.
- See-through clothing.
- Shirts and blouses revealing abdominal skin when the arms are in a normal position.

Girls:

- No sun dresses or blouses that are open below the bra line in the front or the back should be worn.
- Skirts and dresses may not be shorter than fingertip length in a normal standing position.
- Strapless clothing or clothing with spaghetti straps may be worn. All straps must be at least two inches in width.
- Hair coloring, streaks and highlights must be of natural color.

Boys:

- Facial hair is not permitted and sideburns will not extend below the earlobe.
- Earrings are not permitted.
- Hair may be no longer than 2 inches above the bottom of the earlobe, not below the collar, and when combed forward will not extend into the eyes.
- No artificial hair coloring is allowed (frosting, streaking, highlights, etc.).
- Pony tails, braids, shaggy or un-kept hair will not be worn.

If your child comes to school wearing clothes that violate the dress code, or in any other way violates our dress and grooming standards, he or she will be **suspended from school** until he or she is in compliance. We will make every effort to notify you as soon as possible, and if the student changes clothes or otherwise comes into compliance with the dress and grooming standards, he or she will return to regular classes immediately. Repeated infractions will result in other disciplinary measures as prescribed by the Sonora ISD Student Code of Conduct.

The dress code will be enforced at all Sonora ISD functions, including out of town activities. The school's dress code will apply with these exceptions. Caps may be worn with the bill facing forward. Shorts and skirt length will not be checked; however, extremely revealing clothing will not be permitted.

This Motel Is A Real Winner

By Tumbleweed Smith



I traveled to Kingsville to do some filming and interviewing on the King Ranch. Tom Arcand was with me doing the video work.

We arrived in Kingsville around 8 PM and checked into the first decent motel we found. It was a recognized upscale national chain; in fact it had been voted the best motel of the year within the chain. We asked for 2 rooms. The clerk told me I was in room 238 and Tom was in room 223.

She handed me a sheet of paper with details about the rate, etc and asked me to initial it and sign it. She then handed me the little envelope with a plastic key card and a voucher for breakfast.

When Tom finished with his check in, we got our luggage and equipment and went to our rooms. At least Tom did. I was

loaded up with all my luggage and recording equipment, which I hauled up two flights of stairs. When I got to room 238, I sat down my heavy luggage and equipment and was looking forward to stretching out and getting comfortable. It had been a busy day and I was tired. The key wouldn't work. I must have shoved that card in that lock 25 times. I noticed a light was on inside the room. I loaded up all my stuff; trugged down two flights of stairs with it, put it in the car, then hiked the 200 yards to the office. She gave me another key.

I dragged myself back across the parking lot, up the stairs (this time without my stuff. I left it in the car) and tried to open the door to 238 with that card. It wouldn't work. Back to the office. I told the girl behind the counter I thought maybe someone was in that room, since the light was on. She called it and sure enough, it was occupied. I asked for another room. She said she could put me in room 117. Just about that time a woman came through the door and said she couldn't get her key to work

in room 117. Wow. Now it was getting interesting.

The girl behind the counter called the maintenance person, who was gone somewhere. She called someone else and that person was gone also. I remembered the piece of paper she had given me earlier. I got it out. It indicated I had been assigned to room 222, next to Tom. She gave me the key to 222 and it worked. I got my stuff and was all set for a relaxing evening.

I got up at my usual early hour a little after 5 and turned on the TV. It wouldn't work. All I got was video static. I went to the lobby to check my email. The computer wouldn't work. Tom came over and we went to the restaurant for breakfast. Tom ordered the Eye Opener, the top item on the menu. The waiter told us that was the only item on the menu that was not covered by the breakfast voucher. Tom said he would pay extra to get the Eye Opener.

Next time I'm spending the night in Kingsville I'll stay somewhere else.

Rep. Bonilla On Redistricting Response Briefs

The wise man, even though he holds his tongue, says more than the fool when he speaks.
-Yiddish proverb

WASHINGTON, DC - Today Congressman Henry Bonilla (R-TX-23rd) issued the following statement regarding the briefs in response to the redistricting proposals submitted to the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas:

"Last week my colleagues Lamar Smith and Henry Cuellar joined me in filing the only bipartisan compromise to the redistricting impasse. The Bipartisan Congressional Compromise Remedy we submitted is the only proposal which addresses all of the issues raised by the Supreme Court."

"I have been honored to represent the constituents in my district and would prefer to continue to represent all of the communities; however, the mandate issued by the Supreme Court has required the 23rd Congressional District be altered. The plan proposed by my bipartisan colleagues and I provide minimal disruption for future elections while addressing all of the additional concerns."

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Drink Up

by The FlyLady, Marla Cilley



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Have you lost your get up and go and you don't know where it got up and went? Many of us have this problem. The answer to this problem may surprise you!!! You are dehydrated! Yes you heard me. You are not drinking enough water; I did not say liquids, I said water. You know how much water you need to drink. 8 - 8 ounce glasses, is the recommended amount for normal height and weight. I have some tips for reminding yourself to drink your water. Look at the 8 ounce measuring cup; that is really small, when you think about this. One lady I know uses a nice tea cup for her water. It is small and makes her feel good when she uses it. Here are some more ways to remind yourself to drink your water.

1. Put up Post-It notes to remind you; Bright red or neon. Any color to get your attention.
2. Get 4-16 oz bottles of water and set them out each morning. Refill each night.
3. Drink water with all your meals.
4. If you have a hard time drinking water, use a pretty glass or favorite cup. You can also drink out of a straw. Try it. Water goes down much faster when you suck it up.
5. Keep a bottle of water in your car, by your chair, and by your bed.
6. When you think you are hungry, drink a glass of water first.
7. If you can't keep up with the number of ounces you are drinking, keep a pile of pennies for every 8 oz glasses. Move them from one pile to the next, each time you drink a glass of water. I used polished rocks from my candle rock garden on my entrance table. Each time I fill up my water bottle I move a rock.
8. Take a pretty bottle that can hold 64 ounces. I used to have a big round green wine bottle that I filled with 12 oz glasses. Each time I poured the water into the bottle, I made a mark on the side to calibrate it. That way, any time during the day, I could count how many ounces I had drunk for the day.

9. My favorite glass was a 12 ounce stemmed water glass. I felt special drinking water from this glass.
10. Drink water at the top of every hour. Eventually you will not have to go potty as often. One other thing: Every time you go to the bathroom, then drink some more water.
11. If you have the flu or respiratory infection. The water will help to break up the phlegm and wash the impurities out of your system. You will cough up this stuff. It is my best medicine for a cold, flu, or stomach virus.
12. If you can't remember to drink your water. Send yourself 8 emails and leave them in your inbox to remind you! Delete as you drink your water! Please keep in mind that too much of a good thing is bad. Do not drink more than 12 ounces in a 30 minute period of time. There is such a thing as water intoxication. Your kidneys can shut down. Baby steps and incorporate water drinking into your routines. This will be good for you and it may just give you the energy to get your routines done.

One other benefit from drinking water, your skin will not be as dry or wrinkled. Water is the best moisturizer you can buy! This is one simple way to love yourself. Take the time to drink your water. If you won't take care of yourself, who will? FLYing is all about Finally Loving Yourself! Are you ready to FLY?

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Remember: There is no job so simple that it cannot be done wrong.

The Idle American Timing is Everything

Commentary by Dr. Don Newbury

Poor Al Gore. If the presidential election had been held in August instead of November, his global warming messages during summer's dog days might have nudged him into office. With thermometers bursting out the top and temperatures of 100 or better in so many places, we are more attentive when standing in puddles of our own sweat.

Wherever we've been lately, conversations have swung to "how hot was it" stories. One guy said that Buckingham Palace tourists in jolly old London still enjoy watching the changing of the guard--if there's also been a changing of the Right Guard....

And in Paris, French officials are still red-faced about the government's response to what turned out to be an electrical fire in the Eiffel Tower.

Smoke was billowing skyward, and in a matter of minutes, the French surrendered....

We tried thinking cool thoughts, watched March of the Penguins for three straight nights and got strange looks in the mall for whistling Walking in a Winter Wonderland.

Such thinking accomplishes little, of course, when TV weathermen drone on about record temperatures, and air-conditioners chug non-stop....

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Triclopyr In Brush Control Programs

By Pascual Hernandez
Texas Cooperative Extension
Agent-Ag

In keeping with our series on herbicides, we will examine triclopyr. Triclopyr is a selective systemic herbicide used for control of woody and broadleaf plants along rights-of-way, in forests, on industrial lands, and on grasslands and parklands. It is commonly used in mixtures aimed at the control of mesquite. Triclopyr is commercially available mainly as a triethylamine salt or butoxyethyl ester of the parent compound. The herbicide may be mixed with picloram or with 2,4-D to extend its utility range.

Some of the applications of the product may be classified as Restricted Use. Restricted Use Pesticides (RUPs) may be purchased and used only by certified applicators. It is toxicity class III - slightly toxic, but can cause eye irritation. The product will either have the Signal Word DANGER or CAUTION on the label, depending on the specific formulation.

In natural soil and in aquatic environments, the ester and amine salt formulations rapidly convert to the acid, which in turn is neutralized to a relatively nontoxic salt. It is effectively degraded by soil microorganisms and has a moderate persistence in soil environments. The half-life in soil ranges from 30 to 90 days, depending on soil type and environmental conditions, with an average of about 46 days. Longer half-lives may occur in cold or arid conditions. Triclopyr is readily translocated throughout a plant after being taken up by either roots or the foliage.

Triclopyr is not strongly adsorbed to soil particles and has the potential to be mobile. It is not readily hydrolyzed at pH 5 to 9. Reported half-lives in water are 2.8 to 14.1 hours, depending on season and depth of water. The ester formulation half-life is from 12.5 to 83.4 hours. In water, the most important breakdown process is photolysis.

As to its ecological effects,

triclopyr is slightly to practically nontoxic to birds. The parent compound and amine salt are practically nontoxic to fish and aquatic invertebrate. The compound has little if any potential to accumulate in aquatic organisms. It is nontoxic to bees.

Data from animal studies indicate that triclopyr is rapidly eliminated via the urine. At higher oral doses, some triclopyr may be eliminated through the feces as the absorption capacity of the intestine is exceeded. Reported half-lives for elimination of triclopyr from mammals are 14 hours (dog) and <24 hours (monkeys). A human elimination half-life of approximately 5 hours has been suggested.

As with all products, follow label directions. The information in this profile does not in any way replace or supersede the information on the pesticide product labeling or other regulatory requirements. For additional information, contact the County Extension Office.

Class is Back in Session

By Congressman Henry
Bonilla

This month, while kids across the country are headed to camp or on a family vacation, parents are turning their attention back to the school year ahead. Summer reading lists are a top priority as well as buying pens, note pads, and folders. Congress is also focused on our children's future as we continue to work with President Bush to ensure that no child is left behind in our country's educational system. Congress has made tremendous progress in improving education in America. We've approved measures to strengthen special education, help states and schools recruit highly-qualified teachers, and help states and communities meet the President's call for high standards and accountability in our schools.

While significant progress has been made to strengthen America's schools, more work remains. Next week the America's Opportunity Scholarships for Kids Act of 2006 will be submitted to the House of Representatives for consideration. This proposal

would allow certain students from low-income households who currently attend schools that have been identified for restructuring under the No Child Left Behind Act to attend a private school or to receive tutoring assistance as well as after-school and summer programs. This legislation authorizes scholarships of up to \$4,000 to students to apply towards the cost of tuition at a private school of their parent's choice as well as supplemental educational services such as after school programs or tutoring.

The legislation would grant competitive awards to states, local educational agencies, and public or private nonprofit organizations including community- and faith-based organizations. This bill is designed to give parents more options for the education of their children. Studies have shown that providing students with more educational options benefits both their academic performance and the performance of schools at risk of losing students. Perhaps the most important aspect of this legislation is that we're giving the freedom of choice to parents. Parents should choose the best educational options for their children, not bureaucrats.

To succeed both in the classroom and out in the world, our children need a strong educational foundation. They need to develop the skills necessary to achieve including

sound listening capabilities, persuasive speaking abilities, solid reading comprehension aptitude, and the ability to write clearly and effectively. In order to accomplish this goal, our nation must focus on accountability. I will continue my work to increase access to higher education for low and middle income students, expand school choice, improve vocational and technical education, and strengthen special education and support school teachers.

Flexibility and choice are imperative to attaining the quality education our children deserve. Congress is committed to supporting President Bush's No Child Left Behind program to help provide every child in America with access to the academic resources they need, while providing parents with educational options they deserve as hard working taxpayers.

The new school year brings with it the promise of new beginnings. I'm proud that the education initiatives we are considering in Congress are focused on keeping Washington bureaucracy out of the classroom. Parental choice in our children's education provides our students with the best education possible. So, enjoy the final sweltering dog-days of summer. Soon enough our children will be hopping on the bus and heading back to class.

Conaway Supports President's Veto On Federally Funded Stem Cell Research

WASHINGTON, DC - Today, President Bush used his power of legislative veto for the first time by rejecting a bill that would expand federally funded embryonic stem cell research. The House of Representatives then voted to override the President's veto and, without the two-thirds vote needed to become law, the President's decision was upheld.

"There are still many ethical questions regarding stem cell research that are unanswered," said Conaway. "I support the President's decision, and I want to encourage the search for crucial all-purpose stem cells, from sources other than embryos, for life-saving research. It is vital that this research be carried out in a way that respects the

sanctity of life."

Yesterday, the House of Representatives also voted on two pieces of legislation regarding stem cell research. S. 3504, the Fetus Farming Prohibition Act of 2006, passed with unanimous support, and is a bill that will make it illegal to perform research on embryos from "fetal farms", where human embryos are gestated in a non-human uterus or from human pregnancies created specifically for the purpose of research.

The Alternative Pluripotent Stem Cell Therapies Enhancement Act (S. 2754), which would promote federal research on stem cells not derived from embryos, was supported by a majority of House members

but did not capture the 2/3 vote necessary under the rules for the Suspension calendar. The House may vote on S. 2754 again in the near future under regular order.

Conaway went on to say, "I am pleased with today's events. It is important that we not sacrifice life for science under any circumstance."

Last year, Congressman Conaway voted in favor of another comprehensive medical research bill, the Stem Cell Therapeutic and Research Act of 2005, which overwhelmingly passed in the House. H.R. 2520 facilitates the use of umbilical-cord-blood stem cells in biomedical research and in the treatment of disease.

Nature's Air Conditioners

Submitted - If you have ever escaped from blazing hot sun in a shady spot under a tree, you know how these natural air conditioners can make you feel more comfortable. A mature shade tree can block up to 90% of solar radiation, which could translate to a significant reduction in your home cooling cost. A Pennsylvania study found that air conditioning needs could be reduced by up to 75% by shading a house with trees!

Computer models devised by the U.S. Department of Energy predict that the proper placement of as few as three shade trees will save an average household \$100 - \$250 in energy costs each year - and that study was done before energy costs soared!

Solar heat absorbed through windows and roofs increase air conditioner use. Incorporating shading concepts into your landscape design can help reduce this solar heat gain, reducing your cooling costs. With the increased costs of using fossil fuels for heating and cooling our buildings, it only makes good sense to take advantage of these principles.

What to do

"Plant deciduous trees on the south and west sides of a building," advises Peter Gerstenberger, senior advisor for safety, standards and compliance with the Tree Care Industry Association. "Those are the sides where the sun's rays are most intense."

"Since deciduous trees lose their leaves in winter they offer shade during summer but permit the winter sun to provide warmth," adds Gerstenberger. "Where there isn't room for trees, shrubs and vines can provide similar benefits."

Deciduous trees with high, spreading crowns can be planted to the south of your home to provide maximum summertime roof shading. Trees with crowns lower to the ground are more appropriate to the west, where shade is needed from lower afternoon sun angles. Trees should not be planted on the southern sides of homes in cold climates because the branches of these trees will block some winter sun.

Although a slow-growing tree may require many years of growth before it shades your roof, it will generally live longer than a fast-growing tree. Also, because slow-growing trees often have deeper roots and stronger branches, they are less prone to fail during windstorms or heavy snowstorms. Slow-growing trees can also be more drought resistant than fast-growing trees.

Trees, shrubs, and groundcover plants can also shade the ground and pavement around the home. This reduces heat radiation and cools the air before it reaches your home's walls and windows. Use a large bush or row of shrubs to shade a patio or driveway. Plant a hedge to shade a sidewalk. Build a trellis for climbing vines to shade a patio area.

Shrubs planted close to the house will fill in rapidly and begin shading walls and windows within a few years. However, avoid allowing dense foliage to grow immediately next to a home where wetness or continual humidity are problems. Well-landscaped homes in wet areas allow winds to flow around the home, keeping the home and its surrounding soil reasonably dry.

Beyond energy savings and beauty, homeowners who take care of their trees and keep manicured yards find the value of their properties increase. A research study at Clemson University lists maintaining beautiful landscaping as a cost-efficient way to increase the value of a home. In a comparison of house prices to house characteristics, location and landscape quality, the study showed houses which obtained an "excellent" landscaping rating from a local landscaping professional could expect to sell at a price six to seven percent higher than equivalent houses with a "good" landscaping rating. Improving landscaping from "average" to "good" resulted in a home premium about five percent.

Find a professional

A professional arborist can assess your landscape and work with you to determine the best trees to plant. Contact the Tree Care Industry Association (TCIA), a 68-year old public and professional resource on trees and arboriculture. It has more than 2,000 member companies who recognize stringent safety and performance standards and who are required to carry liability insurance. TCIA has the nation's only Accreditation program that helps consumers find tree care companies that have been inspected and accredited based on: adherence to industry standards for quality and safety; maintenance of trained, professional staff; and dedication to ethics and quality in business practices. An easy way to find a tree care service provider in your area is to use the "Locate Your Local TCIA Member Companies" program. You can use this service by calling 1-800-733-2622 or by doing a ZIP Code search on the TCIA Web site, www.treecareindustry.org.

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Sonora High School will take steps to insure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in all educational and vocational programs.

For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the Title IX Coordinator, Doug Bawcom, at 807 S. Concho, (325)387-6940, ext. 3001 and the Section 504 Coordinator, Stefanie Taylor, at 807 S. Concho, (325)387-6950, ext. 3401.

El distrito escolar de Sonora ofrece programas vocacionales en BCIS, la ciencia de la agricultura, las ciencias de la familia y el consumidor, cursos preparativos de técnica, y tecnología de industrial. La admisión a estos programas se basa en caso de necesidad, deseo en participar, y en espacio necesario para conducir los programas.

Es norma de el distrito escolar de Sonora no discriminar por motivos de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo o impedimento, en sus programas, servicios o actividades vocacionales, tal como lo requieren el Título VI de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964, según enmienda; el Título IX de las Enmiendas en la Educación, de 1972, y la Sección 504 de la Ley de Rehabilitación de 1973, según enmienda.

El distrito escolar de Sonora tomara las medidas necesarias para asegurar que la falta de habilidad en el uso de la lengua ingles no sea un obstaculo para la admision y participacion en todos los programas educativos y vocacionales.

Para informacion sobre sus derechos or procedimientos para quejas, comuniquese con el Coordinador del Título IX, Doug Bawcom, at 807 S. Concho, (325)387-6940, ext. 3001 y el Coordinador de la Sección 504, Stefanie Taylor, at 807 S. Concho, (325)387-6940, ext. 3004.

Public Notice

**PUBLIC NOTICE
PUBLIC HEARING**
Notice is hereby given to all interested persons, that the City of Sonora will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, August 8, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers in City Hall to discuss the annexation of a .80-acre of land out of Survey No. 85, Block B. H. E. & W. T. RR. Co. All citizens are invited to attend and provide the Council with written or oral comments.

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EXPERIENCED DRIVERS NEEDED! Must have current Class A CDL and a good driving record. Experience driving transports, vacuum trucks, operation pump trucks & winch trucks. Monthly performance & safety bonuses. Health insurance, annual profit sharing, driver's days off schedule. Please apply in person at Niblett's Oilfield Service, Inc. Hwy 277 South, Eldorado. No phone calls please.

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JOB NOTICE: The City of Sonora is now accepting applications for laborer and customer service positions in the Water, Sewer & Street departments. Applications may be picked up at City Hall, 201 E. Main, Sonora, Texas 76950, and should be returned to the City Secretary's Office. Additional information on departments, location, grade level, job summary, essential duties and qualifications (required skills and abilities) are available upon request. Applications accepted until positions are filled. The City is an equal opportunity employer.

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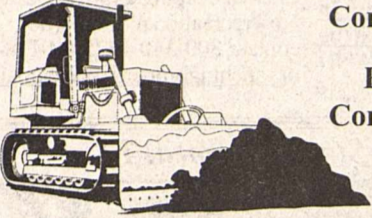
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Sonora ISD Phone Number is now 387-6940. In the future, please use this number to contact all campuses/offices district wide.

Any Sonora High School athlete interested in running cross country needs to meet at the fieldhouse on Monday, July 31 at 7:00 p.m. Please bring all athletic paperwork. This is for athletes in grades 9-12 only. Call Coach Maggie Taylor at (325) 450-5042 with any questions

Al-Anon Meetings - 7:00 p.m. Tuesdays - L.M. Hudspeth (old part) cafeteria.

The Ladies Golf Auxiliary July monthly meeting has been rescheduled for Wednesday, August 2, at noon at the Sonora Golf Club. Lunch will be provided. Any ladies interested in joining the LGA are invited to attend.

School starts Aug. 14, 2006 Thunderbird Public Transportation will be accepting reservations for school children on Thursday August 10, 2006 for the 2006-2007 school year. Reservations will be accepted until the 12:00 p.m. cut-off time. For reservations of for more information please call the Thunderbird office at 387-2509.

Kids Mutton Bustin' for ages 4-7 weighing 55 lbs or less. Entry fee \$10. Prelims Aug. 5th, 4:00 p.m. Deadline for entry is Wed., August 2, @ 5:00 p.m. For more info. contact Sonora Chamber of Commerce at 387-2880 or Bridget Wardlaw 206-0952.

Sutton County Days and the Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo will be held August 11-12 at the Sutton County Arena Complex.

The 1996 Graduating class of Sonora High School is having a 10 yr. reunion during this year's Sutton County Days. Please contact Jesse West at (325)387-2150 for more information or if you know how to contact any of your former classmates.

4th Annual Running of the Bull will take place July 29-30, 2006 in Eldorado on the shaded courthouse lawn. A parade will be held at 9:00 a.m. Saturday. Food, arts and crafts, entertainment and much more will highlight this year's event. Cowboy poets, storytellers, Elvis impersonators, singers, animal acts and much more are on tap for your entertainment. Saturday's festivities will conclude at 5 p.m. and the schedule for Sunday will take place from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. There is no admission, entry or parking fees.

Sonora Team Roping Challenge on Saturday, August 5th. Open Draw Pot Roping at the Sutton County Arena. Books open at 4:00 p.m.; Close at 5:00 p.m. and Rope at 6:00 p.m. Open to all residents of Sutton County and adjoining counties and Outlaw Pro Rodeo sponsors. Enter up to 2 times - draw 3 - \$100 per roper, (enter with a partner, CASH only) the top 9 teams will return to rope in the Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo, Aug. 10-12. For more information call Petie at 325-360-8675 or Ryon at 325-277-2156.

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