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Wrecked truck that led law enforcement on high speed chase.
Photo by Kristin Johnson

High Speed Chase Yields 400 Lbs. of Marijuana

By Kel Thomas

Carlos Guerrero, 37 of Uvalde, is being held in federal custody in Val Verde County, following a high speed chase involving law enforcement agencies from Sutton and surrounding counties, Border Patrol, and the Texas Department of Public Safety officers.

Guerrero allegedly ran a Border Patrol checkpoint near Comstock in a maroon Chevrolet half-ton pickup truck.

Scattered throughout the truck was a large quantity of marijuana. It is not known if weapons, cash or other illicit items were found in the truck.

The chase began near Comstock, and ended as law enforcement agencies spiked Juno Road. Guerrero lost control after losing tire pressure, coming to rest in a pasture within a mile and a half of U.S. Highway 277.

This arrest is the latest in a string of drug related arrests in West Texas in the past few weeks, in which law enforcement agencies are cracking down on the possession, sale, and/or the manufacturing of illegal drugs.

On September 13, an undercover operation in Crockett County resulted in twenty one drug related arrests. The arrests were related to the sale of marijuana, cocaine and methamphetamine. In a related undercover operation in Upton County, thirty people were jailed on drug related charges.

The Crockett County operation came on the heels of the September 12, 2006 arrests in Big Lake, Texas, of twenty four individuals on similar drug charges. Of the twenty four, ten remain in custody, with the rest either deported to Mexico or out on bond, awaiting trial.

PORTS-TO-PLAINS MAY SAVE RURAL SOUTHWEST

By Feature Writer Bill Sontag

It started in the 1950s. Following World War II, America was on the move again, and, this time, not to and from combat in Europe or the Pacific. Leisure time, a booming middle class, and "See the U.S.A. in your Chevrolet!"

Truck traffic began to challenge the supremacy of railroads, and turnpikes turned into streams of commerce. And, along the Atlantic Seaboard and in New England, the term was coined to define avoidance of tolls, and later, such congestion.

"Shunpiking." Shunning the turnpikes to enjoy the waning, rural character of the nation is being re-defined by determined advocates of alternative corridors of commerce, tourism, and economic development. The arch-proponent speaking loudly on behalf of southwest Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Colorado is the Ports-To-Plains Coalition, headquartered in Lubbock.

For nearly a decade, aggressive planning and astute lobbying have caused the Coalition to gel into a formidable collaboration of towns, counties, states, business interests and chambers of commerce.

Enhancing international commerce - as the PTP Corridor surely will - has met stri-

dent opposition from the same forces that opposed NAFTA and relaxed import/export restrictions between the U.S., Mexico and Canada. And the impact of NAFTA, the focus of its opponents, and the efforts of the Ports-To-Plains Coalition may all be seen at the corridor's southernmost entry point from Mexico - Laredo, Texas.

Ports-To-Plains Coalition Board Chairman Sid Cauthorn, also president and CEO of The Bank & Trust, Del Rio, believes Mexican authorities are supportive of the corridor, too, already mounting PTP logo signs along routes of travel to the U.S. At the Laredo Point of Entry last year, 1,409,834 trucks crossed into the United States from Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas, Mexico.

Many drivers and their tractors went no further, serving only as drayage to be met by long-haul U.S. drivers, picking up the trailers with goods destined for U.S. manufacturers, inland. Charles Korby, driver for P.A.M. Transportation Services, Inc., headquartered in Tomitown, AK, paused, Sept. 9, for a rest stop in Laredo's Texas Travel Information Center.

"No, our company's trucks never go into Mexico. We just meet the Mexican drivers, pick up their load and move it on to its destination," Korby explained. He had possession of 43,000 pounds of wire, manufactured in

Monterrey, Mexico, destined for CME Wire and Cable, Suwanee, GA.

Korby was headed up the Interstate 35 corridor, rather than onto U.S. Highway 83, the onset of the U.S. leg of the Ports-To-Plains corridor. The two merged highways separate near the strategically sited Texas Travel Information Center. Korby headed north, and other trucks rolled west on 83 toward Eagle Pass and Del Rio.

Ofelia Noriega, certified professional travel counselor at the sprawling, swanky new center, is barely familiar with the Ports-To-Plains Corridor, answering many questions from truckers about to embark on it from her vantage at the intersection. "Yes, I've heard a little about it, but would like to learn a lot more so I could answer questions better," Noriega said. The center provided services to more than 81,000 travelers in the first seven months of 2006.

Truckers and tourists motoring northwest on 83 may notice spotty maintenance on the two-lane, undivided highway, but will also see local efforts to patch, widen or re-surface the aging road. It is one of the targets of interest to Reeves and the PTP board of directors. Currently, widening and re-surfacing is underway between Carrizo Springs and Asherton, Texas.

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FNB September Popcorn Sales Recipients



Rosa Sanchez presents a check to Doug Bawcom and Mark Rousselot.

The Bronco Booster Club and the Band Boosters shared the September proceeds raised through popcorn sales at the First National Bank of Sonora.

Each month for the past several years, the First National Bank has donated the proceeds to a selected organization in our community.



Left to right, SISD Superintendent Doug Bawcom, Lisa Galindo, Sherry Ingham, LaDonna Alaman presenter, Sherry Dickens and Dawn Adkins.

Thanks to everyone who bought popcorn.
Remember popcorn is good for you and tastes good. A rare combination!



Bidding was lively during the Lions Club auction.
Photo by Bonnie Lou Campbell

Sonora Downtown Lions Club Auction

By Lewis Allen

The 69th annual Lions Club Auction, held at the Sutton County Civic Center Tuesday, September 26, was a rousing success, raising a total of \$15,300 for the Lion's charitable and community support activities.

In the weeks prior to the auction, local businesses and individuals contributed a wide assortment of goods and services to be auctioned to the highest bidder. Approximately one hundred local citizens were on hand for a delicious meal donated by

the Sutton County Steakhouse, and the lively bidding afterward.

The "mystery package", auctioned every year (but never opened) since 1945, was bought this year for \$1,050 by Doris Rousselot.

During a break from the auction, the name of Meghan Krieg was selected at random from among the 2005-2006 Lions Club Students of the Month. Meghan will receive a \$500 college scholarship from the Lions Club upon graduation.

Broncos Roll On - Finish Non-District Undefeated

By Ray Glasscock

The Broncos hosted the Ingram Warriors this past week in Bronco Stadium. The Warriors entered the game without much hope of winning, and the Broncos took care of business like they should have with a balanced approach to putting points on the board. The Broncos ran for two, passed for two, and the defense returned a fumble for a touchdown.

The Warriors opened on offense and promptly were forced to punt. The Broncos took ten plays to travel 53 yards to score on their opening drive. Lito Trevino caught a pass for five yards, Riley Sanchez gained 15 yards (plus 15 more with a Warrior facemask penalty), and Justin Northcott gained 12 on a quick pitch. From the twenty yard line, Pedro Gloria gained fifteen yards on the flanker mis-direction. With first and goal from the five, the Warrior defense came up with two hard hits. Northcott was hammered on first down for no gain. On second down, Evan Rousselot caught a quick pass only to be slammed down at the one yard line. On third and goal, once again Northcott was hit hard and stopped short of the goal. On fourth down, Travis Valliant and Evan Gulley opened the hole and Northcott scored. Aaron Gaytan kicked the PAT and the score was Sonora 7 - Ingram 0 with 5:14 left in the first quarter.

The Warriors responded with a twelve play drive that ended with a successful field goal making the score Sonora 7 - Ingram 3 with 9:42 left in the second quarter. On Ingram's kickoff, the football took some crazy bounces on the Warriors' kickoff, and Ricardo Rodriguez decided to just fall on it inside the Broncos' ten yard line. Caleb Ramos threw the ball about ten yards to tight end Gulley who took it the remaining 82 yards for a 92 yard touchdown. This may be a Bronco record. The PAT kick was wide right, and the Broncos led by a score of 13 to 3 with 9:30 left in the first half.

The Warriors helped stop themselves with a holding penalty. They executed a wrap-around draw that almost made it to the first down marker. When they punted, Lito Trevino had to retreat to field the ball. He returned it up the near sideline for fifteen yards. The Broncos moved the ball in basically 15 yards per play. Northcott got his on a delayed screen, Ramos ran for his, and Rodriguez sprinted for his. The Warriors added to Rodriguez gain with a late hit. Ramos passed to Pedro Gloria, and his fifteen yard catch and run ended at the Bronco one yard line. Northcott got his second touchdown as center Edward Garcia blocked to his left, Alberto Tavar blocked the nose guard, Travis Valliant took out the defensive tackle, Dustin Duhon pulled and took out the defensive end. Trevino easily scored the PAT as the outside

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Feature writer Bill Sontag poses by a familiar sign south of Sonora on U.S. Highway 277.
Photo courtesy of Bill Sontag

Lighthouse Community Church

A place for returning Prodigals and recovering Pharisees

Sunday Services

Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
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Senior Center Activities

- Fri. Oct. 6 - Run errands and pay bills.
- Mon. Oct. 9 - Columbus Day, Center will be closed.
- Tue. Oct. 10 - Exercise with video, need Seniors to sign up.
- Wed. Oct. 11 - Answers On Aging at noon with AAA
- Thur. Oct. 12 - Birthday Party for October at noon!

Senior Center Menu

- Fri. Oct. 6 - Roast Beef with gravy, mashed potato, brussel sprouts, wheat roll, carrot sticks and applesauce.
- Mon. Oct. 9 - Columbus Day, Center will be closed, sign up for holiday meals.
- Tue. Oct. 10 - Spaghetti with meatballs and sauce, spinach, tossed salad, garlic bread, banana pudding and milk.
- Wed. Oct. 11 - BBQ Chicken, beans, mustard greens, cornbread, slice tomatoes, peaches.
- Thur. Oct. 12 - Birthday Special, pork chop with gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, coleslaw, roll and milk.

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)

Happy Birthday

October 5

Bianca Velez, Mary Solis, Cash Jennings, Gabriela Zapata, Katlynn Hill, Todd Keller, Jay Kay, Fred Perez

October 6

Craig Leonard, Ethel Olson, Selena Mesa, Connie Isenhour, Dalton Dover, Libb Wallace, Crystal Coronado, Scott Smith, Jennifer Hernandez

October 7

Mike Krieg, Lito Trevino, Linda Burge, Jordan M. Duran, Scooter Surber, Melissa Messer, Joseph Delgado, Pam Haynes, Linda Burge, Cassandra Amaro, Kenneth Hull

October 8

Chance Campbell, David Sanchez, Lenora Pool, Albert Ward, Abby Lopez, Rachel Duran

October 9

Alexa Sykes, Johnny Esparza, Tracy Taylor, Belinda Esquivel, Will Crittendon, Anthony Vela, John Lopez IV, Chela Ozuna, Stephen Young, Kelsey Taylor

October 10

Marissa Faz, Duray Smith, Adrian Gomez, Rae Ann Bible, Wilson Johnson, Holly Sparks, Patrick Prieto, Clarissa Hernandez, Stacey Reiner, Robert Zapata, Glennada Alvites, Jena Teasley,

October 11

Sharon Creek, Charlotte Higdon, Garrett Sharp, Refugio Martinez, Harley Johnson, Taylor Hill, Bubba Ramoz, Aleasha Smith, Harley Johnson

Letter to the Editor

To Whom It May Concern:

A series of events have taken place concerning the Concho Valley Council of the Boys Scouts of America, CVCBSA. A piece of property was sold to the Rock-springs Boy Scout Troop 227 on March 12th, 1966, for the sum of \$10.00. The CVCBSA has known this piece of property existed under local control since Lee Allison was the Scoutmaster in 1974. While it is stated in the BSA rules and regulations, if a lapse of a unit charter occurs, all unit funds and property shall be turned over to the local council. This occurred to Troop 227 in Rocksprings in 1998. On September 22nd, 2005, an affidavit was filed in the Edwards County Courthouse by Patrick Wedding, Scout Executive, CVCBSA, stating that the surplus was turned over to the CVCBSA. This property was then put up for sale without the knowledge of the local troop or the local government. The problem with this situation is that the property contains the springs for which this community was named. After discussion with Mr. Wedding, he basically agreed that this property

did not need to be sold to a private individual as it is a local historical site. I hand carried a proposal from the Edwards County Historical Commission to a scheduled board meeting of the CVCBSA. This proposal was for the original asking price of \$36,000, \$3,000 for each of the 12 lots. This proposal was submitted as a stopgap measure to ensure that the historical site did not go to a private individual. This price is well above the price of a lot in the city of Rocksprings, especially for property that is in the flood plain. I asked the board to do what was right, that being to deed the property back, at no cost, to an organization that would secure and maintain the historical site. This situation reminds me of the old days when the carpetbaggers would take something that didn't belong to them and then extort money from the original owners. For this reason, I am asking for the resignation of Mr. Wedding, Scout Executive, and the entire Executive Board as listed on the CVCBSA.org website.

Frank Gearing
Cubmaster
Rocksprings Pack 227

Thank You

We would like to extend our gratitude to all those coming to Max's aid Wednesday night, September 27. To Deputy Oscar Chavez, the EMS staff, the nursing staff at the hospital, to our good neighbors Billy and Joy Galbreath, to Jerry and Joy Kemp, and Linda Burkes, thank you for your love and support. And last but not least, to Dr. Greg Johnson who has always been there for us and met us at the hospital when he was not on call. There has never been a more caring and giving physician. Sonora's loss is the city of Tyler's gain.

Thank you all and God bless you
Max and Judy Martin

Emmaus Gathering

Sonora Emmaus Community gathering will be at the Church of the Good Shepherd on October 10, 2006. A meal will be served at 6:00 p.m. with the service beginning at 7 p.m. Fourth Day speaker will be Denis King, and music provided by the Ballinger Emmaus Community. For more information contact, Steve Smith, Lay Director at 387-6037

St. Ann Catholic Church

Father Miguel Dinio, Pastor

311 W. Plum
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Monday - Wednesday & Friday 1-4
Thursday - 10:30 - 12:30, 1:30 - 5:30
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NEW MASS SCHEDULE!

Sunday - 8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
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Wednesday - 7:00 a.m.
Thursday - 7:00 a.m.
Friday - 7:00 a.m.
Saturday - 6:00 p.m.



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

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Welcome Home



Staff Sgt. Evaristo (Billy) Gonzales Jr.

Staff Sgt. Evaristo (Billy) C. Gonzales Jr. returned home from a twelve month tour of duty in northern Iraq. Sgt. Gonzales was welcomed home by his wife Melody, sons Caleb, Brandon, and Aaron, and mother Letty and Jimmy Gonzales. He is the son of Billy Gonzales Sr. and Letty Carrillo.

Assigned to the 6th Battalion, 27th Field Artillery out of Fort Sill, OK., Sgt. Gonzales' unit logged over 1 million miles transporting heavy equipment, with over 50 enemy combat engagements. Sgt. Gonzales' primary jobs were convoy logistic patrols and heavy equipment transporter.

Welcome Home Soldier! Thank You for your service

Wedding Announcement



Hollis and Jennie Ward

Hollis Ward and Jennie Sykes, both of Sonora, were united as a family on September 16, 2006.

The bride is the daughter of Joyce Harris, of Sonora. The groom is the son of Buddy and Jerry Nell Ward of Kerrville.

The brother of the bride, Jerry Robles, walked her down the aisle. Michelle Parkinson of Dallas, served as Maid of Honor, while Mark Ward, brother of the groom, stood in as Best Man. Jackilyn Sykes, daughter of the bride, was the Flower Girl, scattering red rose petals as she marched down the aisle.

The couple was united in a small ceremony at the Star Ranch Lodge near Crystal City,

Texas, with David Ortiz officiating.

Also joining the couple for this joyous occasion was Shelbi, Sharee, and Shainah Johnson, daughters of the bride. They were joined by many friends and family for the ceremony and dance. Music was provided by longtime friend Darrell McCall, his wife Mona, and Justin Trevino. A good time was had by all.

Hollis is an independent consultant employed by Newfield Exploration and Jennie is employed by National Oilwell Varco. The couple will continue to reside in Sonora.

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Historical Society

ASK THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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

Memorials

Curry & Bonnie Lou Campbell to the Miers Home Museum in memory of Lois Young

Q. Do you have a map showing where the Slaughter Ranch was in your files?

A. Wrong Sonora! The Slaughter Ranch was located in Sonora, Mexico about 160 miles south of Douglas, Arizona. It was about 250,000 acres and was bought in fee simple by R. L. Slaughter, Sr. in 1913.

Q. What type of news did they run in the early papers?

A. Two pages of the paper usually came in pre-printed with articles on politics, disasters, wars and world news. The other two pages were filled in by the editor with marriages, obituaries, local chatter, births and local parties. A good example would be the following from "The Devil's River News," January 21, 1899-Mrs. M.A. Traweck has been in Sonora this week the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Coleman Whitfield.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Hagerlund entertained at supper last night a few couples in honor of Miss Vander Stucken. The following were present: Frank McGonagill and Miss Vander Stucken, S. P. Woodward and Miss Wyatt, J. J. Brumley and Miss Rountree, D. H. Burroughs and Miss Monte Rountree, E. F. Vander Stucken and Miss Mills, Alex McGonagill and Miss Word, W. W. Collins and Miss Thrasher.

C. T. Turney, the Sonora cattleman, who lives on Easy street, was in San Angelo Tuesday.

Johnnie Adams was thrown out of Mann's delivery wagon in crossing the draw Tuesday and his left shoulder bone was broken.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Mayer left for Fort Worth Tuesday, via McKavett and San Angelo. At McKavett they attended the wedding of Abe Mayer to Miss Emma Lee.

Orville Word didn't do a thing but come in from the ranch Sunday evening in time to go to church at night.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Birtrong came in from the Birtrong ranch last Sunday and spent the night with Mrs. Birtrong's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Sharp, returning Monday to the ranch.

Mayer Bros., & Co. Have made another opening in the wall between their dry goods and grocery stores and will put in another office for the convenient transaction of the

day's business. They will also use the counter bill book with a bill to the customer for all sales, cash or credit.

Berry Baker was in Sonora this week from his cattle ranch on the North Llano.

It has never been an unusual thing in the new towns of the west for the sharp crack of the six shooter to break the stillness of the night. If one is aroused from slumber by the shooter they find out if it is a fire or a fight, but if neither one, nothing more is thought of it unless the shootist pays a fine for his fun. Sunday mid-night, however, some parties, unknown, shot several times into the drug store of W. H. Cusenbary but fortunately did but little damage, and what was most fortunate, there was no one in the store at the time.

There was considerable excitement at McDonald's store and the Commercial Hotel Sunday night. Ashes that were supposed to be dead had been taken out of the stove in a wooden bucket Sunday morning, nothing more was thought of it until Sunday night about 10 o'clock, some of the boarders smelling smoke gave the alarm of fire!! fire!! fire!! John McDonald hurried to the stove and found that a bucket had caught fire and that a hole was burned through the floor. The fire was soon extinguished without further damage. The Sonora Fire Dept was promptly on the scene but there was no need for their service. The water was not turned on.

Mr. and Mrs. Gotthold Huber entertained at dinner, at their ranch 15 miles east of Sonora, Sunday, the following: Mr. and Mrs. John W. Hagerlund, Mrs. Lee, Mrs. Burroughs, Miss Vander Stucken and Messrs. J. J. Brumley, D. H. Burroughs and Felix Vander Stucken.

H. Z. Windrow and son Clyde were in from F. Mayer & Sons Middle Valley Ranch this week, where they have been putting up windmills and making needed repairs.

If you look at all this writing you will find notes of interest. When wells were put on ranches, the Sonora Fire Dept. in existence in 1899 as a volunteer group. You can find who people worked for and who people were related to. You can find out that the Cusenbary Drug Store front was badly shot up by person or persons unknown and that the Mayer Store, which was later bought by E. F. Vander Stucken, had connected two of it's buildings for the convenience of their customers. In later years it would be expanded to four stores fronts, all connected with arches inside. It might seem like just local chatter but to a historian it is a little gold mine of historical facts. You can always tell a really slow news week in the old papers, they are full of little articles saying

that different people were in town and local parties and church news, anything to fill the two pages, but they tell us where a person's ranch was located or who they were working for at the time so even these little chatty articles help us compile histories.

Q. Do you have an obituary for Perfecto Garcia in October of 1932?

A. "The Devil's River News," Friday, October 14, 1932-Perfecto Garcia, 82, died at his home Friday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock after an extended period of ill health. Funeral services were held at 1:00 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

Unfortunately we do not know where he is buried. He is an unmarked grave somewhere in Sutton County but there is no record but this small article on his death and no grave marker in the cemetery. If anyone knows where the Garcia family buried about 10 missing, unmarked graves of their family, or even one of them, please let us know.

Q. Do you have any information on Tony Goodner in your files?

A. Tony Goodner was a tailor and cleaner at the J. W. Trainer Shop on Main St. He left there and went into the business as a tailor in the back half of the Corner Barber Shop about 1933 and after that there is no further mention of him in the papers.

In 1933 we found an article telling that 17 students graduated from Sonora High School: Harold Friess, G. W. Archer, Lacey Smith, James Ed Hutcherson, Nelson Chadwick, Marjorie Chadwick, Ethelda Heflin, Pauline Turney, Dee Trainer, Myrtle Hill, Edna Ensley, Maggie and L. C. Matthis, Mary Louise Gardner, Alice Sawyer, Lillie and Josie Barrows.

We are still looking for the names of all the ladies in the picture of the Baptist Church meeting. If you even know one please let us know. We really would like to put a name to all the faces.

If you have any questions concerning Sutton County history, send them to "Ask the Historical Society," P.O. Box 885, Sonora, TX 76950-0885 or e-mail them to schs@sonoratx.net and don't put a period after net. The period was the end of the sentence and a lot of you thought it was part of the address and kept getting your e-mails bounced back to you. You may call the office at 325-387-5084 or stop by here at 307 Oak Street on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday mornings. Note the office will be closed on October 5 and 10th and will reopen on October 12th we have some out of town appointments.

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Sonora

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Tons of Fun	21	10.2
The First Amen Team	34.5	5.75
Tarzan and Janes	28	5.6
"Flab"ulous Five	21.4	4.28
Charles' Angels	17.5	4.38
Piggy Bank	19.5	3.9
Mission Impossible	23	3.83
Bo Peeps	21	3.5
Scale Tippers	7	3.5
Fat Kid Campers	17	3.4
Fat Busters	13	2.6
Beauties and Beast	11	1.83
The Mamas and Papa	2.5	.42

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Join us Sunday, and we'll talk about it!
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Sunday Christian Ed.....9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service.....5:30 p.m.



THESE SONORA COLTS from the year 1946 are shown posed on the grandstand at the football stadium. Note the difference in uniforms, helmets and shoes.

Third from the left bottom row, Pat Jungk, seems to have a little difficulty with his shoe, while Billy Gene (Squeezer) Kring, shown holding the football, has completely worn the knees from his pants.

Others shown are top row- Philip Cooper, A.Z. Joy, Joe Dee Cook, and Charles Lee Haines. Bottom row- Royce Regeon, Joe Neil Smith, Jungk, Kring, Rudy Bittle, Jinks Reed and Earl Johnson.



Dr. Greg Johnson, MD

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Diabetes Facts and Figures



By: **Kelly L Thorp, MS**
County Extension Agent- FCS
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Diabetes is a serious illness. But the good news is, it doesn't have to be a life-threatening one. Early diagnosis and treatment, and good management practices are the keys to a long and healthy life for persons with diabetes. According to the American Diabetes Association (<http://www.diabetes.org/main/application/commercewf>) when a person has diabetes, his or her body doesn't produce insulin (type 1) or properly use insulin (type 2), a hormone needed to convert some foods into energy. No one knows what causes diabetes, although genetics and such factors as lack of exercise and obesity may contribute. Facts and figures from the ADA list about 17 million Americans with diabetes – but only about 11.1 million diagnosed. This means nearly one-third – 5.9 million people with diabetes – don't know they have it.

The costs of all these cases of diabetes is enormous. The ADA estimated the total direct and indirect cost in 1997 (the most

recent year figures are available) to be \$98 billion. Of that, \$44 billion was medical and treatment costs, and \$54 billion was for indirect costs, such as disability. A simple blood test by a health care provider is required for a diagnosis of diabetes. However, being aware of the symptoms can lead to an earlier diagnosis and a better quality of life. The ADA lists some of the symptoms to look for: frequent urination, excessive thirst and extreme hunger, blurry vision, increased fatigue, irritability and unusual and unexplained weight loss. Once the medical diagnosis has been made, proper treatment and management can make life healthier for the person with diabetes. A combination of exercise, weight control, proper diet and sometimes medications can keep the person – not the disease – in charge of his or her life. For information on living with diabetes – especially Type 2 – plan to attend Do Well, Be Well with Diabetes program, hosted by Texas Cooperative Extension and the Sutton County Senior Center. Classes will begin on October 19 from 11:00 AM-12:00 PM at the Sutton County Senior Center. To register call Kelly Thorp at 387-3604. Transportation will be provided for senior citizens who qualify.

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October 7
Alyssa Collins Benefit Team Roping- Sutton County Arena

October 14
Wounded Warriors Benefit Team Roping- Collins Arena on Bloodworth Rd.

October 28
Fall Festival- Downtown/Main Street

October 31
Trick or Treat- Downtown

End of October
Sutton County Health Fair- Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital

November 1
Recycle Sonora- Sutton County Civic Center

Chamber Chatter

By **Becky Covington**

Things are certainly hopping at the Chamber. That's good for business, good for you, and good for the community. For example, consider the following 12,467 "Online Hits" that have racked up during the year 2006, 653 visitors, and 1,467 phone calls, not to mention the ones that did not get recorded. We believe that Sonora will continue to grow. Our city is overflowing with western heritage and small town charms. Business is expanding; people are working and spending money. Just drive around Sonora and see all the improvements that are being made to their homes and business.

November 4, 2006 begins open season for White-tailed Deer. Sutton County will be buzzing with hunters. If you need to find a place to hunt, check out the 2006 Hunting Lease Guide. If you become a member of the Sonora Chamber of Commerce you can place a free ad on the sonoratx-chamber.com website for your hunting lease and also be included in the Hunting Lease Guide. Sonora and Sutton County boasts some of the best Whitetail deer, wild turkey and exotics hunting in the State of Texas. There are bow hunting, guided, semi-guided or package hunts, day hunts, yearly leases, and season leases listed in the guide.

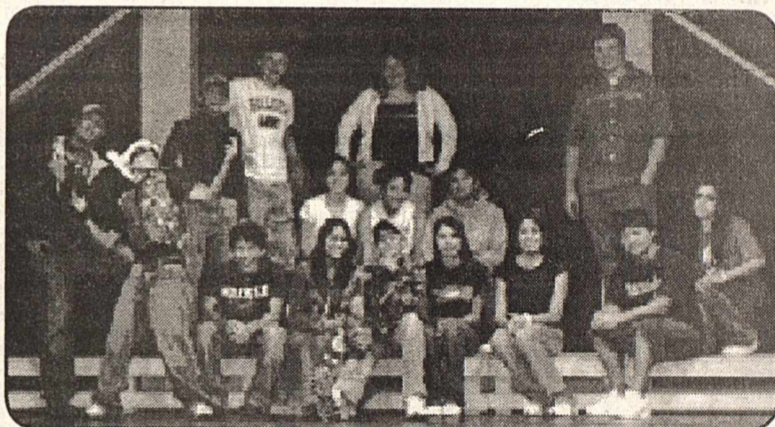
Jim Polonis and Max Howorth are aggressively working to bring public higher education to Sonora. Their goal is to get vocational, technical, and undergraduate classes to the area in the future. If you have any ideas, or a special need in your business, or would just like to participate in the program, please give Jim, Max, or the Chamber of Commerce a call. A meeting is being planned to receive community input on what programs you would want to bring to Sonora.

Hats off to Susan Hall, President of Keep Sonora Beautiful, for doing an outstanding job on the 2006 Solid Waste Grant application and presentation to the Concho Valley Council of Governments. The City of Sonora was awarded a \$13,000 grant to purchase a recycle trailer. Also, KSB is still looking for a donated stock trailer to convert into a recycle trailer. KSB is working hard to get a recycling program started in Sonora. On November 1, 2006 at the Rodeo Grounds, KSB will host the annual recycle/refuse roundup. Items accepted are, gently used coats and clothes, small working kitchen appliances, toys and sports equipment in good repair, working computers and electronics, office paper, newspaper and newspaper flyers, magazines and catalogs, corrugated cardboard, aluminum cans, ink jet cartridges, and cell phones. If you would like to volunteer, please call Mallory Rousselot or Sam Kent.

Being a member of the Sonora Chamber means much more than services and benefits for your business. Membership knits business men and women into the fabric of our community. Chamber members have a vision for the future of the Sonora area, as well as their own businesses. They want to be a part of an organization that aggressively promotes positive change on behalf of the entire community. The Chamber is proud to welcome the following new members:

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Sonora High School Theater Students Perform Original Monologues



Sonora High School Theater Troupe

The Theatre Students at Sonora High School held a performance of self-written monologues on Friday, September 29, 2006. The students have been working on writing and performing these monologues for the last three weeks. They performed the monologues in front of different classes today. For many of the students, this was their first time to act on-stage in front of an audience. The assignment was to write about a "bright" or "dark" day in their lives. The students took the assignment and ran with it. Monologues ranged from losing a loved one, to winning various sports, to shooting a prize winning buck. The variety of the monologues performed by the class helped make the show entertaining to watch. The students performing the monologues were:

- Alyssa Favila, Ellie Newton, Tyler Creek, Meredith Earwood, Monica Sanchez, Stephanie Coronado, Maraya Dunn, Caleb Gonzales.
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7th Grade Colts Outscore Warriors 38 to 20

By Ray Glasscock

The Colts kicked off to start their third game of the season. On the Warriors second play, their big, fast running back got outside of the Colt containment and raced 65 yards for a touchdown. They were also successful with their two point conversion and they led 8 to 0 with 5:43 left in the first quarter.

Zach Badeaux returned the Warrior kickoff 15 yards and the Colts started on offense near the fifty yard line. The Colts responded with an eight play drive to tie the game. Trey Virgen gained thirty yards on his first carry on the sweep from the spread. Word Hudson, Milton Black, and Badeaux all gained big chunks of yardage. Virgen got the touchdown on a run around the left side of the Colt line. Black tied the score as he raced in untouched for the PAT. The score was tied at 8 to 8 with 2:36 left in the first quarter.

Kyle Patlan stopped the Warrior kickoff return with an outstanding tackle. Jorge Villanueva blitzed on first down and caused a Warrior fumble.

JV Red Broncos Edge By Warriors

By Tommy Van Winkle and Joe McGuffin

In a hostile environment, the JV Red traveled to Ingram to face the Ingram Warrior JV team. To make it exciting for a change, the JV Broncos allowed the Ingram Warriors to jump out to a 14 point lead. Then the Broncos started to make their comeback.

Sonora kicked off to the Ingram Warriors. They drove the field and scored a touchdown and the two point conversion. The Broncos mishandled the Warriors' onside kick and the Warriors started on offense again. Once again, they drove the field and scored. The Bronco defense stopped the two point try and the score was 14 to 0 in favor of Ingram still in the first quarter.

In Wing-T fashion power football, Jordan McGuffin and Domingo Reynosa carried the load with McGuffin scoring the first touchdown with Reynosa converting the two point PAT making the score Ingram 14 - Sonora 8.

After several attempted drives by each team, the Broncos were successful in driving deep into Warrior territory. Quarterback Derek Van Winkle scored the second Bronco touchdown on a short QB keeper. Truck McGuffin gave the Broncos their first lead with the two point conversion. Broncos led 16 to 14 at the end of the first half.

The second half got off to a tough start when the Broncos fumbled a Warrior punt deep in Bronco territory. The Warriors were able to regain the lead with a touchdown, but they missed the PAT. The Bronco defense buckled down with plays from Andy Galindo, Isaac Quiroz, and Justin Perez. They were able to force Ingram into a safety making the score 20 to 18 in favor of the Warriors.

The Bronco offense drove to the Ingram ten yard line. Facing fourth and goal, Van Winkle passed to Mario Lira for the winning touchdown. Even though the score stood 26 to 20, the excitement was not over.

The Warrior offense took the kickoff and drove to the Bronco 15 yard line with time running out. Van Winkle intercepted a last ditch effort by the Warrior quarterback to secure the Bronco victory.

Defensively the Broncos stood tall with Marcus Perez, J.R. Ramos, Rudy Charo, and Mark Holman and company delivering some outstanding plays. The JV Red travels to Junction in two weeks to open district play.

Broncos Roll On

Continued from page 1

receivers cleared his path. The score was 21 to 0 with 2:14 left in the first half.

The Broncos quickly forced another Warrior punt. Riley Sanchez gained 20 yards on the kick returner reverse. With time running out in the half, Ramos hit Trevino over the middle for a 31 yard gain to the Bronco 49 yard line. Ramos dropped to pass, launched the ball from his 40 yard line, and hit Gloria in full stride at the 15 yard line. Gloria finished the play for a 51 yard touchdown. Gaytan's kick was good and the score was 28 to 0 with 16 seconds left in the half.

The Broncos opened the second half with a ten play drive that stalled at the Warrior 43 yard line. An excellent Bronco punt ended on their three yard line. The Warriors responded with a 27 yard run to their 30 yard line. Morgan Martinez stripped the Warrior runner of the football, and Riley Sanchez scooped it and returned it 37 yards for the last Bronco touchdown. With Gaytan's kick, the score stood at 35 to 3 with 5:45 left in the third quarter.

At this point, Coach Herring turned the game over to the reserves. They did a fine job on defense for nine plays, but on the tenth, they allowed a long pass completion to the Bronco five yard line. The defensive starters came back on the field. They held the Warriors out of the end zone for three plays. Coach Herring was warning them to watch out for 18 pitch pass. That is exactly what they called and they scored. "Next time, maybe you will listen to me!" yelled Coach Herring.

The fourth quarter was quite a battle between players of more equal abilities. The Bronco reserves played well. The final score was 35 to 17 in favor of the Broncos. This week the varsity has a bye. District play will begin here in two weeks against the surprisingly strong Junction Eagles.

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ble. Ingram recovered but lost about ten yards. The Ingram gave the ball to number 5 who lost yardage when he was tackled by John Hidalgo and several other Colts including Badeaux and Black. After a third down incompletion, the Warriors punted.

After Badeaux returned the punt about ten yards, Clayton Parks gained 15 yards on the quarterback keeper. After three plays failed to make a first, Parks faked the pitch to Badeaux and handed the ball to Villanueva on the mis-direction. Villanueva scored from 30 yards out. Badeaux easily scored the two point PAT on 18 pitch. The score was 16 to 8 with 4:51 left in the second quarter.

The Warriors made a first down on a pass to their 6'3" tall tight end. They tried running the big guy, but Hudson cut him down. Hudson followed up with a quarterback sack. They tried for a first down on fourth down, and Villanueva tackled him to give the ball back to the Colts at mid field. The half ended with the score 16 to 8.

The Warriors kicked off to the Colts to start the second half. The Colts used running plays by Parks, Badeaux, Hudson, and Virgen to quickly move the ball into the red zone. Villanueva got the touchdown on a 20 yard run around the left side of the Colt line. Parks completed a quick pass to Black who was tackled at the one, and the PAT failed making the score 22 to 6 with 3:32 left in the third quarter.

After the kickoff, Ingram's speedy running back #5 broke free and

8th Grade Colts Bomb Ingram Warriors 42 to 22

By Ray Glasscock

The Warriors started on offense. After a first down, Ryan Garmon and Oscar Lopez made tackles that stopped the Warriors. Ethan Morris kept the ball on the Colt's first play and gained big yardage, but it was called back on a Colt penalty. After two short gains, Morris completed a pass to Coyer Dermody for a first down. The drive ended when Fuji Sanchez dropped a sure touchdown. The first quarter ended with the score tie at 0.

Just as the 7th Grade Warriors did, the Warriors got on the scoreboard first. After they took over on down, they completed a short pass in front of the home side and the receiver completed a 65 yard touchdown. The Warrior quarterback ran the keeper behind his right guard for the two point conversion and the Warriors led 8 to 0 with 5:32 left in the second half.

The Colts started at the 35 yard line. Shane Patlan gained a first down with an eleven yard run. Morris circled right end and moved the chains 20 yards. After a short gain by Sanchez, Morris rushed for another first down. Patlan added another 15 yards to get the Colts to the Warrior 30 yard line. Morris dropped back and threw deep to Sanchez for a 30 yard touchdown. Patlan just made it into the end zone to tie the score at 8 to 8 with 2:38 left in the third quarter.

On the Warrior's first play, an option pitch turned into a fumble that the Colts recovered. Morris took the snap from center and immediately threw a touchdown pass to Will Dunn. Morris easily scored the PAT with a keeper to the left making the score 16 to 8 with 2:20 left in the second half.

The Warriors answered with a two play touchdown drive. The second play they completed a 50 yard pass for a touchdown. They added the two points on a run. The score was tied once again at 16 to 16 with 1:49 left in the half.

Morris returned the kickoff for about 15 yards. After an incompletion, he ran for a first down near the fifty. Sanchez gained nine on the flanker mis-direction. After two incompletions, Morris hit Dermody on a screen to move the chains. Morris was forced to scramble. Sanchez improvised and turned a slant into a post. Sanchez made a very difficult catch and got one foot inbound for his second touchdown. The try for two failed making the score 22 to 16 with 35 seconds left in the half.

And you would have expected that to be all. The Broncos recovered an unintentional onside kick. On almost an identical play, Morris hit Sanchez with another touchdown pass with five seconds left in the half. Sanchez got the PAT on the flanker mis-direction run. The exciting half was finally over with the score 30 to 16.

The Colts received the second half kickoff. They tried to return to the run, but the Warriors were tough to run on. Morris threw deep to Sanchez who almost made a circus catch. Facing fourth and long, Morris dropped back to pass. When he found no one opened, he scrambled 20 yards for a first down. Two plays later, Morris sprinted to his left and scored from 23 yards out. The Warriors stopped the PAT and the Colts led 36 to 16 with 1:56 left in the third quarter.

The next Colt touchdown was set up by a defensive play. Dermody recovered a Warrior fumble and rambled all the way for an apparent touchdown. However, it was called back on a Colt penalty. So, Morris tossed the ball to Bailey Joe Pennington who scored the final Colt touchdown making the score 42 to 16 with 5:47 left in the game.

To finish up an exciting football game, the Warrior quarterback threw for another Warrior touchdown as the clock ran out. The final score was 42 to 22. This week we get the first look at one of our new opponents - the Comfort Bobcats.

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raced for a Warrior touchdown. They tossed a pass to their massive tight end for the two point PAT. The score was 20 to 14 with 2:09 left in the third quarter.

Once again the Colt runners scored quickly. Virgen, Badeaux, and Villanueva moved into scoring position. Black got the touchdown on a ten yard run due to a pancake block by Dakota Daniels. Black also got the PAT on a quick pass from Parks. The score was now 30 to 14 with 22 seconds left in the third quarter.

The Warriors responded with a several play scoring drive. Their two point PAT failed when Virgen sacked the quarterback. It was a coverage sack as Cadesman Pope had their tight end covered. The score was 30 to 20 with 1:32 left in the game.

But the Colts were not through. After the kickoff, Hudson gained about nine yards, and Badeaux followed with a 20 yard gain. Parks faked the pitch to Badeaux and handed the ball to Villanueva who split the Warrior defense for about 35 yards and another touchdown with five seconds left in the game. Hudson got the two point conversion on the Belly G. The final score was 38 to 20. This week, the Colts take on Comfort here in Sonora at 5:00 p.m.

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By Tumbleweed Smith

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I asked him what that meant. "It means you get a huge upgrade to our Jacuzzi suite," he replied. "The Jacuzzi is in the bedroom, not in the bathroom. And you get this bag of goodies, which contains a bottle of water, a bag of popcorn, some hard candy, a chocolate bar and a certificate for a free movie."

Well, I was thrilled. I thanked him, took the bag out to my car, handed it to my wife Susan and said, "I'm the guest of the day." She was thrilled, too and con-

sidered herself mighty lucky to be traveling with such a person of prominence.

We put our luggage on a cart and walked through the front door. I saw something I had missed on my first entrance into the facility. A sign just to the side of the registration counter proclaimed my good fortune to be guest of the day. I knew it was going to be a special time. Susan took a picture of me standing by the sign with my name on it. I was smiling.

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I don't care if my name was chosen at random from the reservation list; it sure made me feel good. I still have some of the hard candy and occasionally I'll get a piece of it and relive my experience as guest of the day at the Holiday Inn Express.

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Hunter Education Course To Be Offered In October



*By Pascual Hernandez
Sutton County Extension Agent-Ag*

Deer season is just around the corner. Soon some 700,000 hunters will be afield in pursuit of the popular white-tailed deer. Some will take their son or daughter along to continue a legacy of companionship their father or grandfather initiated. Many will bring home a trophy, or at least a trophy-sized tale. But, before going to deer camp, there are two things to keep in mind- safety and the law.

Every hunter (including out-of-state hunters) born on or after Sept. 2, 1971, must successfully complete a Hunter Education Training Course. Minimum age of certification is 12 years and the cost is \$10.

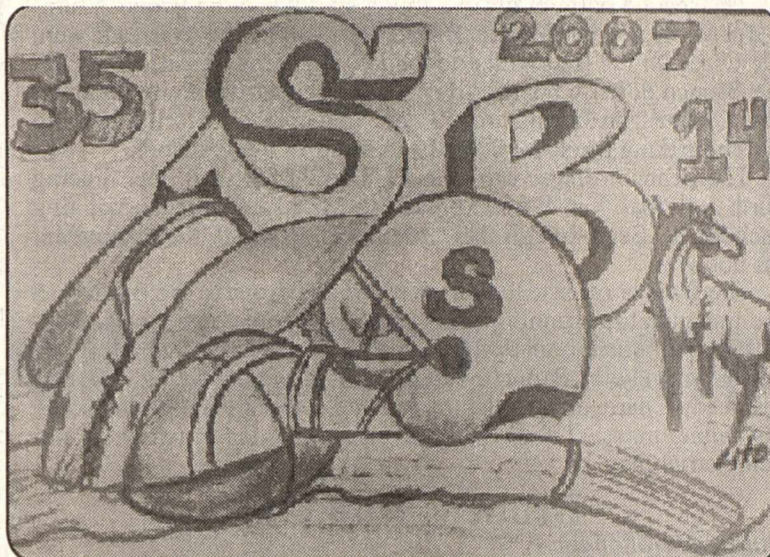
Hunter education not only teaches hunting safety, skills and responsibility, but is also the first step in a lifelong commitment to conservation and sportsmanship.

To that effect, Texas Cooperative Extension and Texas Parks & Wildlife will offer a Hunter

Education course. It will be held at the Sutton County Civic Center on October 7th and begins at 8:00 a.m. The course continues on the 8th from 1:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m. Topics covered will include Hunter Safety & Responsibility, Primitive & Modern Firearms, Our Hunting Heritage, Hunting As a Wildlife Management Tool, Survival & Wilderness First Aid, Wildlife Identification, and Basic Hunting Techniques. Upon satisfactory completion, those 12 years old and older will receive their hunter certification.

If you want to learn about firearm & hunter safety, need to take a hunter certification course, or have a youth ready for his/her first hunting experience: **DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS OPPORTUNITY.** Cooperators on this course include Jim Phillips, Texas Parks & Wildlife and Texas Cooperative Extension. Call the Sutton County Extension Office at 387-3101 for details or to register. Hunters' responsible efforts will safeguard hunting opportunities and adventures in the great outdoors.

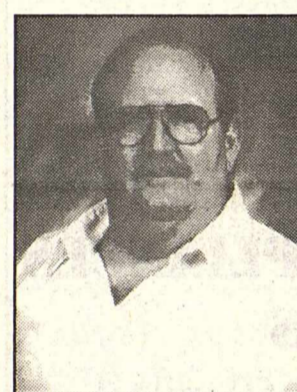
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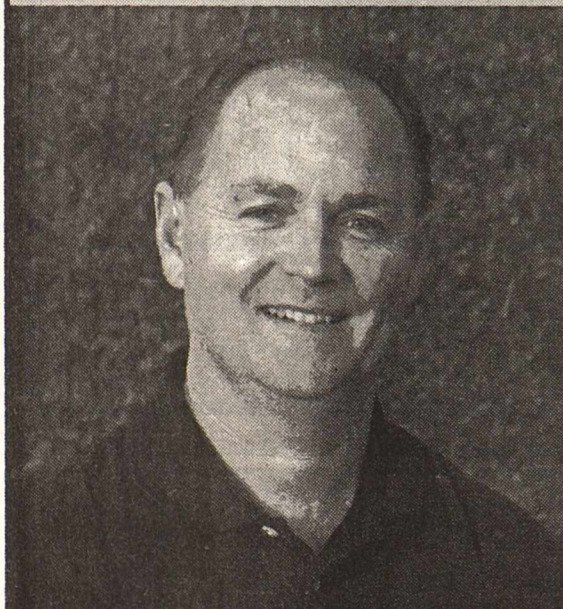
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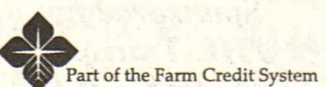
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Over Grazing And Its Consequences

By Ray Glasscock

The Arizona Desert is the biggest example of what happens to an area that is drastically overgrazed. When one drives through the area west of Tucson, he/she (one must be politically correct mustn't we) is amazed to see the various types of desert plants including the Organ Pipe cactus and Saguaro cactus. What they are seeing is the result of the overgrazing that occurred in the late 1800s when the white man killed off the buffalo and brought in fences and cattle. When the buffalo roamed freely, the area west of Tucson was a grassland and NOT a desert. The amount of rainfall has not changed dramatically since then, so why is it now a desert? When the primary cover of the land was four foot high grass, the monsoon rains did not run off, but soaked into the land. But when the grass was grazed down to the dirt, the rain water runs off quite dramatically and does not soak in - and thus we have the desert. When the grass died off, nature replaced it with the hardy desert plants.

I wonder what "fureinners" think when they drive through West Texas and see the beautiful cedar and mesquite. The old pictures of Sutton County do not show a vast grassland, but they do show that the cedar was mostly on the hillsides in the shallow rocky soil. My grandfather's generation was guilty of overgrazing Sutton County. I found one of my grandfather's ledger that showed he had 1000 head of cattle and 5,000 sheep on 21 sections. Today his old ranch is covered with cedar, mesquite, and prickly pear because most of rain water (when it does rain!) runs off without the tall grass to hold it.

I am not sure if anyone really knows why they overgrazed Sutton County like they did. The best explanation that I have heard follows. All of the early Sutton County ranchers came from East Texas. When I lived in Boerne, a field near my house had to be shredded with a tractor every two to three months. It could be mowed down to the dirt, and it would recover to its usual height of four to five feet following the next rain. So, our ancestors expected the same thing to happen in Sutton County.

So now you know what could be/might be the rest of the story.

Society for Range Management to Meet in Del Rio

The Society for Range Management is an international organization dedicated to the proper management of the soil, plants and water from rangeland. The Texas Section is one chapter of SRM and makes up the about 10% of its total membership. These members are ranchers, state and federal agency personnel and researchers interested in protecting our Texas rangelands.

On October 11-13 the Texas Section will have their annual meeting in Del Rio. The theme for the meeting this year is "Sustainable Agriculture on Rangelands". Beginning at 1:00 pm on Wednesday, October 11th there will be a pre-conference workshop. This is open to the public and will cost \$10 (to cover refreshments and handouts). There are four good speakers lined up and CEU's will be offered for TDA applicators license (4-pesticide license, 2-IPM, 2-laws & regs and 1 general) and CPRM (Certified Professionals in Range Management). Topics covered will include:

- Laws and Regulations in TX
- Prescribed burning on rangelands in Texas

- Follow-up brush management treatments on rangeland
- Prescribed grazing

- Thursday, October 12, the technical session will begin at 8:00am. Topics for the morning session will include;
- How the Farm Bill May Affect Rangelands

- Prescribed Burn Associations in Texas
- History of Prescribed Burning and Current Legislation

- White-tailed Deer Management Under High Fence
- Deer Genetics
- Alternative Livestock

- Friday, October 13, the program will include several talks on research results related to rangelands and other topics of interest as well as a rancher group that will discuss their own programs on the ranch.

This is an excellent opportunity to expand your knowledge of rangeland management and visit with others who share your interests. For more information you can contact Dr. Butch Taylor at the Sonora Experiment Station (325) 387-3168 angora@sonoratr.net or Chad Ellis in Alpine at (432) 837-5864 ext. 3 chad.ellis@tx.usda.gov

Snakes Alive !!

By Dr. Patty Strauch D.V.M.

From now until frost, snakes are out searching for food. Snakebites are common this time of year.

Recent rains have really grown some tall grass and weeds, so be careful out there while hunting or working.

Never reach into a hole or under anything with your hand. Don't try the late Steve Irwin's snake-catching stunts, either! Rattlers are very quick. Try to avoid them or leave them alone, and you'll have no problem.

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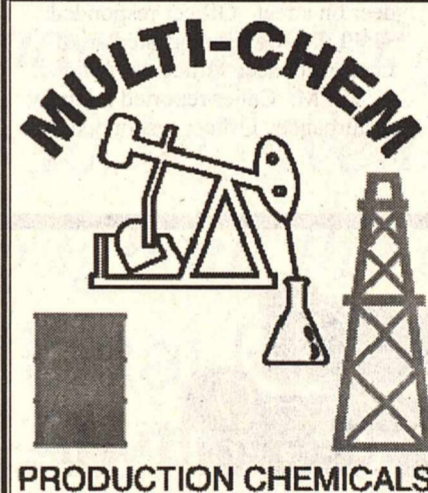
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- New 7 Dominion OK Tx E&p 8250' Edwin S Mayer Jr.-#304 Dw Patterson Drilling/a 108 09/29/06 1 Drlg Ahead
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- New 9 Dominion OK Tx E&p 7150' Canyon Ranch #1062X Dw Patterson Drilling/a 161 10/03/06 Assigned
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- New 15 Dominion OK Tx E&P 6100' Steen #96 Dw Patterson Drilling/a 105 09/30/06 Moving on
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- 1 Willo Oil & Gas Exp 15000' Arledge #508 Dw Grey Wolf Drilling/a 43 09/06/06 24 Drlg Ahead
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- 4 EXL Pet. LP 11000' UniversityTiffany #2501 Tk Lariat Serv/ODE 22 08/30/06 31 Drlg Ahead
- New 5 Anadarko 10000' Meybin-4-#20 Dw Patterson Drilling /a 109 09/24/06 6 Drlg Ahead
- New 6 Approach Operating 9000' J.R.Bailey-A-#309X Dw Nabors Drilling (o) 347 09/30/06 Moving on
- New 7 Approach Op. P.L. Childress-E- #1213 Dw Patterson Drilling/a710 09/29/06 11 Drlg ahead
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- 2 Conoco/Phillips 12300' Independence -13-#2 Dw Patterson UTI/LV 08/04/06 57 Drlg Ahead
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Arrest(s)

September 30, 2006

•9:30 PM: Luis Baldovino Hernandez, 40, from Sonora, Texas was arrested for Assault.

October 1, 2006

•1:30 AM: Roberto Lopez, 21, from Sonora, Texas was arrested for Furnishing Alcohol to a Minor.

Incident(s):

September 25, 2006

•7:10 AM: Caller reported a water leak. Officer responded.
 •8:19 AM: Caller reported a dead animal at residence. Animal Control Officer responded.
 •1:35 PM: Funeral Escort. Officer responded.
 •2:03 PM: Panic Alarm. Officer responded.
 •5:55 PM: Ambulance Escort. Officer responded.

September 26, 2006

•6:20 PM: Subject reported a theft. Officer responded.
September 26, 2006
 •8:12 AM: Caller requested to speak to an officer. Officer notified.
 •8:23 AM: Caller reported an animal in animal trap. Animal Control Officer responded.
 •9:59 AM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Deputy responded.
 •11:14 AM: Caller reported a gas leak. City of Sonora notified.
 •11:39 AM: Caller requested an officer at residence. Officer responded.
 •2:18 PM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.
 •4:11 PM: Caller requested to speak to an officer. Officer notified.
 •4:47 PM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.
 •5:15 PM: Caller reported a dog in street. Officer responded.
 •8:45 PM: Caller reported a suspicious vehicle. Officer responded.
 •9:45 PM: Caller requested an officer at residence. Officer responded.
 •10:15 PM: Caller requested an officer at residence. Officer responded.
 •11:50 PM: Caller reported a female yelling at the football field. Officer responded.
September 27, 2006
 •8:50 AM: Caller reported a minor accident at T & C North. Officer responded.
 •9:10 AM: Caller reported a reckless driver on IH-10 west bound. Sheriff's Office notified.
 •10:42 AM: Caller requested close patrol at school cross walk. Officer

notified.

•4:30 PM: Subject requested to speak to an officer at the Police Department. Officer responded.

•7:30 PM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.

September 28, 2006

•8:20 AM: Caller reported a possum in animal trap. Animal Control Officer responded.
 •9:19 AM: Caller reported a dead dog at residence. Animal Control Officer responded.
 •11:30 AM: Caller requested animal at residence. Animal Control Officer responded.
 •1:16 PM: Caller requested welfare assistance. Officer responded.
 •1:39 PM: Caller reported a vehicle blocking alley. Officer responded.
 •8:50 PM: Caller reported loud music. Officer responded.

September 29, 2006

•9:29 AM: Subject requested to speak to an officer. Officer notified.
 •11:40 AM: Caller requested welfare assistance. Officer responded.
 •11:45 AM: Caller requested to speak to an officer. Officer notified.
 •11:49 AM: Caller reported a fire hydrant leaking. Officer responded.
 •11:59 AM: Caller requested an officer at business. Officer responded.
 •12:45 PM: Caller reported a dog in street. Animal Control Officer responded.
 •1:59 PM: Caller reported a dead animal in dumpster. Animal Control Officer responded.
 •6:00 PM: Caller requested an officer at residence. Officer responded.
 •6:20 PM: Caller requested an officer at business. Officer responded.
 •8:20 PM: Caller requested an officer at residence. Officer responded.
 •10:15 PM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.
September 30, 2006
 •12:45 AM: Caller requested an officer at business. Officer responded.
 •1:45 AM: Caller reported loud music. Officer responded.
 •9:00 AM: Caller reported a dead deer on street. Officer responded.
 •4:30 PM: Caller requested an officer residence. Officer responded.
 •5:45 PM: Caller reported a family disturbance. Officer responded

Ranch Wife 101

Submitted by Ruthie Bounds

I recently received this email and I don't know who wrote this, but she did have a sense of humor and some experience with the subject matter.

"My first idea was to create a list of rules for cowboys written by cowgirls, things that would bridge the understanding gap. While this is by no means a complete guide, recognizing the following situations will save years of misunderstanding. Ranch Wife 101 guidelines:

1. Always load your horse last in the trailer so it is the first one unloaded. By the time he's got his horse unloaded, you will have your cinch pulled and be mounted up ready to go - lessening the chance of him riding off without you with your horse trying to follow while you are still trying to get your foot in the stirrup.

2. Never-and I repeat never-ever believe the phrase "We'll be right back," when he has asked you to help him do something out on the ranch.

3. Always know there is NO romantic intention when he pleadingly asks you to take a ride in the pickup with him around the ranch while he checks waters and looks at cattle. What that sweet request really means is he wants someone to open and close the gates.

4. He will always expect you to quickly be able to find one stray in a four-section brush-covered pasture, but he will never be able to find the mayonnaise jar in four-square feet of refrigerator.

5. Count every head of everything you see - cattle especially, but sometimes horses, deer, quail or whatever moves. Count it in the gate, out the gate or on the horizon. The first time you don't count is when he will have expected that you did.

6. Know that you will never

be able to ride a horse or drive a pickup to suit him. Given the choice of jobs, choose throwing the feed off the back of the pickup. If he is on the back and you are driving, the opportunity for constant criticism of speed, ability and your eyesight will be utilized to the full extent. "How in the *@*# could you NOT see that hole?"

7. Never let yourself be on foot in the alley when he is sorting cattle horseback. When he has shoved 20 head of running, bucking, kicking yearlings at you and then hollers "Hold 'em, hold 'em" at the top of his lungs, don't think that you really can do it without loss of life or limb.

8. Don't expect him to correctly close the snap-on tops on the plastic refrigerator containers, but know he will expect you to always close every gate. His reasoning, the cows will get out; the food will not.

9. Always praise him when he helps in the kitchen - the very same way he does when you help with the ranch work - or not.

10. Know that when you step out of the house you move from the "wife" department to "hired hand" status. Although the word "hired" indicates there will be a paycheck that you will never see, rest assured you will have job security.

I cannot think of anything I have ever read that is truer than these guidelines. I would, however, like to mention that these guidelines can also be applied to daughters, sisters, and even nieces of ranchers, as members of my family can truly attest.

Also, you should remember when counting livestock that if your count does not agree with his, just keep quiet or you may be counting that livestock over and over again, so that he can prove over and over again that his count is the accurate one. Just nod your head and agree.

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Sonora High School

1st Six Weeks Honor Roll

ALL A's	John Duke Hudson
Freshmen	Steely Ingham
Leonard Castillo	Savannah Leonard
Kati Chavez	Steven Pacheco
Tyler Creek	Pecos Roberts
Maraya Dunn	Ricardo Rodriguez
Meredith Earwood	Yolanda Sanchez
Alyssa Favila	Eneida Silva
Cecilia Garcia	Monica Traylor
Caleb Gonzales	Azeneth Villanueva
Brittany Hernandez	Juniors
Sarah Hernandez	Zenon Acosta
Cash Jennings	Kaci Chavarria
Cassie Krieg	Marcus Perez
Alicia Lowe	Lauran Schaefer
Mario Oliden	Heather Smith
Pedro Ramirez	Kelsey Watkins
Monica Sanchez	Seniors
Sophomores	Emilly Butler
Kaitlyn Henderson	Marc Hernandez

A/B Honor Roll

Freshmen
 Angel Aguayo
 Leandro Aguero
 Will Anderson
 Rayonna Blackman
 Hillary Borrego
 Juan Capuchina
 Hugo Cardona
 Victoria Castillo
 Julie Coronado
 Beau Dickens
 Brittani Dover
 Paul Faz
 Sara Gillit
 Tomas Gomez
 Erica Granados
 Kasey Gutierrez
 Amy Hernandez
 Sterling Love
 Gerardo Mesa
 Dustin Neff
 Elizabeth Newton
 Meliza Noriega
 Manuel Paredes
 Cody Pena
 Zac Rodriguez
 Cody Solis
 Michael Stephens
 R J Torres
 Bianca Trevino
 Gina Valdez
 Amber West

Sophomores
 Ivan Chavez
 Clint Hudson
 Loren Isenhour
 Senida Martinez
 Maria Moreno
 Stephani Morriss
 Uvaldo Ramos
 Mikael Samaniego-Lira
 Jessica Snyder
 Samantha Tidwell

Juniors
 Fidel Acevedo
 Sarah Blakely
 Johnell Casparis
 Casandra Contreras
 Juan Dominguez
 Dalton Dover
 J T Downing
 Emily Earwood
 Nicky Escalante
 Edward Garcia
 Kayla Garcia
 Maritza Garcia
 Sierra Gomez
 Paige Harwell
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Seniors
 Jose Casilla
 Starlyn Chadwick
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 Jaimee Duran
 Kayla Fields
 Jennifer Gonzales
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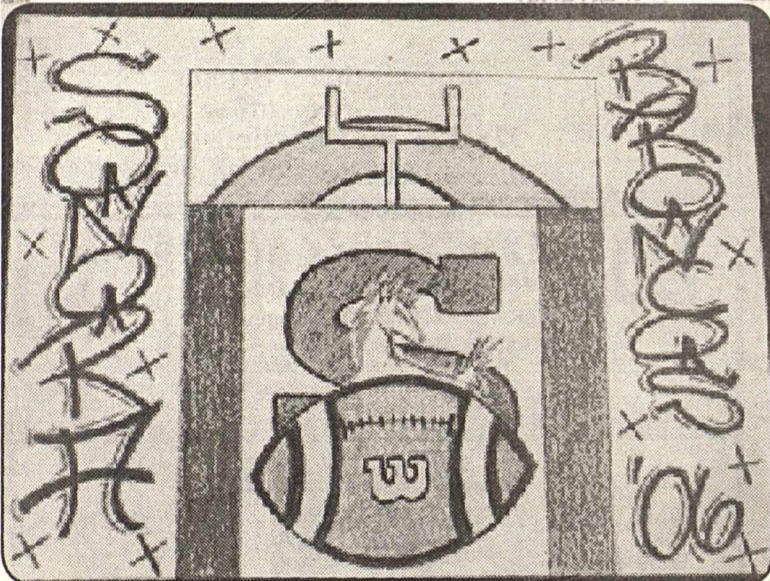
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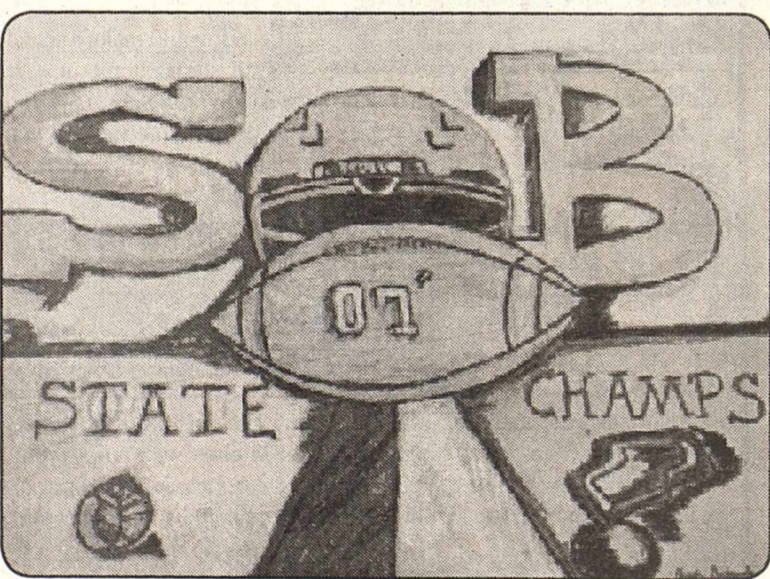


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Public Notice

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION
DISTRICT 7C
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Sep 20, 2006
Rule 37 Case No. 0249034
Status/Permit No. 625953
NOTICE OF APPLICATION
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the DOMINION OKLAHOMA TEXAS E&P, INC, [RRC Operator No. 222282] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant Sec. 14, Bk. B, HE&WT RR CO/FIELDS, J D Survey, A-1586, SAWYER, (CANYON) Field, SUTTON County, being 5 miles SE direction from SONORA, Texas. The location and identity of the well is as follows:
FIELD: SAWYER (CANYON)

Lease/Unit Name : FIELDS 14
Lease/Unit Well No: 14
Lease/Unit Acres : 640.0
Nearest Lease Line (ft): 500.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft): 922.0

Lease Lines : 500.0 FWL, 500.0 FSL
Survey Lines : 500.0 FWL, 500.0 FSL

As part of this application, applicant also seeks permit authority in 1 additional field: (1) FAWCETT (WOLFCAMP). No rule exception is necessary pursuant to the field rules for this field.

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SAWYER (CANYON):

GAS Special Rules 500/1000, 320.0 acres.

GAS Optional Rules 500/1000, 40.0 acres.

FAWCETT (WOLFCAMP):

GAS Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 6000 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant at (713) 7566000. PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted without a hearing if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burdens to prove the need for an exception. A protest should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512) 463-6848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the commission at (512) 463-6701.

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Owner/Agent

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INVITATION FOR BIDS FOR INSTALLATION OF GREASE INTERCEPTOR
NOTICE is hereby given that the City of Sonora will receive bids for the installation of a grease interceptor at the Senior Center, 102 Wilson, Sonora, Texas. Bidder must be a licensed Master Plumber or Class II Septic Tank Installer and insured. Envelopes should be sealed and marked "GREASE INTERCEPTOR" and shall be received in the office of the City Secretary, City Hall, 201 E. Main, Sonora, Texas 76950 no later than 2:00 p.m. on October 13, 2006 at which time bids will be opened publicly and read aloud. Bid specification with task list are available by calling the City Secretary's Office at (325) 387-2558. The City Council has the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

Public Notice

Public Notice
Frontier Mini Storages located on Hwy. 277 S, in Sonora, Texas; Sutton County will be holding a public sale on November 10 at 10:00 a.m. (No early Birds) to satisfy a landlord's lien, weather permitting. This is the tenant's 1st notice of "intent to sale" concerning their property. Seller reserves the right to withdraw property from sale at any time. The following tenants (no payment for two months or more) as of October 2, 2006 are: Anna Daniels, Ashley Daniels, Eloise Boone, Elva Hulsev, Enrique Lopez, Florinda Sanchez, Melissa Fuentes, and Rebecca Pierce. **This is not going to be a garage sale. We will be bidding each unit as a whole according to its belongings. We will only accept CASH at this sale. We will have a very generic summary of items in each unit that will be sold off with a starting bid. If your bid is accepted, you agree to remove all items from that winning unit that day regardless. Be prepared to load all your items immediately after proper paper work and money is accepted. Any questions regarding this notice can be directed to my office @ 325-38-2104

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POSITION AVAILABLE

Regional Coordinator Texas Pecos Trail Regional Program Facilitator for the development, execution and documentation of the Texas Pecos Trail Region, a 22-county heritage region in west Texas and part of the Texas Historical Commission's Texas Heritage Trails Program. Extensive travel required. Please visit www.thc.state.tx.us for a full job description.

Office location is Sonora, TX. Salary range is \$28,000 - \$30,000 annually plus benefits. Regional coordinator is an employee of the Texas Pecos Trail Region Board of Directors. Graduation from an accredited four-year college or university with major course work in tourism planning/development preferred. At least seven years of direct tourism experience can substitute for college requirements.

Resumes and cover letters will be accepted through October 5, 2006 or until filled and should be mailed, hand delivered or e-mailed to: Teresa Caldwell Texas Historical Commission P O Box 12276 (1304 Colorado Street) Austin, TX 78711 (78701) email: teresa.caldwell@thc.state.tx.us phone: 512/463-5755

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NOTICE OF JOB OPENING

The City of Sonora is seeking applicants for a Deputy Court Clerk for Municipal Court. This will be a part-time position, Monday - Wednesday, 24 hours a week, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Applications may be obtained at City Hall, 201 E. Main, Sonora, Texas. Minimum qualifications are:
• Ability to perform proceedings in the municipal court with knowledge of the judicial system as prescribed by State Law and City Ordinances
• Ability to complete a 32-hour course in the performance of his/her duties within one year from appointment.
• Ability to read and comprehend business English.
• Ability to establish and maintain working relationships with the public, city staff, other judges and attorneys.
• Ability to operate a computer, current programs and software.
• Exhibit professionalism, truthfulness, honesty, fairness, impartiality and neutrality.
Education and Experience:
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Applications will be accepted until the position is filled, at the Office of the City Secretary, address above. Equal Opportunity Employer, Drug Free Workplace.

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NEW LISTINGS!

1006 Tayloe St.
\$72,500

This quaint & cozy frame home is nestled in the shade of large pecan trees and would make a wonderful starter home or investment.

all for rental property. This 3 bedroom, 2 bath home has AC/CH and all appliances are included in the sale. Exterior amenities include a large storage building, 2-car carport and a fenced yard with alley access.

902 E. Poplar
\$89,500

This 3 bedroom, 2 bath home is built on pier & beam and features cedar siding, composition shingle roof and rock underpinning. The split floor plan offers a large family room, spacious utility room, kitchen with an island bar and all appliances included. Exterior amenities include a concrete patio, large covered storage area with an attached metal shop and covered parking for 3 vehicles.

302 SE Water
\$105,000

This 2 bedroom, 1 bath home is situated on a large corner lot and is ideally located near Sonora's historical downtown district. Special amenities include an automatic sprinkler system, metal roof, AC/CH, 10' beaded wood ceilings and the original hardwood floors. This property has been fully restored and would be ideal for a commercial business.

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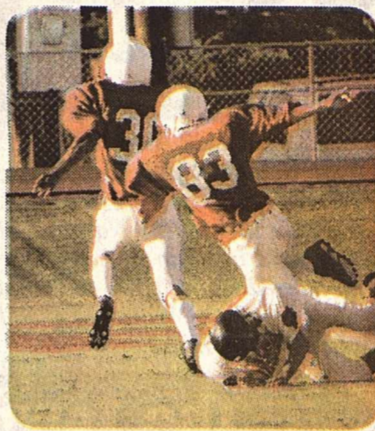
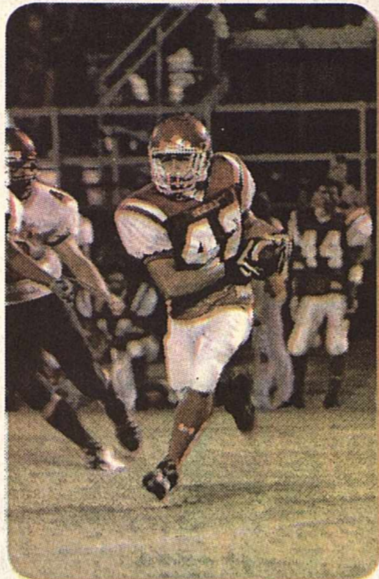
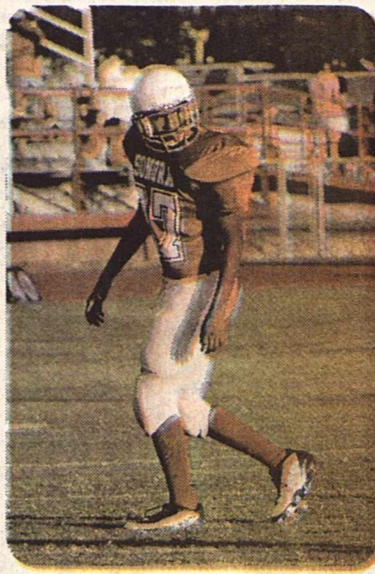
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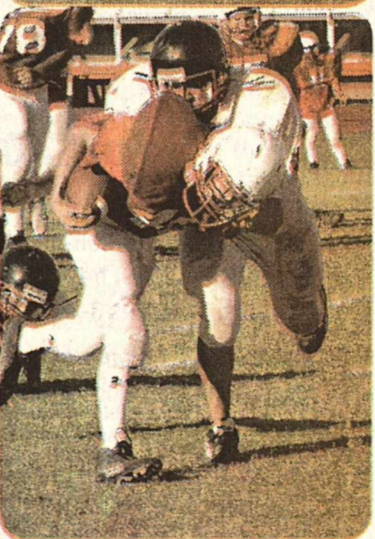
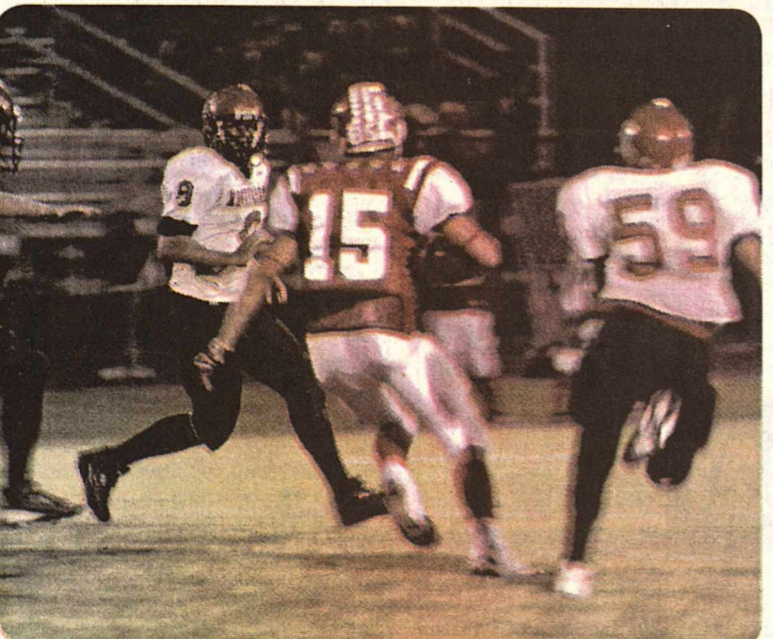
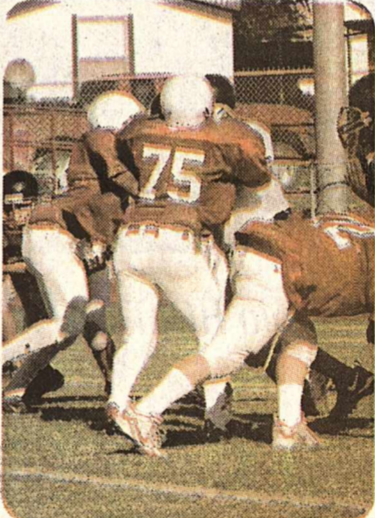
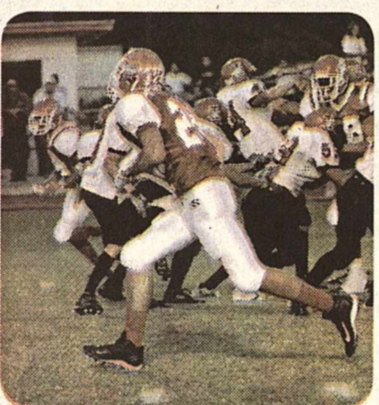
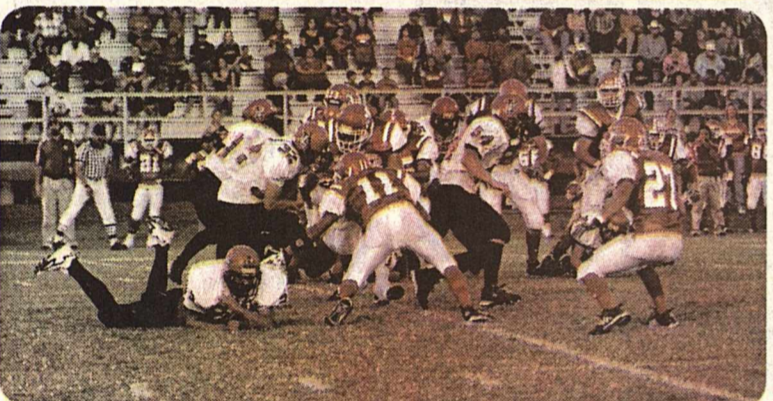
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Their goal is for the entire route to be four-lane, divided highway with through-truck-friendly "reliever routes" (or loops) around cities along the 1,300-mile route. Now, 755 miles are still in the two-lane category, slightly more than half of the corridor.

Motoring along U.S. Highway 83, travelers will also notice a mix of typical south Texas scrubby desert through which the route passes: Mesquite, palo verde and huisache trees, and Volkswagen-sized clusters of prickly pear cactus. Near Catarina, a 30-foot-high derelict derrick of a wooden windmill is now crowned with a tuft of prickly pear cacti, a sharp contrast to the forest of antennae, cell phone and microwave transmission towers on both sides of the road.

Ranch names along the way reflect the regional influence of culture, humor and aspirations to carve an agrarian living out of this rough country. Among them, "La Esperanza" (The Hope), "El Bosal" (horse bridle noseband), and "Rancho Mejor Que Nada" (the Better Than Nothing Ranch) all conjure images and questions, as do "Rockin L" and "Cactus Jack."

Wildlife is abundant. Crested caracaras—more than a hawk, less than an eagle—soar and stoop on prey along the entire route to Del Rio, and at night, deer can be a danger to travelers.

Roy De La Rosa is less apprehensive about the deer than many who travel 83. He's on the route often, trailering heavy equipment for Mesa Equipment Co, Inc., San Antonio, to a variety of construction sites. De La Rosa's rig, Sept. 9, bore a 66,000-pound road scraper to an earth-moving job on a deer lease near Catarina, Texas. "No, I'm not worried about the animals much, but it would be nice if the road was a little wider," De La Rosa chuckled.

The Catarina One Stop may be too obviously named. It purports to offer all the fuel, services, snacks and goods a traveler might need, but it is also the one and only such stop in the small town of Catarina. As with many businesses and communities, Catarina and its One Stop will surely benefit if traffic increases when this portion of the Ports-To-Plains Corridor is improved.

Ports-To-Plains, undistinguished by road markers or logos marking the route, winds along to and through Carrizo Springs, where it jogs away to U.S. Highway 277 North to Eagle Pass and into Del Rio. There, for as much time and distance as is required to negotiate through the city, the route follows U.S. Highway 90, and 277 breaks away again just north of Del Rio.

After crossing the Devil's River arm of Lake Amistad, and after the store at Loma Alta, the road begins to twist and turn, matching the rolling ranchlands that are interrupted by bluffs and canyons, draws and mostly-dry creeks. U.S. Highway 277 North is a white knuckle road

trip for the uninitiated, and its two, undivided lanes are only minimally improved by passing lanes. A real abundance of narrow bridges and nocturnally grazing deer escalate the need for traveler caution between Del Rio and Sonora.

This is a more direct route from Laredo to Sonora, but not perceived as safer by many drivers who opt for the Interstate 35 to San Antonio and Interstate 10 to Sonora. This leg of the Ports-To-Plains Corridor offers the greatest challenge to engineers and to transportation appropriations budgeters.

Still, its directness is appealing to shippers from maquila industry ("twin plant") manufacturers in Ciudad Acuña, and wide loads of heavy equipment and machine parts often narrow this stretch of 277's two lanes to two shoulders until the cargo passes, or is passed.

But everyone slows down—stops, in fact—for the Del Rio Station Border Patrol checkpoint near Loma Alta. Agents encourage "Cheita" (pronounced SHY-tah), a Belgian Malinois, to sniff out contraband from all cars passing on a Sunday afternoon (Sept. 10), while other agents examine papers, thump door panels, and peer into dark corners.

Truck traffic is light on the Christian Sabbath, but Isaura Mota, driving for his company, Mota Transports, is headed for San Angelo. Mota uses a short stretch of the PTP Corridor, hauling sheep and goats picked up in San Angelo, transporting them south to Del Rio markets. He makes the trip several times each week, so is very familiar with the 277 hills, twists and bridges. "But I would still like to see the road a little bit wider, at least," said Mota.

The landscape smooths and the road seems to broaden on approach to Sonora. This is oil-and-gas country, experiencing a rebirth of drilling interest, evidenced by convoys of trucks laden with exploration, drilling and well maintenance equipment. Many of these operations are based in Sonora, and fan out in all directions each work day morning.

A safety sign greets all drivers departing from the fleet lot of an energy well service company on the outskirts of Sonora: "CAUTION You are entering the most dangerous part of your job ... THE PUBLIC HIGHWAY."

From Sonora, U.S. Highway 277 North is a fine road in overall good condition, passing through the communities of Eldorado and Christoval. Travelers glide into San Angelo, and equally well-maintained streets over the route through that city, and crossing the scenic Concho River past a thriving historic downtown district.

Part 1 of 4. Next Week - San Angelo to Lubbock

Feature writer Bill Sontag hits the road and explores the people and places along the proposed Ports-to-Plains trade corridor that, when finished, will provide a primary artery of commerce through Del Rio and the Southwest Texas region.



High School Rodeo competitors, Ky Hofacket, left, and Zach Herrin pause to refresh at the Sonora Dairy Queen between events at the nearby National High School Rodeo Association event held in Sonora, Sept. 10. The popular eatery also serves motorized traffic from the adjacent Ports-To-Plains Corridor route of U.S. Highway 277

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A Trust Fund for Delia Galindo has been set up at the First National Bank of Sonora. This fund is to help defray medical expenses in the treatment of colon cancer. To contribute, or for more information, contact JoAnn Jones at FNB.

Benefit Team Roping for Alyssa Collins on October 7, 2006 at the Sutton County Arena in Sonora, Texas. A #2.5 Roping (1.5 cap) will start the day with books opening at 8:00 AM, rope at 9:00 AM SHARP! 3 for \$40, progressive after one. Buckles to the average winners.

An Open Draw Pot Roping after the 2.5 roping. Books will open around 4:00 p.m., and rope at 5:00 p.m. \$100/man, enter once - draw two, may enter up to three times. Buckles to the average winners.

There will also be a County vs. County match roping for Sutton and all the surrounding counties (just for braggin' rights). If interested in representing your county, please call Ryon West 325-277-2156 for more information. ALL PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT ALYSSA COLLINS undergoing treatment for AML at Cook's Children's Hospital in Ft. Worth. Donations can be made directly to First National Bank in Sonora.

United Blood Services of San Angelo Blood Drive Friday, Oct. 6 from 12:00 noon-5:00 p.m. in the Bank and Trust parking lot. Donors must be at least 17 years of age and weigh at least 110 lbs. and be in good health. Contact Brady Johnson at 387-2593 to schedule an appointment or call United Blood Services at 800-756-0024 for more information.

StoryTime began Oct. 4 at the Sutton County Library at 10:00 a.m. and every Wednesday thereafter for ages 3-5 years of age. Enjoy stories, crafts and songs. We are also looking for volunteers. FMI, ask at the front desk, or call 387-2111

Congressman Mike Conaway will be in Sonora on Thursday, October 5, 2006 from 3:25 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Bank and Trust, 229 Hwy 277 North, Sonora, Texas.

The 1956 graduating class of Sonora High School will be holding a 50 year reunion Sat. Oct. 14 at the Sonora Comfort Inn. There will be a catered lunch for the class. FMI contact Marla at 446-4995 or Dan Eaton at (325)247-1677

Attention Senior Citizens. Come for lunch at the Sonora Senior Center on October 13, 2006 and learn about and get help with arthritis, diabetes, back pain, knee pain, etc. Learn what helps and how we can help. For more information call (325)387-5657

Do Well, Be Well with Diabetes is an educational program for people with type 2 diabetes sponsored by Texas Cooperative Extension and the Sutton County Senior Center. Classes will begin October 19 and will be held on Thursdays at the Senior Center from 11:00 AM-12:00 PM. To register call Kelly Thorp at 387-3604 or Jaunita Mesa at 387-5657. Transportation is available for senior citizens who qualify.

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