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Lady Broncos Continue Their Winning Ways



Azeneth Villanueva makes her way around the bases after hitting a home run against Comfort. See page 5 for complete Lady Bronco softball coverage.

SISD Make-up Days

Sonora ISD has announced that bad weather make-up days are scheduled for Friday, April 27 and Friday, May 4. These will be regular school days and staff will be a holiday for all students and staff. Friday, April 6, (Good Friday)

State Responds To Federal Transportation Reductions

AUSTIN - State transportation officials today authorized funding reductions for multiple highway programs in response to a mandate from the federal government to return \$288 million to Washington by April 19.

The Texas Transportation Commission selected five funding categories from which to make the required reductions:

- \$71 million from interstate maintenance

- \$100 million from National Highway System (interstate, principal arterial, national defense and military base connector and intermodal roadways)

- \$30 million from Surface Transportation Program (federal-aid highways and public road bridges)

- \$60 million from congestion mitigation and air quality projects

- \$24 million from bridge funding projects

To make the best decision, and since the balance in each category changes daily, final amounts will be determined in April when TxDOT responds to the Federal Highway Administration.

"The reductions will not impact existing construction projects and are being made in a way to maintain flexibility so locally-determined priorities can be achieved," said Mike Behrens, TxDOT executive director.

Before making the decision, TxDOT held a public hearing last week to get citizens' input on how to absorb the reductions. Most of the speakers expressed a desire to see reductions across-the-board for all funding categories and all regions of the state.

"We have heard the public

and will not make further reductions to the transportation enhancements program," said Behrens. "But we want everyone to understand these funds will no longer be available to meet the transportation challenge in Texas."

These reductions come on top of \$305 million in funds TxDOT has had to return to Washington over the last 15 months.

"This situation is not unique to Texas," Behrens said. "All 50 states have been directed to return federal transportation funds to Washington."

The funds in question had been appropriated by the federal government, which is now asking states to return the money to help support national priorities, such as the war on terrorism and hurricane response.

Closed Meeting Held in Wool Growers Bankruptcy Plan

By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher of the
Ozona Stockman

Several unsecured creditors attended what turned out to be a closed meeting to discuss the Wool Growers Central Storage bankruptcy plan.

The meeting, held by the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors, took place in the district courtroom of the Crockett County Courthouse on March 30.

According to a notice from the United States Bankruptcy Court, the meeting was held so that the creditors' committee could provide information to creditors who are represented by the committee and solicit and receive comments from creditors about the bankruptcy plan and its contents. None of the lawyers involved in the bankruptcy were in attendance at the meeting.

Also, the court notice did not state the meeting was to be closed. This information was revealed at the beginning of the

meeting.

According to a court order by U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Robert L. Jones, April 18 is fixed as the last day for filing written acceptances or rejections to the amended reorganization plan. April 18 is also fixed as the last day for filing objections to the plan.

Copies of the amended disclosure statement, the supplement, the amended plan, a ballot and a copy of the order were ordered to be mailed out to all creditors and parties-in-interest within 14 days after the entry of the order. The order was submitted on March 9.

A hearing on confirmation of the amended plan is set for 1:30 p.m. May 3 in both Lubbock and by video in San Angelo.

A March 27 ruling, Judge Jones states that a late claim filed by McKenzie Land & Livestock Co. is disallowed due to not meeting any of the exceptions set in the bankruptcy code. The deadline for filing claims

was Sept. 18, 2006. McKenzie Land & Livestock Co. filed their claim Jan. 22, 2007.

According to a March 14 court order, the prices used in the calculation of claims for mohair shall not exceed the prices quoted by Ranchman's Wool and Mohair Export Inc. in Ker-ville on April 28, 2006.

The prices set are:

- Adult - \$4.20
- 12 Month Adult - \$3.50
- Fine Adult - \$4.50
- Average Kid - \$6.50
- Spring Kid - \$6.50
- Fall Kid - \$7.50
- Stain - \$2.25

Jones also granted a motion on March 29 to establish the uniform yearling price for calculating claims of mohair products.

The price is to not exceed \$5.25 and claims are established by multiplying the price by the volume of yearling mohair owned by the claimant, according to court documents.

Sonora High School Art to be Exhibited at the Bank and Trust



"Out the School Windows" by Mik Samaniego-Lira

Submitted by Nadine Eby

On Thursday, April 12, 2007, the Bank and Trust will host a reception for the opening of S.H.S. Art Class Spring Art Show.

Refreshments will be served and the entire community is welcome to come and see the

students' art work.

This year, the theme is "Out of the School Windows" and consists of landscape paintings in oils and acrylics, derived from sketches and photographs taken while looking out of the library windows.

We also did a reconstruction

of the scene in a colored paper collage.

Out of ninety students, all expressed their unique style and views of our subject from an emphasis on the school itself to the world beyond. The show will continue through May 17, 2007.

IRS Warns of Phony E-Mails Claiming to Come from the IRS

WASHINGTON — The Internal Revenue Service today alerted taxpayers about Internet scams in which fraudulent e-mails are sent that appear to be from the IRS.

The e-mails direct the consumer to a Web link that requests personal and financial information, such as Social Security, bank account or credit card numbers. The practice of tricking victims into revealing private personal and financial information over the Internet is known as "phishing" for information.

The IRS does not send out unsolicited e-mails or ask for detailed personal and financial information. Additionally, the IRS never asks people for the PIN numbers, passwords or sim-

ilar secret access information for their credit card, bank or other financial accounts.

The information fraudulently obtained by scammers is used to steal the taxpayer's identity and then his or her financial assets. Generally, identity thieves use someone's personal data to steal his or her financial accounts, run up charges on the victim's existing credit cards, apply for new loans, credit cards, services or benefits in the victim's name and even file fraudulent tax returns to obtain refunds rightfully belonging to the victim.

"Don't be fooled by these shameless scam artists. The IRS doesn't send unsolicited e-mail," said IRS Commissioner Mark W. Everson. "Always exercise caution when you receive

unsolicited e-mails or e-mails from senders you don't know, and always verify the source."

Last year, the IRS established an electronic mail box, phishing@irs.gov, to receive copies of possibly fraudulent e-mails involving misuse of the IRS name, logo or Web site for investigation. Since the establishment of the mail box, the IRS has received more than 17,700 e-mails from taxpayers reporting more than 240 separate phishing incidents. To date, investigations by the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) have identified host sites in at least 27 different countries, as well as in the United States.



Roberta James (center) of the First National Bank presents a check to Sonora City League representatives Tressa Esparza (left) and Shelly Hughes (right). The funds are proceeds from the March popcorn sales.

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Father Miguel Dinio, Pastor

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Confessions: Sat. 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE
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Friday - 7:00 a.m.
Saturday - 6:00 p.m.

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Senior Center Activities

- Fri. April 6 - "Good Friday" Center Closed! Happy Birthday Charlotte Wilson!
- Mon. April 9 - Happy Birthday Dell Tedford! Happy Birthday Espy Samaniego! Bingo!
- Tues. April 10 - Happy Birthday David Flores! Support Group at 5:15 p.m.
- Wed. April 11 - Answers on Aging with Bea & Dolly at noon! Happy Birthday Leonor Reyna!
- Thur. April 12 - Work on puzzle!

Senior Center Menu

- Fri. April 6 - Center will be closed for "Good Friday"
 - Mon. April 9 - Polish sausage, sweet potato, steamed cabbage, cornbread, pears and milk.
 - Tues. April 10 - Tuna noodle casserole, mixed vegetables, tossed salad, roll, milk, applesauce and cookie.
 - Wed. April 11 - Chicken Strips with gravy, zucchini squash with tomatoes, potato wedges, roll, milk and peaches.
 - Thur. April 12 - Chopped steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, carrots, vegetable salad, roll, white cake with caramel icing.
- 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

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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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Obituaries

Manuela "Mela" San Miguel

Manuela "Mela" San Miguel, 76, of Sonora died Friday night March 30, 2007 after a lengthy illness. Funeral Mass was 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 3 at St. Ann's Catholic Church. Burial followed in Sonora Cemetery.

Mela's love for her family, her home and her friends was sincere and unconditional. She lived her life by "Mi casa es su casa". Her hands healed many people of empacho, mal de ojo, suso, la mollera caída, etc. and fed many with her delicious tortillas, refried beans, salsa and tamales.

She will be missed by her husband of 58 years, Victor A.

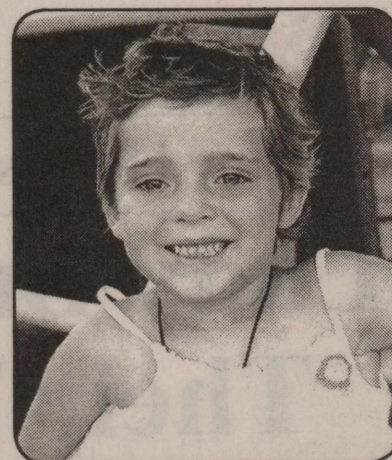
San Miguel, her daughters and their husbands: Carmen and Jesse Vela, Margarita and Eddie Lopez, Erma and Ronald Pincince and Lydia and Manuel Lopez; numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews; her sisters Maria Maldonado and Lupina Vallejo; brothers, Lauro and Jesus Olguin.

She was preceded in death by her son Joe A. San Miguel.

Pallbearers will be Joe San Miguel, Edward San Miguel, Jose A. Vela, Jose Ramon Olguin, Ramiro Perez and Ronald Pincince.

Her friends love her dearly and will miss her.

Alyssa Nicole Collins



Alyssa Nicole Collins, 5, of Sonora, passed away at her family's home early on Tuesday, March 27, 2007.

She was born to Evan and Lindsey Collins on January 22, 2002 in Lancaster, PA.

Alyssa was diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukemia on March 15, 2005, three months after her third birthday. She had a very long and hard battle for eight months at Cook's Children's Medical Center.

Alyssa went into remission and was sent home on November 14, 2005. She was able to be home and be a regular, happy and carefree four year old girl.

Then after eight months of remission, the cancer came back. Alyssa then had to endure a bone marrow transplant in August 2006.

She flew through the transplant with flying colors. She was able to come home on November 14, 2006. Not too long after that, the cancer came back for a second time.

Alyssa went through so much in her short lifetime, but even at the lowest points in her life, she was still so full of energy and light.

Alyssa loved music and laughter, dancing and singing.

Her favorite things were dinosaurs and animals. She had the best sense of humor any 5 year old could have, she loved to make her daddy laugh.

She always played tricks on the nurses, they loved her beautiful smile and radiant eyes. Alyssa also loved the beach and rivers.

Everyone was so amazed at how much this child kept her courage and spirit throughout her trying times. Nothing could keep Alyssa's spirit down. She was an inspiration to so many.

Her brother adored her from the minute she was born. She was her parent's bright little angel and the apple of all her grandparent's eyes.

Beloved by all that knew her, she brought a whole town

together.

Alyssa loved Animal Planet and wanted to become an animal cop "so she could get the bad people who hurt kitties and puppies" as she put it.

She was loved by many and will be missed by all. Alyssa had the heart of a saint. Put it all together and she could change your life with just a smile.

Alyssa was preceded in death by her great-grandfather Darrel Alley, and great-grandparents Leroy and Neil Whitworth.

She will be missed by her parents, Lindsey and Evan Collins; step-parents, Kristi Collins and Jody Boggs; siblings, Nathaniel Childress and Shay Boggs of Sonora. Paternal grandparents Becky and Mack McAngus of Sonora and Bill and Patricia Collins of Gordonville, PA. Maternal grandparents, Suzanne and Steven Whitworth of Sonora; honorary grandparents, Brad Hull of Sonora and Linda Boggs of Abilene; great-grandparents, Doris and Rayford Hull of Sonora, Roy Lynn and Sue Taylor of Kerrville and Carol and Doug Collins of Stewart, FL; aunts and uncles Jessica Collins of San Angelo, Steve and Amity Ponsetti of Austin, Jackie Crawford of Eldorado and Alex Tirado of Gordonville, PA; many great aunts and uncles, Carla and Rusty Garner of Sonora, Scott Alley of Austin, Steve and Amilia Alley of Houston, Beth and Randy Settle of Grandbury, Deanda and Tom E. Yaliant of Sonora, Bruce and Kiti Bartz of Humble, Bobby and Janice Bartz of San Angelo and Albert and Kay Bartz of Midland.

Alyssa had many family members that will miss her and remember her in their hearts forever.

Funeral services were held Saturday, March 31, 2007 at Saint John's Episcopal Church in Sonora with burial in Sonora Cemetery under the direction of Kerbow Funeral Home.

Congratulations



Army Private Robert Michael Lozano, son of Ray and

Julie Lozano, husband of Monica "Mamas" Lozano, graduated from Basic Training of the army National Guard in Ft. Knox, KY on March 30, 2007.

Mike has transferred to Ft. Lee in Virginia for Advanced Individual Training.

His parents, Ray and Julie; grandparents Ray Sr. and Angelita; his aunt Rachel; brothers and sisters, Nicky, Emilio, Ricky and Randy; his uncle, Sesario; Sulema, Steven and his wife Monica are all VERY PROUD OF HIM, AND WE LOVE HIM VERY MUCH.

Eldorado Nursing Home Chit Chat

The following is a story told by one of our residents.

When I was a young girl, doing dishes for a family of twelve was no easy job. First, we had to carry water in from the pump in the backyard and put it the stove to heat in two galvanized dishpans. Since we had no sink or inside plumbing, the water was boiled on the stove, and while the water was still hot, my sister and I were then ready to begin the chore that belonged to us by virtue of being the eldest daughters in the family.

My sister and I both hated washing those mis-matched, chipped and cracked dishes and

silverware.

The "washer" had to make soap suds out of Mom's homemade soap, which was also used for bathing, laundry and cleaning. The "washer", also knew she'd better get the plates completely clean, because the best part of being the "dryer" was putting the dishes back in the "washer's" pan, if they weren't clean. The "dryer" made sure the dishes were soap free and shook off the excess water. There were no drainers back then.

When the dishes were done, one of the boys would carry the dishpans of water to the garden.



We wish to express our appreciation for all the flowers, phone calls, cards, visits, prayers and other expressions of concern during Brent's illness and death.

The Family of Brent Gesch.

Happy Birthday

- April 5
Alfredo Hernandez, Lilia Flores, Victoria Robles, Kayla Shurley, Fred Hernandez, James Zertuche, Nelson Black
- April 6
Garrett Bawcom, A. J. Hernandez, Richard Aguero
- April 7
Tracy Klein, Matthew Perez, Carole Ann Hardee, Roy Luna, Andrew Heap, Lisa Galindo, Dawson Guthrie, Toby Jimenez
- April 8
Sterling Love, Miranda Rodriguez, Marlyn Young, Yvonne Uriega, Wayne Sawyer, Bidy Ramirez
- April 9
Dylan Vaughn, Michael Stephens, Kim Batchelor, Byron Williams, Charles Barber, Luis Segura, Lisa Talamantez
- April 10
Daniel Garcia, Angie Cooper, Bailey Russell, Alyssa Favila, Gloria Mendez, Midrian Aboud, Tom Daubney
- April 11
Uvaldo Ramos III, M.J. Brown, Louise Ingham-Moore, Colton Crowder, Payton Box

By Brother J

May 7 and August 14, 1945 were two great days in history. Victory was finally declared and World War II ended. There was much celebrating and we still celebrate those events today as VE, (Victory in Europe) and VJ, (Victory over Japan).

Those two days brought many good and beneficial things to our world and mankind. Those days also remind me of a day where a great victory took place about two thousand years ago.

It was on a hill outside of Jerusalem. Where one man gave his life for many. He was innocent but executed like a criminal. He was the only begotten Son of God and was crucified on a cross, (John 3:16, Acts 2:23, Philippians 2:8-11).

Victory Day

His death provided many wonderful benefits for us. His shed blood provided a way that we could have peace with God, (1 Corinthians 15:3 & 2 Corinthians 5:19). It also provided redemption or forgiveness from sin, (Romans 5:6). He took the punishment that should have been ours, (Isaiah 53:1-12, 1 Peter 3:18). For every man, woman or child it is the only hope for us. We can have our sins forgiven and have the hope of being in eternity with God, (Romans 6:1-11). It is the greatest day and event that any Christian can celebrate.

This Easter Sunday let us especially pay homage to the one who loves us, suffered and died for us. See you in Church next Sunday.



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Letter to the Editor

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Historical Society

ASK THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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

Q. Did Sonora really have special summer schools to help pupils get better grades the next year?

A. Someone very old told you about this. It took me quite a while to find the special classes as they were held in 1914. I came across them while looking for another question in this column. Here is what "The Devil's River News" had to say about it in their issue of June 13, 1914: Day School - Dr. J. F. Peck, superintendent of the Sonora High School, is conducting a six weeks day school to assist and enable students who desire to make higher grades the coming session. The classes are from the high seventh up, and as the Sonora High School expects to make the affiliation with the University next session, from there on it is advisable that pupils desiring should avail themselves of this opportunity to be in line of advancement.

So the answer is yes there were special classes held at one time to help students get better grades the next year and to help them pass university requirements.

Q. Do you have anything on the death of Ed Decker in 1914?

A. Ed Decker, who has been conducting the meat market in Sonora for the past few months, died at the Decker Hotel Monday night, June 8, 1914, age 26 years. The young man came to Sonora from Menard, where he was raised and about three weeks ago was advised that he had been awarded the contract to carry the mail from Menard to McKavett and was preparing to leave to fulfill that contract. Sunday evening he was stricken when at the Sonora restaurant with his friend H. H. Snow and was cared for by Mr. Snow until Monday evening when he was taken to the Decker Hotel.

Previous to coming to Sonora the young man had been stricken with paralysis on two occasions and had improved during his stay in Sonora. His mother, who lives in Fredericksburg, could not get to Sonora on time because of high water and road conditions and interment was had in the Sonora Cemetery Tuesday at 2 o'clock. There was a large attendance at the funeral,

the stores having been closed, the services at the grave were conducted by Rev. J. L. Burns of the Methodist Church and H. H. Snow also made a few appropriate remarks.

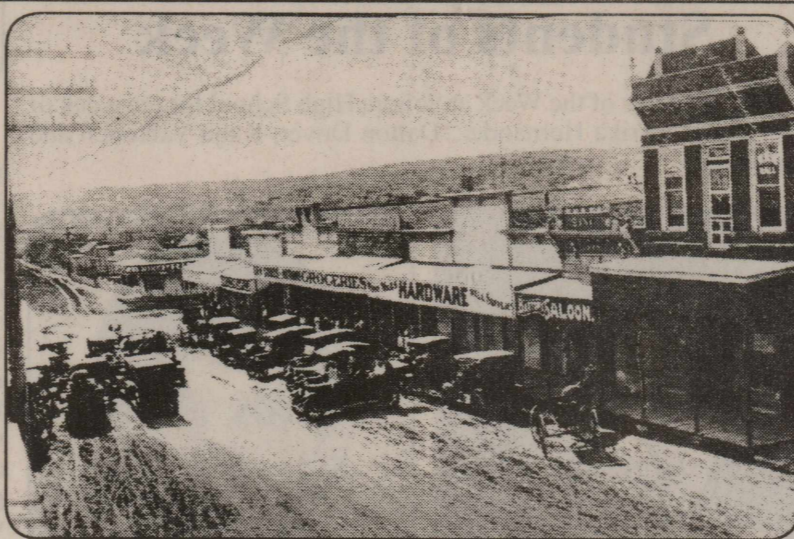
Two articles down we found the following: Mrs. Ed Decker of Brady wishes to extend thanks to the Sonora people who extended kindness to her husband during his first illness. Thanks are particularly due H. H. Snow. Mrs. Laura Decker and Walter Gilbert. Mrs. Decker was unable to reach Sonora in time for the funeral.

Other articles of interest in this issue include: The contract for carrying the mail from Sonora to San Angelo from July 1 has been awarded to Tom Savell. W. P. Evans sold this week to Jno. Martin, 700 goats at \$3 per head. Jno. Martin sold this week to W. P. Evans, 70 cows at \$42.50 per head.

There was an interesting note out of Muskogee, Okla., June 4—Cherokee Indians in the Spavinaw hills east of Grand River today rounded up 2000 head of cattle that had been brought in by cattlemen from the west side of the river and drove them from the range with a warning to owners not to bring them back. The Indians have used the free range on the hills for their own cattle for half a century and they resent the intrusion of outside cattlemen. It is said the Indians are patrolling the east side of the river and that trouble will follow if the cattlemen endeavor to run their cattle back across to the hill range.

Notice to Wool Growers - I am having built a 10 shear portable shearing plant and will be prepared to work this fall and will be pleased to have some of your shearing. The plant I have designed has been approved by the manufacturers and I will be able to reach your place at little expense. See me before contracting your fall shearing. Fred Hull, Sonora, Texas.

Thomas Bond and son Thomas A. Bond, who has been attending the West Texas Military Academy at San Antonio, returned last week from the Academy. Thomas A. was well pleased with the school and hopes to be able to complete the course, although the "come back to the ranch" call is easily heard by him. Mrs. Bond and son Frank remained in San Antonio on a short visit.



Sonora Main Street after a rainstorm.
Date is approximately 1918-1920.

I found an interesting article on Gaines County. It seems they had paid over \$100,000 for the destruction of wolf scalps in that area and had hoped they had seen the last of the menace. One problem they have is Austrian rabbits and the destruction of the wolves has resulted in the proliferation of the rabbits. They proposed to organize hunts to drive the rabbits into large fenced areas that they can't escape and kill and dress the rabbits for shipment to towns east where they will readily sell for 10 to 20 cents per pound and supply a crying need for meat. They have to get rid of the rabbits as they are destroying their crops of peanuts and peas. It appears the rabbits have healthy appetites and are enjoying the loss of the wolves. They say the rabbit is a pest and should be eliminated and this way would benefit the hunter/producer and the consumers.

"Luke McLuke Says" was a popular joke column of the day sample of 1914 humor: Most women are up to date on everything but their birthday.

Love is wonderful stuff. It will make a girl marry a man who is cross eyed and has red whiskers and make her believe all the other women are jealous of her.

A woman is a person who has her son married and in the White House before he is born.

Another article of interest was that August Schild of Sonora had left for San Antonio for the burial of his brother Alfred George Schild, 54 years old, who had died at his home in Wharton. He was also survived by his mother, Mrs. Frieda Schild and one daughter. There were also surviving 5 sisters and 2 other brothers. Burial was in the

Hermann's Sons Cemetery and services were held by the Evangelical Church and the Wharton Lodge of the Order of Hermann Sons of which Mr. Schild had been an organizer.

For the sum of \$12,000 the United States Govt. killed 40,000 prairie dogs in the national forests of Colorado and Utah. (Gee I bet some of our ranchers wish the govt. would get rid of some more of the pesky little critters on their range is Sutton County now.) We hope you enjoyed the little walk through the 1914 paper.

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@sonorax.net. If you want to rent the John & Mildred Cauthorn Memorial Building/Old Depot and grounds give us a call or stop by the office at 307 Oak St. on Tues., Thur., or Sat. mornings and speak with one of our volunteers. Deposits must be made for us to hold a date and June is going fast. We even have a booking for August already. So call now so you don't miss out on the date you want. You may call us at 387-5084 during the same hours. Please only emergency rentals for funeral dinners should be made to my home. I've been ill and Rick has had surgery, so we need our down time.

We could use a few more volunteers to help dust the Miers Home, inspect the Depot, mow some grass and rake leaves. How about a few of you stepping up and helping us to help preserve the history of your county. Donations to defray these expenses, if you can't volunteer, are always welcome.

Correction:
Krysta Brooks number was incorrectly published in the March 22 issue. Her correct number is 432-631-7504.

Easter Egg Hunt Schedule

The Annual Easter Egg Hunt and Eaton Hill Treasure Hunt will be Saturday, April 7, 2007.

All ages must register beginning at 8:30 a.m. at the Courthouse.

One year old through second grade will hunt Easter eggs on the courthouse lawn at 10:00 a.m.

Third grade and older will hunt on Eaton Hill beginning at 10:00 a.m.

There will also be a bake sale in front of the courthouse steps, as well as hot dogs, ice cream and prizes. Come join the fun.

★ AUCTION ★

Annual Miles Young Farmers Consignment Sale
Saturday, APRIL 21

Sale Time: 9 A.M.
Miles Coop Gin Yard — Miles, Texas
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We are accepting consignments, large and small, for this sale. Please get your consignments in early so that we may properly advertise them.

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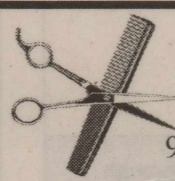
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All are welcome to wish him well on his new promotion!

Historic Church In Ruidosa Receives Additional Funding For Stabilization

RUIDOSA, Texas — The Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Ruidosa was recently awarded additional funding by the Texas Historical Foundation. A new partner in the project, the foundation provided the historic site with \$5,500 to contribute to ongoing efforts to stabilize the church in the tiny West Texas town.

With an initial \$30,000 matching grant from the Texas Historical Commission (THC) in 2004, the project began in the hope of preserving this site, one of Presidio County's most exquisite examples of adobe architecture. Once in danger of collapse, the mission is especially rare because of its curved adobe arches. Located just outside of Big Bend, the preservation of this historic landmark will contribute to the overall appeal of this unique and special area of Texas.

Along with the recent funding from the Texas Historical Foundation, the Presidio County Historical Commission also raised money from local contributions over the holiday season and received an additional grant from the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Monies raised meet the THC's Texas Preservation Trust Fund grant requirements, thus assuring the successful completion of the stabilization work at this important historical and architectural Texas landmark. Phase I of the project reached completion in late 2006 and Phase II is expected to conclude in July 2007. For more information on the Ruidosa Mission Project visit www.thc.state.tx.us or call the THC's Architecture Division at 52/463-6094.

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Annual! Easter Egg Hunt & Eaton Hill Treasure Hunt

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- ~ 1 year old to 2nd grade will hunt Easter Eggs on the Courthouse lawn at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday. ~
- ~ Eaton Hill will be for 3rd grade and up ~ Hunt Easter Eggs - there are many prizes - Eaton Hill Hunt will start at 10:00 a.m. ~
- ~ We will have a bake sale in front of the Courthouse steps - come buy your Easter Goodies ~
- ~ Over \$200 dollars will be hidden on the Courthouse lawn and Eaton Hill - Thanks to the Bank & Trust and First National Bank of Sonora ~
- ~ Hot Dogs will be for sale for \$1.00 ~
- ~ You may give a donation of \$1.00 for a chance at the Grand Prize ~ Bicycle ~
- ~ Free meals Prizes from La Mexicana and Sutton County Steakhouse ~
- ~ Free Ice Cream and special DQ prizes from Dairy Queen of Sonora ~
- ~ Free Sonic Drive-in of Sonora Prizes ~

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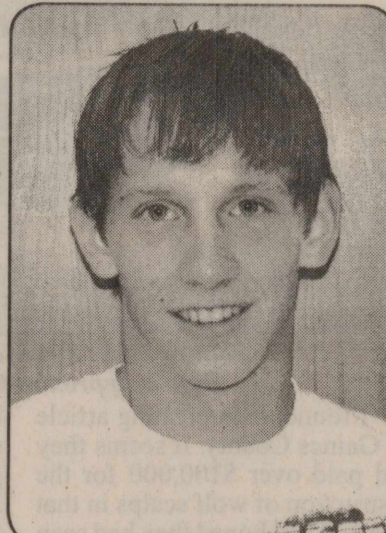
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Sonora High School Students of the Week

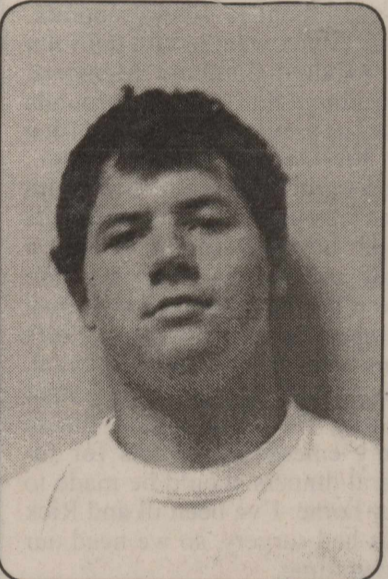
The Students of the Week at Sonora High School for the week of April 2-6 are Erika Hernandez, Dalton Dover, Kaija Valkonen and Dustin Neff.



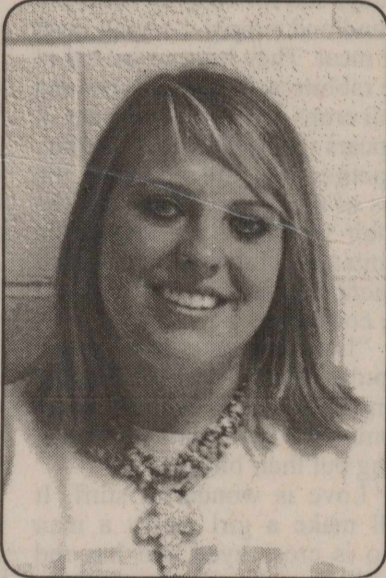
Erika Hernandez is the daughter of Henry and Hilda Mata. She is a senior. She likes music, running, taking pictures, and talking on the phone. Erika is involved in high school newspaper, and she also helps deliver food at the Senior Center. Her favorite things about Sonora High are her friends and some of the teachers. She moved to Sonora from Hereford when she was in 3rd grade. When she graduates, she wants to become a Border Patrol agent. Her back-up plan is to go to photography school in Oklahoma.



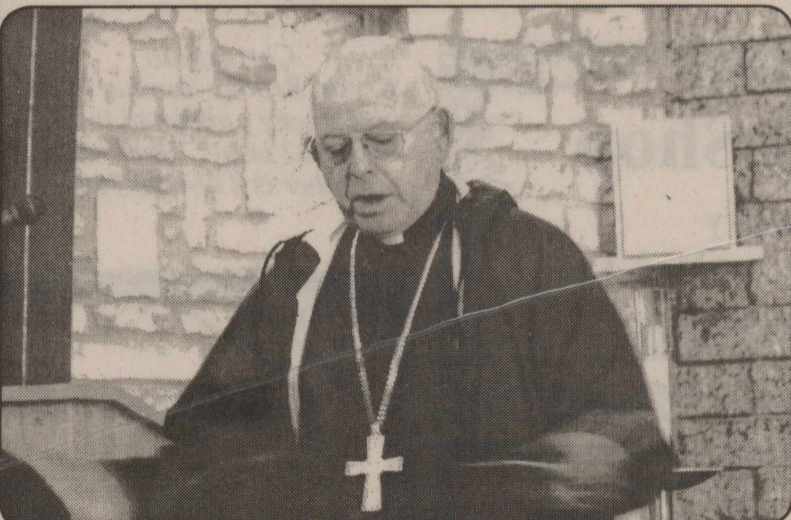
Dalton Dover is the son of Kyle and Jana Dover. He is a junior. He likes guitars and motocross, and he dislikes baseball. He also attends youth group. He moved from Abilene in the 3rd grade. After graduation, he plans join the Supercross Circuit, but if that doesn't work out, he will attend college and be an architect.



Dustin Neff is the son of Scott and Linda Neff. He is a freshman. He likes to play sports. He is involved in One Act Play. He is also involved in his youth group. Dustin has lived in Sonora all of his life. His favorite thing about SHS is the sports. He plans on going to college and becoming a coach because he likes sports.



Kaija Valkonen is the daughter of Lindy and Tony Valkonen. She is a senior. She likes stock show and enjoys playing golf. She is involved in 4-H, FFA, and Who's Who. She is also involved with the community by contributing to Meals on Wheels and other groups. Kaija has lived in Sonora all of her life. She likes that everyone knows everyone at SHS. She plans on attending Odessa College and majoring in Nursing.



Bishop Michael D. Pfeifer of the San Angelo Diocese was in Sonora recently to hear and address concerns raised by parishioners at St. Ann's Catholic Church.

Up On Eaton Hill

By Delyse Jeager

Bathe Your Brain

As if the colors were released from heaven while we were sleeping, the glory of springtime has arrived in our midst. Tromping about the countryside, one of our favorite treasures of the season – the nipple cactus – thrusts its crimson fruit skyward, offering us a tasty tidbit plucked right from nature's banquet table. To my delight, our son carefully avoids the bluebonnets just beginning to bloom as we pick our way among the rocks, wildflowers and prickly pear. Cupped in his hands are a dozen of the tiny horn-shaped red fruits produced by our local species of the cactus genus mammillaria, whose name is derived from mammary or mammal. Bearing the common name "nipple cactus", there's no escaping the reference.

We point out our discoveries to one another; here are deer tracks, rabbit scat, a big bluebonnet, a bluebonnet just out, a place where the underbrush is flattened, cactus on the verge of blooming, and a special prize – a nice antler shed from an 8 point buck. The birds are flitting about and I strain to identify one before they disappear in the dense cedar. Where are those binoculars when I need them? Continuing on, I round a mott of trees to find Garrett sitting on a rock and preparing a treat for his four-legged companions; a brother and sister pair of nine month old Labrador retrievers. The pups, as well as our "old man" enjoy munching the shiny red fruits, but first they must be a tad smushed. I suppose to release their scent. Cats however, we discovered, are not interested. We all enjoy the tart, sweet flavor though I suspect the

real pleasure is in the gathering and sharing of food. Ancient.

In the following days I will listen to a highly educated doctor explain the sad increase in diagnoses of childhood depression in our society, as well as the apparent lowering in the average age of onset. He cites over stimulation and stress as major contributing factors. Brain studies show the chemical presence of stress hormones which can ultimately lead to an inability to experience pleasure. Disheartening, but easily understood in our days filled with so much, so many good things.

I breathe a silent prayer that my child's sense of wonder will be preserved; that I might be sensitive to where his threshold is; and that we might be more intentional towards sharing an afternoon or a half an hour of simple wonder and discovery amidst the awesome and ever-changing, living playground that begins wherever the concrete ends.

Currently, our local playground has come alive with bluebonnets, hummingbirds, songbirds, butterflies and other wildflowers. It's the perfect time to hike the trails with your children. For a twist on the nature hike, count the different flowers in bloom, search for small cactus in fruit or flower, or document the different butterflies and birds by illustrating your discoveries. Stop by the Sutton County Library and check your identification or research a certain species. Bring a picnic, camera, binoculars or art supplies and enjoy the bounty of spring. We need it more than we may realize. Hit the Trails!

Chamber of Commerce Calendar of Events

- Easter Egg Hunt & Eaton Hill Treasure Hunt**
 Sutton County Courthouse
 Saturday, April 7, 2007
 8:30 a.m. Registration
- Keep Sonora Beautiful**
Don't Mess with Texas - TRASH OFF
 April 14, 2007
 Meet at Methodist Church Parking Lot - Volunteers Welcome
- 3 Person Select Shot Golf Tournament**
 Saturday, April 14, 2007
 Teams must have 1 woman
 10 a.m. tee time, first 22 paid teams play.
 Call Sonora Golf Club at 387-3680 to enter.
- Sonora Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet**
"Fueling the Future"
 Sutton County Civic Center
 Thursday, April 19, 2007
 6:30 p.m.
 \$15.00 per person/\$120.000 table of eight
- 4th Annual Relay for Life Benefit Team Roping**
 Saturday, April 21, 2007
 Consuelo Ranch, 325 387-3244 or 325 387-2272
- 10th Annual College Scholarship Golf Tournament**
 Sonora Golf Club
 April 28, 2007
 Entry fees: 3 person team - \$100
 4 person team - \$150
 5 person team - \$200
 Call Sonora Golf Club at 387-3680 for more information.

What to do when the baby won't stop crying

- ♥ Wrap the baby in a soft blanket and hold him or her next to you.
- ♥ Sing or hum to the baby.
- ♥ Rock the baby in a chair or swing, or gently sway your body while holding the baby close.
- ♥ Take the baby for a ride in the stroller or car. Motion often puts a baby to sleep.
- ♥ Distract the baby by making faces or quiet noises.
- ♥ Give the baby a warm bath to relax him or her.
- ♥ Use soft music or other soothing sounds to help put the baby to sleep.
- ♥ Take a break. Put the baby safely in a crib and take a few minutes for yourself in another room.
- ♥ Call a friend or relative who will listen to your problems and be sympathetic.
- ♥ Ask a trusted friend or neighbor to watch your child while you take a short break or a brief nap.
- ♥ If you feel as though you are losing control and might hurt your child, call a hotline, such as the 24-hour National Child Abuse Hotline (1.800.4.A.CHILD) offered by Childhelp.

Sutton County Child Welfare Board sponsors Child Prevention Month

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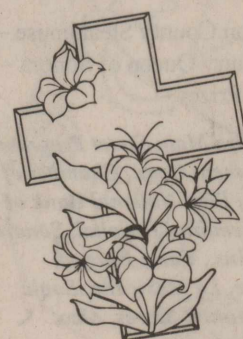
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Lady Broncos Continue To Roll

By Tryon Fields

The Lady Broncos continued their quest for a District 8-2A title last week with victories over Comfort and Junction.

Tuesday, Sonora entertained Comfort to finish up the first half of play. Lady Bronco ace, Meghan Krieg got her first no-hitter of the season against the Deer. Krieg faced 16 Comfort batters, striking out 10 of them. Plays by Cassie Krieg, Heather Hughes, Jaimee Duran, Kayla Fields, and Krieg herself helped keep runners off the bases.

The Sonora bats that had been silent for several games made a lot of noise as the Lady Broncos pounded out 13 runs off of 11 hits and 7 walks. Cassie Krieg led the Lady Bronco bats with a two-for-two game with

two doubles and a base on balls. Kimble Luna went 3 for 4 with two singles and a double. Brady Neff added two walks and a 2 run home run. Azeneth Villanueva also added a home run and 2 RBI's. Steely Ingham, Jaimee Duran, Heather Hughes and Meghan Krieg each added a hit to the total.

Final score: Sonora 13 - Comfort 0

Friday, Sonora travelled to Junction to face the Lady Eagles. This game became a pitchers duel between Molly Carpenter of Junction and Sonora's Meghan Krieg. Sonora scored 1 run in the top of the second inning off of a single by Azeneth Villanueva, a sacrifice by Jaimee Duran and a wild pitch by Carpenter. Meghan Krieg faced

9 batters in the first 3 innings and sat them down in order. In the bottom of the fourth, Junction tied the ball game up on a single, a passed ball, a ground out, and a wild pitch by Krieg. In the top of the sixth, Sonora added three more runs on a lead off single by Meghan Krieg, a one out single by Cassie Krieg, a two out double by Jaimee Duran, and a single by Jessica Snyder. Junction threatened in the bottom of the sixth as they put two runners aboard with no outs. Krieg worked herself out of the jam with a pair of strike outs and an infield fly. Neither team could generate anything in the seventh inning giving the Lady Broncos their 5th district win and their seventeenth overall victory. At the plate, Sonora

was led by Meghan Krieg with two singles. Jessica Snyder and Jaimee Duran contributed with a double each. Kayla Fields and Azeneth Villanueva would round the hitting out with hit apiece. Defensively, plays by Kayla Fields, Jaimee Duran, Kimble Luna, Heather Hughes, and Cassie Krieg aided the Lady Broncos in their 4 to 1 victory.

This week the Lady Broncos traveled to Brady on Tuesday, April 10th against the Lady Panthers from Blanco. This will be a home game, so make plans now to come out and support the Lady Broncos.

Good Luck And Think District Championship!!!!



The infield congratulates Meghan after another out against Junction.

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Track and Field Results

8th Grade Girls

Submitted by Jennifer Lilly

Sonora 8th grade girls earned their fifth straight Team Champion Award at the Grape Creek Junior High Track Meet Thursday night. Our district meet will be next Thursday in Brady.

Team Totals

Sonora 196

Grape Creek 167
Ozona 122
Eldorado 67
Christoval 39
TLC 14
Cornerstone 2

Pole Vault

Campbell 2nd 9'
Humphrey 4th 6'6"

Long Jump

Smith 1st 14'4 1/2"
Zuniga 3rd 13' 8 1/2"

Triple Jump

Smith 3rd 30' 1 1/2"
Campbell 4th 30' 1"

High Jump

Zuniga 2nd 4' 10"

Shot-Put

Castaneda 2nd 32'5 3/4"

Discus

Castaneda 1st 91'4"

7th Grade Boys

Grape Creek Track Meet

Submitted by Coach Skelton

Pole Vault

Daniel Lankford 1st Place 8'
Word Hudson 2nd Place 6'

Sterling Hall 5th Place 7' 6"

Shot Put

Santi Campa 1st Place 33' 10"
Kyle Patlan 2nd Place 32' 5.25"

Discus

Kyle Patlan 4th Place 81' 4"
Robert Hernandez 6th Place 78' 10"

High Jump

Dakota Daniels 1st Place 4' 10"
Trey Virgen 2nd Place 15' 3"

Ryan San Miguel 4th Place 13' 10"

Triple Jump

Word Hudson 4th Place 28' 2"
110 Meter Hurdles

Zach Badeaux 1st Place 19.51
Dakota Daniels 5th Place 22.06

300 Meter Hurdles
Dakota Daniels 1st Place 53.74
Christian Kenney 5th Place 56.87

Braxton Snyder 6th Place 57.56
100 Meter Dash
Trey Virgen 1st Place 12.47

200 Meter Dash

2400M Run

Cano 2nd 10:49.76
Acosta 3rd 10:59.48

800M Run

Buitron 1st 2:40.73

100M Hurdles

Campbell 1st 17.03

100M Dash

Lipham 2nd 13.95

Trevino 6th 14.23

400M Dash

Buitron 3rd 1:08.21

Humphrey 5th 1:09.98

Guerrero 6th 1:15.26

300 Hurdles

Campbell 1st 51.18

Cano 3rd 59.02

200M Dash

Smith 1st 28.59

Trevino 5th 30.36

1600M Run

Cano 2nd 6:45.69

Sprint Relay

Campbell, Smith, Lipham, Zuniga

2nd 54.32

800 Relay

Smith, McGee, Trevino, Zuniga

2nd 1:59.56

Mile Relay

Acosta, Lipham,

Humphrey, Buitron 3rd 4:46.02

200 Meter Dash

Erik Santana 2nd Place 27.58

Word Hudson 6th Place 29.00

400 Meter Dash

Trey Virgen 3rd Place 1:02.67

Milton Black 5rd Place 1:05.36

Clayton Parks 6th Place 1:07.00

800 Meter Run

Clayton Parks 2nd Place 2:35.93

Robert Hernandez 5nd Place 2:49.33

Michael Perez 6th Place 2:51.30

1600 Meter Run

Stefan Ortiz 4th Place 6:48

Sterling Hall 5th Place 6:53

2400 Meter Run

Edward Garza 3rd Place 10:12.56

Michael Perez 4th Place 10:15.64

400 Meter Relay

Zach Badeaux, Milton Black,

Word Hudson, Trey Virgen

1st Place 52.96 sec

800 Meter Relay

Zach Badeaux, Eric Santana,

Ryan San Miguel, Jorge Villanueva

2nd Place 1:54.79 sec

1600 Meter Relay

Milton Black, Clayton Parks, Jorge

Villanueva, Word Hudson 2nd

Place 4:20.28 sec

8th Grade Boys Colt Relays

Submitted by Bill Dempsey

Discus

2nd Ottwell 100'4"

4th Dermody 94'10"

Shot Put

5th Garmon 33'2"

Triple Jump

2nd Pennington 35'2.75"

6th Sanchez 31'10.75"

High Jump

2nd Guerrero 4'10"

3rd Ozuna 4'10"

Pole Vault

2nd Ozuna 9'6"

4th Lopez 7'6"

5th Pennington 7'6"

Long Jump

2nd Patlan 17'2"

400 M. Relay

1st Guerrero, Pennington, Sanchez,

Patlan 49.99

2400 M. Run

5th Lopez 10:12

6th Bean 10:19

800 M. Dash

2nd Rivera 2:27.73

3rd Garcia 2:28.55

7th Grade Boys

Sonora Track Meet

Submitted by Coach Skelton

Pole Vault

Daniel Lankford 1st Place 8'

Word Hudson 4th Place 7'

Shot Put

Santi Campa 3rd Place 31' 7.5"

Kyle Patlan 5th Place 30' 9"

Discus

Matt Young 5th Place 79' 8"

High Jump

Dakota Daniels 1st Place 4' 8"

Trey Virgen 4th Place 4' 6"

Long Jump

Trey Virgen 2nd Place 15' 8.25"

Jorge Villanueva 3rd Place 15' 5

3/4"

Ryan San Miguel 6th Place 14' 5

3/4"

Triple Jump

Word Hudson 4th Place 30' 1"

Christian Kenney 6th Place 29' 3

1/2"

110 Meter Hurdles

Zach Badeaux 2nd Place 19.53

Dakota Daniels 4th Place 21.46

Stefan Ortiz 6th Place 22.41

300 Meter Hurdles

Dakota Daniels 1st Place 55.75

Braxton Snyder 3rd Place 57.57

100 Meter Dash

Trey Virgen 1st Place 12.24

Ryan San Miguel 6th Place 13.28

110 M. Hurdles

3rd Ozuna 19.46

5th Garmon 20.94

100 M. Dash

1st Patlan 11.9

2nd Ozun 12.76a

800 M. Relay

2nd Lopez, Sanchez, Garmon, Pat-

lan 1:49.12

400 M. Dash

1st Garcia 60.88

2nd Sanchez 62.61

4th Dermody 67.64

300 M. Hurdles

3rd Garmon 51.44

4th Lopez 51.89

200 M. Dash

2nd Guerrero 25.30

3rd Pennington 26.82

5th DeLaRosa 28.29

1600 M. Run

3rd Rivera 5:54.84

1600 M. Relay

1st Guerrero, Sanchez,

Garcia, Pennington 4:06.05

Team Total

1st Place with 209 points.

200 Meter Dash

Jorge Villanueva 1st Place 27.54

Eric Santana 4th Place 28.19

400 Meter Dash

Jorge Villanueva 2nd Place

1:06.52

Milton Black 3rd Place 1:07.26

Ryan San Miguel 5th Place 1:08.79

800 Meter Run

Clayton Parks 1st Place 2:47.76

Robert Hernandez 2nd Place 2:50.03

Michael Perez 6th Place 3:03.58

1600 Meter Run

Stefan Ortiz 2nd Place 6:47

Davis Virgen 3th Place 6:55

Sterling Hall 4th Place 6:56

2400 Meter Run

Michael Perez 2nd Place 10:12.0

Edward Garza 3rd Place 10:20.0

Ricky Samaniego 4th Place

11:46.0

400 Meter Relay

Zach Badeaux, Milton Black,

Word Hudson, Trey Virgen

2nd Place 53.24 sec

800 Meter Relay

Zach Badeaux, Kyle Patlan

Clayton Parks, Jorge Villanueva

3rd Place 1:54.79 sec

1600 Meter Relay

Clayton Parks, Trey Virgen,

Word Hudson, Milton Black

2nd Place 4:33.27 sec

Middle School Tennis Results

By Coach Ben Landry

The Sonora Junior High Tennis team competed in the Eldorado tournament this last weekend. The kids did very well. The results were as followed:

Matt Young - 7th boys singles - 1st
Phillip Stevens - 7th boys singles - Consolation Bracket 1st
Hunter Jennings - 7th girls singles - 2nd Place
Braxton Snyder and Delaney McCarver - 7th mixed doubles 2nd place
Christian Kenney and Jasmine Daniels - 7th mixed doubles 1st place
Elizabeth Chavarria and Delilah Aguerro - 7th girls doubles Conso-

lation Bracket 1st
Garrett Smith and Milton Black - 7th grade boys doubles 1st
Clayton Parks and Davis Virgen - 7th grade boys doubles 2nd
William Ottwell and Ashley Perez - 8th grade mixed doubles 3rd
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Sutton County Underground Water District to Meet

The Sutton County Underground Water Conservation District Board of Directors will hold its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 10, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. in the Water District office at 301 S. Crockett.

Who Are These People And What Do They Stand For?



By Megan Aho

Do you know that Sonora is represented by two congressmen in the U.S. House of Representatives? One is a Democrat and the other a Republican. Their names are Mike Conaway (R) and Ciro Rodriguez (D). It seems strange and confusing that such a small town has two federal representatives in the House.

It appears this is a classic example of gerrymandering—a form of redistricting in which the boundaries are manipulated for electoral advantage. Conaway was re-elected in November, 2006 and Rodriguez was elected in January, 2007. Do you know which man represents your district?

Sonora is divided into two districts (11th and 23rd) and consists of six precincts during congressional elections and four precincts in all other elections. Conaway represents precincts 201A and 301A in the 11th district, and Rodriguez represents precincts 101, 201B, 401, & 301B in the 23rd district. But

who are these men and what do they stand for?

As some of you know, Rodriguez was in Sonora this past Friday evening. I was in attendance for a small portion of the meeting. Rodriguez was late, but his assistant was there to entertain us. He asked us what we felt the pressing issues were here in Sonora. People at the meeting mentioned the importance of the oil and gas industry, agriculture, transportation issues (Ports-to-Plains Trade Corridor), sheep, goats, hunting, and drug trafficking.

Considering Rodriguez is on the Homeland Security committee, I raised my hand and said illegal immigration is a serious threat and I want to know his stance on it. I investigated his website before the meeting and it said nothing about the subject (www.cirodrodriguez.com). His assistant told me Mr. Rodriguez's website was not up to date because he was elected in January.

Soon after I asked my question, Mr. Rodriguez arrived. Almost immediately after the introductions were finished, we were warned about a hail storm on its way. I let everyone know I would be right back and stepped out of the meeting for approximately 2 minutes to move my car, just to come back to an empty room. While I was gone, everyone decided to take the meeting elsewhere. I tried to find out where they were moving the meeting to, but most people had already left the building. Unfortunately, I did not get an accurate answer. I called his assistant's cell phone

and left a message letting him know that I was looking for them. I sensed that I was no longer welcome at the meeting.

I researched Rodriguez's website and even met him at a local meeting, but I still do not know his position on illegal immigration. It seems odd to me that they invited the newspaper (me) but moved the meeting without any concern of my attendance.

To be fair, I called Mike Conaway to get his stance on illegal immigration. I spoke with him on the telephone, and he explained his position on the matter. His website is also helpful (www.mikeconaway.com).

"We must know who is coming and going across our borders. There are two groups of illegal immigrants; those who are seeking economic opportunities and those who would do us harm. The criminals and terrorists must be interdicted with a vengeance. The ones seeking economic opportunities should be dealt with in a different manner," said U.S. Rep. Mike Conaway (TX-11).

I want to know both parties perspective on illegal immigration. One representative called me back, and the other managed to leave before I had the chance to talk to him. I invite Mr. Rodriguez, or a member of his staff, to call the Devil's River News and inform the community of his stance on illegal immigration.

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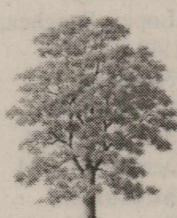
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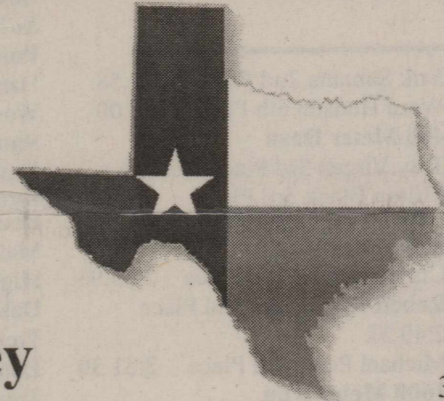
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Spring Goat Management Meeting Set April 12 in Brownwood

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BROWNWOOD — Texas Cooperative Extension's Brown County office is sponsoring the Spring Goat Management Meeting at 6 p.m. April 12 at the Brown County Fair grounds, U.S. Hwy. 377 South.

"Spring has sprung, but unfortunately, many parts of Texas still need rain," said Scott Anderson, Extension agent in Brown County. "This program will be a

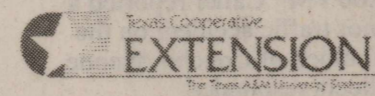
where are we' look at goat production, as far as getting through the drought without spending all the profit made from your kid goats on feed. We'll also be looking at marketing strategies and spring goat management chores producers need to be thinking about and doing."

Dr. Frank Craddock, Extension sheep and goat specialist at San Angelo, will be the keynote speaker.

The meeting is free and open to the public.

For more information, call Anderson at 325-646-0386.

Tree Galls



By Pascual Hernandez

Now that spring is here and you've begun your landscape chores, you may have noticed swollen growths on oak or other trees. Often these growths are as large as a ping pong ball and are similar in appearance. These interesting growths are called galls. Several kinds of insects and mites cause these curious swellings. They are common on oak, willow, sycamores, rose and many other plants. No part of a tree is free from infestation. Galls may be found on leaves, flowers, buds, twigs, branches, roots and even acorns.

Galls consist only of plant tissue. In most cases, normal plant cells have been stimulated to multiply at an unusually high rate by the activity of an insect. To successfully form a gall the insect or mite must begin its attack at a very precise moment in the plant's growth cycle. Generally, initiation of leaf galls occurs around "bud break" or as new leaves begin to unfold in the spring.

The larvae of certain moths, beetles, flies and a few other insects and mites can cause galls. However, the most common

gall makers are tiny, dark wasps called cynipids or gall wasps. The wasp initiates the gall process by piercing a selected plant part with its egg-laying device and depositing an egg inside the plant tissue.

Fluids deposited with the egg cause the plant cell multiplication process to begin. The larvae that hatches from the egg produces additional substances that maintain and control cell division. The larvae develops within a cavity inside the gall, feeding on material produced on the cavity lining. At maturity, it transforms into pupa, and later it becomes an adult that chews its way out of the gall. By causing the plant to form a gall, the gall maker (i.e. insect) has provided food and shelter for its offspring.

Most insect or mite caused leaf galls are not harmful to the plant. Several cause a scorching or spotting of leaves and a few result in death of twigs they infest. In nearly all cases prevention of gall formation is exceedingly difficult and is not considered practical. However, an application of carbaryl at bud break may reduce infestations of some galls. For additional information, contact the county Extension Office.

Capital Farm Credit Returns 2006 Earnings to Customers

BRYAN, Texas — Capital Farm Credit, the largest rural financing cooperative in Texas, will return all of its 2006 earnings to its customer-stockholders.

The co-op board of directors recently declared a record \$60.7 million patronage distribution to customer-stockholders, based on the co-op's strong 2006 financial results.

The distribution is composed of \$21.3 million in cash patronage, which recently was paid to customers by check, and \$39.5 million in allocated equities, which has the potential to be paid at a future date.

"The Capital Farm Credit board and staff are extremely pleased to be able to return this record sum to our customers," said Ben Novosad, Capital Farm Credit chief executive officer. "We had a very successful year in 2006. And because of our cooperative structure, we are committed to sharing that success with our customers. They are the owners of the association, so they should benefit when we do well."

The cash patronage distribution effectively reduces the amount of interest paid by borrowers last year. Over the past

10 years, Capital Farm Credit has returned more than \$100 million in cash patronage to its customers.

The latest distribution highlighted the 2006 year-end financial results that Capital Farm Credit posted recently. The financing co-op reported \$60.7 million in net income for the year and a 15.7 percent return on average members' equity. The lender also reported strong credit quality and 24 percent loan growth over the past year, with a loan portfolio of nearly \$2.7 billion at Dec. 31, 2006.

Capital Farm Credit provides financing to more than 14,000 agricultural producers, country homeowners, agribusiness firms and other rural landowners across the state. Headquartered in Bryan, the lender operates 36 branch offices throughout east, central, south and west Texas, and serves a territory covering nearly half of the state.

West Texas and the Hill Country region are serviced by branches located in Alpine, Kerrville, Mason, and Sonora.

Capital Farm Credit will celebrate its 90th anniversary this year. It is part of the \$163-billion nationwide Farm Credit System.

Rig Report As Of 3/30/07

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- 1 Dominion Ok Tx E&p 8975' Duke Wilson -188- #20 Dw Patterson Drilling/a 39 03/29/07 2 Drlg Ahead
 - 2 Dominion Ok Tx E&p 8950' Hill-winnie R Aldwell -g- #3 Dw Patterson Drilling/a 120 03/26/07 5 Drlg Ahead
 - New 3 Dominion Ok Tx E&p 8900' Winnie R Aldwell Trust -k- #8 Dw Patterson Drilling/a 120 04/04/07 Assigned
 - 4 Dominion Ok Tx E&p 8700' Reinhardt -6- #14 Dw Patterson Drilling/a 122 03/26/07 5 Drlg Ahead
 - New 5 Dominion Ok Tx E&p 8700' Richardson -139- #12 Dw Patterson Drilling/a 122 04/02/07 Assigned
 - New 6 Dominion Ok Tx E&p 8500' Mayer -15- #19 Dw Helmerich & Payne(A) 302 04/15/07 Assigned
 - New 7 Dominion Ok Tx E&p 8500' Rimel #8 Dw Patterson Drilling/a 39 04/03/07 Assigned
 - New 8 Dominion Ok Tx E&p 8450' Edwin S Maver Jr -u- #14 Dw Helmerich & Payne(A) 301 04/13/07 Assigned
 - 9 Dominion Ok Tx E&p 8350' Simmons Ranch #111 Dw Patterson Drilling/a 40 03/25/07 6 Drlg Ahead
 - New 10 Dominion Ok Tx E&p 8150' Genini #39-18 Dw Patterson Drilling/a 108 04/02/07 Assigned
 - 11 Dominion Ok Tx E&p 8150' Genini #39-14 Dw Patterson Drilling/a 108 03/28/07 3 Drlg Ahead
 - New 12 Dominion Ok Tx E&p 7000' Kelly -126- #25 Dw Helmerich & Payne(A) 303 04/10/07 Assigned
 - New 13 Dominion Ok Tx E&p 6950' Canyon Ranch -207- #13s Dw Patterson Drilling/a 115 04/02/07 Assigned
 - New 14 Dominion Ok Tx E&p 6925' Kelly -126- #26 Dw Helmerich & Payne(A) 304 03/30/07 1 Drlg Ahead
 - New 15 Dominion Ok Tx E&p 6900' Kelly -126- #26 D Dw Helmerich & Payne(A) 304 04/16/07 Assigned
 - 16 Dominion Ok Tx E&p 6850' Kelly -124- #28 Dw Helmerich & Payne(A) 302 03/28/07 3 Drlg Ahead
 - 17 Dominion Ok Tx E&p 6850' Kelly -126- #24 Dw Helmerich & Payne(A) 303 03/27/07 4 Drlg Ahead
 - 18 Dominion Ok Tx E&p 6600' Deberry-boyette Unit #13 Dw Patterson Drilling/a 105 03/25/07 6 Drlg Ahead
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 - 6 Mlc Operating 8000' Marble #1 Dw Adobe Drilling Mustan 03/11/07 20 Drlg Ahead 5616'
 - 7 Trek Resources 6500' Graham Ranch #2 Dw Rod Ric Corporation 4 03/27/07 4 Drlg Ahead
 - New 8 Eog Resources/mid 6200' Shannon Hospital -2- #3 Dw Capstar Drilling 11 03/23/07 8 Drlg Ahead 4978'
 - New 9 Oxy Permian/houston 5800' South Cross Unit #243 Dw Capstar Drilling 27 03/30/07 1 Drlg Ahead
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- Terrell**
- 1 Newfield 15000' Poulter #3404 Dw Patterson Drilling/a 118 03/09/07 22 Drlg Ahead
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RRC Production Statistics And Allowables For April 2007

AUSTIN -- The Texas average rig count as of March 16 was 818, representing about 50 percent of all active land rigs in the United States. In the last 12 months, total Texas reported production was 342 million barrels of oil and 6.1 trillion cubic feet of natural gas.

Texas natural gas production represents approximately 29 percent of total U.S. natural gas demand.

The Commission's estimated final production for January 2007 is 28,624,659 barrels of crude oil and 470,485,299 Mcf (thousand cubic feet) of gas well gals.

The Commission derives final production numbers by multiplying the preliminary January 2007 production totals of 27,181,330 barrels of crude oil and 411,839,372 Mcf of gas well gas by a production adjustment factor of 1.0531 for crude oil and 1.1424 for gas well gas.

(These production totals do not include casinghead gas or condensate.)

Texas natural gas storage reported by the Commission for February 2007 is 263,063,116 Mcf compared to 263,655,648 Mcf in February 2006. The March 2007 gas storage estimate is 257,369,320 Mcf.

The Texas Railroad Commission's Oil and Gas Division set initial April 2007 natural gas production allowables for pro-rated fields in the state to meet market demand of 21,148,833 Mcf (thousand cubic feet). In setting the initial April 2007 allowables, the Commission used historical production figures from previous months, producers' demand forecasts for the coming month, and adjusted the figures based on well capability. These initial allowables will be adjusted after actual production for April 2007 is reported.

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Arrest(s):

March 28, 2007
• Kenley Lane Black, 27, from Sonora, Texas was arrested for a Sutton County Warrant for Probation Violation-Aggravated Assault W/Deadly Weapon.

March 31, 2007
• Juan Jose Dominguez, 37, from Sonora, Texas was arrested for Manufacture or Delivery of a Controlled Substance by the Sonora Police Department and Sutton County Sheriff's Office.

Incidents:

March 26, 2007
• 9:39 AM: Caller reported a suspicious person. Officer responded.
• 12:42 PM: Caller reported two loose dogs on roadway. Officer responded.
• 2:51 PM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.
• 9:10 PM: Caller reported a disturbance. Officer responded.
• 9:50 PM: Caller requested to speak to an officer. Officer responded.

March 27, 2007
• 8:51 AM: Caller reported a cat in animal trap. Officer responded.
• 10:43 AM: Caller reported a suspicious vehicle. Officer responded.
• 11:45 AM: Caller reported a loose goat on roadway. Officer responded.
• 12:51 PM: Caller reported a cat in animal trap. Officer responded.
• 7:30 PM: Caller reported a minor traffic accident on Highway 277 South. Officer responded.
• 8:20 PM: Caller reported a disturbance. Officer responded.

March 28, 2007
• 8:49 AM: Caller reported a loose dog on roadway. Officer and Deputy responded.

• 1:29 PM: Caller reported a suspicious vehicle. Officer responded.
• 7:00 PM: Caller reported a minor traffic accident on the 400 block of Concho Avenue. Officers responded.

March 29, 2007
• 10:36 AM: Caller reported a loose dog. Officer responded.
• 12:36 AM: Caller reported a reckless driver. Officer responded.
• 3:15 PM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.
• 5:10 PM: Caller reported an unlicensed driver. Officer responded.
• 8:35 PM: Caller reported a disturbance. Officer responded.

March 30, 2007
• 12:35 AM: Caller reported loud music. Officer responded.
• 9:44 AM: Caller reported a reckless driver. Officer responded.
• 5:15 AM: Caller reported a reckless driver. Officer responded.
• 7:42 PM: Caller reported a minor traffic accident. Officer responded.

March 31, 2007
• 9:00 PM: Caller reported subject on 4-wheelers. Officer responded.
• 9:55 PM: Caller reported loud music. Officer responded.
• 10:10 PM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.
• 11:55 PM: Caller reported a vehicle on fire. Officer and Fire Dept. responded.

April 1, 2007

• 10:40 AM: Caller reported a subject with a firearm. Officer responded.
• 8:00 PM: Caller reported loud music. Officer responded.
• 9:30 PM: Caller requested an officer at residence. Officer responded.



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Submitted by: Kelly L Thorp, MS
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Sonora Eight	189	290	479
Oil Patch High Stepper	247	189	436
Hotties and Hunks	190.68	226.4	417.08
2 Motivated	243	161	404
Street Patrol	168.67	218.73	387.4
Pavement Pounders	161.04	222.46	383.5
Sonora GSA Troop 215	180.83	200.57	381.4
Road Lizards	162	215	377
Jet Fuel	157.5	204	361.5
Steakhouse Babes	146.5	203	349.5
Goat Busters	156	179	335
Bodacious Bankers	158.5	173.5	332
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TC Girls	154	138	292
Quick Steppers	150.5	133	283.5
Water Babes	121	151.1	272.1
Money Chasers	83	149.1	232.1
La Mexicana Mamacitas	69.5	143.5	213
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Sonora ISD will accept sealed bids for band instruments. Specs can be obtained at the Adm. Office or by calling 325-387-6940. Sealed bids will be accepted at the Admin. Office at 807 S. Concho, Sonora, TX 76950 until April 10, 2007 at 3:00 p.m. at which time said bids will be opened. The Supt. will award the bid as soon as all questions have been answered to his satisfaction at the above location. The District reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Public Notice

Frontier Mini Storages located on Hwy. 277 S, in Sonora, Texas; Sutton County will be holding a public sale on May 1, 2007 @ 10:30 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 as of March 20 are: Ashley Daniels, Tammy Griffin, Gilbert Lumberras, Enrique Lopez, Sylvia Vasquez, Tressa Esparza, plus unknown renters of units #C, #F, #H, #4, #13, #14, #29, #39, #47, and #57 If you feel there is a mistake, please feel free to contact this office ASAP. ****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 @ 325-387-2104**

Public Notice

INVITATION FOR BIDS FOR UNIFORMS
NOTICE is hereby given that the City of Sonora, Texas will receive bids for uniforms for employees. Sealed envelopes marked "UNIFORMS" on the outside 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 April 13, 2007, at which time bids shall be opened and publicly read aloud. Specifications are available by contacting the City Manager at (325) 387-2558. The City Council will review and take action on bids on April 17, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. and shall have the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

Employment

CDL DRIVER NEEDED! Service company needs motivated CDL drivers and forklift drivers. Must have clean driving record and at least 3 years verifiable experience. Offers competitive pay with overtime and health insurance. Drug free, dependable and serious persons fax qualifications to 325.387-3813 or call 325.387.5648. All inquiries are kept confidential.

Lariat Services, Inc. is seeking an experienced **Air Driller**. Wage ranges between \$20.00 to \$24.00 an hour depending on experience. Will pay \$30.00 per diem and mileage reimbursement. Benefits include 401K Plan, Dental Plan and company paid Medical Insurance. Fax resume to 432-336-9339 or contact the Fort Stockton Office at 432-336-7821.

Help Wanted: **Opening for Pharmacy Technician.** Certified preferred, but will train the right applicant. Please come by Everett's Pharmacy, 417 Hwy. 277 North, to pick up application.

Starting at \$7.00 hourly for qualified people! DQ of Sonora - 134 N. Hwy 277. Now hiring for all shifts, flexible hours. Need to love working with people and meeting new faces. Drug and smoke free environment. Apply in person today with Manager, Teresa James.

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Employment

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The Glover Company is seeking qualified and experienced **CDL applicants. For Trans-VAC Drivers, Winch Truck Drivers, Swabbing Unit operators, and Swabbing Unit helpers.** We Provide: Health Insurance, Life Insurance, Paid Vacation, Uniforms and Christmas Bonus. Please apply in person to 2973 I-10 or phone at (325) 392-2561.

Help Wanted: Full time and part time. Apply at Mr. D's, 216 Hwy. 277 N. from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Mon. thru Fri.

Dairy Queen help wanted all shifts, also need a co-manager, starting at \$7.00 per hour, speak to Teresa James.

Local company seeks workers: Will train. Must be 18 years or older, have a current TX drivers license and a clean driving record. Call 325-387-3154 for more information or stop by 307 E. Chestnut St. for application.

Sonora Golf Club needs someone to work part time in the pro shop. Come by and pick up an application. You must be 21.

Wanted: Couple preferred to manage and maintain mobile home park in Sonora. Must have experience, references and mobile home. Excellent retirement job. 830-313-1060.

EMPLOYMENT NOTICE: Notice is hereby given that the City of Sonora is now accepting applications for Lifeguards for the summer season. Contingent on employment, Life Guard Training, First Aid Certification, and C.P.R. Certification is required. Applications can be picked up at City Hall, 201 E. Main, Sonora, Texas, and should be returned to the City Secretary's Office. Questions should be directed to Chandra Hughes (325) 387-2858 after 5:00 p.m. Applications will be received until the positions are filled. The City of Sonora is an equal opportunity employer.

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Employment

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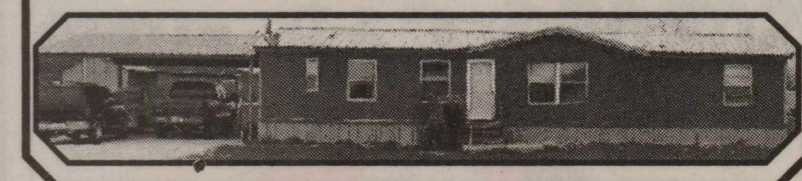
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Proclamation

Building Safety Week 2007
 May 6-12

Whereas, through our continuing attention to building safer for everyday life and in times of disaster, we enjoy the comfort and peace of mind of structures that are safe and sound; and,
 Whereas, building safety and fire prevention officials are at work year round to guide the safe construction of buildings; and,

Whereas, the dedicated members of the International Code Council, including building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, and other in the construction industry, develop and enforce codes to safeguard Americans in the buildings where we live, work, play and learn; and,

Whereas, the International Codes, the most widely adopted building safety and fire prevention codes in the nation, are used by most U.S. cities, counties and states. These modern building safety codes also include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters that can occur, such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wildland fires and earthquakes; and,

Whereas, Building Safety Week, sponsored by the International code Council Foundation, is an excellent opportunity to educate the public. It is a perfect time to increase public awareness of the role building safety and fire prevention officials, local and state building departments, and federal agencies play in protecting lives and property; and,

Whereas, this year's theme, "Building Smarter... for Disasters and Everyday Life," encourages all Americans to raise our awareness of building safety. Everyone can take appropriate steps to ensure that the places where we live, work, play, and learn are safe. Countless lives have been saved because of the building safety codes adopted and enforced by local and state agencies; and,

Whereas, this year, as we observe Building Safety Week, we ask all Americans to consider projects to improve building safety at home and in the community, and to recognize the local building safety and fire prevention officials and the important role that they play in public safety, everyday and in times of disaster.

Now, therefore, it is hereby proclaimed that May 6 through May 12, 2007 is Building Safety Week in Sonora (jurisdiction). Accordingly, our citizens are encouraged to join their fellow Americans in participating in Building Safety Week activities and assisting efforts to improve building safety.

Signed and sealed, this 8th day of March, in the year Two Thousand and Seven.
 Gloria G. Lopez

F.Y.I.

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

Help fight cancer- The American Cancer Society wants to give everyone the opportunity to help fight the disease that claims so many lives. Purchase a luminary and help light the way to a cure! Proceeds for the luminary sales will benefit cancer research, service and education. For more information, please call Dorothy at 387-2521 ext. 114.

Reading Friends, a Sonora book club, meets quarterly at St. John's Episcopal Parish Hall. Our next meeting is on Monday, April 16 at 6:30 p.m. The book we will discuss is "The Kite Runner" by Khaled Hosseini. If you would like to participate, you may call Lewis Allen at 387-3948 or just show up at the meeting.

Sonora High School Class of 1997 is having a 10 year reunion during the 2007 Sutton County Days. Michele Cramer Spillman is in need of addresses, phone numbers or email addresses to contact classmates for the upcoming reunion. Michele may be emailed at michelespillman@gardere.com or after 6 p.m. at 214-515-5593.

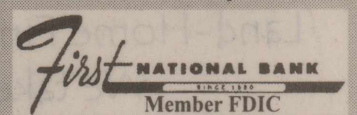
The 57th annual Easter Pageant will be presented under the stars at the amphitheater under Lover's Leap in Junction, beginning at dark, approximately 8:30 p.m., Saturday, April 7.

The Sutton County Transportation Committee will hold its regular monthly meeting on Thursday, April 5th at The Bank and Trust meeting room from 4 - 5 p.m. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend.

The 2007 Relay for Life Festival will be held at the Sonora Bronco Baseball Field beginning at 1:00 PM Saturday, May 19th and ending at 1:00 a.m. Sunday, May 20th. If you are interested in having a team please contact: Shanna Petty @ 387-3861 or Katy Haby @ 387-3893. If you are a Cancer Survivor please contact: Sue Lozano @ 387-2521 ext. 140 or Noemi Samaniego @ 387-2521 ext. 123. The public will be brought face to face with those effected by Cancer in a photo show. If you have a photo you would like to submit of yourself or a loved one lost to or effected by Cancer, please contact: Jody Luttrell @ 387-3588 ext. 7250 or Mariah Castro @ 387-3588 ext. 7294.

Sonora Head Start will be holding registration for the 2007-2008 school year on April 12th from 2:00-5:00 p.m. and on April 13th from 10:00 a.m.- 6:00 p.m. at Sonora Head Start 511 Cornell. The child must be 3 years of age by September 1. The following documentation is required to complete an application.
 1. Proof of current income (TANF, SSI, child support, 3 consecutive pay stubs, 2006 W-2/1040 or letter from employer).
 2. Child's birth certificate.
 3. Child's immunization record.
 4. Child's Social Security card.
 5. Food stamp #, if applicable.
 6. Proof of Medicaid, CHIPS or private insurance.
 7. IFSP/IEP for diagnosed disabilities, if applicable.
 8. Guardianship documents, if applicable.
 The Head Start curriculum is aligned with the Texas Pre-Kindergarten guidelines. Children are provided a healthy breakfast, lunch and snack at no charge.

Five CEU Hours Tuesday, April 24, 2007 there will be a Rangeland Management Field Day in Junction. Lifelong ranchers and newcomers will benefit from this. SPACE IS LIMITED AND ALL REGISTRATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY Friday, April 13, 2007. For information and registration, contact the Upper Llanos SWCD at 325-446-2717 ext 3. Five CEUs will be earned by attending



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