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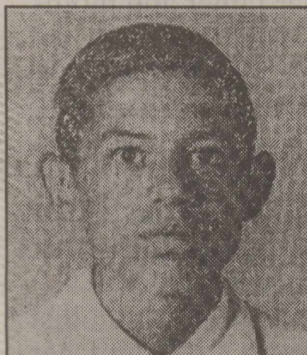
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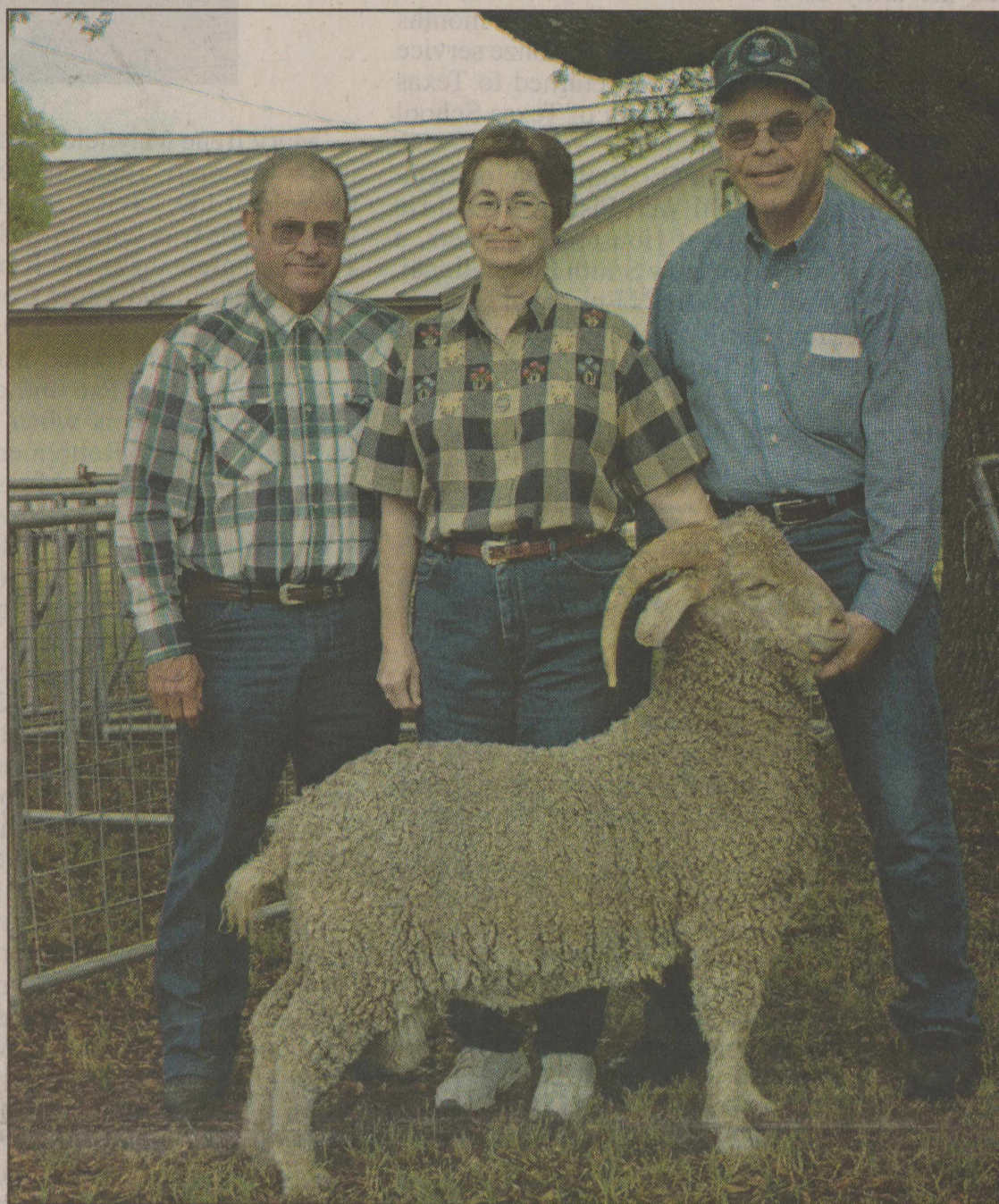


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Angora Goat Sale Sees Buck Sold for Best Price in Years



SONORA -- Bids rose as rain fell during the sale of this year's top-indexing buck of the annual Sonora Angora Goat Performance Test held July 24.

The test is an annual event conducted by Texas AgriLife Research at the Texas AgriLife Research Station at Sonora. The field day and sale is a cooperative effort hosted by Angora goat producers, AgriLife Research and the Texas AgriLife Extension Service.

When the gavel fell, Allen Belk of Winters had purchased the buck from Cerulean Farm of Harrah, Okla. for \$1,600, reportedly the highest price paid for a single goat from the test's sale in several years, according to Dr. Dan

Waldron, AgriLife Research geneticist at San Angelo.

When the day ended, 29 head had sold for an average of \$440.52 each, totaling \$12,775, Waldron reported. And three-quarters of an inch of much-needed rain had fallen, the first moisture anyone remembered falling on sale day in the history of the 28-year-old event.

Volume buyers were Scott Mitchell of Sanderson and Virginia Epps of Sonora, who bought 11 head for \$3,300 and eight head for \$3,550, respectively.

The top-indexing animal produced a clean fleece weighing 11.5 pounds with a lock length of 7.22 inches. Its overall index score was 67.37. The animal finished the 112-day test

weighing 174 pounds.

Waldron said the test helps producers identify and develop better Angora goats. Sixty-seven animals completed this year's test.

The test's top 30 percent based on index value -- which were not sifted for undesirable traits and which met all the independent culling levels -- were awarded certificates of performance by AgriLife Research, Waldron said. He said the index ranked the bucks for overall merit and sale order.

For complete sale results and for more information on the Texas A&M Angora Goat Performance Test, go to: <http://sanangelo.tamu.edu/genetics/angoratest.htm>.

Caliente Brings Home Championship



Back row L-R : Coach Poe Picasso, Coach George Silva, Val Garcia, Patrick Henderson and Mike Contreras next row l-r: Kylee Trahan #40, Celeste Silva #11, Rikki Henderson #20 & Madeline Reigle #1 next row l-r: Adriana Faz#6, Madie Contreras#4, Davine Darnell #24 and Shelly Picasso#21. Bottom row: Sarah Garcia#2 and Sondra Samaniego#10 not pictured Jennfer Torres#3 and Angelica Ybarra#9. A special thanks to Sonya Mireles and Kylee Trahan for coming out and playing with our team.

Local softball player Adriana Faz plays with team *Caliente* from San Angelo in Midnight Madness. The tournament started on Friday, July 25th in San Angelo. The team played 3 pool games on Friday night and a 1st bracket game against Eldorado on Saturday at 3:30 a.m. and won 6-4. The 2nd game was at 6:00 p.m. against the *San Angelo Ice* and won 15-1, 3rd game was at 12:40 a.m. Sunday morning against *Blitz*. This was one of the best games to watch, as the girls played great offense and very hard defense. The game was scoreless for 6 innings, and therefore went into an international tie breaker. *Caliente* came out on top winning 5-1. The final game of the weekend was for the Championship against Eldorado at 5:40 a.m. on Sunday morning with the final score been 5-2. *Caliente* took home the CHAMPIONSHIP Trophy!!!! Congratulations Girls!!! We are VERY proud of you!!!

OUTLAW PRO RODEO: Jake Hooker to Play Sonora



Jake Hooker was born listening to the sounds of traditional country music through his father's west Texas country band. Jake began playing the bass at the age of seven and practiced diligently until he mastered the honky tonk sound. Jake formed his own band at the age of 14 and began performing. By the age of 18, Jake was playing bass and singing full time. He spent some time at South Plains College in Levelland, Texas, studying music and theory. Jake moved to the Fort Worth area in 1998 where he quickly became the local favorite. Jake signed with Southland Records that same year and began recording. Jake's popularity continues to grow. His love and passion for traditional country music never ceases. He feels it is necessary to relay that love to the fans who are so dedicated to it as well. There is no doubt that Jake is strongly influenced by the sounds of Ray Price, Johnny Bush, Farron Young, Curtis Potter, Leon Rausch and Darrell McCall. He spends much of his spare time studying these artists' music in depth. Jake is consumed by his dedication to the music and his hobbies include playing the drums and learning the steel guitar. Jake's graceful and professional image on the bandstand, along with his voice and talented band, make his show unbeatable.

SUTTON COUNTY HOSTS OUTLAW TEAM ROPING CHALLENGE



Dayton Armke (header) and Eddie Rudasill (heeler) participated in last year's team roping challenge in Sonora, Texas.

The 2008 Sonora Outlaw Team Roping Challenge will be held this Saturday, August 2, 2008. The event is open to all residents of Sutton and adjoining counties and Sponsors of the Outlaw Pro Rodeo. Books will open at 4:00 p.m., close at 5:00 p.m. and the roping will begin at 6:00 p.m. Enter up to 2 times- draw 3-\$100 per roper. (CASH ONLY--ENTER WITH A PARTNER) Buckles will be awarded to winners. Stock contractor will be Dennis Townsend. FMI call Petie Lewis at 325-650-8675 or Callaway Hall at 325-206-0026.

Senior Center Activities

- Thur. July 31-** * Volunteer to deliver meals. Call us @ 387-5657 or 387-3941.
- Fri. Aug. 1-** AAA reports due. Run errands and pay bills.
- Mon. Aug. 4-** Bingo
- Tues. Aug. 5-** Exercise w/video, need seniors to sign up.
- Wed. Aug. 6-** Trax Van to San Angelo. Call 387-2509

Senior Center Menu

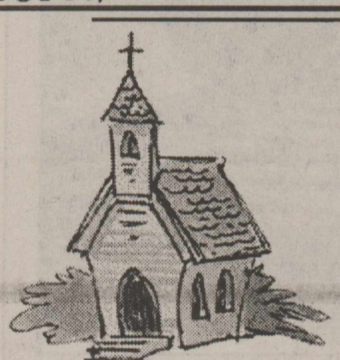
- Thur. July 31-** Chicken strips w/gravy, baked potato, broccoli w/cheese sauce, rolls, peach cobbler and milk
- Fri. Aug. 1-** Taco salad w/beef & cheese, tossed salad, pinto beans, mixed fruit salad and milk
- Mon. Aug. 4-** Hamburger on a bun, lettuce, tomato, onion, french fries, pork and beans, applesauce and milk
- Tues. Aug. 5-** King Ranch chicken, rolls, broccoli, carrot salad, cake w/icing and milk
- Wed. Aug. 6-** Meatloaf w/gravy, blackeyed peas, glazed carrots, melon salad, cornbread 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).

Lighthouse Community Church

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1705 N. Crockett



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 11 E. Oak 387-3190
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

Edwin Alexander Anderson Mary Irene Mayfield Taylor

Edwin Alexander Anderson passed away peacefully on Tuesday, July 8, 2008 at The Methodist Hospital in Houston.

He is survived by his wife, Christine; his daughter, Juliana; and his sons, Edwin and Hawley. Edwin was the son of the late Edwin Alexander Anderson and Candace Beryl West Anderson. A native Houstonian, he was born on the 3rd of January 1914 at the Downtown Baptist Hospital.

Edwin attended Fannin Elementary School, Lanier Middle School, and San Jacinto High School, Class of 1933.

After graduating from high school, he went to work for the West Production Company until World War II, when he entered the army as a Private. He was in Officer's School and the Corps of Engineers. He spent 36 months in Europe. He was a captain and received 5 bronze service stars and other decorations. When he returned to Texas after the war, he attended the University of Texas School of Law.

Edwin was self-employed in Oil Tool Development. He had a number patents for Oil Well Fishing Tools. He was on the Board of Directors of Houston Engineers, a subsidiary of Wilson Industries, now Smith International. He was also a member of St. Martin's Episcopal Church.

Edwin loved the Texas Hill Country. He owned the Southwest Section of the Ft. Territt Ranch, which he operated for 60 years.

Services were held Friday, July 11, 2008.



Mary Irene Mayfield Taylor passed away July 2, 2008 in San Antonio, Texas at the age of 94. Mrs. Taylor was the wife of J.O. Taylor, Jr., a rancher in Val Verde County. Mrs. Taylor was born in Del Rio, Texas on February 10, 1914 and grew up in Del Rio and on her father and mother's ranches in Val Verde County.

She was married to J.O. Taylor, Jr. on December 4, 1935 in the First United Methodist Church in Del Rio. They lived in Del Rio and on the Taylor Ranch at Juno until their retirement when they moved to San Antonio to Patriot Heights Retirement Community. She lived her final year in a wonderful Personal Care Home - Moss Oak Place owned and run by Elizabeth Delarosa.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Del Rio, being on the Cradle Roll until her death. She was a member of the Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority at S.M.U. and The University of Texas in Austin and received her 75-year pin at a special ceremony in San Antonio in November 2007. She was very active in the Fine Arts Club, P.T.A. and Wildcat Booster Club in Del Rio attending many, many games on bus trips over the years. She graduated from Del Rio Schools, attended S.M. U. 1931-1932 and The University of Texas 1932-1935, receiving her B. A. Degree in 1935.

She is survived by her son James O. Taylor, III and wife Gail Sims Taylor; a grandson Robert James Taylor and wife Kinin Suos Taylor; a grandson Richard Warren Taylor and wife Christy Lynn Howard Taylor; and great-grandchildren John Howard Taylor, Andrew Caleb Taylor, Austin James Taylor, Victoria Grace Taylor, Travis Warren Taylor; one sister-in-law Mary Savannah Mayfield of New Braunfels; nephews John Carter Mayfield III and wife Janet, William Travis Mayfield, and Robert Scott Mayfield and wife Pamela. One favorite niece Grace Irene Mayfield Brooks and husband Terry; cousins Katherine Mayfield Sellers and husband Jimmy, Tommy Mayfield and wife Janet, Cora Jane Jarrett Farmer and husband Norman, T.J. Jarrett and wife Judy.

She was preceded in death by her parents Sue Peters and John Carter Mayfield; her husband J.O. Taylor, Jr.; her son John Edward Taylor and her brother John Carter Mayfield, Jr.

Pallbearers were T.J. Jarrett, John C. Mayfield, III, W.T. Mayfield, Robert Scott Mayfield, Byron W. Hodge, and James A. Cauthorn. Honorary Pallbearers were Tommy Mayfield, Fred Dittman, Drew Cauthorn, Bill Cauthorn, Hank Moody, and Jay Vineyard.

Funeral services were Tuesday at 10:00 A.M., July 8, 2008 at the First United Methodist Church with Reverend Richard Young officiating followed with interment at the Masonic Cemetery, Del Rio, Texas.

In lieu of usual remembrances, donations may be given to the First United Methodist Church, 100 Spring Street, Del Rio, Texas or church of choice.

Inspirational Women's Simulcast

Best-selling Christian author Beth Moore will deliver a message to an estimated 80,000 women on August 1 & 2, 2008 from Louisville, Kentucky; local residents will have the opportunity to see the popular Bible teacher live without leaving Sonora, Texas.

Through a partnership between LifeWay Women's Events, Church Communication Network (CCN), and Lighthouse Community Church, a simulcast will broadcast live via satellite from Southeast Christian Church in Louisville, Kentucky. Some 600 churches across the U.S., including Lighthouse Community Church, are participating as host churches.


The simulcast event is in conjunction with the Living Proof Live event in Louisville, Kentucky. While an estimated 9,000 will participate live from Louisville, simulcast technology enables nearly ten times as many women across the nation to experience the event.

Living Proof Live is a unique women's event—no two bearing the same message. Moore's focus is on the scripture God leads her to teach for each specific location. Her compelling style of teaching the Bible and sharing her own journey resonates with women of different ages, races, backgrounds and denominations around the world.

"Our deep and genuine desire is to see the Holy Spirit of the living God poured out on people so that the lost are found, the weary are revived, and Christ is glorified through lives unleashed to bear much fruit," says Moore. "We have one goal: people coming to love Jesus Christ with a passion through the study of His Word."

To find out how to become a simulcast host church visit www.lifeway.com/lpsimulcast or to purchase a ticket for this event locally, call Lighthouse Community Church, 325-387-9100.

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SUTTON COUNTY HEALTH FOUNDATION

Your memorial gift helps preserve access to quality health care for generations to come.
Please consider the Sutton County Health Foundation,
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First United Methodist Church


Ray Wells, Pastor

Tuesdays @ Noon Downtown Lions Club
Sundays 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:55 a.m. Worship
6:00 p.m. Bible Study

201 NW Water (325)387-2466



Happy Birthday !!



July 31
Laura Martin, Chacho Mesa, Rafael Estrada, Robert Davis

August 1
Allyse Edmondson, Jose J. Perez, Frankie Gonzales, Yolanda Duran, Meredith Kesinger, Megan Kesinger, Luis Samaniego III, Greg Galindo

August 2
Nick Favela, Joe San Miguel, Kendra Vyvlecka, Ryan Rowell, Tina Chambers, Sam Dillard

August 3
Kenny Henderson, Sam Hughes, Ponciano Castillo, Jr., Willie Locklear, Yolanda Avilla, Angela Norris, Callyn Olson, Ruth Ann Dickenson

August 4
Mauro Santana, Jr., Mary Kyle Johnson, Gina DeCordova, Beverly Brown, Bianca and Blanca Lozano, Alfredo Ozuna, Sarah Black, Cindy Bonner

August 5
Kayla Turney, Bethany Berry, Sonny Samaniego, Carlos Ramirez, Jr., Catherine Herrera, Wesley Brown, Maribel Perez

August 6
Daniel Gonzales, Kathy Hearn, Joni Thorp, Bill Dempsey, Margaret Martinez

2008-2009 Sonora Elementary School Supplies

Sonora Elementary Prekindergarten Supplies Checklist 2008-2009

- 1 large box tissues (Kleenex)
 - 2- 4 oz. bottles of white glue
 - 2- sets of crayons (regular, thin crayons)
 - 1 pocket-portfolio folders WITH brads
 - 1 pair Fiskar safety scissors
 - 1 box of "wipes" ("baby wipes")
 - 1 box of quart-sized storage bags (Ziploc/other)
 - 1 box of gallon-sized storage bags (any brand)
 - 1 FULL-SIZE backpack or school bag
 - 1 towel or SMALL blanket (for naptime)
 - 1 change of clothes (for any type of accident)
 - 1 large bottle of hand sanitizer (10 oz. or larger)
 - 1 container of sanitizing wipes (like Lysol or Clorox)
 - 1 pkg. of notebook paper
 - 1 pkg. of plain, white paper plates OR small paper sacks
 - 1- 4 pack AA batteries
- *Pencil boxes/bags are not needed at this level.
****Please write your child's name on each item (each crayolas, pencil, etc.) with a permanent marker.**

Sonora Elementary First Grade Supply List 2008-2009

- 1 - box for supplies (no larger than 6"x9")
 - 1 - zippered pencil pouch
 - 4 - pocket folders
 - 2 - boxes 24 count CRAYOLA crayons
 - 20 - #2 lead pencils (regular size)
 - 1 - pair metal scissors (FISCAR only)
 - 2 - large erasers
 - 1 - Classic colors washable CRAYOLA markers
 - 1 - watercolor set (CRAYOLA or PRANG)
 - 3 - medium sized bottles ELMERS glue
 - 2 - sets of 12 CRAYOLA colored pencils
 - 2 - large boxes of KLEENEX
 - 1 - box ziplock type bags - any size
 - 1 - Backpack
 - 1 - 4 pack AA batteries
- Your child's name must be on each item (Each pencil, crayon, marker, etc. with a permanent marker)**
Additional items may be requested on the first day and throughout the school year.

Sonora Elementary Third Grade Supply List 2008-2009

- Scissors
 - Pencils
 - Eraser
 - Glue
 - Map colors
 - Markers
 - Crayons
 - Watercolors (preferred brand Prang)
 - 1 dry erase marker
 - 4 folders WITHOUT brads-red, blue, yellow, green
 - 1 Mead Composition book
 - Box for supplies
 - 2" three ring binders with clear cover slot for slide in cover page
 - Ziploc baggies-1 box any size
 - Tissues-2 boxes
 - 4 pack AAA batteries
- Please put name on all items.**
Thank you

Sonora Elementary Kindergarten Supplies Checklist 2008-2009

- 4 - 8oz. Bottles Elmer's School glue
 - 2 - 24 ct. boxes crayons (Crayola brand only)
 - 2 - 10 pack of #2 lead pencils(regular size, yellow only)
 - 1 - blunt-end scissors (FISCAR only)
 - 1 - large box tissue
 - 1 - backpack (regular size)(No Wheels)
 - 1 - pkg. assorted construction paper
 - 2 - watercolor paint sets
 - 1 - box (10) classic CRAYOLA markers
 - 1 - box of quart One-Zip FREEZER Ziploc bags, girls
 - 1 - box of gallon One-Zip FREEZER Ziploc bags, boys
 - 1 - set of dry erase markers
 - 1 - large eraser
 - 2 - red pocket folders (brads only)
 - 2 - green pocket folders (brads only)
 - 1 - spiral notebook
 - 1 - 4-pack standard size cans of play dough
 - 1 - box of map pencils
 - 1 - standard towel labeled with child's name
 - 1 - 4-pack AA batteries
- * PLEASE DO NOT write your child's name on ANY of the school supplies**

Sonora Elementary Second Grade Supply List 2008-2009

- 1 - Box of Crayons (16 count or over)
 - 2 - Package of pencils
 - 2 - Big pink erasers
 - 1 - Pair of Fiskar scissors
 - 1 - Package of assorted markers
 - 1 - Package of colored pencils
 - 2 - Large bottles of glue
 - 2 - Glue sticks
 - 2 - Boxes of Kleenex
 - 4 - Plastic Pocket folders with brads (1-red, 1-yellow-1-green, 1-blue)
 - 1 - Box of zip-lock baggies (quart & gallon size)
 - 1 - 4 pack AAA batteries
- Please write your child's name on each item with a permanent marker.**

Sonora Elementary Fourth Grade Supply List 2008-2009

- Large binder
- Crayons
- Colored pencils
- Covered pencil sharpener
- Elmer's school glue (not a glue stick)
- 2 large pkgs. wide rule notebook paper (not college rule)
- Pencils
- Fiskar scissors with a pointed tip
- 3 one-subject spiral notebooks
- 6 pocket folders with holes for notebook
- 1 pocket folders with brads
- 3 red pens for grading (not pencils)
- large eraser
- pencil pouch for notebook
- 2 yellow highlighters
- 2 large boxes of Kleenex
- Composition book (MEAD-wide rule)
- 1 box Ziploc bags
- 4 pack AAA batteries

SISD Registration

Early Registration for New Elementary & Middle School Students
 July 30th and 31st 1:30-4:00 p.m.

August 12
Registration for 5th and 6th grade
 5th grade 9:00-12:00 noon
 6th grade 1:00-3:00 p.m.

August 13
Registration for 7th and 8th grade
 7th grade 9:00-12:00 noon
 8th grade 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Booster Club Newsletter

• Bronco Football Program:
 All business ads and senior ads for the football program are due by August 4.

• Bronco Club Membership:
 The Booster Club will have a booth at Sutton County Days, August 9. They will be selling memberships and Bronco Spirit items.

• Booster Club Raffle:
 The Booster Club will have a raffle for a Nintendo Wii. The winner will be announced at the first pep-rally, August 29th. Tickets can be purchased at Sutton County Days, the Llano scrimmage, or at JMC Transport office. Please bring your business ads or senior ads to JMC Transport or call 325-387-2511 for more information.

Unleased Minerals?

If you have any, call
Basin Land Services
432-684-4850

Fish Tales



Bryan Brown of Sonora caught this 7 3/4 pound bass while visiting his grandparents in Bladenborro, North Carolina on July 8, 2008. Determined to catch this bass, he spent two days in a row, from sun-up till sun-down, fishing the pond on his grandparents' property until he landed "the big one". He truly lived the motto "Never give up". Bryan is an avid fisherman and, to date, this is his biggest catch.

REPORT OF COUNTY TREASURER OF SUTTON COUNTY, TEXAS
 OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM APRIL 1, 2008- JUNE 30, 2008

FUND	BEGINNING BALANCE	RECEIPTS	TRANSFER IN	DISBURSEMENTS	TRANSFERRED OUT	BALANCE
General	\$ 4,571,434.63	\$ 460,635.49		\$ 978,424.70	\$ 2,700.46	\$ 4,050,944.96
FMFC	\$ 596,769.73	\$ 151,944.94		\$ 267,570.47		\$ 481,144.20
Flood Control	\$ 24,043.69					\$ 24,043.69
Law Library	(1,915.26)	\$ 661.48		\$ 1,623.50		\$ (2,877.28)
Lateral Road	\$ 7,296.96			\$ 7,261.80		\$ 35.16
112th D A Hot Check Fund	\$ 97.84	\$ 97.84		\$ 97.84		\$ 97.84
State Bond Fees	\$ 525.00	\$ 315.00		\$ 525.00		\$ 315.00
Employee Benefit Fund	\$ 130,465.81			\$ 1,208.70		\$ 129,257.11
Sutton County 911	\$ 6,515.90	\$ 126.95		\$ 78.98		\$ 6,563.87
Appellate Fund	\$ 440.94	\$ 262.86	\$ 42.44	\$ 569.31		\$ 176.93
Sheriff Seizure Fund	\$ 485,658.15	\$ 4,037.36		\$ 3,304.93		\$ 486,390.58
Courthouse Renovation	\$ 69,824.43	\$ 212.93		\$ 270.37		\$ 69,766.99
					TOTAL	\$ 5,245,859.05
Courthouse Renovation	\$ 69,766.99	FMFC-B&T \$ 156,597.09	SEIZURE-B&T \$ 24,870.88			
Appellate Fund	\$ 176.93	FMFC-1ST NATL \$ 23,445.14	SEIZURE-1ST NATL \$ 60,568.47			
112th D A Hot Check Fund	\$ 97.84	Sutton County 911 \$ 6,563.87	GENERAL-B&T \$ 203,367.87			
Money Market Accounts	GENERAL-B&T \$ 648,884.64	GENERAL-1ST N \$ 184,004.95	FMFC 98269.25			\$ 931,158.84
CD Accounts	GENERAL-B&T \$ 1,503,567.12	SEIZURE \$ 400,951.23				\$ 3,730,012.50
	GENERAL-1ST NATL \$ 1,622,661.83	FMFC FUND \$ 202,832.72				
					TOTAL	\$ 5,245,859.05

Happy Birthday



Doug Skolaut

On the 30th of July, 1958,
 A half century ago in 2008,
 Punkin' was born and is now turning 50.
 Who would have guessed? He still looks nifty.
 Is it the Maroon Blood that he bleeds?
 Or is it the chemicals that do the deed?
 Could it be that Queenie's cooking(?),
 Keeps him stylin' and young looking?
 Either way, he's on the downhill slide,
 Might need a "house on wheels" to go on this ride.
 So a toast to you on this milestone,
 We're here with you, you aren't alone.
 Isn't that what friends are for?

Happy Birthday, Punkin', and many more!

Enjoying Summer is All in the Attitude

By Tumbleweed Smith

Summer is the fun season. It's when you relax a little. You continue working, but it's not as serious as it might be during cold weather seasons. It's warm. You think about swimming and ice cream and watermelon. You seek shade and a cool breeze. You drink lemonade from a tall glass with bubbles of condensation on the outside. You think about Hawaii.

This summer has been fabulous for us. We've done all the right things to get the most out of the season. We traveled to the west coast and drove among the tall redwoods. We spent some time in Jefferson, Texas, one of the most unique cities in the state. We rode bicycles in the Davis Mountains. We went to Albany with friends and saw Fandangle, the state's oldest outdoor drama. The calliope concert

before the play was amazing. We ate watermelon, went swimming and saw fireworks on July 4th.

Travel is one of my favorite things to do. So is sitting on our deck and having morning coffee while listening to the birds. Our deck overlooks a canyon and we get all sorts of critters that are fun to watch. We bought some new outdoor furniture in the middle of the season and that has made such

a difference. Now we spend more time outdoors, sometimes having all three meals out there. Just being outdoors brings a certain calm to the soul. It makes you appreciate the down time, no matter how short it is.

I've gone barefooted more this summer than I have in years. Maybe it's because we put in a new driveway and it's extremely smooth and easy on the feet. It is casual around here. I put on some kind of slip

on shoe when I need to and only wear socks when I'm taking a long walk or going to some dress up occasion. Not that I spend all of my time at home. I just want to make the most of that time.

The summer attitude kicked in early May, just about the time school is winding down. I was full-time at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin this past school year and was over there three days a week. That cuts into the time I spend writing columns, producing radio programs, creating commercials, doing interviews and making speeches. I was ready for a break.

How do you get the proper attitude to enjoy summer? I

think you have to earn it. I'm the type person that thinks the work has to get done before the play starts. I'll work my tail off to get a project finished so I can relax for a day or so. When we travel, I work ahead to make sure everything is done so we can leave with a clear conscience.

Sure it's fun to travel, to sit on a deck with your favorite beverage and look at beautiful scenery. I can do that on a cruise ship, in a foreign city or at home. But to get the most out of it, you have to think you deserve it. I've always said you can work and still have time to relax and see the world. It just takes a little planning and organizing.

Manual Physical Therapy May Prevent Knee Surgery

Manual physical therapy consists of trained physical therapist using his or her hands to gently move joints and/or muscles, tendons, ligaments and other connective tissues of the body. Research published in the Annals of Internal Medicine found that manual physical therapy combined with an exercise program is an effective way to manage the pain and stiffness that accompanies osteoarthritis. "A combination of manual physical therapy and supervised exercise yields functional benefits for patients with osteoarthritis of the knee and may delay or prevent the need for surgical intervention" (Geyle et al. Annals of Internal Medicine Feb. 1, 2000 122: 173-181). This is just one of many research studies showing the effectiveness of manual physical therapy.

The Physical Therapy department at Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital provides manual physical therapy as one of the services offered. The supervising therapist, Steven Spoonmore, PT is currently working toward an advanced certification as a certified orthopedic manual physical therapist. For more information contact the PT department at 325-387-2521 ext. 231.

F.Y.I.

The Sutton County Commissioners Court has enacted a Burn Ban and a Fireworks Ban, prohibiting all outdoor burning and all fireworks until further notice.

Interested in Emergency Medical Medicine? Sutton County EMS and BSA are looking for youths between 14 and 20 years of age to participate in a local Emergency Medical Exploring Post. Exploring's purpose is to provide experiences to help young people mature and to prepare them to become responsible and caring adults in a certain career. For more information, please contact: Roberta Tanguma 325-277-7189.

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The Sonora Woman's Club will be publishing a new address book. If you want your address included or you do not want to be included, please send your information to Sonora Woman's Club, P.O. Box 1402, Sonora, TX 76950.

The Women of St. John's Episcopal Church are selling their cookbook "Breaking Bread: Meals and Memories of St. John's Episcopal Church". The cookbook is available at the church office Mon.-Wed. 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and at Ol' Sonora for \$20.00.

2008 Kids Mutton Bustin' Friday, August 1, 7:00 p.m. To enter, call Sonora Chamber of Commerce 325-387-2880.

Sonora Outlaw Team Roping Challenge Saturday, August 2, 2008. FMI call Petie Lewis 325-650-8675 or Callaway Hall 325-206-0026.

The 2008 Sutton County Days Queen Luncheon will be Sunday, August 3 at 12:00 p.m. at the St. John's Episcopal Church. Everyone is welcome, \$10.00 a ticket. FMI call Kim Lewis @ 450-4716.

Sonora High School Class of 1998 10 Year Reunion Saturday, August 9 @ Sutton County Steakhouse-Texas Room, 5:00 p.m. Bring family and friends and join us for dinner. (Meal not provided) Kellie (Downing) Crain: 325-226-5856, kelliiedeann@yahoo.com Please spread the word -no official invitations will be sent!

Float Parade Saturday, August 9. Begins at First National Bank (Main and Concho), ends at the fairgrounds. Line-up starts at 8:00 a.m., and parade begins at 9:00 a.m. Please call Kellie Crain for details. 325-226-5856

SHS 2008 Junior Class will be operating the coke trailers during the rodeo at Sutton County Days. Any Junior or parent that would like to help please call MARRISA @387-2507 or 387-2041.

Sonora High School Class of 1978 will be having their 30 Year Reunion at noon Sat. Aug. 9 at the home of Sharon and Johnny Creek. FMI call Brenda @ 387-3340 or Janice @ 387-3460.

The Hudspeth Hospital Auxiliary is selling tickets for a 42" Flat Screen HDTV and a child's motorized John Deere Gator. Tickets are \$1 each and can be purchased from any Auxiliary member or at Sutton County Days. You do not need to be present to win. Drawing will be held at Sutton County Days. Prizes can be seen at Everett's Furniture Store. All proceeds will go toward a new landscaping project at the Hospital.



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BLAST FROM THE PAST

1953

February 27, 1953

\$1,000 Reward Offered For Missing Boy



A \$1,000 reward was offered here Thursday morning by a group of Sonora businessmen, ranchmen, and other individuals for information leading to the return of Raul (Pete) Arevalo, 17-year-old service station attendant who has been missing since Monday morning.

Nothing has been heard from the boy, nor have radio broadcasts and telephone calls produced any clues to his whereabouts.

The boy, an employee of the Pat Lyles Buick Company, left Monday morning in a Lyles pickup truck with two strange men to deliver gas to the men's car, which they said was a few miles east of Sonora on the Junction road. When the boy did not return, company officials notified the Sheriff's Department and the State Highway Patrol. Patrolman Herman Moore telephoned the Department of Public Safety radio station in San Angelo and the first broadcast, according to C. A. Long, radio operator for Station KKA451, was filed at 11:15 o'clock Monday morning. During the morning all culverts between here and the Ft. Terrett station were searched out.

About noon Monday morning the company pickup was found 7.7 miles west of Sonora. Tuesday afternoon his billfold containing only a social security card was found about 12 miles west of Sonora.

Following the finding of the pickup Monday at noon, Mrs. L. E. Johnson, office deputy sheriff, called the Department of Public Safety again and subsequent broadcasts were corrected to point the search west instead of east. Highway patrolmen and sheriffs with the proper radio equipment get these broadcasts if they listen in but those who are not so equipped must wait to hear by telephone, wire or mail.

Wires and long distance calls began going out from Sheriff D. W. Hutcherson office Monday afternoon. By Tuesday noon, all main points had been covered, including El Paso, Tucson, and Los Angeles.

Thursday, when the reward was raised, over 1,000 printed cards were mailed to sheriffs' department and other enforcement agencies in the western United States. More will be sent out later.

The cards carried the boy's picture and a description: Five feet, six inches tall; weight 130 pounds. Wearing old leather jacket and green cap with "Phillips 66" on it. Blue shirt and pants and brogan shoes. Slender build.

The card also stated "Please examine all jails, especially check who was with him if he is held, as we hold kidnapping warrant for men who took him away. We are practically sure he has gone west on U. S. 290. We think he passed Sheffield, Texas going west with two men driving a blue coupe supposed to be a Chevrolet." —B. W. Hutcherson, Sheriff Sutton County, Sonora, Texas.

March 6, 1953

All-Out Hunt For Arevalo Killers



An all-out hunt was being conducted this week in Texas and neighboring states for the mad-dog killers of Raul (Pete) Arevalo, 17, whose body was found near Sonora Sunday.

The intense search is being conducted by Texas Rangers, Sheriff's Departments, Border Patrolmen, Texas Highway Patrol. The Federal Bureau of Investigation is also cooperating.

The search has already produced two leads and investigations have been made in Del Rio and San Angelo. Officers are not ready to release complete results of these investigations.

Two men were arrested Wednesday in San Antonio following a filling-station holdup in which a policeman was shot. Pictures of the men are being sent to Sonora and will be shown to Simon Arevalo. Both men are San Antonio residents.

Young Arevalo's body was discovered Sunday afternoon by Mrs. Rayford Lee Hull who was driving with her husband on the old Junction Highway. Mrs. Hull spied the Phillips 66 cap lying near the road (1.4 miles from city limits) and remarked to her husband that it looked like the one belonging to the missing boy. She retrieved the cap and saw the body as she turned back toward the road where their car was parked.

The body had been shoved head first under a clump of cat claw 13 feet from the pavement and 3 feet below the level of the pavement. It lay on its right side between two large rocks, and was invisible from the road.

The autopsy revealed that young Arevalo had been severely bruised about the groin and other parts of the body; had been shot with a .45 pistol slug, the bullet entering the back of the head and lodging

behind the right frontal bone. His lower jaw had been broken and his skull was fractured in several places.

Officers said it was the most vicious killing in the county's history.

It was the opinion of the doctors that the boy had not been dead over three days when found and possibly less.

Clothes and other evidence, plus samples of earth where the body lay, were taken Monday to the Dept. of Public Safety crime laboratory in Austin by Patrolman Herman Moore. Moore said a report will be available later this week.

Best reconstruction of the events leading to discovery of the body seem to run like this:

About 8 o'clock Monday morning, February 23, two men walked in to the Pat Lyles Buick Company and said their car was out of gas and wanted someone to take gas out the Junction road about four miles to the car.

Father Talks To Men:

This was one of Raul's routine jobs at the company and he got the gas and left with the men in the company pickup. Simon Arevalo, the boy's father, described one of the men as being about 38 years old, five feet, six inches tall, dark complexion, Anglo-American, not particularly mean looking, weighing about 150

pounds. He talked briefly to this man and told officers he will be able to identify him. The other man he is not sure about.

"This man walked up to where I was working while they were getting the truck ready. He said to me, 'It's g--- d---- cold this morning.' I said 'Yes, it's pretty cold all right.'"

The man Arevalo talked to spoke in a pleasant manner and his voice sounded like that of a person who lived in this general area. Arevalo said the man wore working clothes, not dirty but not exactly clean, and was wearing a dirty yellow or possibly tan baseball type cap.

That Monday morning was the last time young Arevalo was seen alive in Sonora. A Sheffield filling station operator reported seeing two men and a Latin-American boy Monday. The Lyles truck was found at noon Monday 8 miles west of Sonora on the Ozona road and the boy's empty billfold was found 12 miles west on the Ozona road Tuesday. Later a highway crew found an application for a birth certificate about 20 miles west on the same road.

Near the body a few possessions, a bunch of keys, a pen knife and a nose inhaler were found. All were rusty, indicating the body had been

where it was found for several days. In the lad's pockets were another bunch of keys, a book of matches, and several paid bills. The keys in his pockets had not rusted.

March 13, 1953

Investigations Continue On Arevalo Case

Investigations of various leads on the Arevalo murder case were continuing this week, although no official announcement has been made by the Sheriff's Department or the Department of Public Safety concerning results.

Investigations were conducted this week in Lovington, New Mexico, Sheffield, Odessa, and Junction. No announcement has been made by the Dept. of Public Safety concerning laboratory tests made of clothes worn by Raul Arevalo, 17, who was found dead near Sonora Sunday, March 1, and other evidence.

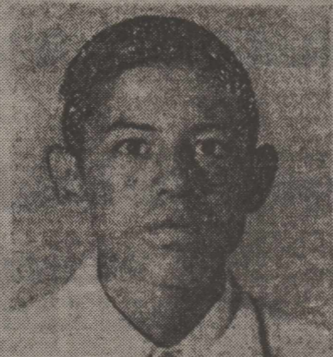
The boy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Simon Arevalo, is thought to have been murdered by two men whose car he serviced with gas on the Junction highway near Sonora Monday morning, February 23.

The pickup he left in was found later in the morning a few miles west of Sonora, as was his billfold, and other personal belongings.

April 17, 1953

\$2,500.00 REWARD

\$2,500.00 Reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons that murdered Raul (Pete) Arevalo, who was found dead March 1st, 1953 two miles east of Sonora, Texas on the old Junction Highway. Any information given me will be treated confidentially and no name will be mentioned, if so desired, and the reward will be paid in cash in secret if so desired, to the person revealing the information.

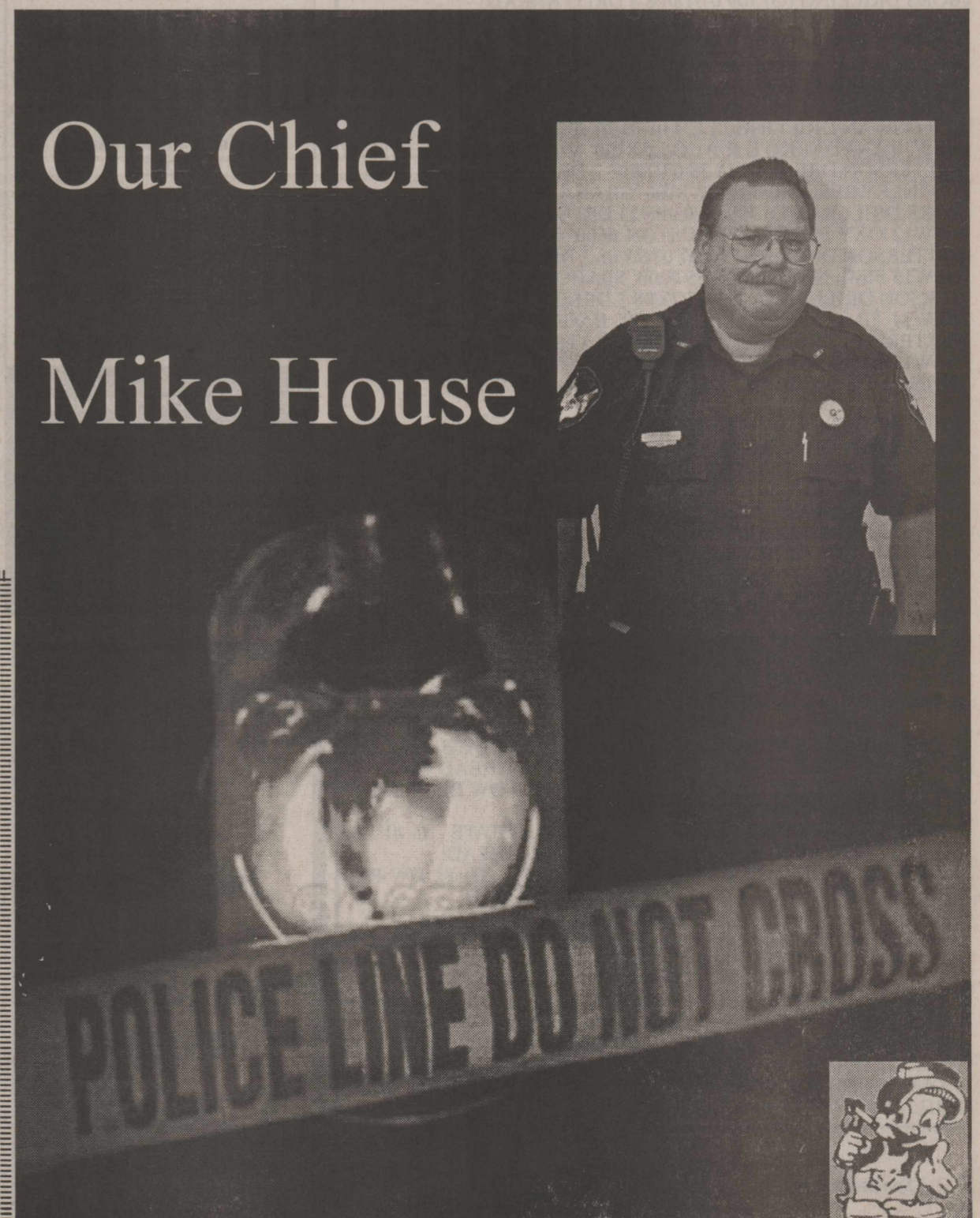
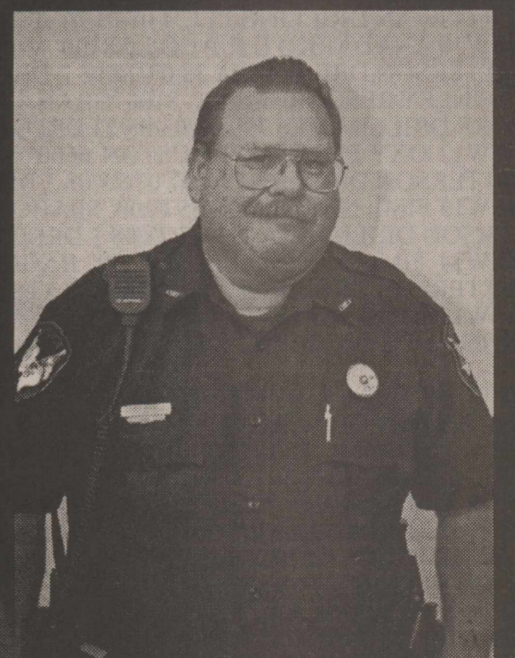


Raul (Pete) Arevalo
This picture was taken 4 years ago when Arevalo was 13 years of age.

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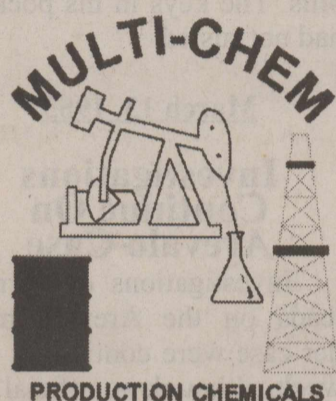
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5 APPROACH OPERATING 9000' WEST -A- #2101 DW NABORS DRILLING (O) 353 07/30/08 ASSIGNED
6 APPROACH OPERATING 9000' UNIVERSITY 42-13 #2 DW NABORS DRILLING (O) 709 07/18/08 8 DRLG AHEAD
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NEW12 OXY PERMIAN/HOUSTON 6500' M K DANIEL #709 DW PATTERSON DRILLING/A 107 07/23/08 3 DRLG AHEAD
NEW13 FIML NATURAL RES 6200' SEAHORN -H- #485C DW PATTERSON DRILLING/A 721 07/23/08 3 DRLG AHEAD
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3 PIEDRA OPERATING LLC 12500' MITCHELL STATE -10- #1 DW NABORS DRILLING (O) 641 06/23/08 33 DRLG AHEAD
4 NEWFIELD EXPLORATION 12000' POULTER -37- #2 DW PATTERSON DRILLING/A 471 06/16/08 40 DRLG AHEAD

TERRELL

NEW 5 FASKEN OIL & RANCH 7800' BROWN SW -213- #80 DW PATTERSON DRILLING/A 40 07/19/08 7 DRLG AHEAD

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Now's The Time to Consider 4-H Livestock Projects

By Pascual Hernandez,
Sutton County Agricultural
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Are you a 3rd -12th grader and wanting involvement in an activity that is fun, challenging, and provides learning experiences? Here's your chance! Now is a good time to be thinking about 4-H livestock projects. Sutton County has traditionally been sheep & goat country, so we will devote our discussion there. First let's start with the question, "Why a 4-H lamb or goat project?"

Well, the main objective is the same as any other 4-H project: acquire leadership skills and sense of duty; induce qualities such as commitment, determination, and patience; practice sportsmanship; and basically develop youth into responsible adults. However, record-keeping, time management and communication

skills can also be acquired through participation. Furthermore, the lamb or goat project can help educate kids and parents in the subjects of nutrition, health, marketing, economics, genetics and numerous other topics.

4-H market lambs/goats make an ideal animal project. Some strong advantages include: low initial cost, it can be a short term project (3 to 5 months), it is usually very safe for young children and little equipment is needed. Moreover, these activities promote family involvement.

It is also important to be aware of the large numbers of opportunities the 4-H sheep/goat project presents. In addition to showing at jackpots, county or major shows, 4-H'ers can participate in re-

cord book competitions, public speaking, illustrated talks, method demonstrations, wool judging, and can develop breeding projects. The 4-H sheep/goat project, because of this flexibility, has much to offer.

Don't know much about animal husbandry? Not to worry...youth will receive help along the way. The County Extension Agent will help you find and select your lamb or goat and makes project visits to evaluate progress and make suggestions. Project leaders also provide management tips and information. Additionally, clinics are held regularly to provide help and information on feeding, training, grooming, showmanship, etc.

Lambs and goats can be purchased between June and

late September. Validation takes place sometime in October. This means that animals are identified to prove ownership, and no more will be accepted to show after the validation date. So, if you'd like involvement in an activity that's fun, challenging, and provides learning experiences...here's your chance!

Of course, 4-H has much more to offer. Possibilities include photography, poetry, comedy, drama, dance, outdoor education, clothing & textiles, shooting sports, horticulture, entomology, and MUCH more! Want more details? Contact Sutton County Extension Agent, Pascual Hernandez, at 387-3101.

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Sheep & Goats Market Report
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July 28, 2008

#1 Spring Lambs 50-70 lbs.

.96-1.04

#1 Spring Lambs 70-90 lbs.

.94-1.02

#1 Old Crop Lambs 50-70 lbs.

#1 Old Crop Lambs 70-90 lbs.

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Through an application process, hunters can select from among 29 different hunt categories, including eight specifically for youth only, and choose a preferred hunt date and location from hunt areas stretching across the state. There's even a provision for hunting buddies to apply as a group — in some cases up to four hunters can apply together on one application.

Eight free youth-only hunt categories are available to hunters who are between the ages of 8-16 at the time of application. All hunt positions are randomly selected in a computer drawing from all correctly completed entries received by the specified deadline.

The application fee for adult applicants in most of the public hunt drawings is \$3 per adult person on the application. Successfully drawn hunters pay an additional Special Permit fee (\$75-125 in most cases) for a one-to-four-day hunt.

Information and applications for Special Permit hunts are available on the Public Hunting Web site. Application booklets are currently being mailed to hunters who applied for special permit drawn hunts last year. The booklets are also available at TPWD law enforcement offices. Information about Special Permit drawn hunts can be found on-line or by calling toll free (800) 792-1112.

3rd Annual Miracle Treat Day to be Celebrated at Dairy Queen

San Angelo, Texas – When is a summer blizzard a good forecast for San Angelo? On Thursday, August 7 and that's because it's not about the weather; it's about helping kids in need. It's the day Dairy Queen® will host the 3rd-annual North American "Miracle Treat Day" to benefit Children's Miracle Network.

During Miracle Treat Day, Dairy Queen San Angelo on Sherwood Way will donate proceeds from every Blizzard® sold to Shannon Medical Center, a member of Children's Miracle Network, a non-profit organization dedicated to saving and improving the lives of children by raising funds for children's hospitals.

The San Angelo Dairy Queen has been a supporter of Children's Miracle Network since 2003. "This is a great event to help the children in need and we hope our local community will join us in sharing smiles and stories and enjoying Blizzards for a good cause on August 7," said Robert Baxter.

Last year on Miracle Treat Day, participating Dairy Queens throughout the United States and Canada raised more than \$3.3 million, with all proceeds staying in local communities.

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Fuel Prices Mean Turbulence for Airlines and Passengers

By U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison

The average Texas family now spends around \$100 to fill up its truck or SUV, so imagine the financial burden confronting our nation's air carriers, as they struggle to fuel their fleets amid soaring energy costs – a 737 aircraft burns more than 885 gallons of jet fuel per hour at cruising altitude. If fuel costs continue to climb – and without enactment of a balanced energy policy that includes domestic production, they will – the capacity usage of our domestic air carriers will diminish further, and affordable air travel will become a luxury of the past.

Our nation's major airlines report that fuel now accounts for a whopping 40 percent of their operating costs. Houston-based Continental Airlines was spending \$84.99 per second on fuel in February 2007. Now, their fuel costs have skyrocketed to \$168.76 per second. As energy prices hover around \$130 a barrel, our nation's airlines are forecast to collectively spend \$61.2 billion on jet fuel this year – \$20 billion more than in 2007 – causing carriers to incur \$10 billion in losses.

Since December 2007, eight airlines have gone out of business and two others filed for bankruptcy. It is very difficult for airlines to break even – let alone turn a profit – in this economic climate. The Air Transport Association reported that in the first quarter of 2008, average net loss reached a staggering \$10.89 per passenger. As a result, airlines have taken cost-saving measures, including limiting the number of flights on various routes and replacing large-capacity aircraft with smaller planes, thereby cutting the number of seats in order to conserve fuel. The decrease in supply

of seats will drive up passenger airfare.

Smaller cities in Texas, relying on regional jet service are being hit particularly hard. Because of the cost of jet fuel, the smaller aircraft, some carrying as few as 50 passengers, are not generating enough revenue to justify the flights. Wichita Falls, for example, is set to lose more than half its daily flights when American Eagle downsizes its schedule from seven flights a day to three. American Eagle has announced similar service reductions for Longview, Tyler, and Waco. Continental will cut service to Abilene, San Angelo, and Texarkana in October.

Airline experts report that, by fall, passengers will feel the capacity cuts in larger airports as well, with Bush International in Houston expected to lose almost 12 percent of its seats, and an 8 percent cut slated for Dallas-Fort Worth.

In addition to higher airfare, diminished capacity will result in sweeping job losses. On July 17, Continental reported it will eliminate 3,000 jobs in the fall, and American recently announced a 6,800 person reduction by November.

The airlines are taking additional steps to mitigate the effects of the fuel price crisis. They are swapping older aircraft with newer, more energy efficient models that burn less jet fuel. Airlines are also retrofitting existing aircraft to be

more fuel efficient. To reduce fuel consumption in flight, airlines are removing heavy ovens when they are not needed, and are turning to light-weight meal and beverage carts to help lighten planes.

The impending crisis in the airline industry is one more reason we need a balanced plan that will help bring down fuel prices by increasing domestic production. Congress must meet the airlines' fuel savings efforts with a forward-looking energy policy to address the underlying issue of demand for oil outputting supply.

Congress should first reverse the outdated and punitive moratorium on off-shore drilling and open up the Outer Continental Shelf for exploration. The President recently lifted the executive ban, but

Congress has yet to do so. Several recent national polls indicate that over 70 percent of Americans support increased domestic production.

Furthermore, we must bolster American oil production with clean renewable sources, including nuclear, solar, and wind power. Lastly, we must work to conserve the energy we do have, and continue to encourage technology and innovation through tax incentives.

For each dollar increase of the price of a barrel of oil, every family with a motor vehicle is hit hard and each airlines' costs go up by approximately \$45 million. It is clear that Congress must come together and take action now. The consequences of inaction are sky high.

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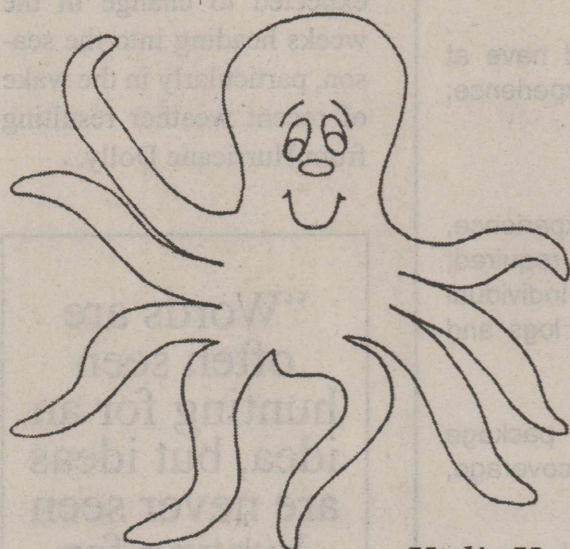
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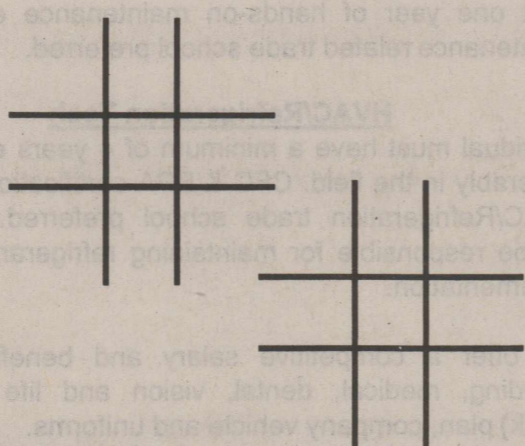
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TPWD Finalizes Dove, Teal Seasons

AUSTIN, Texas — The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department finalized the early season migratory game bird regulations, which includes dove and teal seasons for 2008-09. Texas hunters will see a 16-day September teal season and no changes to the South Dove Zone segments.

The North Zone runs Sept. 1-Oct. 30, with a 15-bird bag and not more than two white-tipped dove; the Central Zone is Sept. 1-Oct. 30 and reopens Dec. 26-Jan. 4, with a 12-bird bag and not more than two white-tipped dove. Possession limit is twice the daily bag.

This year, the South Zone dove season is Sept. 20-Nov. 9, reopening Dec. 26-Jan. 13 with a 12-bird bag and not more than two white-tipped dove. Possession limit is twice the daily bag limit.

The Special White-winged Dove Area, which now encompasses land west of I-35 and south of U. S. Highway 90, opens to white-winged dove afternoon-only (noon to sunset) hunting Sept. 6-7 and 13-14 and reopens Sept. 20-Nov. 9 and again from Dec. 26-Jan. 9. The daily bag limit

during the first two weekend splits is 12 birds, not more than four (4) mourning dove and two (2) white-tipped dove. The daily bag limit during the remainder of the Special White-winged Dove Area is 12 birds, not more than two (2) white-tipped dove. Possession limit is twice the daily bag.

Teal season is Sept. 13-28 with a daily bag limit of 4 birds. Possession limit is twice the daily bag.

Hunters should note the dove and teal season dates and bag limits are not included in this year's Outdoor Annual of hunting and fishing regulations. Information will be available in the Early Season Migratory Game Bird Digest supplement, available Aug. 15 on the TPWD Web site and wherever hunting and fishing licenses are sold.

A proposed dove season rule that would have removed one week of hunting opportunity from the end of the first season segment in the South Dove Zone and added it to the end of the second season segment was not approved. Although public comment

was supportive of the proposed amendment, the department has decided to retain the traditional structure because of other considerations resulting from public comment.

"Public comment received by the department indicates a growing concern among hunters, landowners, outfitters, and local businesses that economic factors are increasingly affecting hunting habits or will affect them in the future," said Mike Berger, TPWD wildlife director. "The department therefore made the decision to leave the traditional season structure in place for the current year while launching an outreach effort to determine if the traditional and historic dove season structure should be altered for future seasons."

In keeping with hunter and landowner preferences, dove seasons have traditionally been opened on the earliest day legally allowed under frameworks established by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, irrespective of which day of the week the date fell. Under federal law, dove hunting in the United States cannot begin before Sept. 1.

Sept. 1, as opening day of dove hunting in Texas, has been part of the state's hunting tradition ever since the Migratory Bird Treaty Act of 1918 was signed. Treaties with Canada and Mexico established the framework for the taking of all migratory game birds, including dove.

"This year, Sept. 1 falls on Labor Day, a Monday, which is a good thing because it's a holiday for many Texans, and like having another Saturday," said Vernon Beville, TPWD game bird program director. "The bad thing is, the next day isn't Sunday, it's back to work Tuesday."

Similarly, this year's South Zone dove season opener falls on Saturday, Sept. 20. Traditionally, dove season in South Texas has opened on the Friday after the 20th unless the 20th is a Saturday. Federal frameworks currently prevent opening the South Zone before the 20th.

Berger said recent public comment received by the de-

partment indicates a strong preference for seasons to open on a Friday, so as to create a three-day hunting opportunity to open the season. Recent public comment also indicates a preference for the 60-day/15-bird configuration in the South Zone.

"A recurrent theme was the concern that increased consumer costs, particularly transportation costs related to energy prices, make anything less than a three-day opening weekend economically unjustifiable," said Berger. "Similarly, proponents of the 60-day/15-bird configuration stated that economic considerations would cause them to curtail the number of times they could go hunting, leading them to prefer a higher daily bag limit. In the past, hunters and others have expressed an aversion to delaying the opening day until the first full weekend, preferring the earliest possible opener."

Hunters looking for a place to hunt dove should consider TPWD's public hunting opportunities. According to Linda Campbell, TPWD public hunting program director, the department manages more than 50,000 acres of dove hunting units. Hunting access to these areas is available with purchase of a \$48 Annual Public Hunting Permit, available Aug. 15 wherever hunting and fishing licenses are sold.

A map booklet detailing locations and additional information about the 143 public dove hunting units is included with the Annual Public Hunting Permit and will be available on the TPWD Web site beginning Aug. 15. A permit is not required to access the map booklet information online.

TPWD dove program coordinator Jay Roberson anticipates an above-average hunting season for doves this fall, based on habitat conditions. "We had a pretty dry spring and doves do well in those conditions," he noted. "The birds weren't responding last year to predictions of good food availability and many doves stayed to the north. I'm guardedly optimistic this year."

Roberson reported hearing of good numbers of doves across South Texas and anticipates hunters should have good success if they can identify flight patterns. Conditions are expected to change in the weeks heading into the season, particularly in the wake of recent weather resulting from Hurricane Dolly.

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Sonora PD Dispatch Report

Incidents:
July 21, 2008

- 8:30 AM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.
- 4:30 PM: Caller reported vandalism to property. Officer responded.

July 22, 2008

- 10:03 AM: Caller reported a dead animal on roadway. Animal Control Officer responded.
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My Week as a "Student of Deer"



Picture by Jennifer Ivy

The Dixie Does assuming the stance for a welcoming Buckskin Salute. Back Row: Chassidi Jackson. Middle Row (left to right): Tory Seago, Emma Browning, Kallie Humphrey, Jill Keierleber. Front Row: Danci Stuart.

By Kallie Humphrey

Would you ever think that an educational camp could be fun? Well, this summer I found the answer to this question. Hi, my name is Kallie Humphrey, I'm 15 years old and I go to Sonora High School. This summer I attended the North Texas Buckskin Brigades at the Stasney's Cook Ranch in Albany, Texas. This camp is not only very educational but it is also extremely fun and enjoyable.

The Brigades is a week-long camp for kids 14 to 17 years of age. There are a total of four camps: the Buckskin Brigades, the Bobwhite Brigades, the Bass Brigades, and the Feathered Forces. They are held in June and July, depending on which camp you choose to attend. Each camp specifies management strategies for different species: Buckskin Brigades = deer, Bobwhite Brigades = quail, Bass Brigades = fish, and Feathered Forces = upland birds. At each camp you

learn about that camp's featured animal(s), conservation of those animals, how to be a leader and a team member, marching, shooting/fishing skills, and how to break out of your shell. I know I did.

At the Buckskin Brigades camp that I attended, we did many activities. A typical morning included getting up very early to clean our cabin and marching outside and saying cadences to build teamwork and leadership. During breakfast we prepared ourselves for the long day that awaited us; and when I say long, I mean 5:00 a.m. till 3:00 a.m. Each day we learned more and more about deer, everything from the browse and forbs they eat, to the brush they prefer to live in, to their internal anatomy. We also learned how to rattle up the bucks, how to age deer on the hoof and how to age the deer by looking at their jawbones. Every day we would go to the shooting range and shoot .243 and .22 rifles - this was my

favorite part of the camp. We also got to do a "tacky" deer survey. In learning how to do a real spotlight survey we were challenged to find reflectors on stakes out in the brush which simulated finding real deer. We were divided into six 5-member teams called herds. My herd was the Dixie Does. Some of the other herd names where Drop Tines, One Shot--One Kill, and White Flags. Everything we did at camp was for competition. We earned points by correctly aging and scoring deer, by answering plant and deer trivia, by how clean our cabins were everyday, and by our proficiency at the shooting range. My herd was very excited to learn that we had taken second place in the whole camp. Another thing that we had to learn was a "silver bullet". A silver bullet is an inspirational quote that you have to remember and it helps you build speaking skills. Mine was "I use not only all the brains that I have, but all I can borrow," by Woodrow Wilson.

In the beginning I was a little worried about attending the camp, but OMG, on the last day I was definitely not ready to leave. Not only did I learn a lot about deer management, public speaking, teamwork, and leadership, I learned a lot about myself. Now I'm more confident talking to large groups of people, I can have more fun networking with people my age, and I've found I can survive on little sleep and friend-adrenaline.


For more information on these camps, please contact Kallie Humphrey at (325)-387-2818 or visit www.texas-brigades.org.

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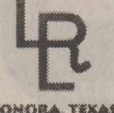
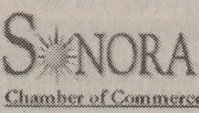


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Saturday, August 9th
7:30 p.m. Crowning of Miss Sutton County followed by the Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo
9:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m. Dance at the slab to *Jake Hooker and The Outsiders*

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Staying cool, water enthusiasts kayak, float and swim in the South Llano River State Park. Being small in size makes it a great family-oriented area with over 60,000 visitors a year.



Waiting for a bite, a park visitor fishes on the bank of Buck Lake in the South Llano River State Park, south of Junction. State parks do not require a fishing license to enjoy the fun.

Adventuresome: daring, willing, or eager to participate in exciting or risky activities (Encarta Dictionary). "Adventuresome" is a new section we are adding to the Devil's River News for the summer. We hope it will use it as a guide to help you get out and explore the treasures of West Texas. Each issue will explore a different state park or nature area and highlight the attractions and adventure to be found.

South Llano River SP
Travel Time: 50 min.
Distance: 60 miles from Sonora

Story and Photos by James Ricks

I ventured to the South Llano River State Park, looking for cool relief from the heat of the day and found life thriving along the river banks. Apart from the abundant plant and animal life, people were fishing, floating on tubes, and kayaking by.

The water moves at a gentle pace, great for floating and wading, with shallow banks for fishing. The campsites are all paved and park staff was helpful and friendly.

The river is the main attraction at the park, but there is plenty to do with the 18 miles of hiking and biking trails, bird blinds, and a small lake great for fishing. The trails are an easy ride through a canopy of pecan, cedar, elm, juniper, oak and sycamore trees in the park,

and extend to a more intermediate level if you head into the adjoining Walter Buck Wildlife Management Area (WMA).

The bird blinds are well-kept, with many pictures and guides identifying many of the 220 species native to the area, and provide a nice place to sit away from the heat of the day to watch the birds feed and bathe while providing a great photo op. Deer, lizards, squirrels and many other animals are also easily spotted from the river banks and trails in the park.

"People come from all over and other countries to see the birds here," said Christopher Hanson, a park officer. "We have one of the biggest turkey roosts and habitats in Texas and are in a unique position where the state park is joined with a wildlife management area."

In the winter months, the park is home to 600-800 turkeys and a large portion of the park closes from October-March to protect the turkeys' habitat.

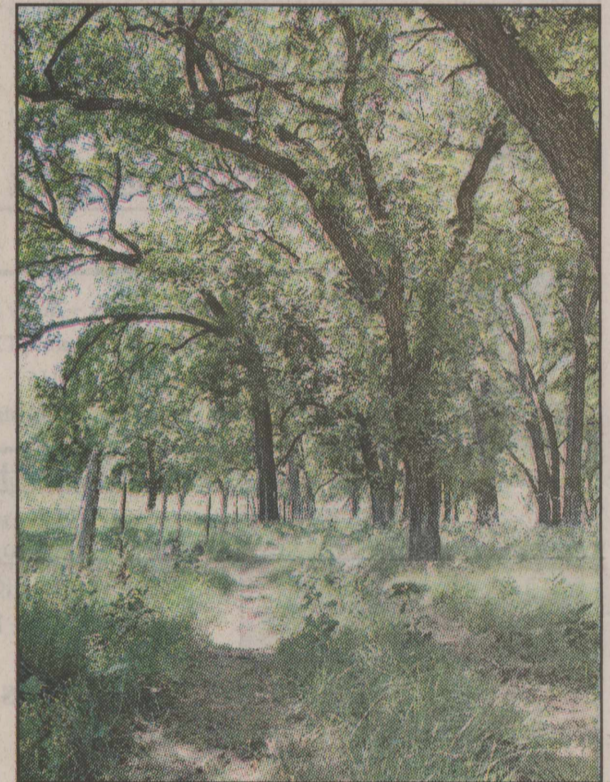
The park entry road is located 5 miles south of Junction on US Hwy 377. The TPWD lists the following facilities: multi-use campsites with water and electricity at each site and a dump station and restrooms with showers in the area; walk-in campsites with picnic tables and fire rings (30- to 70-yard walk from where the car is parked - drinking water is available to every 4 sites. No vehicle camping is allowed at the walk-in sites and capacity is 4 people per site); composting toilets in the area; a picnic and day-use area near the river with picnic tables, waist-high grills; oxbow lakes; 4 miles of hiking/mountain biking/nature study trails in the Turkey Roost area; and hunting blinds available for wildlife photography.

For more information on the area and activities available, visit the Texas Parks and Wildlife website, www.tpwd.state.tx.us

Go ahead, be "Adventuresome."



The South Llano River flows lazily downstream from the last take-out point at the



A hiking and biking trail follows the eastern boundary of the park fence.



Wildlife is in abundance with bird blinds, hiking & biking trails, and turkey roost areas.

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Sitting off of Fawn Trail, one of the four bird blinds in South Llano River State Park provides an ideal setting for birdwatching.



Visitors taking a stroll down a trail next to Buck Lake that heads toward the campsites located at South Llano River State Park.