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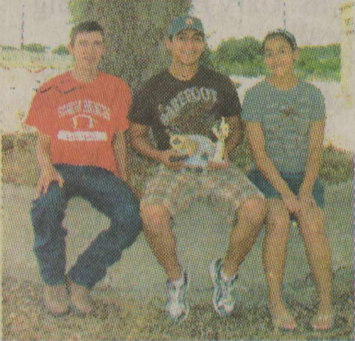
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## City Council Approves Fee, Tables Another

By Nancy Glasscock

The Sonora City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, July 21st. Mayor, Jed Davenport called the meeting to order.

Council unanimously approved the Sutton County Appraisal District monthly report and all quarterly reports.

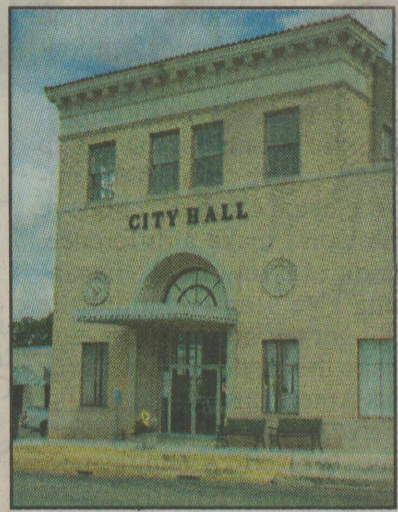
The minutes of the June meeting were amended to indicate that Councilmember Bradley voted in favor of the alley closure near the Senior Center. Mr. Russell Adkins addressed council concerning the rates to be imposed at the wastewater treatment plant.

Councilmember Bradley introduced a motion to move into Executive Session to discuss his councilmember duties, moving the last item on the agenda to the ninth item on the agenda. Councilmember Neal seconded the motion that unanimously passed.

After nearly one hour, council reconvened in open session. Councilmember Dover moved to instruct the city attorney, Elizabeth Wallace, to compile a review of Texas Policy and Procedures for the Mayor and all councilmem-

bers. Councilmember Neal seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

In old business, the ordinance regarding the date a delinquent fee will be assessed



on late utility bills gained unanimous council approval. Action to consider amending the ordinance on new fees from dumping at the wastewater treatment plant was tabled until the next meeting.

In Planning and Zoning (P&Z) business, Mrs. Blanchard withdrew her request to move an RV into a commercial zone for residen-

tial use. Tom Peyton and Rosa Hernandez will continue serving as the P&Z officers. In a 3-1 vote (Councilmember Hernandez dissenting), Dorothy Perez, Ken Knight, and Eloisa Hernandez (alternate) were approved as P&Z board members.

In more action, council approved Main Street board members' maximum terms, line item budget amendments to the city's budget, a Max Howorth office furniture donation to the airport, and the contract for the construction/post-construction services on the wastewater treatment plant improvements. Chief Jarratt briefed the councilmembers about the Data Interoperability Project for 2009-2010 and assured members when asked by Councilmember Dover that there "were no matching funds required" of the city for the upgraded police communications equipment. This project was approved unanimously.

The next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is at 4:00 P.M. on August 18th.

## Toys Reach Iraqi Children



photo courtesy of www.kidsofIraq.org

Submitted by Jennifer Durgeat

Greetings from Iraq!

I'm SSgt Jennifer Durgeat (formerly Stroud), and I've served with the United States Air Force for just over 9 years now. My travels with the force have taken me many places, and I've had the opportunity to experience many things, both good and bad. I can say these experiences have made me who I am, and they've changed me for the better.

I arrived at Joint Base Balad, Iraq, in May 2009. I'm extremely thrilled about the opportunity to serve my nation in this war-torn region of the world. This being my first combat deployment in over 9 years of service, I hit the ground running. I came here to help make a difference, and I'm not going home without a fight.

My job limits me to the type of difference I can make. I'm responsible for stepping aircrew to their jets. I take radio calls and make sure they get off the ground, so they can support ground crews who are engaging the enemy. While many will argue that every job

counts in the military, I just didn't feel like I was doing enough.

Meanwhile, my support on the home-front was asking what they could send me to help make my life more bearable out here. I'm not in need of anything. We have bathrooms and showers, a comfortable bed to sleep on, and stores that sell what little toiletries we'll need to make it through however long we have to be out here. I did, however, know that there were injured children sitting in our hospital here who needed far more than just "a coke and a smile". So, the idea came to me to have my supporters send toys, clothes, or school supplies, so that these children could benefit from the generosity of not only me, but my fellow Americans as well.

The first two boxes I received were full of Beanie Babies. I was fortunate to be able to hand-deliver a couple to an injured Iraqi child who was in the burn unit of the ICU here. My heart was pounding as I was about to come face to face

with a real life Iraqi national, but as I stepped through the corridor and into her room, my heart broke. She was one of the many faces of war. It's an experience that has forever changed me. She gladly accepted her pink poodle and unicorn. Her grandfather was overwhelmed with gratitude, thanking us and letting us know that our safety was in his prayers, but I walked away with such a guilty heart... what about all the other children? Children the same age as my own?

I've delivered 5 boxes of toys to the points of contact for Kids of Iraq. I'd like to say a special THANK YOU to Stacy Fisher for organizing a toy drive in Sonora, so that 4 more boxes of toys and supplies could be delivered to Kids of Iraq as well. The following are words from the supervisor of Kids of Iraq:

"I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for your recent donations to the

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## OUTLAW PRO RODEO OLD HAT BAND AND BLIND NELLO TO PERFORM



OLD HAT BAND ... a pack of "Old Dogs" with a bag of "New Licks" has a tasty Tex-Mex sound that gets people on their feet and dancing the night away. The old dogs play what they call "Rockin-Tejano-Country", an eclectic mix of country, rhythm & blues and vintage rock & roll, with a dash of tejano, served up hot and spicy like a good bowl of menudo.

The band is made up of veteran road musicians who have paid their dues in the honkytonks and juke joints of America. T. Gozney and has played from coast to coast, and played at several Willie's Picnics, Farm Aid, and the stages of Las Vegas.

Richard Ramirez is blessed with one of the best singing voices on the planet. His honky-tonk piano style has been compared to the likes of Jerry Lee Lewis. He has fronted many of his own bands and is a integral part of the Old Hat sound.

Manuel "Duck" Cortez is a veteran of the road, having played piano and keyboards with such regional and national acts as Los Tejanos and Little Joe & La Familia. He too has performed from coast to coast and has played on many hit Tex-Mex recordings. Steve "Ese" Terry hails from Comstock, Texas, by way of Del Rio and the wild and woolly west. Steve has worked as a professional cowboy, both ranch and rodeo, is a songwriter in his own right, and has been gracing the airwaves with his gritty country-blues guitar style.

Joe Dianda, along with his brother Gilbert, gained national fame leading the band Coyote. Coyote, on it's own and as the opening act for Little Joe & La Familia, were renowned in Tejano circles and popular throughout Texas and the Southwest.

Manuel Burciega has been one of the premier drummers in West Texas for over twenty years, playing with the likes of Frank Trevino and other popular Latin Bands. For more information go to the Old Hat Band website at [www.tgozney.com](http://www.tgozney.com).

## BLIND NELLO BAND



[WWW.BLINDNELLO.COM](http://WWW.BLINDNELLO.COM)

The Blind Nello Band delivers a blend of country, blues and roots music. The band enjoys a driving style of music that moves people to groove.

The band's founder, Eddie Arteaga, lives in Sonora. Eddie started drumming at age 7, and continues to lay down a powerful backbeat. Eddie's music influences are too large to list here.

Diana Arteaga, a sonoran also, plays the bass guitar and together with Eddie, helps anchor the band's sound. Diana enjoys country, R&B and classic rock. She also brings backing vocals to the band.

Johnny Grimaldo brings his varied talents to the band. They include backing vocals, guitar and accordion. Johnny enjoys great music of all kinds, and especially likes rock and Tejano.

Rick Hyatt's musical influences include Elvis Presley, Chuck Berry, Ray Price, Merle Haggard and Stevie Ray Vaughn. Rick brings dynamic lead vocals and rhythm guitar to the band, and is known for having an extensive repertoire of songs.

Pete Skains is a son of Sonora and former Tom Green County Sheriff. Pete is very well known around Texas music circles. Pete is always learning new licks, and injecting new riffs into old classics. Pete's favorites are country, latin, blues and rockabilly.

Leon Langley will be a guest band member for the rodeo dance performance. Leon is an accomplished steel guitar player from San Angelo, and has shared the stage with many a top flight country performer.

Come out and hear the Blind Nello band on Friday night and get ready to dance. The band's website can be found at [www.blindnello.com](http://www.blindnello.com).

### Lighthouse Community Church

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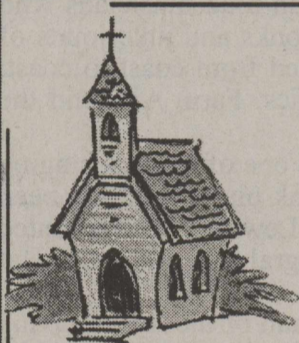
### Senior Center Activities

- Thur. July 30- Happy Birthday *Angelita Trevino, Beatrice Arteaga*
- Fri. July 31- Run errands and pay bills after lunch
- Mon. Aug. 3- AAA reports due, Bingo
- Tues. Aug. 4- Work on puzzle
- Wed. Aug. 5- Trax van to San Angelo call 387-2509

### Senior Center Menu

- Thur. July 30- Meatloaf w/meat sauce, blackeyed peas, milk, honey glazed carrots, cornbread, melon salad
- Fri. July 31- Castfish w/tartar sauce, hominy, milk okra/tomato gumbo, rolls, apple crisp
- Mon. Aug. 3- BBQ beef on a bun, baked beans, milk, French Fries, coleslaw, peaches w/topping
- Tues. Aug. 4- Ham w/pineapple, macaroni & cheese, pears, rolls, lemon cake and milk
- Wed. Aug. 5- Beef & noodles w/gravy, peas, tossed salad, wheat bread, banana pudding 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 \$2.00; \$5.00 for under 60 and all other meals-to-go).



## Sonora Church Directory

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| <b>Primera Iglesia Bautista</b><br>504 Santa Clara<br>387-2035                     | <b>Church of Christ</b><br>304 N. Water<br>387-3190                   |
| <b>The Church of the Good Shepherd Presbyterian</b><br>319 E. Mulberry<br>387-2616 | <b>First Baptist Church</b><br>11 E. Oak<br>387-2951                  |
| <b>Lighthouse Community Church</b><br>1705 N. Crockett<br>387-9100                 | <b>St. John's Episcopal Church</b><br>404 E. Poplar<br>387-2955       |
| <b>Pentecostal Calvary Temple United</b><br>509 Amistad<br>387-5266                | <b>First United Methodist Church</b><br>201 N. Water<br>387-2466      |
| <b>St. Ann's Catholic Church</b><br>229 W. Plum<br>387-2278                        | <b>Templo Jerusalem Asamblea De Dios</b><br>306 W. 4th St<br>387-5713 |
| <b>Jehovah's Witness</b><br>310 St. Ann's St<br>387-5658/387-5518                  | <b>Hope Lutheran Church</b><br>417 E. 2nd St.<br>387-5366             |

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 387-2266

### Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,  
 Innocent until proven guilty. That should be one of the wonderful benefits of living in America. It is one of the many civil rights we as Americans should have. Unfortunately, that is not the case in Sonora, Texas, and that is why I am writing. It seems this particular right has slowly but surely been changing in this country. It seems Americans no longer care if you are innocent or not. If it is their opinion from the start that you are guilty of an offense, then you, the accused, have to fight like hell to defend yourself and try to get a fair trial to prove your innocence. I believe that a lot of the citizens of Sonora are guilty of this. That is what is happening in our community.

I, in the last six months, have had to deal with this particular problem. Two people, who are very close to me, have had to face the judicial system in Sonora, Texas. Unfortunately, one of them has already lost. Although I and a whole lot of other people were aware of his innocence. I believe that it was the outcome of prosecutorial and law enforcement prejudice, not to mention biased opinions of the people of our community, that sealed his fate before he even stepped into the courtroom. It also saddens me that his jurors were not willing to spend more of their time in a courtroom, so it was easier to convict rather than fight for their beliefs. I believe that is the main reason why the new trial which my family and I will soon face has been moved to a different county. Maybe there we will get a fair trial. That is one of the major downfalls of living in such a small community. Everyone knows everyone else's business and, regrettably, form their opinions without knowing all the facts.

Going through this has made me realize a lot of things. Number one, we should not judge people because of the gossip we hear on a daily basis. Number two, I have realized the importance of going out to vote for our elected officials. I believe that a lot of people think their vote won't make a difference, but it does. I think that is the opinion of a lot of our Hispanic citizens of Sonora. Another thing I've seen is that people will do or say just about anything to get out of doing our civil duty to serve as jurors. I'd like to take this opportunity to urge people to please do the things we as Americans should do like voting, serving as jurors, and not have biased opinions before hearing all the facts in a court of law. I'd also like to tell people that if you believe that you are being treated unfairly by the elected officials in your community, you should stand up for yourselves and those you care about. Be aware that, ultimately, we as citizens are the ones that give them their jobs when we vote for them.

I recently read in an article that Attorney General Eric Holder said "your job as assistant U.S. Attorney is not to convict people. Your job is not to win cases. Your job is to do justice. Anybody who asks you to do something other than that is to be ignored." The article also stated that we as citizens "fail in our duty to the public and the bar when we do not penalize publicly those prosecutors who engage in egregious conduct".

In another article I read a quote that states "There is no crueler tyranny than that which is executed under cover of law, and with the colors of Justice." Again, I'd like to urge the citizens of this and every community to stand up for yourselves and the rights that our forefathers fought so hard for.

It is easy to ignore these issues when you haven't had to be in a position where you need all the fairness you can get, so please think about it and don't wait to be in this situation before doing something and trying to change things.

Thank you,  
 Patricia Lopez

Dear Editor,  
 We recently attended the City Council meeting held July 21, 2009, and were appalled at the actions of our City Manager. The Council went into Executive Session and we were dismissed to the lobby. Approximately 30 minutes into session, the door flew open and City Manager Carrell said "I quit" as he left the session, repeatedly throwing his hands up in the air in a very unprofessional display of emotion. In about 10 minutes, he came back into the building and went upstairs for another 10 minutes before re-entering the Executive Session. We were all shocked at what we had just witnessed.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Clay Cade, Gaile Cade and Linda Johnson

### Wedding Announcement



Mr. and Mrs. Swade Draper

Jacqueline Michele Morgan and Perry Swade Draper were united in marriage on Saturday, July 18, 2009, at the First Baptist Church in Big Spring, Texas. Church of Christ minister Clyde Dukes, of Sonora officiated.

Michele is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Gary Brooks of Big Spring, and Michael Morgan of Rockwall.

Swade is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Perry Draper of Midland, and Seffany Allmand of Lamesa, and the grandson of Vallree Draper of Sonora.

Attendants of the bride were Ceci Rasmusson and Kelly Brooks, friends of the bride. Attendants of the groom were Nash Traylor and Embry Smith. Flower girls were Brookelyn Meyers and D'lyliah Lee.

The bride and groom will reside in Midland, where both are attending college.

### You're Invited to an Open House

Guadalupe Garza, Toby & Juanita Hurley,  
 Joe & Deb Garza, Grandchildren and  
 Great Grandchildren of

## Natalia Garza Mitchell

(from Belle Fourche, South Dakota)

Invite you to join us as we celebrate her

### 85th Birthday

on August 15, 2009

At the Sutton County Steakhouse, Sonora, Texas

OPEN HOUSE 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Everyone Welcome

No gifts please: your presence will be her gift.

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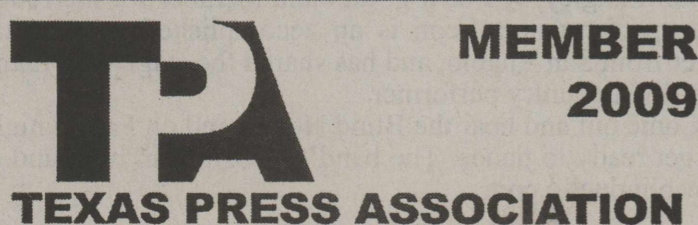
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### First United Methodist Church Ray Wells, Pastor

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### Happy Birthday!

#### July 30

Eddie Perez, Joe Perez, Rebecca Castillo,  
 Angelita Trevino, Douglas Skoulaut, Nacho Romero,  
 Danny Solis, Pat Hughes, Autumn Castilleja,  
 Autumn Ayala, Jeanne Davenport

#### 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 Avila, Angela Norris,  
 Callyn Olson, Ruth Ann Dickenson

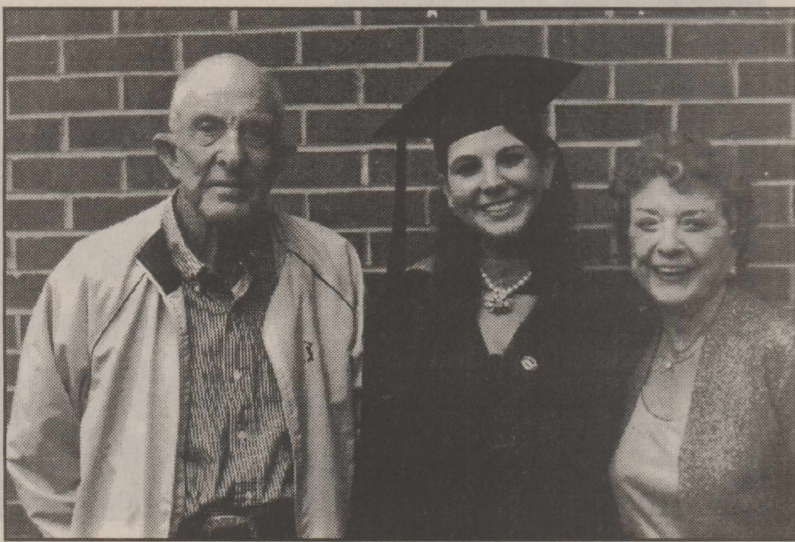
#### August 4

Mauro Santana, Jr., Gina DeCordova,  
 Beverly Brown, Alfredo Ozuna, Sarah Black

#### August 5

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

# Recent Graduates



Margaret Ann Cardwell, the granddaughter of Jodie and Lawrence Finklea of Sonora, graduated cum laude with a Bachelors of Science degree from the Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. She majored in Science Technology and International Affairs with a concentration in Technology, Growth and Development. This fall she will be entering The University of Texas Law School, Class of 2012.



McCurdy Cardwell, the grandson of Jodie and Lawrence Finklea of Sonora, graduated from Westlake High School in Austin, Texas. He was a member of the National Honor Society, Mee Alpha, Theta, and the Student Council. He will be attending the University of Texas in Austin this fall.

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# F.Y.I.

**Sonora Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary** is having a Rummage Sale on Saturday, August 1st at the Fire Hall. Your donations for clothing, household items, etc. are tax deductible and most welcome. Please contact Sandee Reese at 387-5368 or Christy Lippman at 206-1342 to arrange a donation drop-off today.

**Eaton Hill Summer Nature Camp** to be held on the historic Eaton Hill. Grades 4-5 will be held August 3-5 from 9:00 a.m. - noon. FMI please contact 387-2615.

**Sonora Booster Club** would like to invite you to a hamburger supper Friday, August 7 at 7:00 p.m. at the Bronco Stadium to meet the Broncos. Come and support the Broncos.

**Mutton Bustin is here again**, August 8, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. If interested, please call the Chamber at 387-2880.

**County Team Roping** - August 8, 2009. Books open at 10:00 a.m. and close at 11:00 a.m. Rope at 12:00 noon. For more information call Petie Lewis at 325-650-8675.

**Class of 1984 - 25th Year Reunion** to be held on August 15, at the home of Melanie Smith; 223 Sawyer Dr. FMI Call 325-387-2900.

**Reunion for Graduating Classes 1985 and 1986**, August 15, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. @ Bill & Judy Webster's home, 115 Manor St. For more info, visit www.sonorahighalumni.com.

**SHS Class of 1999 Reunion**, August 15- 8:15 a.m. downtown Sonora to ride float, 1:30 p.m. Stacy (Fox) Fisher's home @ 9240 Ranch Road 864 for Hot Dog Cookout!!!! Please RSVP to Stacy at (325) 226-4453 or stayce\_fox25@hotmail.com

Please join the **Sonora High School Class of 1979** in celebrating its 30th reunion on August 15, - 4:00 p.m. @ The old Depot (across from The Church of Good Shepherd Presbyterian). The cost will be \$20.00 per adult which includes catered BBQ, soda, and ice. It's BYOB for adult beverages. Please RSVP by August 1st, to any of the hosts below.

Stacey Brasher-srings61@hotmail.com or 858-232-6173.  
Lorraine Creek-lsurbur@yahoo.com or 210-383-5552.  
Benny Granger-benny.granger@ozonaschools.net or 325-226-2489.

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Duray Smith-duray\_smith@msn.com or 325-206-0200.  
Kids and grandkids welcome.

**The Game Dinner Meetings** will be held on Sept. 8 and Nov. 3, 2009. Anyone interested that would like to participate in the preparations and the event are welcome to attend. All meetings will be held at Fire Dept. meeting room at 6:30 p.m.

**Hudspeth Hospital Auxiliary** is selling chances for \$1 for a 42" HDTV or a Child's Electric Vehicle. The drawing will be held August 15 during Sutton County Days and you do not have to be present to win. All proceeds will be used to benefit Hudspeth Hospital.

**Sutton County Friends of NRA** will be holding their 2nd Annual Auction/Banquet event on Saturday, September 19, 2009. Donations and auction items are being sought for this event. If you would like to be an active participant or would like to donate, please contact Tonya Brown @ 325-387-3861 or 325-387-5929. A pre-event raffle will begin April 2009. A gun safe and 5 firearms will be raffled, with one winner taking all!

**Need a Dunking Booth for a party or fundraiser?** Sonora Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary has a dunking booth for rent. Call Tommie Sanchez at 226-8271 for availability and rates.

**The 144th Narcotics Anonymous Group** meets every Saturday at 5:00 p.m. in the Reception Hall of The Church of the Good Shepherd, 319 N.E. Mulberry. FMI, call 387-4941 or 450-8922.

**Rent the Depot!**  
For more information please call 387-5084. Tues. & Thurs. 8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

**The Sutton County Historical Society** will be having their annual meeting on August 12, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. in the Ice House Museum. Everyone welcome, please come and support the Historical Society. If not a member, we would love to have you.

**Fundraiser for Liberty Park Veteran's Memorial Wall**-Buy a permanently engraved brick for the new sidewalks at Liberty Park. We are raising money for the engraving of the names to go on the Memorial Wall. 4x8 brick \$35.00, 8x8 brick \$60.00, 12x12 \$150.00-with logos. Pick up forms at The Bank & Trust or at City Hall.

**Liberty Park Veterans Memorial Wall**-Submit a veteran's name to be engraved on the wall. Include the name of the veteran, branch of service, submitted by, mailing address. Veterans must be residents or former residents of Sonora or Sutton County. Mail to: Liberty Park Veterans Wall, PO Box 824, Sonora, TX 76950. You can also pick up a form at The Bank & Trust or City Hall.

**Sonora High School Alumni** - Register at www.sonorahighalumni.com. For more information log on to sonoraaalumni@aol.com.

**Fellow Friends and Co-Workers.** A trust fund has been set up at the First National Bank of Sonora. Anyone interested in making a donation (Tax Deductible) to Roy J. while he is recovering from his accident can do so by cash or check. Make checks payable to Sutton County Community Trust, and on the memo line write: Roy J Eisenbach Jr. Drop payments off at the bank or give them to Pat Day or Randy Sparks. Thank you very much.

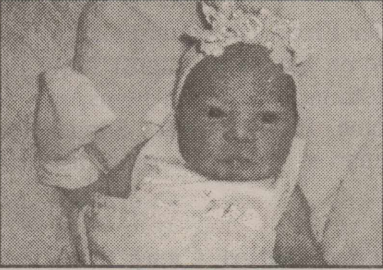


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*A special baby, a baby who is dear,  
We would like to announce our new baby is here!*



**Sofia Luciana Garcia**  
Born: July 15, 2009 at  
Shannon Hospital in San Angelo, Texas  
She weighed 6 lbs. and 11 oz. and was 19 in. long

**Proud Parents:** Pete and Farrah Garcia  
**Siblings:** Andrea, Pete III and Hannah Garcia  
**Proud Grandparents:** Blanca and Freddy Virgen and America and Carlos Samora  
**Great Grandparents:** Tute Lumberas, Alfred Virgen Sr., Maria Martinez and Sara and Thomas Garcia  
**Aunts and Uncles:** Stephanie and Zeke Galindo, Marie, Laura, and Eric Garica  
**Excited Cousins:** Joshua, Annika, and Madison Galindo

## Landscape of the Month



The Sonora Chamber of Commerce awarded Kerbow Funeral Home with the Landscape of the Month for July 2009. Pictured above is Bruce Kerbow, owner of Kerbow Funeral Home. Congratulations!

## Sonic Celebrates 31st Anniversary



Thank you to all our valued customers for 31 years of business!

To all the people who came out to help us celebrate Sonic's 31 year anniversary, we appreciate all of the support we received. A very special thank you to all the people who brought their vehicles to participate in our Car Show: Mike Cook, Randy Surber, J.C. Surber, Randy Adamson, Lynn Simpler, Marvin & Pooty Roubison, Larry Boyer, Cindy Daniels, Jon Calcote, Rennond Kuykendall, Cathy Kuykendall, Nicole Hernandez, Larry & Myrna Galindo and Erbey Valdez. To KLDE 104.9 FM radio station, "Elvis", Cherry Limeaide and Brenda Sanchez, thank you for all the hard work and donations.

Thank you,  
Annette Castro & Sonic Staff

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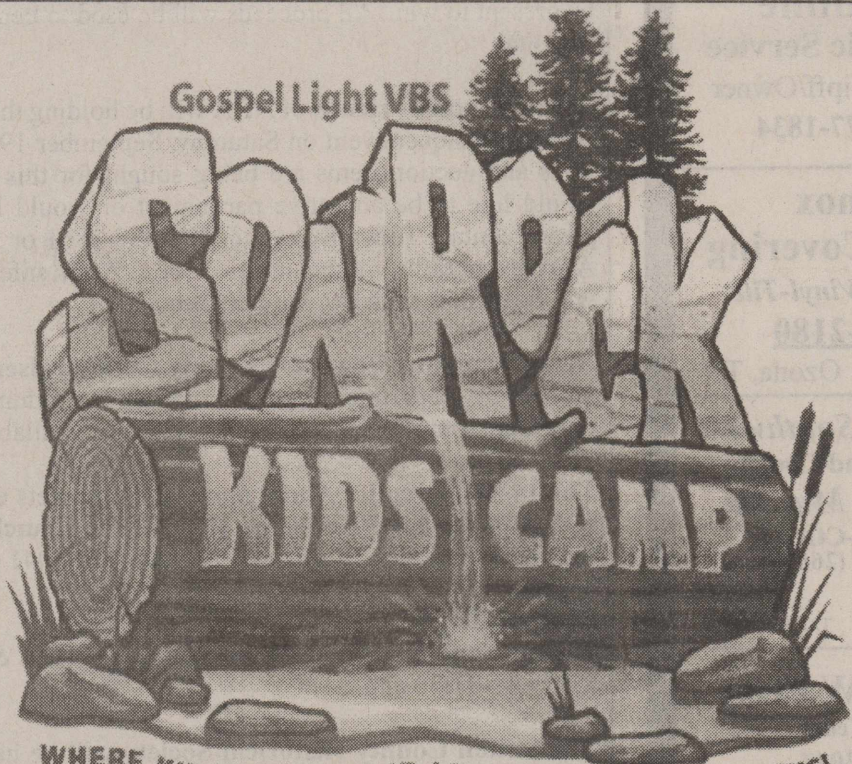
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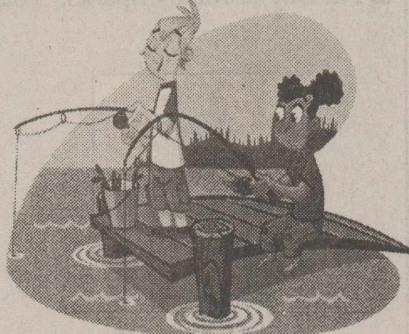
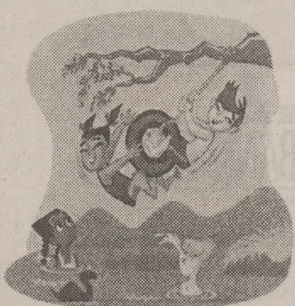
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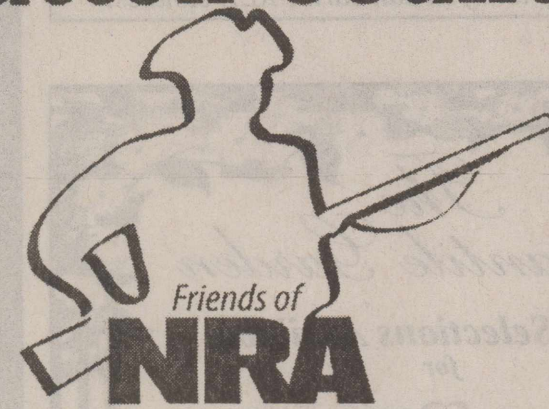
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## Sutton County



**Auction & Dinner**

Saturday, September 19, 2009

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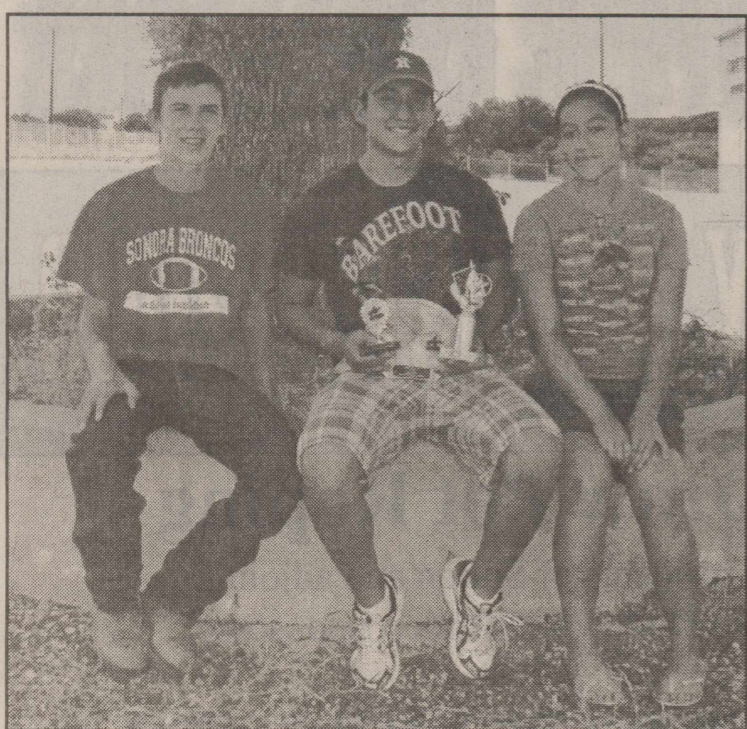
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## Oil & Agribusiness

### Local 4-Hers Learn Natural Resource Stewardship



L to R: Sterling Hall, Paul Faz, Adriana Faz, and Kory Humphrey (not pictured) each spent their summer learning the skills needed to manage and appreciate our natural resources.

By Pascual Hernandez, Sutton County Agricultural Extension Agent

This summer, several of our 4-Hers attended "camps", which were not only fun, but also provided learning experiences which are practical. They got natural resource training as well as raised their awareness in associated issues. So, let's recognize Kory Humphrey, Paul Faz, Sterling Hall, and Adriana Faz for their dedication to educating themselves on natural resource needs.

Paul Faz attended the Texas Youth Range Workshop at the Texas Tech University Center in Junction. This event is known for developing teen and junior leaders in range management, and is an excellent opportunity for Texas youth. Management needs of rangelands are as diverse as the state - and require innovative approaches for good management. The workshop offered experience in rangeland ecology, plant species & growth, plant-soil-water relationships, primary and secondary succession, watershed management, range livestock and wildlife needs, tools of range and natural resources management and restoration, impacts of management decisions, and new technology.

Sterling Hall and Kory Humphrey took part in the Texas Wildlife Brigades. The Texas Brigades' mission is to empower high school youth with the necessary skills and knowledge in wildlife, fisheries, and habitat conservation, land stewardship, team-building, communication, and leadership to become ambassadors for conservation in order to ensure a sustained wildlife and fisheries legacy for future generations. The Texas Brigades is a combination of four educational programs: Bobwhite Brigade (quail), Buckskin Brigade (deer), Feathered Forces (quail and turkey), and the Bass Brigade.

Paul Faz and Adriana Faz participated in the annual Texas Youth Water Camp. The camp strives to build an appreciation for the implications water management has on agriculture, industry, municipalities and homes. Field trips, tours and hands-on group project work make up the learning experiences included in the event. Paul and Adriana saw first-hand how water is used for such things as crop irrigation, oil recov-



ery, generating electricity, aquaculture, and many other uses. This is an excellent opportunity for high school boys and girls from across the state to learn more about our water resources and the need for conservation.

So how did these kids benefit? Well, these youth gained appreciation for conservation of natural resources and ideas on implementing wise management practices. The payoff is that sound natural resource management practices benefit ALL of us. They also furthered their leadership and public-speaking skills.

I should mention that we owe special thanks to the Edwards Plateau Soil & Water Conservation District as well as the Sutton County Underground Water District for their sponsorship and commitment to youth education.

### Free Web Service Connects Hunters With Places To Hunt

AUSTIN, Texas — Research surveys show that finding a place to hunt is a barrier for many people in today's Texas, which is why Texas Parks and Wildlife Department created the Hunt Texas Online Connection, a free Web service that allows anyone to view hunting opportunities posted by private landowners across the state.

In early 2008, the department invited landowners to list hunting lease opportunities in Texas for free, including last-minute openings. Currently, hunters can search more than 450 hunting opportunities by lease type, county, game animal, cost per hunter and other parameters. The service is free to both hunters and landowners.

"Anyone looking for a hunting lease in Texas can use this free service to find listings from landowners throughout the state," said Linda Campbell, TPWD program director for private lands and public hunting. "This is one way we're trying to better serve our license-buying public. It's important to keep the Texas hunting tradition strong, since hunting supports wholesome family recreation, pumps

more than a billion dollars per year into Texas local economies, and provides an economic incentive for private land stewards to protect wildlife habitat."

To register, landowners can visit the main Hunt Texas Online Connection Web area on the TPWD Web site. Click "Get Started," select a username and password, log in, and start looking at hunting opportunities. Leases can be seen without registering and logging in, but users must register in order to contact landowners.

After users fill out the online registration form, they'll get an email with a long URL ending in the word "activate" — users must click this link to complete registration. If users don't receive the activation email, it might be because a security system is blocking it. In that case, users could try placing [hunt.texas@tpwd.state.tx.us](mailto:hunt.texas@tpwd.state.tx.us) in their address book or allowed e-mail rules.

Hunters and landowners will determine if they are the right fit for each other, and all transactions will be between landowners and hunters. The new service also provides links to privately operated hunting

lease Web sites as a convenience for the public. TPWD does not independently verify, endorse or warrant any of the information posted on Hunt Texas Online Connection, or any information contained on the privately operated hunting lease Web sites that are linked from the service.

Anyone can e-mail questions, comments and suggestions about Hunt Texas Online Connection to [hunt.texas@tpwd.state.tx.us](mailto:hunt.texas@tpwd.state.tx.us). The TPWD Wildlife Information staff at (512) 389-4505 can also provide basic assistance with the service.

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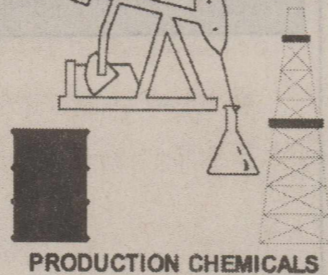
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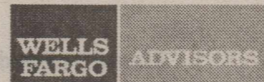
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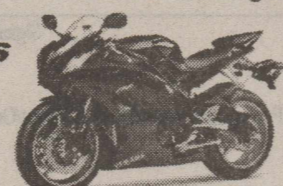


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**The Sutton County Hospital District**  
 invites you to participate in a  
**Health Care Forum with**  
**U.S. Representative Mike Conaway**

**Wednesday, August 5th**  
**9:10 a.m. to 10:10 a.m.**  
**in The Health and Wellness Center**  
**located at**  
**Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital**

**Representative Conaway will update you on the current events related to health care reform and allow for questions and answers.**

**Iraqi Children**

Continued from Front Page

Kids of Iraq (KOI). Our volunteers have prepared them for delivery, and I am happy to report that your contributions will soon be distributed to the children in the local community, if they haven't made it already.

Please keep an eye on our website (www.KidsofIraq.org), as we will be posting pictures of the kids who received your generous donations, as soon as they are available. A picture truly is worth a thousand words, so we will let the pictures speak for themselves. It is easy to see that the thoughtfulness of supporters like you has helped KOI to make a direct impact on these kids, the future leaders of Iraq, and has created a positive memory that will last long into the future.

We would encourage you to continue your support, as there are countless other children throughout Iraq that can greatly benefit from the generosity of individuals like you. Whether through supplies or simply getting the word out to your friends and associates, we appreciate it. Not one of us is as strong as all of us. Together we are making a difference. Again, thank you for your time and effort."

Thank you Sonora, for making this contribution possible. Thank you for helping change lives, for making the difference. Please continue to stand behind our troops, because it really means the world.

SSgt Jennifer Durgeat

**Heroic Purpose**

Editor's Note:

*Words are cheap when used casually, dangerous when spoken with spite, and powerful when written with a purpose. Jay Amundson's purpose for writing the following could not have been more solid: to give a firsthand account of "one of the most heroic things I have ever witnessed".*

I had been flying Night Hawk missions, so I slept during the day. I was awakened one morning by an explosion, so I grabbed my camera and ran toward the smoke.

The following sequence is of an OH6 from the 1/9 1st Cav that was refueling in Phuc Vinh. As he was landing, his skid became entangled with the fuel hose, and he flipped over. There were 3 men on board and trapped in the aircraft.

My CO happened to be landing a flight of Hueys on the other side and saw the OH6 crash. He ordered the flight to get out of there, got out of his aircraft, and ran to the burning helicopter.

In the middle of the fueling area was a drainage ditch that often had JP4 spillage on top of the water. As he ran, he fell in the ditch and was covered with fuel. He had to know, because of the odor of the fuel, that he would burn if he tried to rescue the guys in the crash. He ran in anyway and pulled them out.

Two of the 3 crash victims survived, though severely injured, and one died. My CO, Major Pete Bradley, was severely burned, but survived.

It was one of the most heroic things I have ever witnessed.

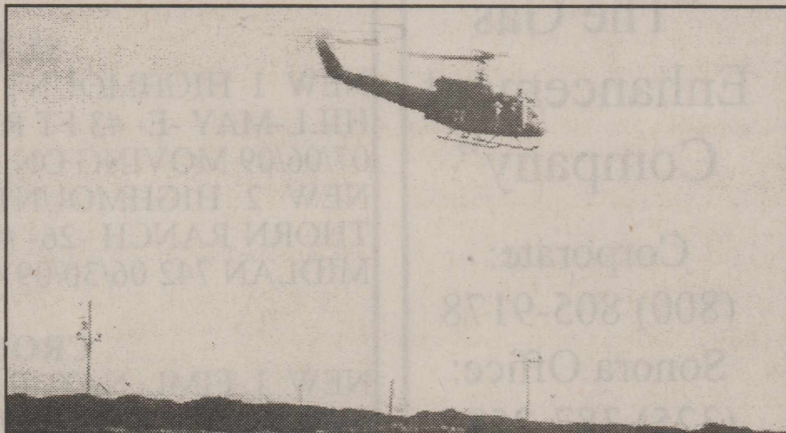
Jay Amundson

Ghostrider 3

C/227th 1st Cav 1970-1971

*Major Pete Bradley (a colonel by the time of his retirement) now resides in Sonora, Texas. His own survival from this incident was secured by a non-commissioned officer who put out the fire that was engulfing the fuel-drenched Bradley. The injuries he received resulted in a lengthy recovery time in hospitals in Japan and eventually San Antonio, Texas.*

*Pete received a commendation for his actions on that day. His response to the news of his commendation was to ensure that the non-commissioned officer who saved him would also receive the same award.*



A medevac helicopter flies off with then-Major Pete Bradley.

**SONORA OUTLAW TEAM ROPING CHALLENGE**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 8, 2009**

**Open Draw Pot Roping**

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**Enter up to 2 times -draw 3- \$100 per roper**

(enter with a partner-CASH only)

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**Top 10 teams return to rope in the Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo**

5 Friday / 5 Saturday

**Buckles awarded to winners!**

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**2009 Kids Mutton Bustin'**



Sonora, Texas

**Saturday, August 8, 2009**

7:00 p.m. at the Sutton County Arena

Entries now open @

**Sonora Chamber of Commerce**

Contestants must be entered no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wed. Aug. 5<sup>th</sup>

\*\* Parent/guardian must sign release for entry to be accepted. **No late entries!**

\*\*\* Contestants will be weighed\*\*\*

**Top 6 contestants will qualify to compete during the Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo on Friday, August 14, 2009 at 7:30 p.m.**

**Buckles and prizes will be awarded to the top 3 places**

All contestants will receive a Mutton Bustin' T-shirt.

**\$10 Entry Fee**  
Ages 4 to 7  
Weight limit  
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**2009 Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo Kid's Mutton Bustin' Entry Form**

The preliminary Kid's Mutton Bustin' will be held Saturday August 8, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. The top 6 contestants will return for finals in the Friday, August 14, 2009 Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo. It is open to any child between the ages of 4 and 7, weighing 55 pounds or less. Entry fee is \$10 per child. Each Mutton Bustin' finalist receives free entry into the Friday night performance of the Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo. The overall Mutton Bustin' winner will receive a buckle, 2<sup>nd</sup> place to receive a gift certificate for a pair of boots, 3<sup>rd</sup> place will receive a pair of spurs. All top 6 places to receive a youth rope!

Notes:

1. A helmet is required and will be provided.
2. Each child may have ONE helper/parent in the arena.
3. SCDA reserves the right to refuse any entry.

Name of Contestant: \_\_\_\_\_

Hobbies/Interests: \_\_\_\_\_

T Shirt Size (XS 2-4, Sm 6-8, Med 10-12 Lg 14-16) \_\_\_\_\_

Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

**Must weigh in at registration.**

Name of parent/guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Arena Helper: \_\_\_\_\_

(Only 1 helper/parent allowed in the arena during performance)

Telephone Number: (home) \_\_\_\_\_

(Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

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City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

All Entries must include the hold harmless release below. It must be signed by the parent/guardian of the entrant. **NO EXCEPTIONS!!!**

Release

The undersigned does hereby voluntarily assume all risks arising out of and/or connected with his or her participation in the below named event and does hereby release the Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo and Sutton County Days Association, the employees, agents, and/or officers, and all other persons associated with the organizations, from any and all claims and causes of action that may result from an injury to the undersigned which has been sustained or may be sustained, and from any and all damages to property belonging to the undersigned that may be a result of his or her participation in the Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo Mutton Bustin'. If the undersigned is a minor, the parent or guardian of said minor shall sign this release and hereby agrees to hold each of the above said persons harmless from any liability whatsoever to say minor arising out of his or her participation in the above named event.

Signature of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Printed name and address of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Witness \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Deadline for entry is Wednesday August 5, 2009 by 5:00 p.m. in order to receive a t-shirt. Turn in entry form to the Sonora Chamber of Commerce at 205 Hwy 277 N. FMI Call 325-387-2880 or 325-387-5220 (Bridget Wardlaw) Fax: 325-387-5357 or 325-387-3813

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**Garage Sale:** Friday, July 31 & Saturday, August 1, 101 Cornell St., 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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### Public Notices

**Sutton County Days Arena Improvement Committee** is seeking bids from general contractors for the construction of new restroom/concession building, including site utilities, site grading, paving and accessible parking. Bid specifications can be obtained from the Sutton County Judge's Office in the Sutton County Annex, on a first come, first served basis. A \$100.00 deposit by certified cashier's check will be required for the bid packet, refundable upon return of the Bid Packet. Bids should be returned to the County Judge and will be opened and accepted, rejected or taken under advisement at a regular meeting of the Sutton County Commissioners Court on August 10, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. in the meeting room of the Sutton County Annex. Sutton County Days Arena Improvement Committee reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Awarded bidder will be required to furnish proof of worker's compensation insurance, certificate of liability insurance and performance bond in the amount of the bid.

### Public Notices

**NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF MARVIN FOSTER SHURLEY, DECEASED**

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Marvin Foster Shurley were issued on June 17, 2009, in Cause No. 1349, pending in the County Court of Sutton County, Texas, to:

**Wanda Kay Shurley**

The residence of Independent Executrix is Sutton County, Texas.

The address is: c/o David W. Wallace, Attorney at Law P.O. Box 1508 Sonora, Texas 76950

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administrated are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Dated this 20th day of July, 2009

David W. Wallace for Wanda Kay Shurley, Independent Ex-

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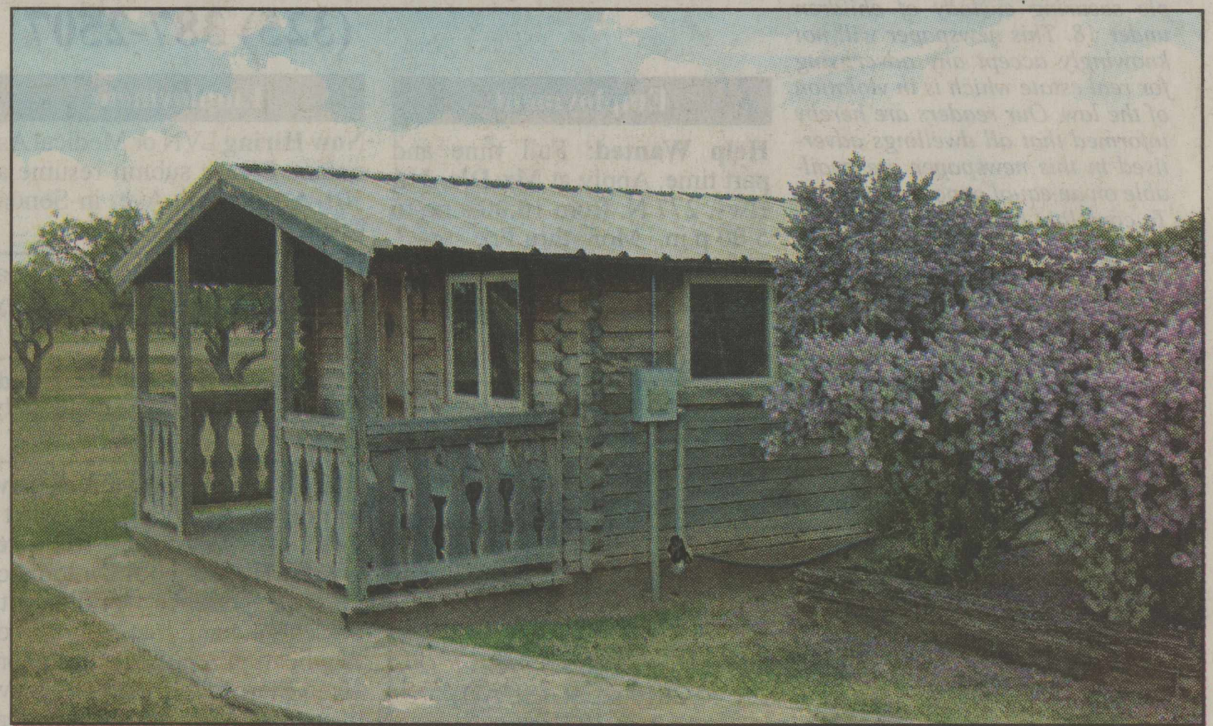
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# ADVENTURESOME



From the North entrance of San Angelo State Park, a creek runs beside a small trail that follows its banks leading into the heart of the park. Covering the park are many trails that are excellent for hiking, mountain biking and horseback riding.



A small cabin sits near the waterfront at San Angelo State Park. The park has 6 enclosed air-conditioned and heated mini-cabins that accommodate 6 persons each. Other facilities include campsites (with water and electricity) horse pens, picnic tables, and pavilions.

*Adventuresome: daring-willing or eager to participate in exciting or risky activities (Encarta Dictionary). The Adventuresome is a special section added to the Devil's River News for the summer. We hope you will use it as a guide to help you get out and explore the treasures around West Texas. Each issue we will explore a different park, nature area, historical site or travel destination within a day's drive and highlight the attractions and adventure to be found.*

**Story and Photos**  
by James Ricks

**San Angelo State Park**  
Travel Time: 1hr. 14min.  
Distance: 69 miles from Sonora

I headed out to San Angelo State Park unsure of what I was to find. I generally make the drive to the city of San Angelo for groceries and to get a better variety in cuisine options and a movie. What I found at the State park was a hidden gem of a treasure I will be sure to visit again.

I drove through most of the park roads and was able to access the main areas and sites with little physical effort needed a great aspect for those that like nature but not sweating. Things are well spaced, and a nice fragrance fills the air from the local flora.

I dared to venture on some of the trails with my mountain bike, and found that even my novice skills at trail riding were sufficient to enjoy the area and travel the trails

through the park.

The multi-use trails offer something for everyone, from cleared open-dirt ranger road trails to the encroaching cactus-lined paths. I never did find the dinosaur foot prints that I heard about from a park ranger, my travels still left much unseen, and I hope to explore more the next time I go racing lizards on those dusty trails.

The park holds a variety of activities for anybody, from the day picnicker to the outdoor enthusiast to playgrounds for the little ones. The sheer size of the park was a surprise with its numerous possibilities for activities.

"It's like a hidden spot of San Angelo; it's all green and you can just camp out. I come out here to get away," said Jonathan Runion, a park visitor and local of San Angelo. "Not a lot of people come out here, but I think the trails here are unbelievable. They're real pretty, and nice for mountain biking."

The state park website

lists the following activities available: camping, picnicking, hiking, mountain biking and horseback riding on multi-use trails, lake swimming and wading, fishing, boating, a three-level orienteering course, and bird and wildlife observation.

The lake level appeared too low for any good safe swimming or boating, but the numerous boat ramps hold possibilities for when the water level comes back up.

The park has two main entrances, the South and North. The South entrance is located closest to the city and holds the majority of the camping, RV and picnic sites. The North entrance has less-developed amenities but seemed to be greener and more picturesque.

The park is worth a visit and should be on everyone's must-see for the summer. For more information on the park and activities available, visit the Texas Parks and Wildlife website, [www.tpwd.state.tx.us](http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us)



## YMCA Youth Football Registration

Saturday, Aug. 1, 2009  
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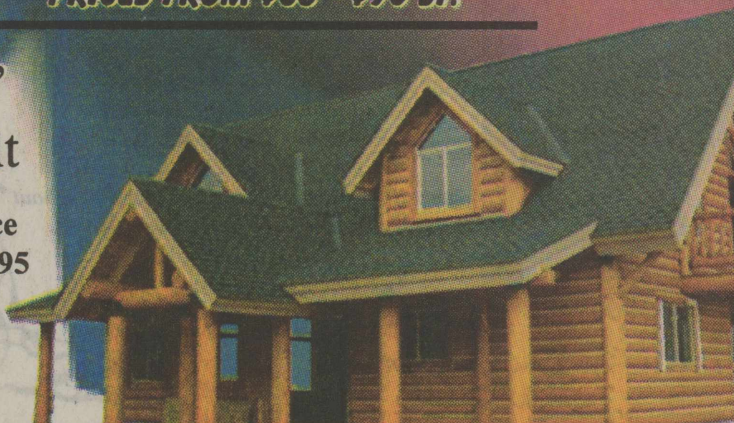
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8:30 a.m. Tie-down Roping,  
Steer Wrestling, and Team Roping.

Friday, August 14th

8:30 a.m. Girl's Barrel Racing and 3 complete  
go-rounds of Steer Roping

7:30 p.m. Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo

8:00 p.m. til midnight-Dance to *Blind Nello*

Saturday, August 15th

7:00 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

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