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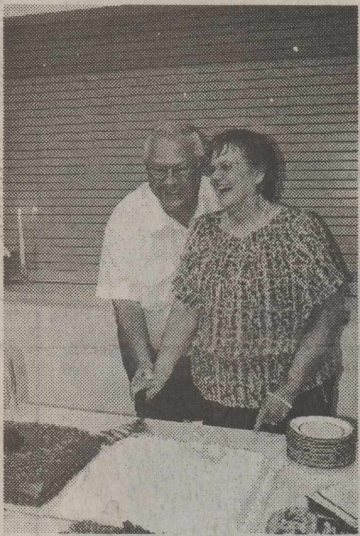
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City Council Special Meeting: Construction Contract Questioned Then Scrapped

By Ben D. Taylor

The city council convened for a special meeting on August 4, 2009 to discuss the status of a contract awarded to V-TEC (the winning bidder on a sewer and water construction contract).

Mayor Jed Davenport expressed concerns with how the contract was awarded, "Two bids for this job were received, and the city accepted the bid with V-TEC. To date they have not furnished a bond or workman's compensation insurance as requested in the contract". The mayor added that this company has already been paid between \$60,000 and \$70,000.

City Council member Pete Bradley expressed further concerns regarding this contract (specifically the authorization of V-TEC to use city equipment to conduct the work), "It was not in the bid that we would let the company that

got the bid use our equipment. This is a violation of the Texas Municipal Code, and opens us up for a lawsuit". City Manager Dean Carrell expressed his dismay with the contracting company stating that their actions have been devastating for him.

City attorney Beth Wallace commented that, "the work should never have started. The contract needs to be terminated". Councilmember Neal asked that, "the city give the company another 10 days to get bonded and prove workman's compensation insurance before the contract is terminated".

The city manager reported that two thirds of the work has been completed (V-TEC has left Sonora to complete an emergency job elsewhere), and that city employees can complete the remainder of the work. Further discussion on the matter concluded that the City Manager approved the contract without

council approval.

Councilmember Bradley made a motion for work to stop immediately on this project, and the City Manager to come back to the Council after the data has been received from V-TEC and a price submitted from them for final payment. The City Manager strongly assured the council that he would get all the data pertaining to this job as well as a final price from V-TEC. The motion passed 3 to 1 (Neal the dissenting vote). Mayor Jed Davenport adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m. on a motion by Councilmember Dover and a second by Councilmember Neal.

The next scheduled City Council meeting is for Tuesday, August, 27 at City Hall. All Sonorans are encouraged to attend.

Report on TCEQ Investigation: Sonora's Water Supply System Evaluated Superior

Submitted by the City of Sonora

Re: Complaint Investigation at: City of Sonora Water System, Sonora (Sutton County), Texas

TCEQ PWS ID: 2180001; Incident: 125705; Investigation: 761782

Status: Closed
Initial Problem:

On 06/17/2009, an envelope was received at the San Angelo TCEQ Office. The envelope included a letter from an anonymous complainant and a page from a newspaper. The newspaper page consisted of pages 7 and 8 of the June 11, 2009 edition of The Devil's River News, which is the Sonora, Texas, local newspaper. Pages 7 and 8 are the Classified Ads section of the newspaper. The complainant had circled one of the classified ads, which was a public notice that had been placed in the newspaper by the City. The ad notified the public of a repeat monitoring violation. The ad stated that the City of Sonora is required to submit water samples for bacteriological testing, that the samples submitted during March 2009 contained coliform bacteria, that the TCEQ requires the collection of repeat samples, and that the City failed to collect the repeat samples. The letter from the complain-

ant asked for something to be done to educate the City officials about the proper method of alerting citizens of potential health hazards. The complainant noted that the bacteria sample was found in March, but the public notification was "...in a June article hidden in the classified pages...."

Comments:

On 07/09/2009, Ms. White called TCEQ's Public Drinking Water Section (PDW) and spoke with Mark Mikol. Mr. Mikol said that, when required, a community PWS should post public notifications in the local newspaper. He looked for the information pertaining specifically to the City of Sonora. He found that a sample was found to be positive for bacteria in March 2009, but the sample was invalidated by the PDW. All of the repeat samples were negative for bacteria. All of the repeat sample data were reassigned by PDW as "routine" samples. By mistake, the computer database issued the Notice of Monitoring Violation letter to the City on 05/26/2009. Mr. Mikol stated that the City has had "an impeccable record" since 2002. Action Taken/Closure Comments:

No violations were noted. No public health hazard was documented.

The TCEQ educates and instructs the City through letters, and by making copies of the rules available to the City. The City has not committed an acute violation, so a boil water notice was not required.

The City has not committed a nonacute violation, so public notification was not required.

Even though the City did not have to publish a public notice, the method it used was one of the methods described in the Texas Administrative Code.

On July 9, 2009, Ms. Linda White of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) San Angelo Region Office conducted an investigation of the above-referenced regulated entity to evaluate compliance with applicable requirements for a public water supply. No violations are being alleged as a result of the investigation. At this time, your public water supply continues to merit recognition as a "Superior" system.

2009 Smith Pro Rodeo's GREATEST SHOW ON DIRT



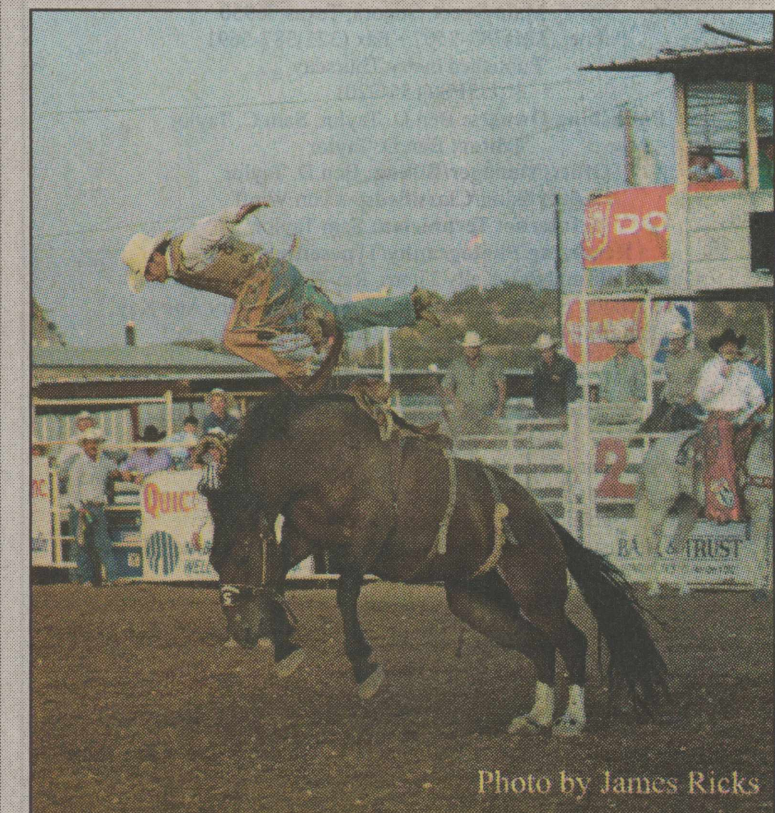
Your 2009 Mutton Bustin' Finalists: Bottom Left-Jacob O'Bannon, Kayden Key, 1st place-Ryan Hopkins, Miss Sutton County 2008 Stephani Morriss, 2nd Place-Victoria Klebold-Smith, 3rd place-Caleb Nolen, Cuatro Wardlaw. Top Left-Jarrett Jackson, Robert Zapata, and Corbin Boggs



2009 Miss Sutton County Shainah Johnson.



Curry Campbell (far left) and Petie Lewis (far right) congratulate the County Team Roping Champions Ladd Hughes (middle left) and Sterling Price (middle right).



This years rodeo was full of action packed performances. For results and more pictures see page 10.

Lighthouse Community Church

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School Starts, Bingo
Tues. Aug. 25- Work on puzzle
Wed. Aug. 26- Happy Birthday Bennie King

Senior Center Menu

Thur. Aug. 20- Baked fish, tator tots, lima beans, milk
cornbread, sliced strawberries
Fri. Aug. 21- Tacos, bean & cheese, pinto beans, milk
corn w/peppers salad, mixed fruit
Mon. Aug. 24- Chicken taco salad, tomato wedges, milk
lettuce, macaroni salad, lemon pie
Tues. Aug. 25- Spaghetti w/meat sauce, spinach, milk
garlic bread, fruit cocktail, apple sauce cake
Wed. Aug. 26- Oven fried chicken w/gravy, rolls,
mashed potatoes, mixed greens, Jell-O w/fruit

Participants in the senior nutrition program must be 60 or older.
Meals are served Monday - Friday at 12:00 p.m.
Donations are accepted
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and all other meals-to-go).



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387-3190

The Church of the Good Shepherd Presbyterian
319 E. Mulberry
387-2616

First Baptist Church
11 E. Oak
387-2951

Lighthouse Community Church
1705 N. Crockett
387-9100

St. John's Episcopal Church
404 E. Poplar
387-2955

Pentecostal Calvary Temple United
509 Amistad
387-5266

First United Methodist Church
201 N. Water
387-2466

St. Ann's Catholic Church
229 W. Plum
387-2278

Templo Jerusalem Asamblea De Dios
306 W. 4th St
387-5713

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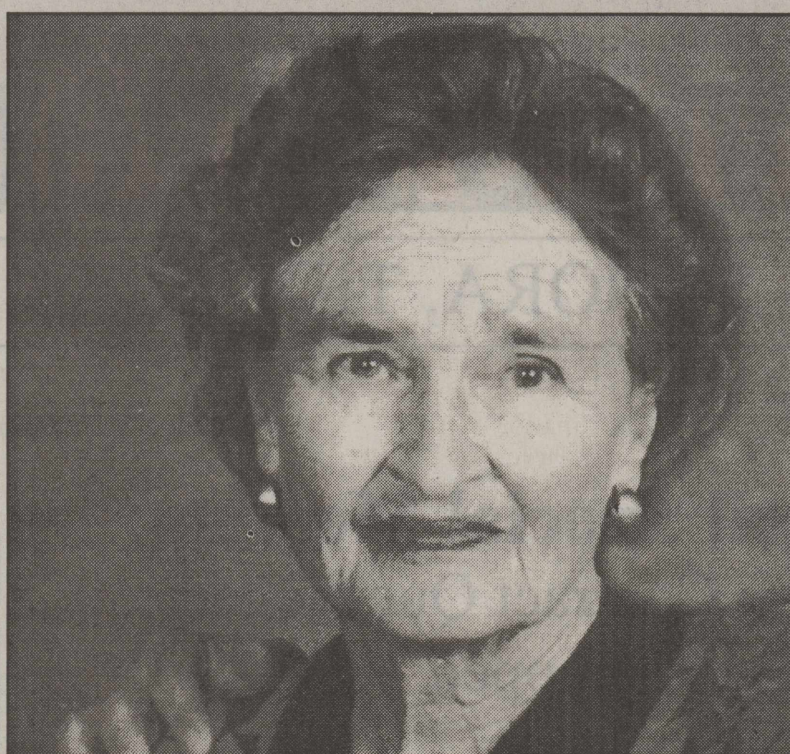
Obituaries

Vernon "Dale" Bounds

Vernon "Dale" Bounds went to be with the Lord on the morning of August 10, 2009 at his home in Utopia, Texas. Dale was born October 16, 1957 to Melvin Leslie "M.L." Bounds and Barbara Kindred Bounds in Uvalde, Texas. He was a man whose work ethic was beyond compare and was known by many people in the Sabinal, Frio, & Nueces Canyons for service to their water wells. His work came second only to his love for his family and friends. Dale enjoyed many outdoor activities, but was best known for his fishing prowess.

Dale is survived by his two beautiful daughters: Ashley Long with husband James of Utopia and Kindra Bounds of Sonora, along with his most precious grandchildren Braden Long and Alexis Long of Utopia. He is also survived by one sister, Pam Calvin of Miller, MO. And one brother Rick Bounds of Sonora, nieces Donna Hearn with husband Shane & family, Vonna Martinez with husband Richard & family of Uvalde, Tonya Bounds of Sonora; and nephews Kelly Pierson & family of San Antonio, and Jason Bounds with wife Pam & family of Odessa. Other survivors include his Aunts & Uncles, Sammy Kindred, James Kindred, Kay Rainwater, & Zena Littman along with dear friends Kevin & Tina Taylor of Ft. McKavett. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Keep catching the big ones!!
Vaya con Dios, cuñado,
Love, Tia



Margaret Elliot Sandherr Galbreath

September 30, 1922- August 18, 2009

Daughter of Nannie B. Dunbar Sandherr & Tom Sandherr

Margaret lived her whole life in Sutton County, graduating from Sonora High School in 1939. She attended Southwestern University, graduating in 1943. Margaret taught school in Christoval, TX from 1943 until after she married William L. Galbreath. They moved to the family ranch after his discharge from the army at the end of World War II. Margaret raised 3 daughters: Cindy, Debbie & Maggie at the ranch while occasionally doing substitute teaching. After Cindy and Debbie left home, Margaret began to run the ranch on her own while raising Maggie as well her niece Linda. She continued, for the rest of her life, to be a true Ranch Woman as only a Texas woman could. She was a life time member of the Methodist Church, where she taught Sunday School for many years. While involved in many aspects of community service, two favorites were Girl Scouts and 4-H. She was loved and will be missed by many friends as well as her survivors: daughters, Cindy, Debbie, and Maggie; grandchildren Meg, Whitt, LuAnne, Casey, and Bonner; beloved niece Linda and nephew Billy Bob and nine great-grandchildren. In lieu of flowers donations should be made to Methodist Children's Home.

Thank You Note

I would like to express my gratitude to the citizens of Sonora who so graciously donated money to purchase school supplies and clothing vouchers for 75 children in need. Thank you, most of all, to the First United Methodist Church for spearheading this project. There is a great amount of work that goes into purchasing, sorting, and delivering the school supplies - an endeavor that does not go unnoticed. Again, thank you for your generosity and support.

Sincerely,
Amy Davenport, School Counselor
Sonora Elementary School

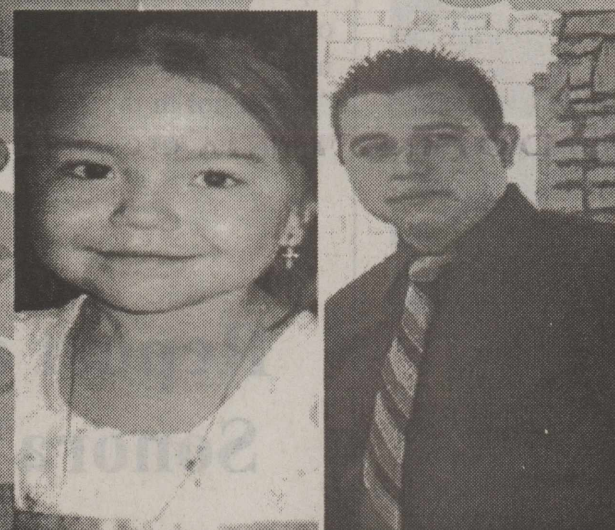
Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

As we suffer through this down fall of the economy, the Landmark Apartments has had to lower their prices on apartment rent on new and current renters, and spend money on devices to get the attention of potential renters over the last 2 months. I purchased 3 yard signs that are made to catch the eye of people driving by the apartment complex and draw them in to rent. These signs cost the apartment complex \$120.00 for all 3 signs. However, 2 of them have been stolen from the Landmark Apartments. Not sure why anyone would want a sign that says: -STOP LOOK LEASE, OR BE HAPPY AND MOVE IN TODAY. I am offering a \$75.00 reward to anyone that finds the missing signs, turns them over to my office, and gives me the names of who took them. I am also willing to receive the signs back with no questions asked, no charges filed, but no reward money. Can we please better our community and teach others that if it is not yours-leave it. If you want something-pay for it. Simple life applications.

Jana Dover

HAPPY BIRTHDAY HAZEL & OSCAR



From all your family and friends

Happy Birthday!

August 20

Fay Price, Danielle Fox, Ryan Hardgrave,
Steven Gandar, Maritza Villanueva,
Bernardo Solis, Sr., Issek Hernandez

August 21

Corky Schwiening, Ed Lee Carrasco,
Hazel Marie Guerra, Anna Trevino,
Jeremy Surber, Elizabeth Schenkel

August 22

Colby Paganucci, Pete Uriega, Carson Wolfe,
Elvalisa Martinez, Shannon Arnwine,
Shane Arnwine, Margarita Hernandez,
Bobby Mogford, Kay Word, Jody Harris,
Oscar Hernandez, Jr., Michael Morales

August 23

Tino Dominguez, Miguel Vaquera,
Isael A. Perez, Joshua Galindo, Aaron Noriega,
Sarah Blakely, Haleigh Miller, Kevin Snyder,
Jason Edward Vitela II, Ulys Beard

August 24

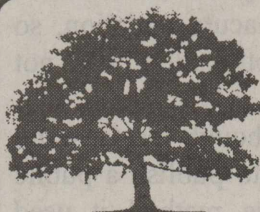
Zeke Martinez, Beau Hughes, Britani Dover,
Frank M. Gandar, Jason Freeman, Heather Cearley,
Vanessa Martinez, M.C. Tobias, Cassandra Torres

August 25

Daniela Cano, Javier Segura,
Orlando Segura, Linda Love

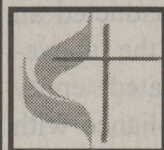
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Debra Hobbs, Robin Downing, Cassi Cole,
Kara Blair, Fran Pennington, Adam Fay



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Chamber Chatter

Submitted by: Donna Garrett

Thank you Sonora!!! The 36th Annual Sutton County Days was a huge success. The crowds came and had a great time, eating, shopping, listening to music or some just sat around and visited with old friends. Saturday morning started with the parade at 9:00 a.m. "Best Local" entry went to West Central Wireless; "Best Out Of Town" entry went to Kimble County Chamber of Commerce; "Best Theme" went to Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital. Congratulations to all the winners and I would like to say thank you to all of you who participated.

The Little Mr. and Little Miss Sutton County contest had 16 entries this year and as always draws a huge crowd of parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and spectators to watch and wonder what the little ones might say. This year's Little Mr. Sutton County is Joseph Ivan Abrego, with first runner up Ryan L. Hopkins and second runner up Damian Matthew Martinez. This year's little Miss Sutton County is Miss Lexie Martin, with first runner up Miss Makinna Renee Price, and second runner up is Miss Annika Galindo. Congratulations to all of you.

Viva Sonora hosted this year's Pet Parade with Carmela owned by Makinna Price taking first, Jackie, owned by Sterling Smith in second place and Jessie, owned by Stevie Smith in third The Small Dog Race with the following results; first place was River, owned by Debra Hobbs shown by Mary Kyle Johnson, second went to Carmela, owned by Makinna Price and third Joey, owned by Sierra Gomez. Congratulations to all of you and thank you for participating.

There were over 70 vendors selling food, gifts, and children's games. Entertainment was provided throughout the day starting with the West Texas Cloggers, Ed Stabler along with Kelly Henson and to finish the day was the Blind Nello Band which kept the crowds throughout the day. Eddy Smith and Cindy Colbath with KHOS were there live to let everyone know what was going on. Congratulations to Shainah Johnson who was crowned Miss Sutton County 2009 at Saturday's Rodeo. All the girls were amazing and I would like to congratulate all of them for a job well done. Sonora is proud of all of you!!! There are so many people to thank so please if I miss you I apologize in advance.

I would like to say a special thank you to my assistant Tibba Edmondson for all the hours and hard work she put into this event it would not have been possible without her. Thanks to all who participated in this wonderful event!!

Friday August 21st - Grand Opening of Crystal's Palace Flowers & Gifts at 105 W. 4th 12:00 p.m. refreshments will be served so please come and show your support!

SONORA ISD GOLDEN BRONCO PASS

Anyone in the community who is 65 years or older is entitled to a Golden Bronco Pass. The pass will provide free admission to any school activity. The passes are available between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM at the Administration Building, 807 S. Concho. Please provide proof of residency and age when applying for the pass.

4-Her's Helping 4-Her's

The Sutton County 4-H Club is having a fundraiser to help fellow 4-Her's in need. Dakota Love has two broken legs and is in the hospital. His family is in need of any monetary donations available.

Also, there were five 4-Her's from El Paso that were severely burned in an accident. Their families could also use all available monetary donations.

Please, show your support by dropping donations off at the Sutton County 4-H Extension office.

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Gov. Perry Ceremonially Signs SB 482 Creating Texas Holocaust and Genocide Commission

AUSTIN - Gov. Rick Perry today ceremonially signed Senate Bill (SB) 482, which creates the Texas Holocaust and Genocide Commission to help preserve information and experiences of the Holocaust and other genocide events. The commission will work with organizations, agencies, museums, survivors and liberators to provide information and experiences and to coordinate memorial events in the state.

"As a state and nation, we are compelled to prevent future episodes of genocide and oppression by casting the light of truth on their history and educating our citizens on the circumstances that allow their occurrence," Gov. Perry said. "Ultimately, that truth, and the willingness to defend the vulnerable among us will lead to greater justice. I believe this bill is an important statement of the values we hold dear in this state- those of respecting human life and valuing freedom for all men and women."

The creation of this commission will give schools and organizations in smaller communities access to resources and information about the Holocaust and genocide that

they would otherwise have little access to. The commission will consist of 18 members- 15 appointed by the governor, lieutenant governor and House speaker, with the commissioner of education, commissioner of higher education and executive director of the Texas Veterans Commission acting as ex-officio members.

"As a child of Holocaust survivors, I have lived the lessons of that horrific event all my life, but there are generations of people who have no access to the lessons and teachings of this historic tragedy," Sen. Florence Shapiro said. "The intolerance of that period remains a contemporary issue today that young people need to learn about. It is my hope that this legislation will help provide the information necessary to ensure that we never forget."

In addition to the Holocaust, there have been five major genocide events in the 20th century, including the Armenian, Cambodian, Rwandan, Bosnian and Herzegovinian, and Sudanese genocides. Survivors, liberators and others who witnessed these atrocities have died without leaving their lessons of survival and humanity. According to the

Holocaust Museum Houston, six Holocaust survivors have died within the last six months in Houston alone.

"I am very proud to have authored this bill with my good friend Senator Shapiro. We must all stand up and recognize that genocide continues to take place all over the world. 64 years ago it was Eastern Europe. Today, it is Darfur," Sen. Rodney

Ellis said. "The Holocaust and Genocide Commission is Texas' effort to ensure that our schools and communities have the resources they need to teach our kids and neighbors to do what is morally right when faced with such atrocities."

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F.Y.I.

Season tickets for Sonora Bronco Football will be on sale at the Administration Building from 8:00 a.m. on Monday, August 17, through noon Friday, August 28. Tickets are \$25 per book.

West Texas Appaloosa Horse Club-Open Horse Show and Playday- Collins' Arena, 553 So. Co. Rd. 104 (Bloodworth Rd.) Sonora, Texas, Saturday, August 22, 2009, Books open 7:00 a.m. Classed begin 8:00 a.m. FMI Call Lynn Parsons 325-226-5899 or Debbie Collins 325-226-4294.

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.

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.

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 picture with bio's. Include the name of the veteran, branch of service. 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, or email to juanita@sonoratrxt.net.

Sonora High School Alumni - Register at www.sonorahighalumni.com. For more information log on to sonoraalum@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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THE LIONS ROAR Main Street Traffic Happy 50th Anniversary

By Frank Wamble

What a big week the citizens of Sonora had this past week, and it was no different for the Lions. When people remark, "What a great place Sonora is to play and live" they are right on the mark! At our last meeting, the Lions had a preview of Sutton County Days by the people in the know, Donna Garrett, General Manager of our Sonora Chamber, and Tibba Edmonson, her able assistant, along with Kendra Vvlecka who ran the parade. This first class team did a great job preparing us for the wonderful event. There was planning for events to satisfy all ages. From the main event, the Rodeo and pageantry, to the great bands, vendors from all over with goodies and food, the carnival rides and best of all

the Masonic Lodge's scholarship steak dinner. What a great job done by Donna and her team in preparation for this weekend.

Teachers Welcome Supper planning was being taken care of by Lions Ray Wells and Lewis Allen, co-chairs for this event. It was held at the High School Commons Area on Tuesday, August 18 at 5:00 P.M.

The Lions are waiting for the results of the Miss Sutton County contest. We will crown the new Lions Queen who will take over for retired queen, Miss Sam Tidwell. The Lions will crown the first runner-up (if she accepts) as our 2009-2010 queen. Go Broncos!!!

Submitted by Ann Kay

WOW! The Chamber and the Sutton County Rodeo Association did a great job planning Sutton County Days! The community was buzzing with people.

F.H. Sonora Main Street Program would like to express our appreciation to all the vendors who made the weekend a fun, warm memory for all of us. I would like to also thank our directors, Charline Terry, Cecilia Sanchez, Dee Martinez, Patti Rainer, Tami Adkins, and Tony Adkins, Jenny Esparza, and especially my husband Jim Kay, for all the work they did to help with our booth at Sutton County Days.

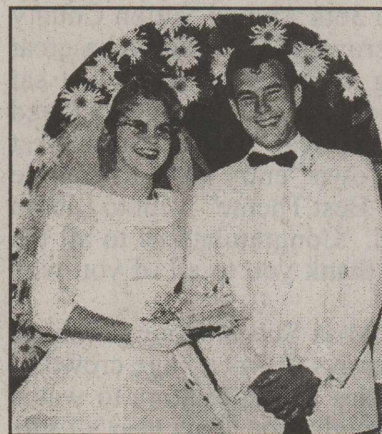
Now it is time to get ready for Bronco football! We are

planning the annual Bronco Homecoming parade on Friday, September 11, 2009. The lineup will be at the old car wash on Concho Street at 2:30 PM, and the parade will begin at 3:00 PM. It will go up Main Street to the Sutton County Courthouse lawn. Everyone in our community is invited to be a part of the Bronco celebration. We would also like to invite the alumni to ride in the Homecoming parade, so don't miss the fun!

The Bronco Pep Rally will be in front of the courthouse right after the parade. Following the Pep Rally, Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program will be cooking hamburgers. We would love for you to join us and support your F.H. Main Street Program!

Friday night, we have planned an "After Game Party" for the Sonora High School Alumni. We welcome you to join us after the game at the Sutton County Steakhouse where Amy and Blaze will be cooking up some sweet treats.

Saturday, at the John & Mildred Cauthorn St. Fe Depot, we would like to invite the alumni to join us for a picnic lunch. Corky Schwiening will be working his magic on the best tasting pinto beans. Come and share your high school stories, and meet with old friends.



William Robert (Billy Bob) Ellingson and Janice Elaine Glasscock

On June 13, 1959, William Robert (Billy Bob) Ellingson and Janice Elaine Glasscock were married in the First Baptist Church in Sonora.

Recently, the couple celebrated their 50th anniversary, surrounded by family and friends at Kings Christian Church in Lolo, Montana. The renewal of vows ceremony was performed by Harvey Pearson and David Humphreys, former ministers of the couple.

Guests were registered by the Ellingson's granddaughter, Mirah Kimmer; then seated by the Ellingson's two grandsons, Drew Kimmer and Kasey Ellingson, and family friend Andy Megorden.

Janice was escorted by her brother, Bill Glasscock. The official witnesses to the ceremony were the bride's sister Marion T. Glasscock Olenick and husband, Louis Olenick.

The Ellingson's daughters, Tanya Kimmer and Shirley Coolidge offered prayers during the ceremony. Granddaughter Maisie Coolidge served as flower girl and grandson Tanner Coolidge was ring bearer. Son-in-law David Kimmer toasted the couple and son-in-law Ron Coolidge presented a video of still photographs which provided a visual history of the couple's lives.

Friends and family, many of whom had traveled long distances to honor the Ellingsons and join in the celebration, spent the remainder of the evening visiting, reminiscing and enjoying cake and punch.

Billy Bob and Janice both graduated from Sonora High School. He is the son of the late Jack Ellingson and Maxine Locklin. Janice's parents were the late Travis and Ina Glasscock.

Church of Christ Brings in Guest Speaker

Dear Brethren,

This is our second time to host Dr. Don Patton. He is very knowledgeable about the things that he speaks and uses visual aids to help even the youngest to understand the technical things he discusses. He is kind but firm about the importance of taking the Bible as the inspired Word of God.

We fear that our young people are inundated with the theories of godless evolution. Because of the constant battering by this message and no knowledge to the contrary, they associate education with godlessness. It is no wonder that our country is in the shape it is because of the number of years secular education has hammered our young people. The church has not done enough to counter this nonsense. For that reason,

we have invited Dr. Patton to be with us.

Doctor Don Patton

Dr. Patton is a graduate of Florida Christian College and has preached the Gospel for many years, but he is well studied in many other disciplines including Geology and Archeology. He has worked as a Geologist in 10 countries, including Australia, South America, Israel, and Turkey. He has participated in dinosaur excavations in Colorado, Texas, Utah, Wyoming, Canada, and Bolivia. He excavated the longest consecutive dinosaur on the American continent.

Dr. Patton has worked as an Archeologist in Mexico, Peru, France, Italy, Israel, Jordan, Cambodia, and Turkey. He participated in the excavat-

ing of the Pool of Siloam, The Tower of Siloam and the Palace of David. He also worked at the Altar of Joshua at Mt. Ebal, Qumran Plateau, and climbed Mt. Ararat investigation reporting remains of Noah's ark.

Dr. Patton is a popular speaker at colleges and universities around the world. He has participated in many public debates including radio and television. He has testified four times before the Texas State Textbook Committee in Austin.

We have given you a list of the lessons that he will be presenting and invited you to come and bring your young people. It is very important that they have an opportunity to hear the other side, the side of God and the Bible.

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Aug. 31	6:30pm	The Age of the Earth
Sept. 1	6:30pm	The Record of the Rocks
Sept. 2	6:30pm	The Fossil Record

Dr. Don Patton

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You are invited to come to the building for the studies except for Sunday evening at the Civic Center. Dr. Patton is open to answering questions. Food will be served following each evening service.

What greater thing is there for two human souls, than to feel that they are joined for life - to strengthen each other in all labour, to rest on each other in all sorrow, to minister to each other in all pain, to be one with each other in silent unspeakable memories at the moment of the last parting?

-George Eliot

Congratulations to Billy Bob and Janice from
The Devil's River News

TPWD Fishing Report

Amistad: Water clear; 87 degrees; 0.59' low. Black bass are good on chartreuse Yamamoto Senkos, topwaters, Zoom Super Flukes, and Carolina rigged 10" soft plastic worms in 16 - 28 feet. Striped bass are fair on large red fins near the dam. White bass are slow.

Crappie are slow. Catfish to 4 pounds are good on cheesebait and punchbait in 16 - 22 feet, and in 94 feet. Yellow catfish are slow. Everyone in the boat must have a Mexico fishing license (if fishing the Mexico side) whether fishing or not. LBJ: Water stained; 88 de-

grees; 0.38' low. Black bass are fair on JDC Skip-N-Pop topwaters, weightless watermelon red Whacky Sticks, and Bleeding Shad Rat-L-Traps along riprap on seawalls, docks, and water willows in 3 - 12 feet at daylight. White bass are slow. Crappie are fair on minnows and white Curb's crappie jigs over brush piles in 12 feet. Channel catfish are slow. Yellow and blue catfish are fair on trotlines baited with goldfish and perch.

Falcon: Water stained; 90 degrees. Black bass are good on Carolina rigged large soft plastic worms and crankbaits. Striped bass are slow. Channel and blue catfish are good on cut bait and stinkbait. Everyone in the boat must have a Mexico fishing license (if fishing the Mexico side) whether fishing or not.

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Sutton County Agricultural
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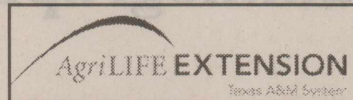
Ranchers wanting to improve rangeland condition or restore a site may consider a seeding program. Seeding forage-deficit ranges with desirable forage plants can make them productive again. Seeding is also necessary following root-plowing for brush control. Before jumping in, though, there are several things to consider.

Ranges can be improved by grazing management and brush and weed control if desirable plants are uniformly distributed and make up more than 10 to 15 percent of the vegetation. If desirable plants make up less than 10 to 15 percent of the vegetation, seeding is probably necessary. However, seed only the better sites to insure reasonable chances of success. Steep, potentially

erosive sites should not be disturbed. Seeding range sites that receive runoff water usually provides good results.

Species and varieties of plants selected for seeding must be adapted to our area's soil, climate and topography. Also, plants selected should be easily established, palatable to animals, relatively productive, able to withstand invasion by undesirable plants, able to withstand moderate grazing and able to prevent erosion under moderate grazing. This makes a case for native grasses.

Native plants naturally occur in the region in which they evolved. Many warm-season native grasses and forbs produce enough forage, with adequate protein, to meet the needs of livestock needs.



Little bluestem, Indiangrass, switchgrass and others are excellent forages. The bare ground between these bunchgrasses allows a variety of native forbs to germinate and grow.

While non-native plants might provide some of the above benefits, native plants have many additional advantages. Native plants are adapted to local soils and climate conditions and are often more resistant to insects and disease. Native wildlife evolved with these plants; therefore, they use native plant communities for food, cover and rearing young. Using native plants helps preserve the balance and beauty of natural ecosystems.

Along those lines, a Rangeland Restoration Workshop will be offered by Texas

AgriLife Extension Service at the Sutton County Civic Center on August 26 to discuss restoring our rangelands with native grasses. Other topics include an evaluation of brush control trials within Sutton County, and a discussion of cost share programs available to those wishing to initiate brush control efforts. The final topic is laws and regulations for pesticide applicators. Three continuing education units are available for those with a pesticide applicator license. Onsite registration starts at 8:30 a.m. and the program last from 9:00 a.m. to noon. There is no cost to attend, but please call 387-3101 if you plan to attend, so that we can adequately prepare.

Game Warden Field Notes

The following are excerpts from recent Texas Parks and Wildlife Department law enforcement reports.

"More Than" Wardens: On July 25th, two Coke and Sterling county wardens were patrolling Oak Creek. Checking a boat for water safety, they began to leave and observed the boat capsizing. After a quick turn back to the capsized boat, the wardens noticed the pair in the water. Life jackets were thrown to the two, but one was having difficulties and could not get into the life jacket and was going under water. One warden jumped into the water while the other placed the boat next to them and led both men into the boat and to safety.

Thirsty As the Fish: A warden found a group of underage drinkers and fishermen hiding on a canal leading off Balmorhea Lake. After some talking to, picking up litter, and a few citations for providing alcohol to minors and littering, the subjects went on

their way a much wiser group of young men.

Mom, Dad, Can I have a White-Tailed Deer?: On July 22, A Grayson County warden cited a Pottsboro man for possessing a white-tailed deer fawn. The subject had the fawn tied up to his front porch with a collar around its neck. The subject was feeding it a pasteurized milk and instant mashed potato formula. Case pending.

Trigger Happy: On July 25, A Coryell County game warden was in the process of writing several no fishing license citations to a group of fishermen on Lake Waco when he heard multiple gunshots coming from the Corps of Engineers property nearby. Upon investigation, the warden found three people in the woods shooting without a permit for the property. During a safety check for more weapons and ammo, marijuana was found on one of the subjects. All three subjects received ci-

tations from the Corps of Engineers, and one subject was transported to jail for marijuana possession. The subjects stated that they had just gotten new guns and couldn't wait to shoot them. Cases pending.

No Tail to Tell: On July 25th, two Polk County Game wardens received a tip while they were checking fishermen below the Lake Livingston Dam about an alligator that had been killed illegally. The wardens patrolled a short distance to a campground and found a discarded alligator carcass that was missing the tail. A short interview and a quick search around a nearby bowfishing campsite yielded the alligator tail and two suspects. The suspects admitted to killing the alligator in the early morning hours on the Trinity River while bowfishing and were charged with taking alligator in closed season and no CITES hide tag/permit. Cases and civil restitution on a 5.5-foot alligator pending.

Got What They Deserved: On July 26, A Calhoun County Game warden received a call that some young men were shooting alligators from a boat in a city park. The warden got a boat and vehicle description and headed that way. By the time the warden caught up with the group, the flat bottom boat had flown out the back of the pickup truck hauling it away. The warden, with the help of a Calhoun County

Game Warden, seized the boat, which had no VIN plate on its transom. Soon the group showed up to claim their boat, but in fact it had been reported stolen the day prior. Charges filed for failure to secure load; more charges pending.

No Bueno: On July 26, a Zapata County Game was spotting on Falcon Lake for illegal activity. At approximately 8:30 p.m., the warden observed a commercial fishing vessel enter Texas waters from Mexico. He observed the occupants of the vessel setting out gill net until 9:30 p.m. On July 27 at approximately 3:00 a.m., he and another warden got a boat and headed to the area where the Mexican fishermen were observed the night before. After about an hour and a half of waiting, they saw a Mexican fishing vessel heading in their direction loaded with gill net. The wardens made contact with the vessel and were able to take two individuals into custody. The two fishermen were transported to the Zapata County Jail and charged with fishing without a valid commercial fishing license and possessing illegal equipment in prohibited waters (gill net). The boat, motor, and approximately 3,300 feet of gill net were seized.

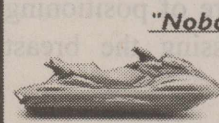
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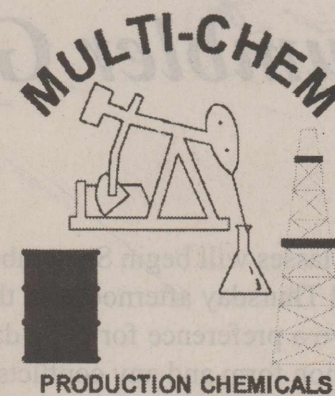
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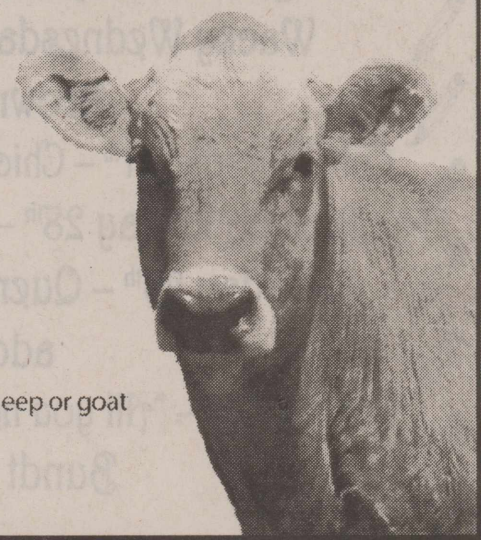
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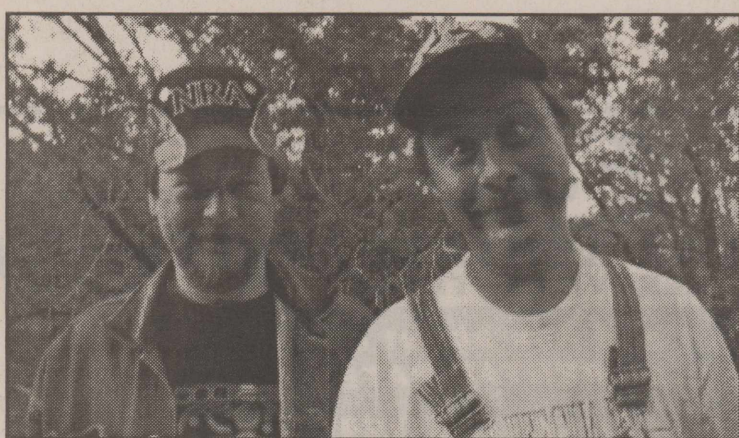
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What Is the Difference Between Digital and Film Mammography?

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Breast cancer is the second leading cause of cancer-related deaths in women in the United States, behind lung cancer. It is also the most common type of non-skin cancer in women.

Because of these facts, it is vital that women participate in regular mammography screenings to ensure early detection of breast abnormalities, if any. In recent years, various

studies have shed light on a new type of mammography, called digital mammography, and the benefits it can provide to some women when compared to traditional film mammography. Although both film and digital mammography use X-rays to produce an image of the breast and the actual procedure of positioning and compressing the breast

for examination are identical, there are several differences between these two types of mammography that should be noted.

Film mammography, which has been successfully used as a screening tool for breast cancer for 35 years, uses film to produce an image of the breast. Even though film mammography is considered

a very good screening tool for detecting irregular breast characteristics, studies have revealed that film mammography is less sensitive for women who have dense breasts. Perhaps the most limiting issue with film mammography is the film itself. Once an image of the breast has been created on the film, it cannot be significantly altered, magnified, or brightened, which would allow a better assessment of the image.

Digital mammography, first approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in 2000, takes an electronic image of the breast and uses a computer to store that image. This electronic method allows images to be stored and shared more easily than film mammography. Images created by digital mammography can be modified in any way; for example, images can be enhanced or brightened for further evaluation. Digital mammography uses less radiation when compared with film mammography, lowering the dose of radiation exposure in women; however, women with larger breasts may require several additional exposures. The main limitation of digital mammography is the cost; current digital systems can cost about 1.5 to 4 times more than film systems. If your doctor recommends you have a digital mammogram, it would be wise to check with your insurance company (or

if you do not have insurance, check with the business doing the mammogram) to see if there is a difference in cost of a digital mammogram to you personally. In 2001, a study trial, called the Digital Mammographic Imaging Screening Trial (DMIST), was conducted by the American College of Radiology Imaging Network. Key findings from this study suggest that digital mammography was significantly better in screening women who fit any of these three categories:

- under age 50 (no matter what level of breast tissue density they had),

- of any age with heterogeneously (very dense) or extremely dense breasts, or

- pre- or peri-menopausal women of any age (defined as women who had a last menstrual period within 12 months of their mammograms).

According to the study, women who fit into ANY of the above categories may benefit from digital rather than film mammography. However, the study showed no benefits from digital mammography in women who are over age 50, do not have dense breasts, or those who are no longer menstruating.

So what should you do? Talk with your doctor to determine if you would benefit from digital mammography. Breast density is best determined by asking your doctor, since prior mammograms will have provided that information.

If you and your doctor decide you are a good candidate for mammography, do not delay your next mammogram until a digital mammogram is available. It is important to continue to have your regularly scheduled mammograms, regardless of the type. Also, women should not receive an extra mammogram because of these trial results. The National Cancer Institute recommends that if a woman has had a mammogram in the last year and she has no breast abnormalities or symptoms, she should undergo her next screening mammogram only when she is due for one – not earlier than she would ordinarily be scheduled.

Death rates due to breast cancer continue to decline, and these decreases are believed to be the result, in part, of earlier detection along with improved treatment. Therefore, it is important to participate in regular screening activities as a part of a healthy lifestyle. In addition to annual mammography screenings beginning at age 40, two other important steps in early detection include clinical breast exams and being aware of any changes in your breast and promptly reporting them to your doctor. For more information, please consult www.cancer.gov.

Sonora Tumbler Gymnastics

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breakfast in bed every morning of your life and swear eternally before God and your lovely wife that you will not ever even look at another woman, as long as you both shall live?”

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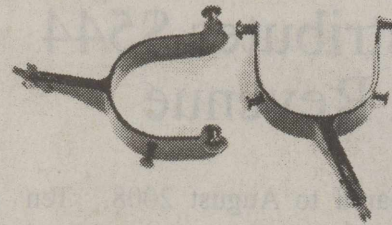
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Sonora can be very proud of the numerous individuals who are always there. Volunteers who have a deep love for this community and the sport of rodeo cover these thankless positions year in and year out. These folks, with their can-do attitude and "get-er-done" philosophy are another reason for the success of the Outlaw Pro Rodeo.

We would like to give a huge thank you to Petie Lewis and Johnny Van Court for or-

ganizing the County Team Roping. Their planning and coordination throughout our rodeo event is greatly appreciated. The groundwork of the arena by Petie Lewis, Robert Sol Mayer, Thomas Schenkel, David Blesing, and Stacy Pennington kept the cowboy's horses in good footing and the barrel racers on solid ground. The Hospitality/Cowboy Camp headed by Ann Morriss along with Julie Martin, Erica Morriss, and Joetta Friess are a wonderful asset to the rodeo. The hospitality shown by these women and their volunteers are one of the reasons we have so many repeat participants and sponsors. Thank you to Kim Lewis whose dedication to our queen contestants helps make Sonora shine with the lovely girls who represented our community. Congratulations once again to Miss Shainah Johnson, who will be an outstanding representative for Sonora and Sutton County in the coming year.

Hats off to our gate committees; Mark and Mallory Rousselot and Robert and Elizabeth Zapata. I wish we had a video feed so that you all would not miss any of the rodeos. Maybe next year! Nevertheless, many thanks to you and your crew.

Our deepest appreciation to

Arett Wireman who showered the arena with her incredible talent as she sang the National Anthem. Words cannot express the pride we felt for our country when you shared that beautiful song with our crowds.

Our Outlaw Pro Rodeo mainstay, Tommy Love, the man who does the cooking and "the pen work in back", is greatly admired, and appreciated. A special thanks to Krista Klebold for her countless hours of hard work in helping get things ready for Friday and Saturday night

Thank you also to Mack and Bridget Wardlaw, for coordinating the Kids Mutton Bustin' along with the help of David and Hanna Blesing. This was another successful event judging by the smiles on the riders faces. Many thanks to Lee Bloodworth for providing his great string of "bucking sheep", and for his outstanding artisanship on the beautiful handmade bracelet for Miss Sutton County and a pendant for the first runner up. Thanks also to Lee and Robert Sol for their work on planning the security and parking for this big event.

Thanks also to Ben Taylor and James Ricks who took on the challenge of "rodeo photography" for their first

time. They agreed to capture the "Greatest Show on Dirt", through the eyes of their camera lenses, and we will look forward to viewing the results of their endeavors.

A woman who is always there to keep our financial books in order is Claire Jones. Her leadership and guidance in every aspect of the rodeo is one of the reasons it runs so smoothly. Thank you, Claire, once again, for all your hard work.

Last but not least, to my wife Bonnie Lou, whose coordination on sponsorships, advertising and a host of many other details that makes this rodeo go off, I thank you. In addition, to my daughter Chelsey Lou and my son Chance, thank you for all your sacrifices and hard work. Without your help, Mom and I would not be able to work with such a great team, and help host such a fantastic event.

I know there is someone that I have left out, and for that, I apologize, but we will still need your help next year! Again thanks to all our sponsors and volunteers.

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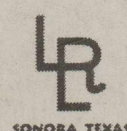
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Comptroller Susan Combs Distributes \$544 Million in Local Sales Tax Revenue

(AUSTIN) — Texas Comptroller Susan Combs today said the state collected \$1.65 billion in sales tax revenue in July, down 11.6 percent compared to one year ago.

"Sales tax collections in July were again down significantly as major sectors of the economy, such as retail trade; oil and natural gas; and construction, remain weak," Combs said. "The sharp drop in revenue is a reflection of the current poor performance of these sectors as well as unusually strong sales tax collections in July 2008."

Combs sent \$544 million in August sales tax allocations to local governments, down 6.8 percent compared

to August 2008. So far this calendar year, sales tax allocations to local governments are down 2.2 percent compared to this time last year.

Combs sent sales tax payments of \$367.4 million to Texas cities, down 6.5 percent compared to last August. Calendar year-to-date, city sales tax revenues trail 2008 by 2.3 percent. Sales tax payments of \$33.8 million went to Texas counties, 4.2 percent below last August. So far in calendar year 2009, county sales tax allocations are up 0.2 percent compared to last year.

In addition, \$21.2 million in sales tax revenue went to 151 special purpose taxing districts, down 0.8 percent com-

pared to August 2008. Ten local transit systems received \$121.5 million, down 9 percent compared to a year ago.

August sales tax allocations represent sales taxes collected in June by businesses that report sales taxes monthly, and sales taxes collected in April, May and June by quarterly filers.

For details of August sales tax payments to individual cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose districts, locate the Monthly Sales and Use Tax Allocation Comparison Summary Reports on the Comptroller's Web site at www.window.state.tx.us/tax-info/allocsum/compsum.html.

New Season Hunting, Fishing Licenses Go On Sale Aug. 15

AUSTIN, Texas — Texas hunting and fishing licenses for 2009-2010 will go on sale Saturday, Aug. 15. Sportsmen are reminded all current Texas annual hunting and fishing licenses (except for the year-to-date fishing license) expire Aug. 31.

Most fees for recreational hunting and fishing licenses have increased by five percent; resident hunting licenses now cost \$25, while the Super Combo all-inclusive license costs \$68. There is no increase in price for any of the required stamp endorsements or the \$48 Annual Public Hunting permit.

Non-resident hunting licenses increase by \$15 from \$300 to \$315, which also reflects a five percent hike.

The resident freshwater fishing package costs \$30 and the saltwater fishing package is \$35.

Effective Sept. 1, the resident lifetime fishing and hunting licenses will increase to \$1,000 and the lifetime combination license increases to \$1,800.

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department issues 2.1 million hunting and fishing licenses annually through the agency's 28 field offices, more than 65 state parks and at over 1,500 retailers across Texas.

Licenses may also be purchased online through the TPWD Web site or by phone

(800-895-4248). Call center hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday — Friday. The online transaction system is available 24/7. A \$5 convenience fee will be charged for online and phone orders.

In addition to a hunting license, all wing shooters will need to purchase a game bird stamp. To hunt doves or teal in September, a Migratory Game Bird Stamp (\$7) is required. Duck hunters also need to purchase a Federal Duck Stamp and receive HIP (Harvest Information Program) certification. HIP certification will be printed on the license at the time of sale only after the purchaser answers a few brief migratory bird questions. Lifetime license holders must also be HIP-certified and purchase the Federal Duck Stamp to hunt migratory birds. All other state stamp endorsements are included with a lifetime license.

"Remember, it's your responsibility to make sure you are properly licensed, so be sure to check your license before you leave the sales counter," said Tom Newton with TPWD's license program. "We do get a fair number of requests for re-issuance of licenses because the hunter forgot to get HIP certified."

There are other mandatory endorsements to consider at the time of purchase, too. An Upland Game Bird Stamp (\$7) is required to hunt all non-mi-

gratory game birds, including turkey, quail, pheasant, chachalaca and lesser prairie chicken.

Of course, anyone who purchases the Super Combo license package, the best bang for the buck, automatically gets these needed stamps.

Also new this year, sandhill crane permits may be obtained in person at no cost only through TPWD Law Enforcement offices and TPWD headquarters in Austin. Permits are also available anytime online through TPWD's online license sales and by calling 800-792-1112 (option 5, menu 2) or 512-389-4820 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. For online and phone orders, a confirmation number will be issued in lieu of a permit and a \$5 transaction fee will be charged.

Hunter Education Certification is also required of any hunter born on or after Sept. 2, 1971 and who is at least 17 years old. For hunters who are unable to work in a hunter education class before hunting season for whatever reason, TPWD does offer a deferral option.

The deferral option allows people 17 years of age or older a one-time only extension to complete the state's hunter education requirements. The individual must first purchase a hunting license and then may purchase the deferral option.

One Good Deed

This guy dies and meets St. Peter at the pearly gates. Peter gets out his book on this guy's life and says, "You know, you've lived a pretty average life, You haven't done anything so bad that I would feel really right about sending you down below, but you haven't really done anything that good either. I'll tell you what--if you can tell me just one thing you did during your life that was really good, I'll let you in."

The guy says, "okay, well I was driving down the highway when I saw this gang of bikers assaulting this girl. So I slammed on my brakes, grabbed my tire iron, jumped out of my car and ran straight at the leader of the pack. He was huge, with a mohawk haircut, hairy all over, and he had a huge link chain running from his nose to his ear. So I grabbed his chain, pulled as hard as I could,

and whapped him on the head. Then I turned to his gang and screamed, 'who wants some of this!! Who wants some pain!!'"

St. Peter is extremely impressed, and says, "wow, I had no idea. That is really something. When did this happen?"

And the guy says, "oh, about 2 minutes ago

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