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## Broncos Leash The Bulldogs

The Devil's River News Will Be Closed September 5, 2011 in observance of Labor Day.

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### Students of the Week



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Photo By Nancy Glasscock

Word Hudson leaps for the fourth touchdown of the night.

By Ray Glasscock

The Standard Times picked this game as one of their "Games Of The Week." They chose wisely.

Brady won the toss and elected to receive. The opening drives for each team resulted in three and outs. After a short Bronco punt, the Bulldogs started their first scoring drive on the Bronco 48 yard line. Brady is one of the few teams that still runs the Wing T offense. With the proper players, it is still a potent offense. Linebacker Zach Badeaux said, "We prepared for their running game with extensive tackling practice."

It took the Bulldogs ten running plays and one pass play to score their touchdown. Jacob Hodges scored on a two-yard run. Anthony Villarreal kicked the PAT, and the Bulldogs led 7 to 0 with 2:12 left in the first quarter.

Eric Santana fielded the bouncing Bulldog kickoff

three yards deep in the end zone. He elected to return the kickoff. He was untouched until he reached the 25 yard line where several Bulldogs closed around him. Santana refused to go down and he drug several would be tacklers another seven yards to the Bronco 32 yard line. Imoni Cross caught a pass from Clayton Parks on third down for the first Bronco first down. However, the Bulldog defense stopped this drive and forced another punt. Once again, the Bronco punt resembled a pop fly and went only eight yards.

Starting from their 48 yard line, Andrew Brooks gained twenty yards on the power sweep to the right. As the quarter changed, the Bulldogs continued to gain big chunks of yardage with each carry. Brooks ran wide three more times averaging well over six yards per carry. From the Bron-

co 15 yard line, Travis Sam-

mons took the inside handoff on the wingback counter play to the Bronco one yard line. Santana delayed the touchdown with a strong tackle throwing the larger Sammons out of bounds. A holding penalty against Brady gave the Bronco defense some hope of stopping the drive as the ball was moved back to the twelve yard line. Quarterback Logan Owens tossed a short pass to Brooks who was tackled at the goal line. Owens scored on the sneak and, after the PAT, the Dogs had a 14 to 0 lead with 6:50 in the first half.

Edward Garza returned the kickoff 18 yards to the Bronco 43 yard line. This drive demonstrated the strengths of the Broncos' spread offense. Parks took the snap and pump faked to his right. Then he threw left to Word Hudson. Kyle Patlan and Kade Wimberley provided the blocks allowing Hudson to get past the linebackers and cornerback. Hudson bowled over a defender, and Patlan continued his blocking 20 yards past the line of scrimmage. Even Parks hustled down field to throw a block. Hudson gained 37 yards on the play. On the next play, Parks threw right to Zach Badeaux who had no trouble avoiding Dog defenders for the 20 yard touchdown reception and the first Bronco touchdown of the 2011 season. Wimberley kicked the PAT and suddenly a two play drive changed a two touchdown lead to one with 6:13 left in the first half.

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## Sutton County Friends of NRA Event to Be in Honor of Dr. Johnny Fields, DVM



Submitted

Friends of NRA is an exciting grassroots fund-raising program that fosters commu-

nity involvement, raises money and gives 100% of the net proceeds

to qualified local, state and national programs. Thanks to dedicated individuals across America, Friends of NRA is making a difference.

One half of proceeds raised in the West Texas region will be allocated to fund projects within West Texas. The NRA Foundation uses the other half to fund similar projects with a national scope. State funded grants include but are not limited to, firearms safety and education programs; hunter education; range development and improvement; support materials for training classes; woman's safety classes; and wildlife conservation efforts. Recognizing that America's young people represent the future of the

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And Then There Is Silence...  
A Conversation With A Deployed Marines Wife



Sundays are a very important day for the Crawford Family.

By Dusty Podilla

We have all had days where we find ourselves asking "Why do I do this..." When it comes to a day in the life of a military spouse with a deployed husband the question is much different. "6 a.m. the alarm goes off. I roll out of bed from about 5 hours of sleep. I brush my teeth and wash my face. I then go into the boy's room where they are sleeping so peacefully. I set out their school uniforms and wake them for the day. They sluggishly drag themselves out of bed and into the bathroom for their morning rituals."

"I head into the kitchen and begin making breakfast. The boys shuffle in and sit at the counter to choose their cereal for the day. As they eat, we talk about the day ahead and what is expected of them at school. As we talk, I pack lunches and then it's one last check for homework and books."

"After the five floors of our apartment building, the boys' carpool arrives and away they go. Then time for a quiet cup of cocoa and a chance to catch up on the emails and messages that have been received sometime during the night. I am thrilled to be responding to one from James this morning. Just a message to say he loves me. Little Emily walks in lucky that she gets to sleep until she wants; But at three and with her face, luck has nothing to do with it." Even a message of "I love you" from her deployed Marine doesn't stop her but for a minute before she realizes it's time to get back to her other job; being a full time mother.

"I repeat the same morning process with Emily and while she colors and plays; I try to get a short work out in. Then its house work and, although I sound as if I don't enjoy it, I welcome it. Now its lunch time and I let Emily chose; looks like a lunch-able today, the crackers with ham this time. Afterwards it's off to the shower while we have nap/quiet time."

"After being cleaned and dressed, a trip to the exchange, which is just military for a grocery store, is needed for a few essentials. Then back home to wait for the boys to return from school. Once they are home we check backpacks and folders for homework and the dreaded note from a teacher. Home work time is never fun in our house. There are always excuses and tummy aches. But our kids are expected to finish homework no matter the excuse. They can throw up in between math problems." They are separated by thousands of miles, yet the Crawford's remain a team. There is no way to express how important that is for her daily routine. It provides the structure needed for a healthy family atmosphere.

"It is now time to get started on dinner, which is never an easy task during a deployment since you are essentially cooking for 2.5 people. As we eat I read a story to them from their

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### Senior Center Activities

Thurs. September 1 - Happy Birthday *Smith Neal Lila St. Claire*  
 Fri. September 2 - Happy Birthday *Hilda Mata*  
 Mon. September 5 - *Labor Day...Center Closed*  
 Tues. September 6 - Happy Birthday *Lydia Galindo*  
 Wed. September 7 - Happy Birthday *Reynaldo Perez*

### Senior Center Menu

Thurs. September 1 - Steak fingers w/gravy, mashed potatoes broccoli, roll, peach cobbler, milk  
 Fri. September 2 - Hot dogs w/chili & cheese, chips, milk pineapple Waldorf salad, brownie w/nut  
 Mon. September 5 - *Labor Day...Center Closed*  
 Tues. September 6 - Beef noodles w/gravy, green beans tossed salad, banana pudding roll, milk  
 Wed. September 7 - Sweet & sour chicken, sweet peas coleslaw, vanilla pudding, 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).

### Engagement Announcements

## Hughes ~ Frazier



Brad and Chandra Hughes along with Jimmy and Lori Frazier are pleased to announce the engagement of their children Ashton Brea Hughes to Steven Kyle Frazier. The wedding will be held November 5, 2011 in Midland, Texas.

Miss Brea Hughes is a 2004 graduate of Sonora High School and a 2008 graduate of Texas A&M University. Brea received her Masters degree in Physician Assistant Studies from the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in 2011. Mr. Steven Frazier is a 2004 graduate of Leander High School and a 2009 graduate of Texas A&M University. Brea will practice as a physician assistant for a family practice clinic in Odessa, Texas. Steven is employed by Weatherford in Midland, Texas. The couple is registered at Kohl's, Target, and The Mercantile Garden.

## MR. AND MRS. DAVID L. SMITH CELEBRATE 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



Sutton County residents, Mr. And Mrs. David L. Smith celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary at a gathering of family and friends at the Arboretum in Austin, Texas. The celebration was hosted by their children, Lesa Fletcher, of Dublin, Beth Irwin of Cedar Park and John Smith, of Jacksonville, Florida and attended by several dozen family members and friends.

Betty and David were married on August 27, 1961 at the Southside Christian Church in San Antonio, Texas. They resided most of their married lives in Corpus Christi and Rockport Texas, as David practiced law in Corpus Christi from 1965 to 2005. They moved to Sutton County in 2005, remodeling the home of her parents, the late John and Odessa Fields, on the John David Fields ranch.

Both have been long active in local parishes and the Diocese of West Texas in the Episcopal Church and are members of St. John's Episcopal Church in Sonora. Having mostly retired from law practice, David, a member of the board of the Sonora Economic Development Corporation, is an employee of The Sutton County Historical Society where Betty often joins him as a volunteer at the Old Ice House Ranch Museum.



## Sonora Church Directory

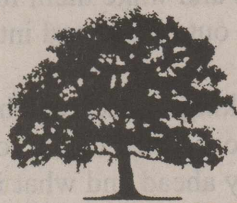
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#### Tuesdays

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Downtown Lions Club



### Thank You Note

The Sonora Bronco Boosters would like to thank Wiley Waggoner and Circle Bar Truck Corral for the use of their bucket truck in helping to put up the Bronco football team numbers on

Crockett Ave. Thanks Wiley, and Go Bronco's!

## Girl Scout Registration

Calling all girls...come and take this opportunity to learn about how our actions impact the earth and can be done to minimize our footprint. Participate in go green activities, crafts and have some eco friendly fun. Snacks provided. Bring your friends! For all girls in grades K thru 12. Please join us on October 4, 2011 from 6:00PM - 8:00PM. If you are already a registered Girl Scout, then there is no fee. For non-registered Girl Scouts, the fee is \$12; however, there is financial assistance available. The meeting will take place at the Girl Scout House on the corner of Water St. and Pecan St. To register or FMI, call Carrie Searcy at 1-800-688-2845 or email her at carries@gscctx.org.

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## Homecoming Parade Registration

Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program is busy with plans for the 2011 Homecoming Parade. The date for the parade is Friday, September 16, 2011. FHS Main Street Program wishes to extend an invitation to all who wish to participate. There will be cash prizes awarded.

All entry forms must be in the office of FHS by 12:00PM on Thursday, September 15, 2011.


Anyone entering an all-terrain vehicle (ATV) must be a license driver.

For more information, call Dee Martinez at FHS Sonora Street at (325)387-2248.

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## Landscape of the Month



The Sonora Chamber of Commerce has chosen the Sutton County Underground Water District as Landscape of the Month for August 2011. David Fisher, owner of Sierra Verde Horticulture, beautifully maintains the grounds. Pictured above are Nathan Schrode, Tom Payton, Iris Garza and Jim Polonis. Congratulations!

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**St. Ann Catholic Church of Sonora** will celebrate with a fall festival on Sunday, October 9. The public is invited to attend. The festival and meal will be at the Sutton County Civic Center, 1700 N. Crockett Ave. A brisket/sausage dinner with all the trimmings will be served from 11:00AM until 1:30PM. Adult plates are \$8 and children 7 and under are \$5. Plates to go will be available. Pre-sale orders are being taken for the homemade sausage at \$4 per pound. Games, activities, booths and a silent auction will run from 11:00AM until 4:00PM. Entertainment will be provided during the afternoon. The raffle and quilt drawings take place at 4:00PM. For more information, contact the church office at 325-387-2278.

Are you interested in praying for our country, our city, our loved ones? You are most welcome to meet in the Prayer Garden every Tuesday morning at 10:00AM. Bring a chair please. All are welcome. FMI call 325-387-3246.


**Homecoming Parade** plans are underway for this years homecoming parade. Details will be announced at a later date. For more information, please contact FHS Main Street @ 325-387-2248.

**Sutton County Friends of NRA 4th Annual Auction/Banquet** will be Saturday, September 17, 2011. Banquet tickets are \$25 per person. Pre-event raffle tickets are \$10 each with one winner taking home five firearms and a 14 gun fire resistant safe. Tickets may be purchased at Sonora Air Cooled Engines/Buck N Bass or by contacting Tonya @ 206-0454 or 387-3861. Your support is appreciated!


**Annual Lion's Club Auction** will be October 18, 2011. Your donation of items will be greatly appreciated. Sonora Downtown Lion's Club contributes to numerous local organizations and supports local youth with scholarship opportunities. The annual auction is the club's biggest fundraiser. Please call Janalyn Jones at 226-0067 for more information.

**Eldorado Game Dinner & Drawing** 11:00 AM, November 5, 2011 at the Schleicher County Civic Center on US Hwy 277 South in Eldorado. Tickets for the drawing are \$1 each and BBQ brisket and sausage plates are \$10 and include 2 raffle tickets.

**Rent the Depot or Icehouse Ranch Museum** for your special party or event. Call 325-387-5084 Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. -5:00 p.m.



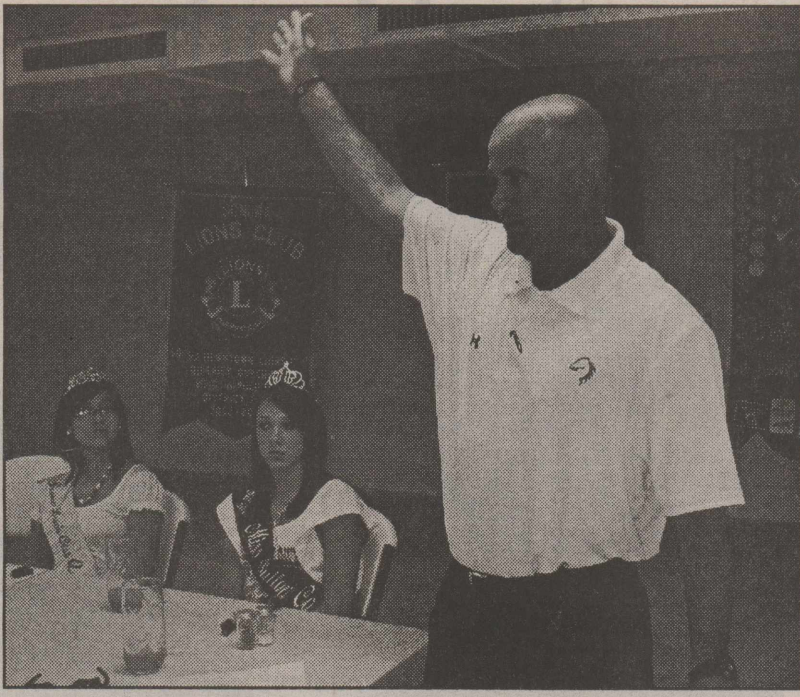
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# Lions Roar



Lion's program this week was Head Coach and Athletic Director, David Sine. He first spoke of the youth involvement in our community. Football is not the only game in town. Cross Country and Volley Ball have also begun. But with Brady coming to town this Friday night, he promises the "Greatest Show in Town". But he promises this to be true every home game that the Broncos have.

Coach Sine is beginning his third year in our community and promises to field a team with the slogan, "Win the Day". Great victories are won, one day at a time. He says the Broncos are a class, character, and discipline team and they are determined to go into post season play. Everyone is encouraged to come out and support the "Bronco Nation" this Friday night. Game starts at 7:30.

### Lion's Business

Lion Pete Bradley gave the final report on the Rodeo concession this year. We were able to make a profit, of which \$900 was sent to the Middle School Student Council who helped the Lion's in the work of the concession.

Janalyne Jones, Chairman of this year's auction, reminded Lions that this year's auction will be October 18 and work has begun. Already the first letter to businesses and supporters has gone out to alert them to this year's auction. The Chamber has been helpful in printing up beautiful posters advertising the auction. Plans are in the making to have the donated goats processed and available at the auction this year. Details are yet to be worked out. Lion's are encouraged to join with the team leaders and work with them in order to have a well organized and effective program this year.

**16 de Septiembre Celebration**  
**On September 17, 2011**  
**At Liberty Park**  
**10 am- 6 pm**

**Benefit the**  
**St. Ann's Catholic Youth Group**

**For more Information Contact**  
**Jo Ann Hernandez 325-206-0366**  
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# Students of the Week

## Middle School



L to R: Alyssa Zamora - 8th, Katelyn Lipham - 7th and Bailey Gozales - 6th

# TCEQ Website Offers Texans Computer Recycling Options

TexasRecyclesComputers.org provides statewide resources With back-to-school shopping lists in hand, many Texans are looking to replace their computers this semester. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality's TexasRecyclesComputers.org website provides consumers with free options to recycle their computers.

Thanks to a state law, computer manufacturers that sell in, or into, Texas must offer their consumers a free and convenient recycling program for personal and home-business computers. Reusing and recycling conserves natural resources by recovering valuable components and materials that can be used to make new products. Once a com-

puter manufacturer submits a plan for recycling that is approved by the TCEQ, they can be added to the manufacturers list maintained on TexasRecyclesComputers.org.

At the easy-to-use site, consumers select their computer brand on the list, and then click on the manufacturer's name to be redirected to the manufacturer's recycling Web page. If a manufacturer is not on the list, TexasRecyclesComputers.org has other resources available to help recycle old computers. The website also contains downloadable resources to help promote computer recycling, such as ready-to-go articles and banner ads.

TexasRecyclesComputers.org is part of the state's computer recycling program, cre-

# Children at Risk in Hot Cars



Adapted By: Kelly L Thorp  
 County Extension Agent -FCS  
 Texas AgriLife Extension-  
 Sutton County

The danger of children dying from being left unattended in vehicles increases with the extreme hot weather. A new campaign titled, Never Leave Your Child Alone in a Car is being promoted through Safe Kids USA.

The problem is that temperatures in parked vehicles rise very quickly. In just 10 minutes the temperature can increase by almost 20 degrees, according to figures from San Francisco State University's department of Geosciences.

A child's body temperature rises three to five times faster than an adult making children more vulnerable to a deadly condition known as hyperthermia or heat stroke. Heat stroke can occur at body temperatures above 104 degrees.

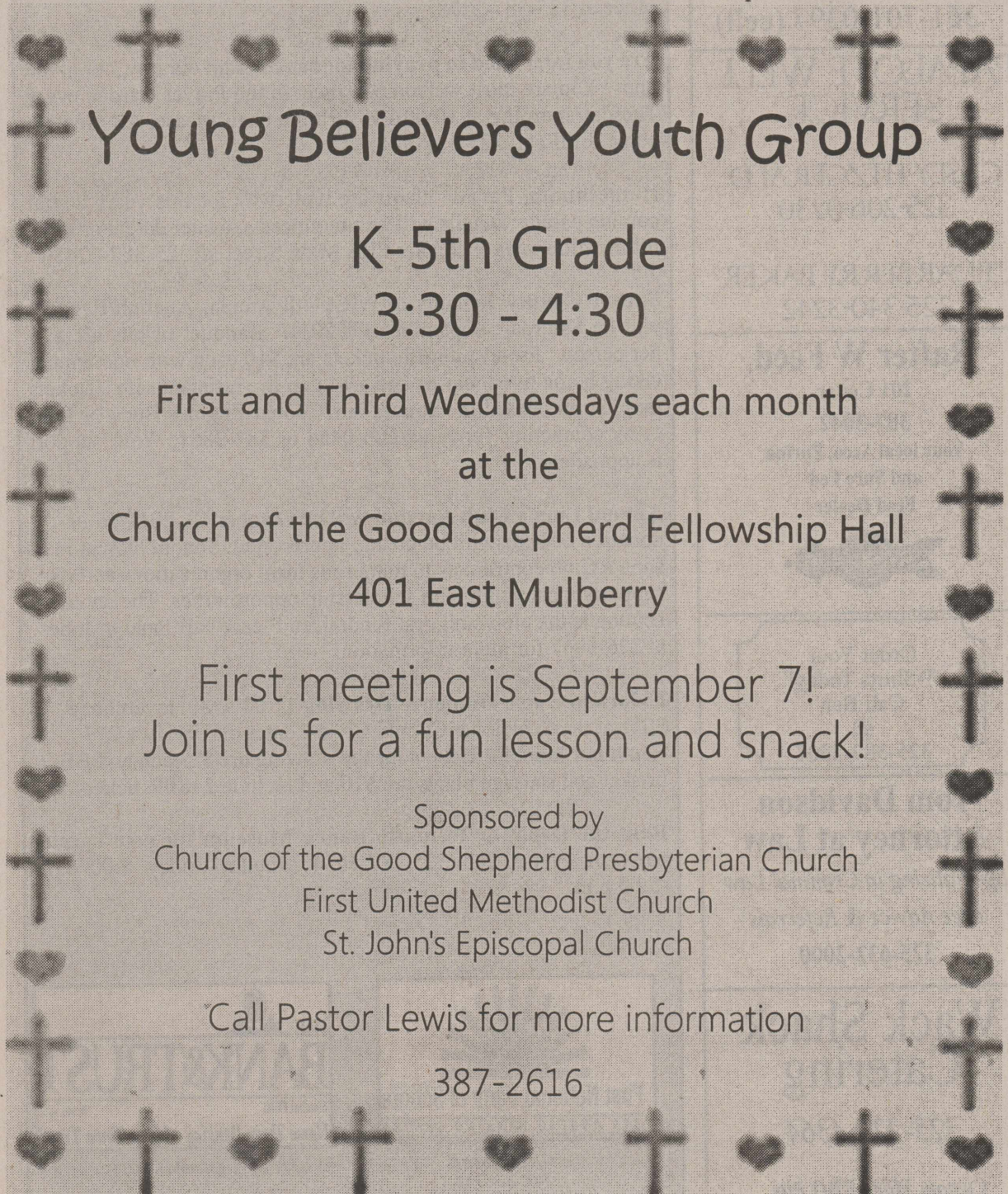
Even mild outside temperatures can pose a threat, but with Texas temperatures climbing into the upper 100's each day the danger becomes even greater. Statistics from the National Weather Service show that there have been already been 68 hyperthermia deaths nationally since August 1st, 2011.

For the years 1998-2010, Texas leads the nation with the highest number of vehicle hyperthermia deaths which is 71. In more than half of the cases during that time period, the death was due to the child being 'forgotten' by the caregiver. Such deaths are preventable when parents take precautions to make sure that children are not left alone in vehicles and cannot gain access to unlocked vehicles.

According to Safe Kids, one-third of the heat-related deaths in 2000 were due to children becoming trapped in a vehicle they had crawled into. Some parents may think that this will never happen to them, but it is a tragedy that can and has happened to many families. Parents need to be sure to talk to their babysitters, grandparents and others who care for their children in order to make them aware of the dangers of hyperthermia deaths.

Here are some safety tips from the Highway Traffic Safety Administration that can help caregivers reduce the risk of children being left unattended in hot vehicles:

- Never leave infants or children in a parked vehicle, even if the windows are partially open.
  - Do not let children play in an unattended vehicle. Teach them that a vehicle is not a play area.
  - Make a habit of looking in the vehicle - front and back - before locking the door and walking away.
  - If you are dropping a child off at childcare, and normally it's your spouse or partner who drops them off, have your spouse or partner call you to make sure the drop went according to plan.
  - Ask your childcare provider to call you if your child does not show up for childcare.
  - Do things to remind yourself that a child is in the vehicle, such as writing yourself a note and putting the note where you will see it when you leave the vehicle; placing your purse, briefcase or something else you need in the back seat so that you will have to check the back seat when you leave the vehicle. Another reminder is to keep an object in the car seat, such as a stuffed toy.
  - When the child is buckled in, place the object where the driver will notice it when he or she is leaving the vehicle.
  - Always lock vehicle doors and trunks, and keep keys out of children's reach.
  - If a child is missing, check the vehicle first, including the trunk.
  - If you see a child alone in a hot vehicle, call the police.
  - If a child is in distress due to heat, get them out as quickly as possible. Cool the child rapidly. Call 911 or your local emergency number immediately.
- Source: Bev Kellner, Program Manager, Texas AgriLife Extension Service Passenger Safety


  
**Young Believers Youth Group**  
  
**K-5th Grade**  
**3:30 - 4:30**  
  
 First and Third Wednesdays each month  
 at the  
**Church of the Good Shepherd Fellowship Hall**  
**401 East Mulberry**  
  
 First meeting is September 7!  
 Join us for a fun lesson and snack!  
  
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 Call Pastor Lewis for more information  
  
 387-2616

# Easy Fall Lawn And Landscaping Tips

(StatePoint) Just because the summer garden party season is over, doesn't mean you should neglect your lawn. Autumn is a critical time for lawn care and to get your landscaping ready for winter and spring.

Addressing garden and landscaping work now will save you time and effort next spring. After all, who wants to spend the first few glorious days of spring toiling in the yard?

Here are some critical steps you can take in a weekend to make sure your yard is prepped for next year.

### Fertilize

Fertilizing is a must to strengthen the lawn's root system and store nutrients needed in the winter months ahead. Pay special attention to areas that may have been worn down by foot traffic and outdoor entertaining.

You'll need to replenish

the nutrients that were depleted in the summer months. For an even distribution, spreaders offer a quick and convenient fertilizing solution. Spreaders are available for lawns of every size, in both push-behind designs and tow-behind tractor models.

### Prune

Cutting dead or weakened tree branches will keep them from falling and damaging your -- or your neighbor's -- property, especially as winter weather sets in. Garden shears are fine for light pruning or trimming hedges, but heavier work such as storm cleanup often requires a chainsaw.

When using a chainsaw for yard work, make sure the chain is sharp, as dull chainsaws make work more difficult. Simple add-ons can increase your efficiency. For example, PowerSharp, a chainsaw sharpening system from Oregon-brand outdoor products, lets chain-

saw users sharpen chain on the saw, on the job, in seconds. This helps get yard work done faster and with relative ease, especially when pruning and trimming. To learn more, visit [www.powersharp.com](http://www.powersharp.com).

Rake and Re-seed When raking fallen leaves, opt for a lightweight plastic rake, which glides more easily on grass than metal ones. Also, an open tarp for collecting leaves works better than dragging plastic bags across the yard.

You should also clear plant beds of dead foliage, which can smother budding greenery and foster disease. And by re-seeding your lawn, you'll help guard against dead patches in the spring. But remember to stay off any re-seeded lawn for at least two weeks.

Preparing your yard now will leave more time later on for enjoying the fruits of your labor.



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# Will the Drought Kill Rangeland Grasses?

By Pascual Hernandez,  
Sutton County Agricultural  
Extension Agent



I was asked recently whether I thought the drought would kill our range grasses. That is a tough question to answer, and dependent on how long the drought continues. However, I thought it was worth taking a closer look at how drought affects grasses. It's not just about water.

Typically warm-season, perennial grasses support above-ground growth for six to nine months out of the year. When it comes out of winter dormancy, a plant must draw on food reserves that were produced during the previous growing season and stored in the roots or crown of the plant. About 20 percent or more of the current year's growth will occur using these stored supplies before the plant stops using reserves, begins to fully photosynthesize, and maintain itself with mature leaves produced during the current season.

Aside from winter, warm-season perennial grasses also go dormant under drought conditions. The plant then has to rely on the stored reserves for a longer period of time, thus reducing stored nutrients for future use and increasing the plant's susceptibility to damage in extended periods of drought and grazing uses.

A healthy root system is of utmost importance to the growth of a forage plant when we realize that 50% to 80% of the plant exists below the soil surface. Whether due to excessive grazing pressure

or drought, lack of above-ground photosynthetic material (green leaves) will decrease root production, thus, decreasing the plant's ability to fully exploit the soil profile for badly needed moisture.

During drought, plant growth begins to slow before carbohydrate reserves are replaced. Because of this, grasses may enter a longer than normal dormant period with less reserves. Once rainfall does come, the plant is slower to respond. If heavy grazing has occurred, this may hinder the accumulation of new root reserves. A perennial grass that is heavily grazed during the growth period could stop growth altogether. If soil moisture were declining rapidly at the same time, the grazed plant would not have an adequate opportunity to recover from the combined effects of heavy grazing and drought. In drought years, grazing should be light to enhance the plant's ability to make maximum use of soil moisture available. Plant loss or death occurs in periods with several growing seasons with below normal precipitation.

The effect of drought on forage plants is also a function of the general health and vigor of the vegetation before the drought. Plants with healthy root systems and adequate carbohydrate reserves will fare much better during and after drought than plants that have been struggling to maintain themselves continuously.

# What We Can Learn From Pets And Wildlife

(StatePoint) As humans, we're social animals. We need family, friends, and regular social banter to be happy.

But apparently, we're not the only social animals. There are many things we can learn from pets and wildlife about friendships and taking care of each other. In fact new research has shown that animals of different species can even develop deep friendships with each other.

A new book titled "Unlikely Friendships: 47 Remarkable Stories from the Animal Kingdom" is hitting the best-sellers' lists and showing the world about the prevalent but unique bonds between different animal species across the world.

"I expect that anyone who loves animals, and even those who don't, can't help but be touched by these unusual partnerships," says author and

National Geographic writer Jennifer Holland. "They remind us that kindness can rise above anything, even instinct."

For example, when Hurricane Katrina slammed into New Orleans in 2005, many pet owners were forced to abandon their pets as they rushed to high ground. As domesticated animals were forced to fend for themselves, some formed packs for protection.

Among them were Bob Cat, a male cat, and Bobbi, a female dog, each with a bobbed tail. The fact that Bob Cat was fully blind made the animals' relationship all the more touching. Bobbi the dog had been keeping Bob Cat safe by barking or nudging him in the right direction.

But such strong bonds are not seen only in domesticated animals.

In China, staff at a natural reserve witnessed an unusual bond between an abandoned rhesus monkey and white dove believed to be part of a bird migration study. For two months, the macaque and dove shared a space and snacked on corn together. The monkey even showed affection, hugging the dove. If only the dove had hands and arms with which to hug back!

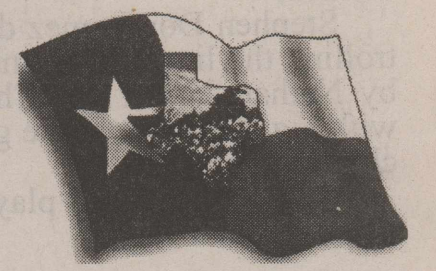
Of course, the most surprising interspecies bonds can sometimes be between humans and other animals, particularly predators. When National Geographic photographer Paul Nicklen was assigned to shoot leopard seals in the Antarctic, he was determined to shoot fast and get out quick. Leopard seals have been known to attack humans.

But a 12-foot female took a liking to Nicklen. The seal hovered around him, as if posing for the camera. She then hunted and killed a penguin -- the seal's usual prey -- and offered it to Nicklen repeat-

edly. When the photographer ignored her offering, the seal then brought him live penguins and blew bubbles in his face, as if exasperated with his passive nature.

For more stories of remarkable friendships in the animal kingdom, check out "Unlikely Friendships."

"If animals can do it, humans can also learn to accept their differences, big and small, and believe in the power of friendship," says Holland. "After all, it's in our nature."



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The cost to register a brand/mark in Sutton County is \$16 per location per animal. Registration forms are available at the office of Rachel Chavez Duran, Sutton County Clerk, located at the Sutton County Annex, 300 E. Oak Ste 3, from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday or can be downloaded from the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association web site [www.tscrabrand.com](http://www.tscrabrand.com). The completed registration form can be filed in person at the county clerk's office or mailed to the above referenced address along with the appropriate fees. For any question or more information please call 325-387-3815.

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# BRONCO SPORTS

## JV Broncos Win in the Second Half 30-20

The score at half was 0-0 versus the Brady Bulldogs. The Broncos then scored thirty points in the second half to win the game. Scott Gonzalez guided the team at Quarterback with over a hundred yards passing as well as a hundred yards rushing.

Darien Lopez carried the rushing load with six carries for one hundred and twenty five yards and three touchdowns. Austin Rodriguez had five carries for thirty yards and a touchdown. Will Dutton and Rhett Guerra both had five carries for about fifty yards. Rhett and Scott both had two point conversions as well. The offensive line consisting of Erasmo Esquivel and Alonzo Hernandez, Jonathon Peredes, Keanu Gomez,

Stephen Dominguez did an outstanding job controlling the line of scrimmage. The defense was led by Nathan Jarratt and Chris Rendon who came up with big stops late in the game to give the Broncos a chance to win.

The Broncos will play Forsan in Sonora at 5:00 PM next Thursday.

## Freshman Broncos Blow Out Bulldogs 34-0

Last Thursday the Freshmen Football team traveled to Brady to take on the Brady Bulldogs. The Freshmen scored early and often winning the game 34-0. Andres Acevedo scored 3 touchdowns while Sid Anderson and Bryan Garcia each scored as well. Elijah Cross kicked 2 PAT's and also scored a 2 pt. conversion. The Freshmen travel to Wall this Thursday and play at 5:00.

## Cross County Season Starts In Angelo

This past weekend the Sonora Cross Country began its season with the "Saturday Night Lights" in San Angelo. The meet is a really fun way to start things off. Unlike every other meet where the kids have to wake up really early and travel, in this meet the kids got to compete at night under the lights of the San Angelo Sports Complex. They were all decked out in their glow sticks and the music was blaring. Competition was huge as many 4A and 5A schools such as Del Rio and Central dominated. Our goal going in to the meet was to focus on our race and our times. Several of our athletes improved their times greatly. Clarissa Hernandez was the top finisher for the Lady Broncos and she came in 11th place. Her time was 14:58 which was 16 seconds faster than last year. Jamie Braly came in first for the JV boys in 26th place with a time of 20:33 improving from his last years time of 21:09. And last but not least Jesus Vasquez

hung in the fast pace of the varsity boys top 10 to receive the 9th place medal with a time of 17:02 which was 2 seconds faster than last year. These kids are off to a great start and are working hard. They will run here in Sonora at the golf course this Saturday.

### Other results:

- 11th Clarissa Hernandez 14:58
- 47th Kelsey Favila 16:27
- 48th Lillian Kent 16:28
- 55th Kory Humphrey 16:54
- 61st Valeria Ramirez 17:03
- 69th Kimberly Fraire 17:24
- 73rd Olivia Banda 17:43
- 83rd Hunter Jennings 18:03
- 86th Mia Smith 18:16
- 99th Makayla Herrada 21:33

### JV Boys:

- 26th Jamie Braly 20:33
- 45th Tanner Esparza 21:41
- 47th Cande Tobias 21:50
- 48th Luis Hernandez 21:57

### Varsity Boys:

- 9th Jesus Vasquez 17:02
- 14th Ricardo Regino 17:24

Junior High 8th grade volleyball report:

The 8th grade volleyball teams started their season last night in Junction.

The 8th grade "White" team WON in two straight games!!!! Excellent serving and team play guided the Lady Colts to the victory. They won 25-22 and 25-20

The 8th grade "Red" team lost in three sets. After winning the first game 25-22, the Lady Colts dropped the second and third games 24-26 and 18-25 in very competitive battles. Despite the loss, the "Red" team played exceptionally well and are excited about upcoming matches.

These girls are off for a few weeks as there next game is September 19 in Grape Creek. Thanks for all your support! 8th Grade Volleyball Red:

- 10 Tyler Hampton (s)
- 12 Janelle Vasquez (s)
- 13 Cip Tobias
- 14 Darby Ramsdell
- 15 Victoria Acosta
- 18 Jillian Buitron
- 19 Kaitlyn Lopez
- 23 Julia Pope

8th Grade Volleyball White:

- 16 Susana Robles
- 17 Amber Limon
- 2 Destiny Velasquez
- 20 Alyssa Zamora
- 21 Meghan Hernandez
- 24 Lisa Garza (s)
- 25 Sierra Kimbrell
- 3 Briana Palacios
- 4 Marlena Hernandez
- 44 Victoria Reyna
- 5 Alexis Garza

### Black Team

- Rosa Araujo
- Sky Jennings
- Blanca Mata
- Bethany Agüero
- Marlene Ortiz
- Samantha Castro
- Catharen Zook
- Bianca Fay
- Autumn Ayala
- Katelyn Lipham
- Brittany Covarrubiaz
- Nydia Rodriguez
- Ariana Reyes
- Holly Sparks
- Sylvia Salazar
- April Fraire
- Misae Smith
- Jessica Paredes

### Red Team

- Sky Jennings
- Bethany Agüero
- Samantha Castro
- Bianca Fay
- Katelyn Lipham
- Nydia Rodriguez
- Holly Sparks
- April Fraire
- Jessica Paredes

in a close match.

If you haven't gotten a chance to come see these girls play, you are really missing out! They are a talented young bunch with a ton of talent! The Lady Broncos will play in Sonora tonight vs. Miles, then will host a JV tournament on Saturday. Come support them, and GO BIG RED!!

## Junior High Volleyball Season Starts

The JH volleyball teams started their season last night in Junction. The 7th grade Red team started us off. Marlene Ortiz was the lead server. Marlene served well enough to help score 5 points for her team, while Sylvia Salazar added another 3 points from her serves. Since there was only time for 4 practices, these girls were very nervous. They lost the first match 9-25 but did much better the second match scoring 14 points.

The 7th grade Black team did extremely well their first match! Sky Jennings started the game off by serving 8 consecutive times to help the lady colts start off strong with at 9-1 led. Holly Sparks also had a couple of serves to help them out. They lost the first game 19-25 and weren't as strong the second game losing 8-25. Sky had 10 great serves out of both games and two of those were aces. Holly had 4 great serves

and April Fraire had 1. These girls are off for a few weeks as there next game is September 19 in Grape Creek. Thanks for all your support!

## Volleyball Season Gets Hot in August

In Sonora, the first Monday in August has long been associated with hot days on the practice field, football helmets, and new cleats. However, the past two years have been different. Not only do you see the boys running new plays over at the field house, you have a second year volleyball program beginning two-a-days as well. The Lady Broncos did what many teams dream of doing in their first year of existence: they made the playoffs. This year the bar has been raised, and in order to take it to the next level, the girls hope to not only repeat their playoff appearance, but also to advance past the bi-district round.

The Lady Broncos began 2-a-days at 7 a.m. on August 1st and had their first game the very next Tuesday. The ladies traveled to Veribest and fought hard to bring home the first varsity and JV wins of the season. August 12-13, the varsity headed to Wink to compete in their "Best in the West Tournament", which proved to definitely have the best teams in the region there to compete. Our first game of the day was against Wink, a #2 ranked team in the state and a perennial state tournament contender. We came up a bit short, but fired back soon after by defeating Sierra Blanca and Lorraine. After a short night's sleep, we returned the next day to beat Ft. Hancock, Ft. Davis once again, then lost in the consolation draw to Sierra Blanca.

Again on the road, the girls traveled to San Angelo to play TLC Academy. The varsity lost that match in 4 games, but the JV pulled off their second win vs. the TLCA Eagles. Next was the Junction varsity tournament, where we dropped 4 straight games

to some well-balanced teams. They lost to Junction, Harper, Utopia, and Medina. Meanwhile, the JV teams were at the Miles Tournament where they battled Miles, Colorado City, and TLCA. The JV showed great heart but couldn't pull off wins against those three teams.

August 23 was our first home game of the season. Comstock traveled to Sonora, only to be taken down in an "edge-of-your-seat" beat down by the Lady Broncos. The varsity won their first game 28-26, then dropped the second game, however the girls showed their fight and won the next two games to take the win. This past weekend, the varsity volleyball team traveled to the Comfort Tournament. The Comfort girls were the Region 1 runners-up last year, one round away from the state tournament, so their tournament always brings tough competition. The Lady Broncos made their presence known by starting off the tournament beating San Antonio Cole in 2 games. The ladies finished the day by beating Brackettville in 3 games. The next morning, the girls left Sonora at 5:30 in the morning, but showed that lack of sleep did nothing to keep them from doing their best and beat Luling in 2 games. The tournament ended with Sonora falling to Center Point

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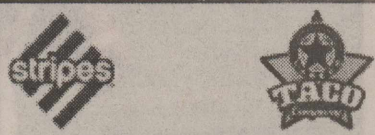
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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING**

The Commissioners' Court of Sutton County, Texas, will hold a public hearing to consider the proposed budget for FY12 on **Monday, September 12, 2011, at 9:00 a.m.** in the Meeting Room of the Sutton County Courthouse Annex. Any citizen wishing to view the proposed budget may do so at the office of the Sutton County Judge at the Sutton County Courthouse Annex between the hours of 8:30 and 4:00 p.m. Monday-Friday.

The City of Sonora is now accepting proposals for Group Health Insurance Benefits. Any information needed to complete the proposal may be obtained from the City Secretary's Office, 201 E. Main, Sonora, Texas 76950, or telephone 325 387-2558.

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shooting sports, State Fund Committee grants frequently target youth programs, allocating more than 50% of monies to this important area. Local law enforcement agencies may also apply for grant money to expand upon educational programs and equipment needs.

For more information on the grant application process please visit the following website: [www.friendsofnra.org](http://www.friendsofnra.org).

2010 grants have been awarded to Eaton Hill Nature Center, Schleicher County 4H and Kimble County 4H. These Friends of NRA dollars are being put to work for youth education and shooting sports in these communities.

This year's event will be held Saturday, September 17th at the Sutton County Civic Center. Doors open at 5pm and tickets may be purchased at the door. Special guests will include a group of Wounded Warriors from Brooke Army Medical Center. The night will be in honor and memory of Dr. Johnny Fields, DVM, an original committee member.

Join the fun.....Dinner, Live & Silent Auctions, Games, Ladies Table and Youth Table (ages 6-16). Help us support the 2nd Amendment and today's youth. Your support is greatly appreciated!

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children's Bible. Homework and dinner are now done and it is time for showers. The boys shower together in order to save water and time; this is almost never the case. However they come out clean and give me enough time to clean up dishes from dinner. Usually Emily showers with me but today she gets a bath. With the kids out of the bath we have a few minutes to kill before bed time. We sit and watch cartoons for a little while to calm down. Then we brush and floss our teeth, Michael being old enough to do his own and Andrew and Emily still needing help. Then it is into bed, usually with some heart ache and many excuses. And then there is silence."

"There is the quiet murmur of the air conditioners, the fridge, a noise from the outside hallway, but that is just noise. This is the hardest time for me as a spouse. In the silence of the first few minutes of the night I am left with memories of us. On a normal night, this is "our time". This would be the time James and I spend watching TV or a movie or playing a game together." There is something to be said about the difference between "silence" and "peace and quiet". We all have distractions and noise in our life and we find ourselves wanting some peace and quiet for a bit; just enough to collect our thoughts. In her world she doesn't want that silence or that peace and quiet; because she does not want to collect her thoughts.

Tonight is a special night for her because her silence

is broken by a welcoming sound...

"Then my iPod buzzes at me. The internet where James is deployed is poor on the best days so we don't get to talk much via Skype or phone, so we use messenger to communicate. I sit and chat with him for hours while folding clothes, watching TV or a movie or on some nights filling a cake order. We chat and talk about the kids or his day or my day or doctor's appointments or finances or whatever else we can think of. Lately it has been plans for when he comes home. Two weeks is a long time when that's how long it is until your deployed spouse comes home."

"Then we say good night after many jokes and silly smiley faces back and forth. I check all the locks and windows again one more time. Turning out the lights as I go, I head to our bedroom. Jammies go on and teeth and face are cleaned once again. Then I get into bed; I scrunch up the covers on his side, as dumb as that sounds, I pull my pillow close to his and snuggle down into the blankets pulling them as tightly as I can around me. I pray for him to be brought home safely to us. Then I drift off to sleep."

"This is a typical day. But there are days of errands and grocery stores and fighting kids and church and cake orders to fill. But the hardest part is always at night, when it's quiet and I am left with my memories and thoughts. It's boring and not glamorous at all. It's so stressful at times, however, ever bit worth it for the opportunity to care for my children. When it comes to our family I know how much James misses them. I never take for granted one second of being with them when I know he doesn't get to be..."



Photo By Nancy Glasscock

Sid Anderson runs during the 34 to 0 shellacking of the Freshman Bulldogs by the Freshman Broncos.



Photo By Nancy Glasscock

Will Dutton scores on a pass from Scott Gonzales during the 30 to 20 JV Bronco victory in Brady.

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Santana returned the second half kickoff to the Bulldog 45-yard line. Cross ran twice, Hudson landed on his head after a catch, Cadesman Pope juggled and then caught a Parks' pass, Cross ran to the two, and Badeaux was untouched through a huge hole for the Bronco touchdown. The blocking scheme featured Pope blocking to the inside from his end position and Wimberley blocking to the outside from his tackle position. Coach Sine called a play designed to cause massive confusion for the defense which resulted in an easy pass from Cross to Pope for the two point conversion. With 7:41 left in the third quarter, the Broncos led 15 to 14. Since I was videoing from the Brady stands, the Brady fans could sense the outcome of this game.

"During half time, Kyle

(Patlin) and a few other seniors provided the inspiration that we (the defense) needed," said defensive lineman Blake Esparza. In the second half, the Brady Wing T plays were no longer fooling the Broncos. Badeaux said, "We started anticipating their plays and filled up the holes." Also, Brooks suffered an apparent knee injury and had to leave the game.

The Broncos took over in Bulldog territory when Brady tried a fake punt that failed to make a first down. After a Cross carry, Parks threw his second touchdown pass to Badeaux that covered 36 yards. Kimberley kicked the PAT making the score 22 to 14 with 2:33 left in the third quarter.

The next Bulldog drive lasted only three plays as Esparza recovered a fumble giving the Broncos another short field

at the Bulldog 22 yard line. Parks pump faked and then threw his third varsity touchdown to Hudson. The Broncos lead 28 to 14 with 1:24 left in the third quarter as the PAT kick was wide.

Esparza recovered his second fumble. The Bulldogs were able to stop this Bronco drive. Wimberley kicked a 31-yard field goal to make the final score 31 to 14 in favor of the Broncos with 9:13 left in the game. Wimberley's kick would have easily been good from the 45-yard line!

This matchup was a game of two distinctly different halves. Senior Dallas Payne said, "We went into the locker room at halftime embarrassed with our play, but we wanted this victory more which made the difference."

The Broncos travel to For- san on Friday to take on the 1-0 Buffaloes on their new Carter 419 artificial turf system. Game time is 7:30.

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month!

Breast Cancer Awareness Rally!



Saturday, Oct. 1st

Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital Campus  
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- 10am
- Survivor Recognition!
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- 9:00 am
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2011 Sonora Broncos Football

September 9	Ballinger	Home	7:30
September 16	Brackett (Homecoming)	Home	7:30
September 23	Blanco	Away	7:30
September 30	OPEN		
October 7	* Junction	Away	7:30
October 14	* San Saba	Away	7:30
October 21	* Ozona	Home	7:30
October 28	* Harper	Away	7:30
November 4	* Coleman (Senior Night)	Home	7:30