

The Devil's River News

Volume 122 • Issue 7

SONORA, TEXAS

Thursday, February 18, 2010

Primary Election Update

Early Voting Location
Ballot Proclamations

Page 6

Students of the Week



Page 4

Weeds this Spring



Page 8

Lions Roar



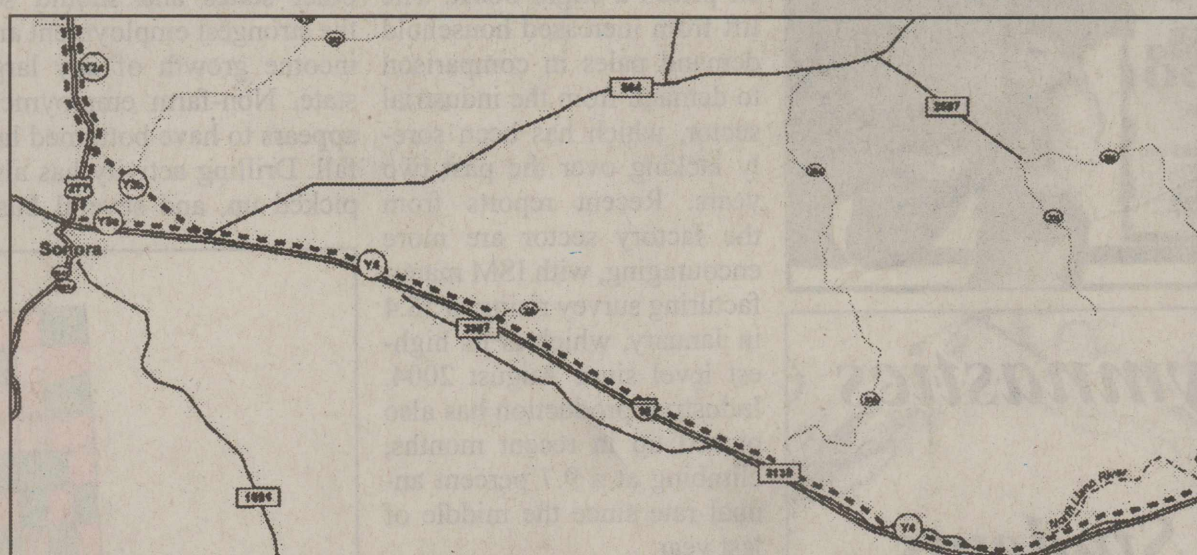
Page 10

Page Index

Page 2...Front pg Cont..
Page 3...Church
Page 4...FYI
Page 5... Oil and Ag
Page 6...Primary Election
Page 7 ... EPA Mandates
Page 8...Classifieds
Page 9...Bronco Sports
Page 10...Lions Roar

Possible LCRA Powerline Route Cuts Through Sutton County:

LCRA to Host Meeting at the Civic Center to Answer Questions



The dotted lines in the above map indicates one of the possible routes a new LCRA transmission line could take. This transmission line is designed to deliver power produced from wind generation to "end-user consumers in more populated regions of Texas" according to an LCRA publication. The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 24 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.



Left to Right-LeAndra Castaneda, Kash McGee, Alexis Galindo, and Zachary Leonard prepare for Austin.

SHS Debate Advances to State

By Ben D. Taylor

The tradition of excellence with Sonora High School's academic and speech program continues as two SHS cross examination debate teams advance to state competition on March 15-16th on the UT campus. For Juniors Kash McGee and Alexis Galindo

(who will be graduating a year early this May), this is their second trip to Austin in as many years; while 2010 marks the first year for Junior LeAndra Castaneda and Sophomore Zachary Leonard.

Cross examination debate consists of two opposing teams (each team having two members) arguing a topic or resolution. Each team must prepare their arguments in advance, as they do not know which side of the issue they will debate until the onset of the round. This years resolution is that the "U.S. federal government should substantially increase social services to people living in poverty within the U.S."

The team of McGee and Castaneda are going to Austin with a number of speech tournament victories as well as an outright district championship Leonard and Castaneda will be serving as alternates after placing third in district. Galindo commented that, "We all work together as a team. We just don't focus on one round at a time. We keep looking at the bigger picture." Castaneda and McGee added. "We tear each other's cases down in order to build them up in practice. We are brutal with our arguments." This is the first year Leonard has debated, and he has found the experience rewarding but tough. "I have had to learn to think quick on my feet. I haven't mastered it yet, but I'm learning".

two field goals. Hampton buried a three and hit two free throws for the quarter's high of five points. The Yellow Jackets had no answer to this tenacious defense, constant speed and ball movement.

The most impressive play of the last quarter occurred after a Jackets' basket. The Jackets employed a full court press most of the game. (Why they were doing it is another question. I don't remember a single time where it caused a Broncos' turnover.) Morriss inbounded to Hampton, who threw to Creek, who threw to Jennings, who threw to Cadesman Pope for an under the basket field goal. No one ever had to dribble the ball!

In the first quarter, Word Hudson buried two threes. Morriss had six points on three nice drives for short jumpers. Creek scored six points on offensive rebounds and drives

Continued on Page 10

Broncos Fly Past Kermit Again



Front Row Left to Right: Dustin Neff, Word Hudson, Zachary Leonard
Back Row Left to Right: Coach Lamar Evans, Ethan Morriss, Tyler Creek, Coach Chad Tuttle, James Bean, Braxton Snyder, Cadesman Pope, Austin Hampton, Cash Jennings and Coach Jay Immel

By Ray Glasscock

At the end of the third quarter last Friday, the Broncos held a 49 to 43 lead over the Kermit Yellow Jackets. After establishing a 20 to 11 lead at the end of the first quarter, the Yellow Jackets out scored the Broncos in the second and third quarters.

For at least this game, Austin Hampton can claim the "sixth man" award for coming off the bench and igniting the Broncos to a 16 to 2 run to put the game away. Hampton just seemed to always be in the right place at the right time. He rebounded, passed to the open man, and

his five points in the fourth quarter were the most for the team in the final twelve minutes. During the run, Ethan Morriss scored a free throw after a hard foul on a layup. Cash Jennings scored four points on a field goal and two free throws. Tyler Creek hit

Happiness is 2009 in the Rearview Mirror: Texas Recovery is at Hand, but Clouds Remain

By Dr. Eugenio Aleman
Wells Fargo Economist

The drag from the U.S. and global recessions on the Texas economy appears to have abated. Most of the state's key economic indicators have posted some improvement during recent months, even though most still remain well into negative territory on a year-to-year basis. We believe the recession ended around the middle of 2009 nationwide, and the Lone Star State appears to have turned the corner at about the same time. There are still plenty of storm clouds on the horizon, however. While the national economy saw exceptionally strong real GDP growth during the fourth quarter, much of that growth was due to a swing in business inventories, which is hard to isolate at the state level. That said, Texas is clearly seeing some short-term benefit from the massive fiscal and monetary stimulus put in place this past year. The real test, for both the nation and Texas, will be what hap-

pens once this stimulus winds down around the middle of the year? Texas is in better shape than any other large state and will likely post solid gains dur-



ing the early stages of the recovery.

Texas entered the recession about nine months after the nation did according to the Texas Business Cycle Index (TBCI). Texas non-farm employment declined shortly after oil prices collapsed during the second half of 2008. The price of West Texas Intermediate (WTI) petroleum topped out at around

\$142.00 per barrel around the Fourth of July 2008 and then tumbled to just over \$32.00 per barrel around Christmas of that year. Prices for natural gas declined by an even greater magnitude and for a longer period of time. After hitting a high of \$13.28 per million Btu (MMBtu) just before the Fourth of July 2008, prices began to tumble and eventually dropped below \$2 per MMBtu just before Labor Day of 2009. Since then, prices bounced back a bit and averaged \$5.13 per MMBtu in January.

Collapsing energy prices quickly translated into reduced exploration and production activity and it did not take long for employment to turn down. Texas non-farm

employment peaked in October 2008 and declined in 10 of the next 11 months, resulting in a cumulative net loss of around 350,000 jobs. The huge job losses that followed the plunge in energy prices underscore the severity of the economic downturn in Texas and expose the state's still-heavy reliance on the energy sector. Oil and gas production have a huge multiplier effect, with the energy sector directly employing nearly a quarter million workers in Texas. The energy industry also fuels activity in key supplier industries, such as fabricated metals, and employs thousands of engineers and professional staff throughout the state.

There was more than an energy bust that brought down the Texas economy. Texas was also severely affected by the global financial collapse that followed the bankruptcy of Lehman Brothers in September 2008. Once credit markets seized up, home sales and residential construction plummeted. International trade, which had been a

key source of growth leading up to the crisis, was abruptly thrown into reverse as trade credit became extremely hard to get. Moreover, the collapse in global economic growth weighed heavily on the state's important manufacturing industry, particularly petrochemicals and consumer products.

Texas very much remains the center of the nation's energy sector, with production activity occurring in many areas across the state and planning, engineering and management activity run out of Houston, Dallas and many other areas. For most of the past century, the energy sector has been extremely good to Texas, providing thousands of high-paying jobs and billions of dollars in royalties and tax revenues. On the downside, there have been some periodic busts, which inflicted enormous costs on parts of the state. The past decade has seen the Texas energy business boom, as soaring prices for petroleum and natural gas led to increased

Continued on Page 2

Continued from Front Page:

Happiness is 2009 in the Rearview Mirror

production, refinery expansions, new pipelines and increased hiring throughout the energy complex. At the start of the decade there were only 269 rotary rigs operating in the state of Texas. At the height of the boom in September 2008, the number of rotary rigs operating in the

state had surged to 937. After the financial crisis intensified in the autumn of 2008, energy prices began to retreat and the rig count slid back down to just 327 rigs in June 2009, before rebounding to around 528 rigs more recently.

The ups and downs of the energy business are nothing

new. There have been at least three meaningful energy busts since 1990 and, of course, the huge bust that occurred back in the mid to late 1980s. This cycle, however, is somewhat unusual. Prices for petroleum and natural gas rose to historic levels in nominal terms, yet much of the energy explora-

tion that took place was in the natural gas sector, and much of that was in non-conventional projects like the Barnett shale field in north Texas and the Haynesville shale field in northeast Texas. Energy investment was notable in the petroleum sector as well, with several expansions to refinery operations and strong growth in engineering and management.

Natural gas prices are largely determined by U.S. economic conditions. Colder-than-usual weather in the U.S. has boosted household gas use and given prices a slight boost. The lift from increased household demand pales in comparison to demand from the industrial sector, which has been sorely lacking over the past two years. Recent reports from the factory sector are more encouraging, with ISM manufacturing survey rising to 58.4 in January, which is its highest level since August 2004. Industrial production has also picked up in recent months, climbing at a 9.7 percent annual rate since the middle of last year.

Texas held up better than much of the rest of the country throughout the recession. Housing did not get anywhere near as overbuilt during the boom years and home price appreciation was fairly modest. Fewer Texans pulled substantial equity out of their homes and only about half as large a share of Texas homeowners owe more on their homes than they are currently worth as compared to other states. As a result, household balance sheets have remained stronger, job losses were less severe, and fewer homes have slipped into foreclosure. Even state finances held up better, as Texas does not have an income

tax, and property values and sales tax held up better than in many other states. While the state escaped the worst of the downturn it was still affected. Weaker global economic growth led to sharply lower energy prices and cut into oil and gas exploration. In addition, the credit crunch reined in exports and restrained business activity. Now that the recession has ended, Texas is poised to recovery ahead of much of the country.

Now that the recovery is getting started Texas is better positioned than many other states and should see the strongest employment and income growth of any large state. Non-farm employment appears to have bottomed last fall. Drilling activity has also picked up, and several busi-

nesses have announced plans to expand in the state. The energy sector is more diverse today than it was in earlier cycles, with natural gas accounting for a much larger share of drilling activity and strong growth in wind energy and solar power providing an additional lift.

We expect employment to rise over the course of 2010, with hiring gradually building momentum as the year progresses. We expect non-farm employment to rise roughly 1.2 percent on a December-to-December basis, producing a net gain of 120,000 jobs. Growth will be driven by the recovery in oil and gas drilling, which is already up 58 percent from its lows hit in 2009.

SHRINE CIRCUS

Don't Miss the Event of the Year!

3 RING CIRCUS!

SEE LIONS & TIGERS!

Ride the Elephants!

MUST PRESENT COUPON TO RECEIVE OFFER

HUGE FAMILY FUN AFFORDABLE FAMILY PRICING \$25.00

Good for: 2 adults and up to 3 children (12 years and under) A \$68 value. exchanged at gate only. Not good with any other offer.

SUEZ SHRINE CIRCUS
SONORA, TEXAS
SUTTON CO. FAIRGROUNDS
RODEO ARENA
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH
6:00 PM ONLY

TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED AT CIRCUS BOX OFFICE ONE HOUR BEFORE SHOWTIME

PRODUCED BY JODY JORDAN PRODUCTION TOUR 2010

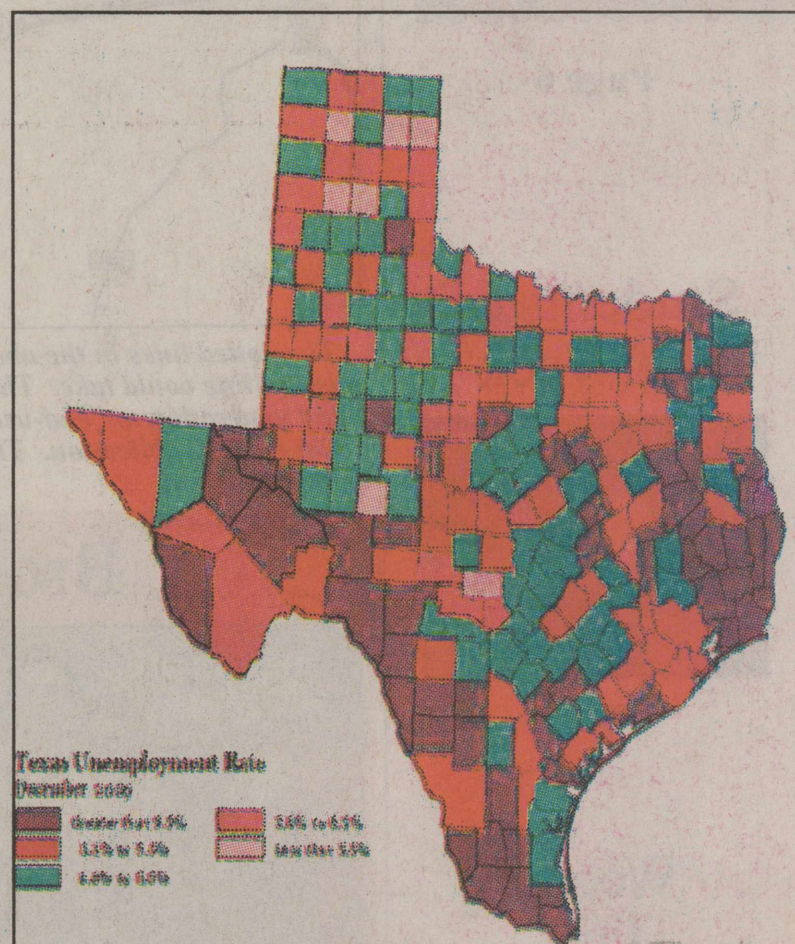
Sonora Tumbler Gymnastics

Now accepting New Students
with limited space available.

3-5 year olds meet Wednesdays
6-8 year olds and 9-12 year olds meet Tuesdays

The cost is \$50 a month with a \$25 registration fee

Contact James Ricks
@
(325) 387-4454 for more information
Class sizes are limited so call if interested!



Source: U.S. Department of Labor and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC



What I really want from my health plan is:

A real person on the phone when I have a question.

SeniorCare (Cost) Medicare enhancement with the extra personal touch. With our SeniorCare (Cost) Medical¹ and Prescription Drug Plans², personal service is just part of the plan. With our 24-Hour Nurse Advice Line, we're always here to answer your questions and provide the individual support you need. Plus, no matter where you go, you're protected with worldwide coverage for urgent care and emergencies. With co-payments as low as \$0, there's a SeniorCare (Cost) plan to suit virtually any lifestyle, budget and coverage need.

Make the easy switch to SeniorCare (Cost) from Scott & White Health Plan. Call (800) 782-5068 for your FREE information packet and FREE quote or TTY (800) 735-2989 for hearing-impaired assistance.

Monday - Friday • 8 am - 5 pm • www.swhp.org

¹ A state-certified and Medicare-approved Health Maintenance Organization. Anyone with Medicare may apply.

² SeniorCare Rx (Cost) is separate coverage available at an additional cost.

The benefit information provided is not comprehensive. Additional information should be requested before making a decision about your coverage.



Shannon contracts with Scott & White Health Plan to bring you SeniorCare (Cost). Other Pharmacies/Physicians/Providers are available in our network.



SUTTON COUNTY HEALTH FOUNDATION

Your memorial gift helps preserve access to quality health care for generations to come. Please consider the Sutton County Health Foundation, PO Box 18, Sonora, TX 76950. All contributions are 100% tax deductible.


Senior Center Activities

- Thur. Feb 18 - Crafts. Need ideas and helpers
- Fri. Feb 19 - Happy Birthday *Antonia Luna*
- Mon. Feb 22 - Bingo *Washington's Birthday*
- Tues. Feb 23 - Sign up for St. Patty's Crafts
- Wed. Feb 24 - Decorate center for St. Patrick's Day

Senior Center Menu

- Thur. Feb 18 - Meat w/spaghetti sauce, noodles, mixed veggies, garlic bread, cake and milk
- Fri. Feb 19 - Chicken enchiladas, pinto beans, crackers, tossed salad, brownies and milk
- Mon. Feb 22 - Beef stew, sweet peas, cornbread, citrus fruit cup and milk
- Tues. Feb 23 - BBQ chicken, beans, beets, rolls, milk pears w/pineapple, chocolate chip cookies
- Wed. Feb 24 - Smothered steak w/onions, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, apple crisp and milk

Participants in the senior nutrition program must be 60 or older. Meals are served Monday - Friday at 12:00 p.m. **Donations are accepted** (suggested donation for Seniors is \$2.00; \$5.00 for under 60 and all other meals-to-go).



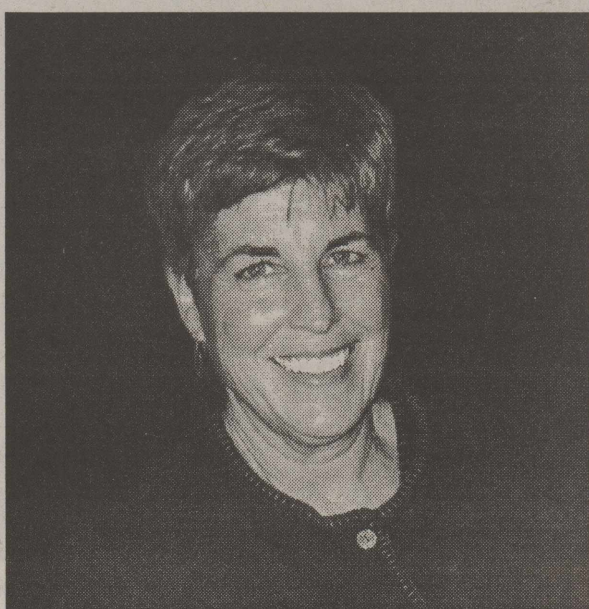
Sonora Church Directory

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

Brought to you by:
Kerbow Funeral Home
387-2266

Obituary

RUTHIE SHAFER CAHILL



Ruthie Shafer Cahill (64) of Sonora, was released into the glory of the Lord Wednesday, February 10, 2010, following a courageous battle with cancer. Ruthie was born August 2, 1945, to Margaret Fauntleroy Shafer and Walter Pressly Shafer, Jr. She grew up in a loving family, the oldest of four siblings and graduated from Alamo Heights High School in San Antonio. Growing up, she spent summers in her mother's hometown of Alta Vista, Virginia, on the sandy beaches of Port Aransas, and at the ranch of special friends near Del Rio. She then went on to Stephens College in Columbia, Missouri, where she earned an associates degree in art. Two years later, she earned her bachelor's degree in art from Texas Tech University. While in Lubbock she met Carl James (Jimmy) Cahill, Jr., of Sonora, Texas, and they married on January 28, 1967. The couple moved to Sonora shortly after they both graduated from college. Although she grew up in San Antonio, her heart has always been in West Texas, and the Devil's River was a favorite retreat for Ruthie and her family over the years. Ruthie lived a quiet life filled with the joys of living in the country. She loved all of nature and often found it to be the subject of her art and photography. She felt a special connection with the animals in her life and was especially fond of her dogs. Ruthie was passionate about saving all things, great and small. She was intent on enhancing the lives of all creatures. She was a loyal and dedicated member of the First United Methodist Church and a gentle and wise servant of the Lord Jesus Christ. Ruthie was a strong, independent, beautiful, conservative woman, who climbed a great mountain and at the top, took flight on the wings of angels.

Ruthie is survived by her devoted husband of 43 years, Jimmy Cahill; daughter and son-in-law, Kelly and Terry Owen; son and daughter-in-law, Chacho and Dawn Cahill; grandchildren: Rebeckah, Reagan and Gage Owen, and Lane and Carson Cahill; mother-in-law, Wanda Neville; and sister-in-law, Diana Condra; all of Sonora. Survivors in San Antonio include her mother, Margaret Shafer; her brothers and their wives, Pressly and Kayrene Shafer, and Jimmy and Donna Shafer; and her sister, Susie Shafer. Ruthie will be deeply missed by a large extended family, including many nieces, nephews, cousins and dear friends.

A memorial was held Saturday, February 13, 2010, at the First United Methodist Church of Sonora. Arrangements were by Kerbow Funeral Home of Sonora. In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations be made to The L.M.H. Hospital Auxiliary Chapel Fund, P.O. Box 455, Sonora, Texas 76950, The Helping Hands Fund at the First National Bank, P.O. Box 798, Sonora, Texas 76950, or the Ministerial Alliance, P.O. Box 1015, Sonora, Texas 76950 or the charity of your choice.

First United Methodist Church

201 NW Water Ave.
(325) 387-2466
Ray Wells, Pastor

<p>Sunday</p> <p>9:45 Sunday School</p> <p>10:55 Worship</p> <p>6:00 Bible Study</p>	<p>Nursery available from 9:30 - 12:30</p> <p>Tuesday</p> <p>12:00 Lion's Club</p>
---	--

Wednesday

5:00 Choir Practice

6:00 Beth Moore Study - Fellowship Hall

6:00 Jr. High Youth - *St. John's Sunday House*

7:00 Sr. High Youth - *St. John's Sunday House*

Thank You Note

We are truly humbled and inspired by the outpouring of love we have witnessed through these months of Ruthie's illness. Each of us have been uplifted through the many fervent prayers raised for our family and though we could never adequately express the deep appreciation we feel, we want to thank each of you for sustaining Mom and our entire family throughout this journey. Sometimes healing does not mean a physical healing, but our souls have been soothed and comforted through the beautiful and kind prayers, words and gestures of our community. Thank you to all the churches, prayer groups and individuals who have remembered us.

We would like to take this opportunity to specially recognize the exemplary and loving care received from Dr. Kristy Edwards and all the staff at LMH Memorial Hospital. These caregivers truly have servants' hearts and answer a calling above and beyond the necessary level of care—taking the time to consider far more than just the body. We are blessed to have such a fantastic staff and facility here in Sonora.

Also, special thanks to all the individuals who worked hard to make Ruthie's memorial a beautiful celebration of her life. The meals prepared gave strength to our weary hearts and blessed us through providing a banquet table of feasting and fellowship. Our cups have indeed overflowed. Our heartfelt thanks to each of you.

Jimmy, Chacho and Dawn Cahill
Kelly and Terry Owen

Lenten Lunches

Submitted

Each year, members of the Ministerial Alliance gather together for lunches during Lent. This year's lunches will be each Wednesday, February 24 through March 24. All lunches will take place at the Parish Hall of St. John's Episcopal Church and will begin at noon. EVERYONE in the community is invited to attend. The lunches last less than an hour, so people with a lunch hour can attend with no problem. Host churches for the lunches are: *February 24-First United Methodist Church and Church of the Good Shepherd, Presbyterian, *March 3-Lighthouse Community Church, *March 10-First Baptist Church, *March 17-St. Ann's Catholic Church, *March 24-St. John's Episcopal Church. *There is NO CHARGE for the lunch, however donations to the Ministerial Alliance will be accepted.*

Happy Birthday!

February 18

Amanda Martin, Idalia Perez, Michael Creech, Sammy Mata, Taylor Lopez, Kent McAnally, Chance Dillard, Zadrian McGee, Edward Virgen, Annette Gamez, Belinda Perez

February 19

Michael I. Solis, Antonil Luna, John Valdez, Paul Ramsdell, Curtis E. Lipham, Corin Geske, Madison McGavock, Brianna Reyna

February 20

Tyler Paganucci, Dustin Crittendon, Wilma Villanueva, Curly Faulks

February 21

Jimmy Crowder, Nevada Payne, Owne Freiss, Hector Michael Garrilo, Amanda Rubalcava

February 22

Ben Ingham, Emilce Hernandez, Terri Slaugh, Kate Jennings, Lewis Baker, Jacque Baker

February 23

Katrina Ramos, Curtis Lipham, Karen Hill

February 24

Carlie Gandar, Chris Castro, Brad Legan, Elizabeth Zapata

The Devil's River News

Established 1890
228 E. Main Street, Sonora, Texas 76950
Phone: (325)387-2507 • Fax (325)387-5691
Published every Thursday
USPS (155-920)

Publishing Owners: Ben D. Taylor, Sam C. Taylor
Editor: Ben D. Taylor

Office Manager/Billing: Ben D. Taylor
Advertising/Classifieds: Lynn Wipff
Internet Technician: Sam Taylor
Reporting/Photography/Typesetting: Staff
Guest Columnists: Kelly Thorp, Ray & Nancy Glasscock
Delyse Jaeger, Pascual Hernandez, Susan Hall, Mary Ann Kay
Email: General Information: editor@sonoratx.net
Advertising: sales@sonoratx.net

Copy and Ad Deadline: Monday 4:00 p.m.
Subscriptions

\$25 per year in county • \$32 per year out of Sutton County
\$22 per year Senior Citizens (in and out of Sutton County)

Second class postage paid at Sonora, Texas
Attn. Postmaster: Send address change to the Devil's River News,
228 East Main Street, Sonora, TX 76950

Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm, or corporation which appears in the columns of this paper will be corrected upon due notice given to the Editor of this publication. The views expressed in submitted articles are not necessarily the views of The Devil's River Newspaper.

TA

**MEMBER
2009**

TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

C3

**YOUTH MINISTRY
LIGHTHOUSE COMMUNITY CHURCH**

David Dunlap / Youth Pastor

325-374-5935 / WAYTRUTHLIFE2010@HOTMAIL.COM

**WINTER FUND-RAISER
BAKE SALE**

SATURDAY

FEBRUARY 20, 2010

7:00 A.M.—11:00 A.M.

DOLLAR GENERAL PARKING LOT

* WINNERS OF THE C3 RAFFLE
WILL BE DRAWN AT 10:00 A.M.!

Thank you for your support!

ALL proceeds will assist teens in participating youth events.

*Pre-need funeral
insurance and
monument sales*

Contact:

Glen Love

Kerbow Funeral Home

325-387-2266

The Mercantile Garden

Bridal Selections Available for

Kyla Turney ♥ Josh Bannon
Thomas Bloodworth ♥ Brooklyn Woehl
Justin Sims ♥ Lauren Day

232 E. Main
325-387-9000

Elementary Students of the Week



PK-Atalia Ruiz, K-Abigail Hernandez, 1-Harmony Ramirez, 2-Katy Jo Wardlaw, 3-Perla Salazar, 4-Elyssa Prieto

First National Bank Popcorn Proceeds



FNB's February Popcorn Donation goes to Eaton Hill Wildlife Sanctuary. Pictures Left to Right: Delyse Jaeger with Eaton Hill and Ladonna Wardlaw with FNB

Ol' Sonora Trading Co.

121 Hwy 277 N. 325-387-5507

New Arrivals from Market!
New Junior Jeans
New Candles by Beanpot
New Candles by Aspen
All your old favorite candles

Stop and check us out!

Bridal Selections

Kyla Turney~bride elect~Josh Bannon
Lavenda Bedford~bride elect~David Stuart

DREAM BODY

Turn to Dream Body Slimming Capsule-the number 1 fat burner made from Chinese herbs. These great capsules facilitate weight loss and suppress the appetite; you can lose up to 30 pounds in a single month. Weight loss varies from individual to individual. In addition to the capsules, we have the Dr. Ming's Chinese Tea/Te Chino del Dr. Ming and many other health products. I am an official independent distributor of Dream Body Slimming Capsule. For more info contact Lupe Herrera @325-277-3591 or Jody Luttrell @325-226-5420. Present this ad and save \$5.00 on your first purchase

The Video Store

New Releases • Tues. Feb. 16

802 Crockett • 387-3710

~The Box~
~Law Abiding Citizen~

Store Hours:
Monday - Saturday, 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.; 2:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Sunday: 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Locally Owned and Operated by:
Patrick and Butch Campbell

F.Y.I.

Santa Pictures from The More the Merrier are still being held at the Chamber of Commerce. Please call 387-2880.

Mother & Son Dance photo's are available for pick up at the Chamber of Commerce. Please call 387-2880.

"The 2010 Sonora Bronco Yearbook is currently on sale. All orders due by Feb. 19th"

C3 YOUTH MINISTRY from LIGHTHOUSE COMMUNITY CHURCH holding WINTER FUND-RAISER. Teens will be selling raffle tickets through Wed, Feb 17. Winners will be drawn at their bake sale on Sat, Feb 20. For tickets or more information contact David Dunlap/Youth Pastor, 325-374-5935/roknrolr@hotmail.com

C3 YOUTH MINISTRY will be having a bake sale Saturday, February 20 at the Dollar General from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Eaton Hill will be hosting a **Birding Workshop**, (Focus On Sparrows) Saturday, February 20, 8:00 a.m. till dusk, presented by Byron Stone MD at the Eaton Hill Nature Center, 500 City Hill Road. **Limited Space.** FMI call Delyse at 325-387-2615

Project Graduation meeting for all Junior parents - Wednesday, February 24 at 5:00 P.M. in the elementary library.

LIONS CLUB BROOM AND MOP SALE - Tuesday, March 9th. 8 AM - 5:30 PM at City Hall and 9 AM - 5:30 PM at the Post Office. We have over 60 brooms, mops and cleaning accessories for sale. The blind or multihandicapped make all of the products. Sales benefit their industries and your local Lions Club, helping us fund many programs from the local to the national level. Contact Sam Kent at 387-5181 (h) for more information.

Census Jobs Apply Now- 1-866-861-2010. There will be a local application process and testing weekly. Please call for more information.

Viva Sonora Cinco de Mayo - May 1, 2010 Featuring: United Freestyle Stunt Team-3 performances, www.unitedfreestyle.com

Sonora Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary is having a **Rummage Sale** on Saturday, August 1, 2010 at the Fire Hall. Your donations for clothing, household items and etc. are tax deductible and most welcome. Please contact Sandee Reese at 325-387-5368 or Christy Lippman at 325-206-1342 to arrange a donation drop-off today.

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

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

The First National Bank of Sonora has established a fund through the "Sutton County Community Trust" for Shanna Petty. If you would like to make a donation, you can take it by the bank at 102 E. Main or mail to First National Bank, P.O. Box 798, Sonora, TX 76950, attention Jo Ann Jones

Member FDIC
P.O. Box 798
Sonora, Texas 76950
325-387-3861

Member FDIC
229 Hwy 277 N
Sonora, Texas 76950
325-387-2593

Vacancy Vacancy Vacancy Vacancy

FEBRUARY SPECIAL
\$50.00 off
1st month's (full month's rent)
on new move in's only.

The Landmark Apartments

103 Dollie
Sonora, Texas 76950
325-387-2104/325-387-9504 (fax)

Call Jana today for all your
apartment or storage unit needs.
Open Monday - Thursday till 4:00 p.m.

Every size available:
Small 1/1: \$320/\$165 (508 sqft)
Large 1/1: \$360/\$195 (614 sqft)
2/2: \$430/\$245 (828 sqft)
3/2: \$500/\$295 (1200 sqft)

Application fee: \$20.00
Maintenance on Site, Storage on Balcony,
Appliance's Included, Wall to Wall Carpet, Ceiling Fans,
CH/A, Assigned Parking, Water/Sewer Trash Paid,
Special on Electricity

Frontier/Dunes Mini Storage
Small units \$45-\$50 Large units \$65
No Deposits Required on storage units.

Vacancy Vacancy Vacancy Vacancy

SONORA SERVICE DIRECTORY

<p style="text-align: center;">Allison Well Service 325-446-2382 <i>All your pump and windmill needs.</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Judy Edwards Licensed Massage Therapist The Cutting Edge 1001 St. Anns St. 325-234-5554 Submitted</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Big C Automotive 501 S. Crockett Sonora, Texas 76950 325-387-5167</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Knox Floor Covering Carpet-Vinyl-Tile 392-2180 201 Ave I Ozona, TX</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Brewer Refrigeration Lic. #TACLBO12114C Ice Machines Sales-Service-Rentals We sell & service Deer Coolers & Freezers 325-835-2141 Mobile 450-2793</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Now Offering Tanning! Main Street Salon 206 E. Main St. Sonora, Texas 325-387-2222</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Carl J. Cahill, Inc. OILFIELD CONTRACTOR (325) 387-2524</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Rafter W Feed 201 Cedar 387-3042 Your local Acco, Purina and Sure Fed Feed Dealer</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Charles Howard Construction, Inc. Oilfield Contractor Asphalt & Concrete Construction email:chowardconst@sonoratax.net phone: (325) 387-3093 fax: (325) 387-5543 mobile: (325) 206-0497</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Rosey Bud Florist 121 Hwy 277 N Sonora, Texas 76950 325-387-5507</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Frerich Materials LLC Sand & Gravel Production Junction, TX 325-446-2001</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Sonora Air Cooled Engines & Equipment Rentals 507 N. Crockett Ave. Sonora, TX 76950 325-387-3400 Skid Steers w/ Drill, Backhoe, Ditchwitch, Chain Saws, Trimmers/mowers</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Goldline Mechanic Service Ronnie Wipff/Owner 325-277-1834</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Totally Wacked Catering! Ronnie Wipff 325-277-1834 325-226-4364 Custom Made BBQ Pits</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Advertise Here! Call Lynn @ 325-387-2507 or email Sales@sonoratax.net</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Tom Davidson Attorney at Law Specializing in Criminal Law Free Advice & Referrals 325-632-2000</p>

Elite Roofing

• Storm Season is Here •

If you are in the Market for a New Roof- Look no farther. We offer you a new 26 gauge Metal Roof for the same price as a composition shingle roof. YOU CAN HAVE THE METAL ROOF YOU'VE BEEN WAITING FOR!

Metal Roofs

- 20 Year Warranty on ALL Colors
- Class 4 Impact Resistant
- Insurance Premium Discounts
- All Types of Roofing

Elite Roofing

offers you:
NO MONEY DOWN
A+BBB Insured
Insurance claims Assistance
5 yr. Labor Warranty

Call us TODAY for a FREE ESTIMATE and information.
877-ROOFUSA
325-347-6395

Serving the Texas Hill Country
Main Office: P.O. Box 1864 • Mason TX
Sonora Location: 112 N. Concho

Oil & Agribusiness

Lots of Weeds This Spring?

By Pascual Hernandez, Sutton County Agricultural Extension Agent



With the good rains we've had this winter, many are wondering what the cool-season forb crop will be. Others are just wondering about the "weeds" (such as bitterweed) that we may get. It brought to mind the question "What exactly is a weed?" Well, like most things, it depends on who's looking. A weed is any plant growing out of place...or put differently, a plant growing in an unwanted place.

Most weeds result from seeds found in the soil. Some seeds may remain inactive for several years, and then emerge under proper temperature, light, and moisture conditions. These weeds generally germinate and mature when bare spots develop or if the soil is cultivated. Weed seeds may also be transported by a variety of methods including wind, clothing, equipment, and animals.

Weeds may be grass or broad leaf plants. Both may be annuals, biennials, or perennials. Annuals live for a single year. In other words, they germinate from seed, grow into a mature plant, produce seed, and die in one year. Biennials germinate from seed the first year and stay in a vegetative growth stage for the entire year. During the second year, they flower, produce seed,

and eventually die. Perennials germinate from seed the first year, but can live indefinitely because they can regenerate from underground crowns or stems. They continue to grow and flower year after year, and some can spread by stolons or rhizomes.

Weeds can be divided into four general types for determining the appropriate method of control: 1) annual grasses, 2) annual broadleaves, 3) perennial grasses, and 4) perennial broadleaves. They are further classified as warm-season (summer) or cool-season (winter) to determine when they should be controlled. Winter annuals, for example, germinate in the fall and die the following summer. Summer annuals germinate in the spring and die in the fall. Winter and summer perennial weeds follow a similar pattern; however, they become dormant rather than dying at the end of their respective growing seasons.

There is starting to be a little green out on our rangelands. Hopefully, some of that growth will be vegetation which our livestock and wildlife can benefit from. To learn more about weed identification, visit the Sutton County Extension Office website at <http://sutton-co.tamu.edu>.

A dog is the only thing on earth that loves you more than you love yourself.
-Josh Billings

Annual Ram Performance Test Field Day and Sale set for March 19

By Steve Byrns

SONORA – The annual Ram Performance Test Field Day and Sale is set for March 19 at the Texas AgriLife Research Station at Sonora.

The event will be conducted by Texas AgriLife Research and the Texas AgriLife Extension Service at the station, which is located 28 miles south of Sonora on U.S. Highway 55.

Dr. Dan Waldron, AgriLife Research geneticist at San

Angelo who oversees the test, said this year's set of rams are gaining well.

"The average gain at the Jan. 6 weigh-day was 0.92 pounds per day," Waldron said. "And the 106 animals currently on the test average 226 pounds. This is as good a set of rams as we've had on the test, so the group of breeders decided that all rams that meet the test's stringent minimum and

maximum standards and that are not sifted will be eligible for the sale. They have also set a floor price for bidding at \$500 per head."

The day's events start at 10:30 a.m. with an informal morning inspection of Rambouillet rams. A catered lunch will be served on site at 11:45 a.m. An educational program will follow at 1 p.m., and the auction of eligible rams will start at 2 p.m.

Program topics will include using livestock guard dogs for

predator control and an update on parasite control.

Burk Lattimore, secretary of the Rambouillet Sheep Breeders Association, will award the certified ram certificates to the owners of the qualifying rams and speak about his experiences with guard dogs.

For further information, contact Waldron or Dr. Frank Craddock at 325-653-4576, call the AgriLife Research Station at Sonora at 325-387-3168 or visit the test's Web site at: <http://sanangelo.tamu.edu/genetics/ramtest.htm>

Glyn Hutto Livestock
All Classes of Sheep & Goats
Bought - Sold
5 Miles West of Eldorado on CR 412
Certified Scales
(325) 853-2717 or (325) 277-8622

72 Months @ 4.99%, 0 Down, W/AC
(assumes eq exemption)
\$243 a Month W/AC
Free delivery to most areas!
Mahindra TRACTORS Model 2816
Includes Loader, 28 HP, Four-Wheel Drive
www.powerpartsplus.com
Del Rio Powersports 1-800-434-9897
YAMAHA SUZUKI HONDA POLARIS

The Way Off Broadway Players
Greater TUNA
written by Jaston Williams, Joe Sears, Ed Howard
Friday, February 19 8:00 p.m.
Saturday, February 20 **Dinner Theater**
1st Seating Play @ 5:30/Dinner @ 7:30
2nd Seating Dinner @ 6:00/Play @ 8:00
Sunday, February 21 3:00 p.m. matinee
Friday, February 26 8:00 p.m.
Saturday, February 27 8:00 p.m.
Sunday, February 28 3:00 p.m. matinee
Box Office Information
Monday-Friday, February 18-February 26
2:00-5:00 p.m.
Call (325) 853-2900 or theater office at 115 SW Main, Eldorado
Adults-\$12 & Children (under 12)-\$6
Dinner Theater tickets: Adults-\$30 & Children (under 12)-\$20
Tickets must be prepaid. Limited seating.

ANDERSON ENERGY CORPORATION
Oil & Gas Producer
Acquisitions of Royalties
Term Royalties,
Leases & Production
Doing Business in Sutton County Since 1980.
1630 Welton St., Suite 300
Denver, Colorado 80202
303-892-0123 Fax 303-892-6920
andersonenergy@aol.com

MULTI-CHEM
PRODUCTION CHEMICALS
"The Gas Enhancement Company"
Corporate: (800) 805-9178
Sonora Office: (325) 387-2585
MISSION
To provide unparalleled technical expertise and superior local service to our customers, through cost-effective applications of customized specialty chemicals.

Rig Report
February 12, 2010
SUTTON
NEW 1 HIGHMOUNT E&P TX 7450' FAWCETT -130-#13 DW PATTERSON UTI/MIDLND 38 02/01/10 5 DRLG AHEAD 4007'
EDWARDS
NEW 1 HIGHMOUNT E&P TX 7050' CANYON RANCH #907E DW PATTERSON UTI/MIDLND 105 01/31/10 6 DRLG AHEAD 5008'
NEW 2 HIGHMOUNT E&P TX 7050' CANYON RANCH #9016E DW RINGO DRILLING 1 LP 2 02/01/10 5 DRLG AHEAD 5162'
VAL VERDE
1 PARADISE OIL 3500' ROSE #1 HINZ DRILLING 1 11/18/09 80 W.O.O.
Sponsored By: **GJC**

ONE-STOP shop

WEST CENTRAL WIRELESS
Hello FREE* MOTO
We're all about value and that means providing the best coverage where you live and work. We also provide superior local customer support, outstanding nationwide coverage, and a wide selection of great phones. Plus, right now you can say hello to a FREE* eco-friendly Motorola Murano.
We've also been lowering our prices, so you'll be making that hard-earned dollar go even farther. When you shop for great value, shop West Central, we're your home for instant rebates.
FREE* Motorola Murano
*Certain restrictions apply, see store for details.
In Sonora:
West Central Wireless
102 E. Chestnut • Mon. - Thurs. - Noon - 5:30 p.m.
Fri. - 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Right Wireless
FREE Web Surfing & Picture Mail
Get West Central Wireless now owns Right Wireless and we're celebrating by offering FREE web surfing and FREE picture mail on qualifying rate plans in our home coverage area. Now you can surf the web and send pictures for free, right from where you live, work, and play. Choose from our great line of full keyboard phones and you'll be able to take full advantage of our vast twenty-six county network. There's a lot going on at Right Wireless these days, including the new addition of BlackBerry* smartphones, so stop by and see for yourself.
*Certain restrictions apply, see store for details.
No Deposit
No Contracts
No Credit Checks
Unlimited Minutes
Weekly Payment Option
BlackBerry®, RIM®, Research In Motion®, Sure Type®, SurePress™ and related trademarks, names and logos are the property of Research In Motion Limited and are registered and/or used in the U.S. and countries around the world.

WEST CENTRAL NET
SAVE up to \$120
NETJET PLATINUM
SUPER FAST WIRELESS INTERNET
Take your internet experience to a whole new level with NetJet high-speed wireless internet service. Along with increased speed, you can also enjoy savings of up to \$120* on our super fast Platinum package. Faster speeds at lower costs, you just won't find a better deal.
No Deposit • No Credit Check
No phone line required
No equipment to buy
*Certain restrictions apply, see store for details.
Stop by or call
Lisa Seaton
325 387-3031

THE GUN ROOM
DALE DIXON offers Complete Gunsmithing Services
38 years' experience repairing all types of firearms
» GUNS «
15% over cost
► AR-15s and CAR-15s Order now for Christmas!
► Will buy used firearms—working or not.
► Bluing services available Jan 2010.
LOCATED IN SUTTON COUNTY
(325) 387-3219
sonoragundocor@yahoo.com
THE GUN ROOM

Texas Primary Election Information

Submitted

On March 2nd, Texans will go to the polls (early voting starts on 2/16 and concludes on 2/26) and cast their ballots for a variety of elected

officials. You will have to choose when you get to the polls whether you are voting in the Republican Primary OR the Democrat Primary. There

is no cross-over voting in a Primary election. (3rd Party candidates and cross-over voting takes place in the General Election on Nov. 2, 2010.)

Ballot Propositions to Appear on Republican Primary Ballot March 2, 2010

#1 Photo ID

The Texas Legislature should make it a priority to protect the integrity of our election process by enacting legislation that requires voters to provide valid photo identification in order to cast a ballot in any and all elections conducted in the State of Texas.

#2 Gov't. Growth

Every government body in Texas should be required to limit any annual increase in its budget and spending to the combined increase of population and inflation unless it first gets voter approval to exceed the allowed annual growth or in the case of an official emergency.

#3 Cutting Income Taxes

In addition to aggressively eliminating irresponsible federal spending, Congress should empower American citizens to stimulate the economy by Congress cutting federal income taxes for all federal taxpayers, rather than spending hundreds of billions of dollars on so-called "federal economic stimulus".

#4 God in public

The use of the word "God", prayers, and the Ten Commandments should be allowed at public gatherings and public educational institutions, as well as be permitted on government buildings and property.

#5 Sonograms

The Texas Legislature should enact legislation requiring a sonogram to be performed and shown to each mother about to undergo a medically unnecessary, elective abortion.

Voting Information for Sutton County

Early Voting Dates:

February 16 - 26th

Location:

The Sutton County Clerk's Office in the Annex Bldg.

Hours:

8:30 a.m to 4:30 p.m.

Election Day:

March 2, 2010

Hours:

7:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

Precinct 101:

The Civic Center

Precinct 201A & 201B:

Wellness Center

Precinct 301A & 301B:

Courthouse

Precinct 401:

Fire Station

Philosophy is Relative


Two farmers were discussing politics and the first one says: "I believe in a share and share alike policy. One where we are all equal."

"Well" replied the other farmer "I'm not sure about that. What you mean is that if you have two horses you'd give me one?"

"Of course" says the first. The second farmer continued: "and of you had two cars, you'd give me one of them too?"

"Absolutely" "So" says the second farmer, "if you had two pigs then you'd give me one of them?"

"Now hang on a minute" says the first, "you KNOW I've got two pigs!"



SONIC
AMERICA'S DRIVE-IN™

131 HWY 277 N., Sonora, TX 76950 325-387-5292

Celebrating 32 Years

Monday, Feb 22nd
Coney & Tots - \$3.89

Tuesday, Feb 23rd
Half Price
Single Patty Burgers - All Day

Wednesday, Feb. 24th
For the Grownups - Brown Bag Special
(2 HB, 2 Reg. TT, 2 Med. Drinks)
(Cheese extra) - \$8.99
For the Kids - Wacky Pack Meals - \$2.99

Thursday, Feb. 25
Chicken Strip Dinner & Med Drink - \$5.99

Friday, Feb. 26th
Sonic Burger & Regular Rings - \$3.99

Saturday, Feb. 27th
Rt. 44 Drinks - 99¢
(Added Flavors Extra)

Sunday, Feb. 28th
Breakfast Burritos - \$1.49


\$8.99
Brown Bag Special
Every Wednesday thru
February

Sonora Downtown Lions Club

Broom & Mop Sale
City Hall & Post Office
Tuesday - March 9, 2010
Starts: 8:00 a.m.

Fully Guaranteed
LIONS

Brooms
Mops
Brushes
and
many
other items



Plan to come by
Help The Blind
Help Themselves
And
Help Our Club
Help Our City

Quality Blind-Made Products
Quality Cleaning Aids
For
Home, Business, or Industry

CARAVAN SALES FOR THE BLIND
ARTICLES MADE BY THE BLIND

FMI Call Sam Kent
325-387-5181



BAHLMAN CLEANERS

VALUE SERVICE QUALITY

CHEAP PRICES

SOME THINGS JUST OUTWEIGH OTHERS

Customer Service Champion



Pictured left to right, Donna Garrett, Beverly Brown and Amy Sykes owner of the Sutton County Steakhouse.

Beverly Brown was awarded Customer Service Champion for the month of January. Beverly moved to Sonora in 1976 and has worked at the Sutton County Steakhouse for 18 years. Beverly stated she was honored to have received this award. If you know Beverly, you know she loves her job and loves her customers.



DQ

25TH BIRTHDAY BLIZZARD MEAL DEAL

Enjoy a Hungri-Buster® Small Fries, Medium Drink AND Small Blizzard® Treat for **Only \$5**

BLIZZARD 25TH BIRTHDAY

That's What I Like About Texas.

CASH FOR CLUNKERS

It's a Rewarding Time to Install a new Bryant

Install a new Bryant between now and February 28th and get up to \$500 cash back. Plus: Refer a friend who installs a qualifying Bryant system and BOTH OF YOU will get \$500 CASH BACK. No Limits-refer 5 people who purchase a system and receive up to \$2500 Cash Back.

GET UP TO \$500 CASH BACK

Call today for details.

Mungia Southwest
325-387-2665
#TACLB27988E

bryant
Heating & Cooling Systems
WHATEVER IT TAKES

Texas Takes Legal Action Against Federal Government Over EPA CO2 Mandates

AUSTIN – Gov. Rick Perry, Attorney General Greg Abbott and Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples today announced that the state is taking legal action in the U.S. Court of Appeals challenging the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) endangerment finding for greenhouse gases.

"Texas is aggressively seeking its future in alternative energy through incentives and innovation, not mandates and overreaching regulation," Gov. Perry said. "The EPA's misguided plan paints a big target on the backs of Texas agriculture and energy producers and the hundreds of thousands of Texans they em-

ploy. This legal action is being taken to protect the Texas economy and the jobs that go with it, as well as defend Texas' freedom to continue our successful environmental strategies free from federal overreach."

The state has filed a Petition for Review with the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit, and will also file a Petition for Reconsideration with the Environmental Protection Agency, asking the administrator to review her decision. The state's legal action indicates EPA's Endangerment Finding is legally unsupported because the agency outsourced its scientific assessment to the International Panel on Climate

Change (IPCC), which has been discredited by evidence of key scientists' lack of objectivity, coordinated efforts to hide flaws in their research, attempts to keep contravening evidence out of IPCC reports and violation of freedom of information laws.

Texas has a record of working proactively to protect natural resources and improve environmental quality. We have reduced nitrous oxide emissions by 46 percent, cut ozone levels by 22 percent and reduced carbon dioxide emissions more than nearly every other state, all without government mandates or extravagant fines. Rather than making traditional energy

sources more expensive, Texas leaders continue to support making alternative energy technologies less expensive, thereby encouraging widespread commercial use and removing barriers to innovation and competition.

"With billions of dollars at stake, EPA outsourced the scientific basis for its greenhouse gas regulation to a scandal-plagued international organization that cannot be considered objective or trustworthy," Attorney General Abbott said. "Prominent climate scientists associated with the IPCC were engaged in an ongoing, orchestrated effort to violate freedom of information laws, exclude scientific research,

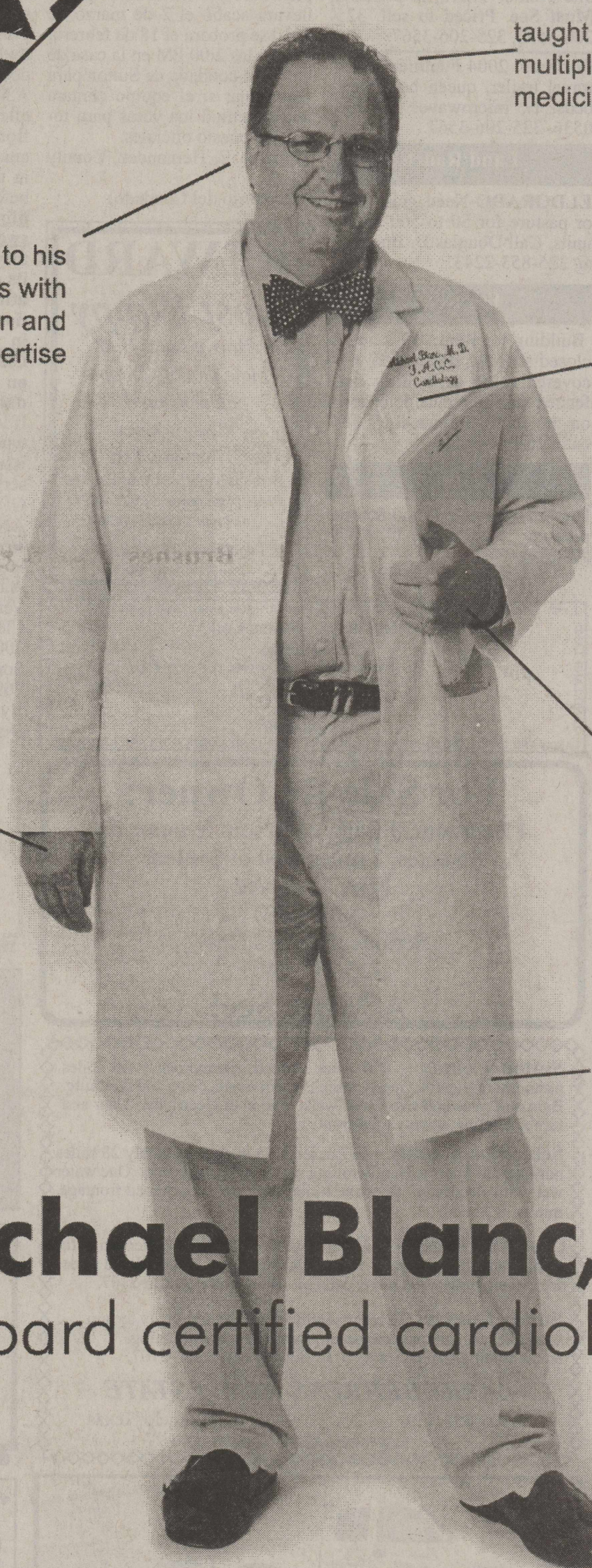
and manipulate temperature data. In light of the parade of controversies and improper conduct that has been uncovered, we know that the IPCC cannot be relied upon for objective, unbiased science – so EPA should not rely upon it to reach a decision that will hurt small businesses, farmers, ranchers, and the larger Texas economy."

As noted in comments to the EPA filed by Gov. Perry last year, the agency's decision to regulate greenhouse gases under the Clean Air Act will impose a tremendous regulatory and financial burden on farmers and ranchers, small businesses, and an energy sector that hundreds of thousands of

Texans depend upon for their jobs — not to mention Texas families who face an estimated \$1,200 in increased annual living costs during a down economy.

Texas' agriculture industry, which accounts for \$106 billion – or approximately 9.5 percent of Texas' total gross state product – would be disproportionately damaged by the proposed regulations. Fully 80 percent of the land in Texas is used in some form of agricultural production. Additionally, 97 percent of Texas' agricultural operations are run by individuals or families, and one out of seven working Texans is employed in some form of agriculture.

SEEING'S AT PATIENTS NOW



listens to his patients with compassion and expertise

taught cardiology at multiple schools of medicine

his heart beats with a passion for cardiology

hands guide tiny stents inside arteries to save lives

performed more than 14,000 heart cath cases

stands up for his patients because he believes they deserve the best

Michael Blanc, M.D.

board certified cardiologist

HEART AND VASCULAR CENTER
COMMUNITY MEDICAL ASSOCIATES

LMH
LILLIAN M. HUDSPETH MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

call today **325-245-4501**

A member of the Medical Staff at San Angelo Community Medical Center.

All real estate advertising in this newspaper is subject to the Fair Housing Act which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, or an intention, to make any such preference, limitation or discrimination." Familial status includes children under the age of 18 living with parents or legal custodians, pregnant women and people securing custody of children under 18. This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. Our readers are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised in this newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis. To complain of discrimination call HUD toll-free 1-800-669-9777. The toll-free telephone number for the hearing impaired is 1-800-927-9275.

The Devil's River News Classified Ads

DRN (325) 387-2507 228 E. Main St. sales@sonoratlx.net

**Now Closing
3:00 p.m.
every Friday!**

Caruthers Realty

"The Best of the Best"

New Listing-

600+ Acres, Large Live Oak, Heavy Mesquite, Abundant Deer and Turkey, Hwy frontage, some minerals, 14 miles E of Sonora, \$1395/Acre

2300 ac. east of Sonora, large liveoaks, deep soil, very little cedar, abundant wildlife, white tailed turkey, highway frontage, some minerals. Camp house, barn, pens, water wells, partial new low fence. \$1395/ac.

Buffalo Well Division

523 ac. Camp house, well, large liveoaks and white tailed deer and turkey. 15 miles east of Sonora on paved road. \$1495/ac.

650 ac. Highway frontage, deer, turkey, large liveoaks, very little cedar, electricity. \$1495/ac.

Bob Caruthers - Broker

325-226-3003 Anytime

email: bobc@sonoratlx.net

Employment

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

Help Wanted: Dependable full time service technician needed in Sonora area. Will train. Must be 18 years of age with a current Texas driver's license. FMI call 325-387-3154 or come by 311 W. College St. for an application.

For Sale

House for Sale: 3 BR/2 BA, 2 car carport, swimming pool, privacy fence, 2 covered patios, poolhouse/game room, shop, on 5 lots, 609 Nance, Eldorado, TX. \$125,000. FMI call 450-4073.

For Sale: 1996 Crestridge Mobile Home, 17x76, 3 BR/2BA, **Must See.** Priced to sell. 325-206-0536, 325-206-3567.

For Sale: 2004 Funfinder, 24 ft. travel trailer, queen bed, bunkbeds, tv, microwave. 325-206-0536, 325-206-3567.

Land/Ranch

ELDORADO-Need grass lease or pasture for 50 to 500 animal units. Call Douglas D. Buchholz @ 325-853-2243.

For Rent

Building for Rent: 50 x 50 enclosed shop w/ attached 50 x 50 covered space as well as large fenced yard just outside of town on the south Service Rd. FMI call 325-387-3154

Misc.

Harvest Mesquite Wood \$50 per pick-up load, 325-387-2079, 325-206-0369

Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE OF TEST OF AUTOMATIC TABULATING EQUIPMENT

Notice is hereby given that the automatic tabulating equipment that will be used in the Republican and Democratic Primary Elections held on March 2, 2010 will be tested on February 18, 2010 at 2:00 PM at the Sutton County Courthouse to ascertain that it will accurately count the vote's cast for all offices.

AVISO PUBLICO DE PROBAR EL EQUIPO PARA TABULAR AUTOMATICAMENTE

Por lo presente se da aviso que el equipo para tabular automáticamente que se usara en las Elecciones Primaria del Partidos Republicano y Democratico que se llevara acabo el 2 de marzo de 2010 se probara el 18 de febrero, 2010 a las 2:00 PM en la casa de corte del condado de Sutton para determinar si el equipo contara con exactitud los votos para todos los puesto oficiales.

Veronica E. Hernandez, County Clerk (Secretario del Condado)

Public Notices

CITATION BY PUBLICATION-APPLICATION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION AND DETERMINATION OF HEIRSHIP

The State of Texas
To all persons interested in the Estate of JONATHAN EDWARD ZOOK, Deceased, Cause No. 0001361, in County Court, Sutton County, Texas.

The alleged heir(s) at law in the above-numbered and entitled estate filed an application to Determine Heirship in this estate on 4th day of February, 2010, A.D., requesting that the Court determine who are the heirs and only heirs of JONATHAN EDWARD ZOOK, Deceased, and their respective shares and interests in such estate.

This Application may acted on by this Court at any call of the docket on or after 10 o'clock A.M., on the first Monday next after the expiration of ten days from date of publication of this citation. All persons interested in this case are cited to appear before said Honorable Court by filing a written contest or answer to this Application should they desire to do so. To ensure its consideration, you, or your attorney must file any objection, intervention, or response in writing with the County Clerk of Sutton County, Texas on or before the above-noted date and time.

If this citation is not served within 90 days after date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID COURT at office in Sonora, Texas, this the 11th day of February, 2010, A.D.

Veronica E. Hernandez
Clerk of the County Court,
300 E. Oak, Ste 3
Sonora, Sutton County, Texas
76950
By Rachel Chavez Duran
Deputy

Public Notices

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and the publicly read. CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT (S)

Dist/Div: San Angelo
Contract 6205-86-001 for REPAIR BRIDGE RAIL UPGRADE MBGF & END TREATMENT in SUTTON County, etc will be opened on March 10, 2010 at 1:00 pm at the State Office for an estimate of \$403,926.75.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract (s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.txdot.gov and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor. NPO:32080

State Office

Constr./Maint. Division
200 E. Riverside Dr.
Austin, Texas 78704
Phone: 512-416-2540
Dist/Div Office (s)

San Angelo District
District Engineer
4502 Knickerbocker Rd
San Angelo, Texas 76904
Phone: 325-944-1501

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TXDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

Scott Jacoby

Real Estate

www.scottjacobyrealestate.com

P.O. Box 295

325-226-2768

Sonora, TX 76950

sjacoby@dishmail.net

REWARD

Lost Puppy

Brown Long Hair

Male Double Dapple

Dachshund

Missing since

last Thursday, Feb. 11

Bronco Mobile Home Estates

Please call Jenny 325-226-5741

or Lynn 325-226-4476

Jackilyn Sykes would

love her baby back!

For Sale

3,695 acres (Sutton Co.)

(Can Divide)

Historic HQ's, Hill Country, Oak Trees, Improvements, Paved County Road Frontage priced to sell

325.658-4000

For Sale By Owner:

4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 2500 sq. ft. home on

36 acres, 2 miles East of Sonora,

FHA Approved

\$300,000

Serious Inquiries Only

325-277-8661

A Must See!

Sutton County - 976 acres located approximately 18 miles northeast of Sonora. Gently rolling with liveoak, cedar and mesquite. Barn and pens and two water wells, one with electricity. Deer and turkey hunting, county road frontage.

Schleicher County - 697 acres located approximately 28 miles northeast of Sonora. Gently rolling with liveoak and cedar. One water well with electricity. Deer and turkey hunting, county road frontage, minerals.

Crockett County - 1437 acres west of Ozona. Hilly terrain with scenic canyons, two water wells with electricity, whitetail and mule deer, quail, turkey and dove, call G.L. Bunger at 325-226-2107.

Sutton County - 232 acres southwest of Sonora. Hilly terrain with liveoak, shin oak and cedar. Deer and turkey hunting, small hunting trailer. Call: G. L. Bunger at 325/226-2107.

LARRY BEHRENS REAL ESTATE

325/658-7591

San Angelo, Texas

www.behrens ranchsales.com

Main Street Realty

Anita Hudson, Broker ~ Stacy Turney, Broker

Sam David Hernandez ~ Realtor

215 E. Main * Sonora, TX 76950

325-387-6115

www.SonoraTexasRealEstate.com

HOME BUYER TAX CREDIT is still available.

Call for details!

Residential Properties

1105 Tayloe Ave.	\$48,000	
34 Crockett Heights, Ozona	\$49,900	Price Reduced
509 E. 2nd St.	\$79,500	
1107 Glasscock	\$79,500	
309 E. 3rd	\$88,000	Price Reduced
817 E. 2nd	\$89,500	
1006 E. Poplar	\$99,500	
1212 Glasscock Ave.	\$105,000	
310 Brookside	\$110,000	
312 Brookside	\$115,000	
504 E. 2nd St.	\$119,500	
919 E. 2nd St.	\$139,900	
514 E. College St.	\$142,000	
208 S Concho	\$165,000	
102 Oakwood	\$175,000	
111 Sonora Dr.	\$210,000	

Residential Properties w/acrage

5098 US Hwy 277 (Scheicher Co. - 5 ac.)	\$169,500
1893 S. Service Rd. (17.569 acres)	\$279,500

Commercial Properties

606 Crockett	\$89,5000
208 E. Main St.	\$105,000
226 E. Main	\$110,000
847 Meridian Dr.	\$295,000

Acreage & Lots

42.320 Acres - Sutton Co. Estates - Hwy 864	\$2500/Acre or \$105,800 *
50.003 Acres - Sutton Co. Estates - Hwy 864	\$2500/Acre or \$125,008
84.838 Acres - Schleicher Co. - Hwy 190 E & CR404	\$1355.52/Acre or \$115,000
88.036 Acres - Schleicher Co. - Hwy 190 E	\$1419.87/Acre or \$125,000
150 Acres - Sutton Co. - FM 1691 & PR3401	\$1595/Acre or \$239,350 Contract Pending
1332 acres - Sutton County - Baker Road	\$1495/Acre or \$1,991,669
2000 acres - Val Verde County - Hwy 189	\$750/ac or \$1,500,000 Contract Pending

Rio Diablo Realty

(325) 387-2537

www.riodiablerealty.com

Stacy Fisher -- Broker/Owner

****Income Potential****

232 E Main

4224 square feet

Retail, Restaurant, and

Office Spaces

Historic Building



508 Del Rio	Residential mobile homes	\$69,000
125 Edgemont	3/3/1	\$359,900
706 S Crockett	3/2	\$135,000

For Rent \$700 per month

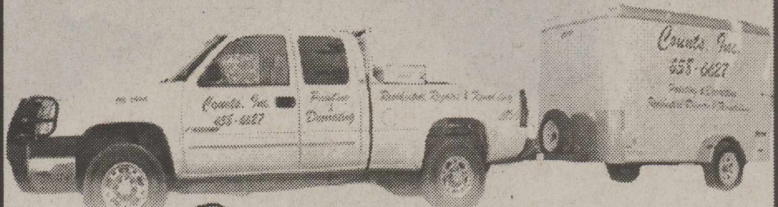
*** Ranch Listing ***

1339 Ranch Road 864

300 acres OR 100 acre plots

5 miles from Sonora

\$2500 per acre



Counts, Inc.

"A Tradition of Excellence"

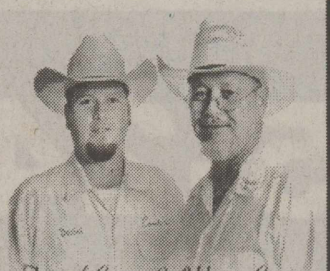
Residential

Painting & Decorating
Repair & Remodeling

325-658-6627

VISA MASTERCARD DISCOVER

Daniel - 325-234-8776 Wayne - 325-234-5173



Western Heritage Builders, LLC

Craig L. Nolen

325-650-0219

102 Kings Court

(off 2nd Street)

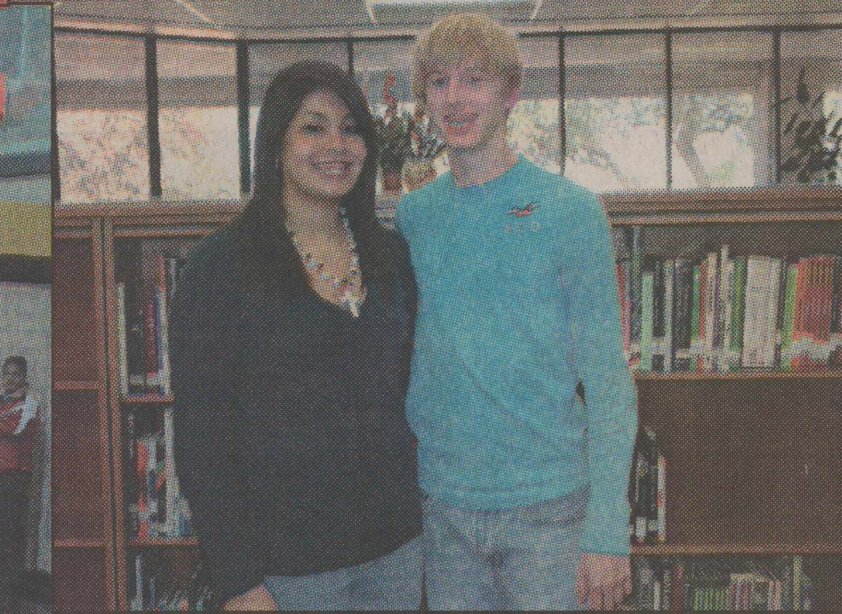


2100 Liveable Square Feet
3 Bedroom / 1 Office / Bath
LR/DR/Breakfast Nook
Stone Fireplace
Soaker Tub & Shower in Master Bath
12' Ceilings w/ Crown Molding
Granite Counter Top, Pantry
Cabinetry
10' R Vents
Water System
Zone Heating and Cooling System
Beam and Joist Lighting w/ Ceiling Fans
Throughout
Slate/Wood/Carpet Flooring

As you can see, this house has it all!

~~\$304,000~~ Price Reduced

\$272,000



Sponsored By

JMC
TRANSPORT SERVICE, LLC

FARM BUREAU INSURANCE
Auto-Home-Life

Ruthie Wallace,
Agent
114 N. Concho
Sonora, TX 76950
Office: 325.387.6504
Fax: 325.387.6506
Email: rbounds@fwb-ins.com

Southwest Treating Products
325-387-2000

The Devil's River News
Basketball Photos By
Ray Glasscock and Karen Evans



LIONS ROAR

Cont. from front page..

to the basket. Jennings used his size and skill to score one field goal.

In the second quarter, Pope had the most interesting play. A short (relative to 6'4" Pope who isn't) Yellow Jacket made a defensive rebound. As he was trained to do, he held the ball high above his head. Pope was behind him and just took the ball away from him and scored on a short jumper.

Jennings scored six points in both the second and third quarters as the shorter Jackets could do nothing to stop the Broncos' BIG man. This was Jennings' high point game (18) of the season.

The final score of the game was 65 to 50 in favor of the Broncos. Zachary Leonard scored three points on a three. Hudson scored ten points on two threes, a field goal, and two free throws. Morriss scored nine points on three jumpers and a free throw. Creek poured in fifteen points on seven field goals and one free throw. Hampton scored five points on a three and two free throws.

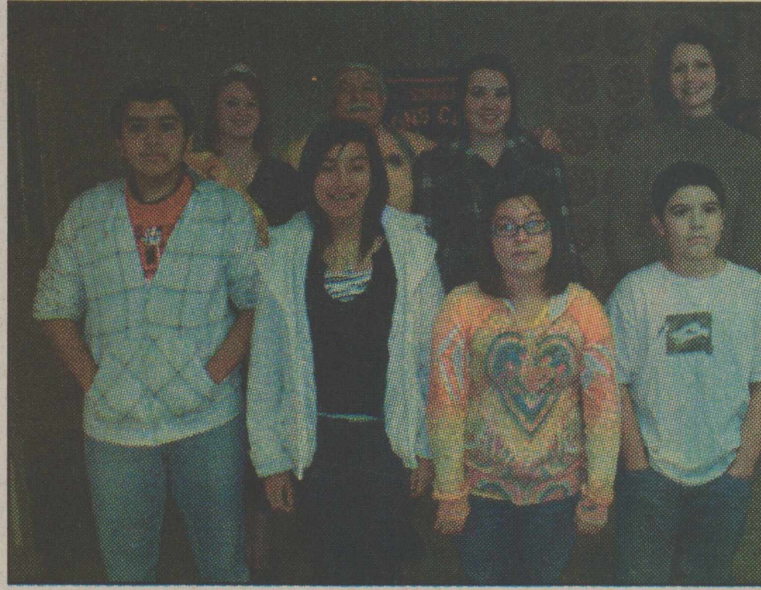
The Broncos have one more regular season away game against last place Crane. Then they will have a first round bye before the first playoff game against a High Plains/Panhandle area team.

Editors Note-
The Lady Broncos Defeated the Reagan County Owls 30-27 to take the Outright District Championship. Congratulations to these young women and best of luck as they head into playoffs (next game will be Friday February 19, against either Spearman or Dimmit.

thanks is in order to volunteers Cindy Allen and our Queen Keeli Ann Taylor for the fine beverage operation during the cookout.

It is not too late for HS juniors and seniors to compete for the Outstanding Youth Contest sponsored by our Lions Club District. Rules and applications are available at the HS counselors office or from Col. Pete Bradley 387-6282. Prizes are \$1500 cash to the winner and \$1,000 cash to the runner-up. Application requirements: Grade Point transcript, Two Photos (head and shoulders), 3 Letters of recommendation, Personal Biography, Community Service Performance (description and hours). March 1st is the postmark deadline.

The broom Sale is March 9, 2010 at City Hall and the Post Office from 8 AM to 5:30 PM. Listen to radio 92.1 FM at 8:30 AM on Mondays for more information and see The Devils River News for order forms. Go Broncos and Shop Sonora!



Submitted by Frank Wamble

Without our whiz kids from the Middle School this would have been an uneventful meeting. Mrs. Leamon, Middle School Counselor, brought the

Students of the Week to dine and discourse with the members. They were: Jonathan Paredes 8th grade, Veronica Gaytan 7th grade, Kaitlyn Lopez 6th grade, and Liam Yourgalite 5th grade. Thanks Mrs. Leamon!

While we celebrated a very successful Speech Meet cookout with an exceptional student response and great Lions Club turnout, a special

VOTE to ELECT

NELDA CASTAÑEDA TOBIAS ☆☆☆☆



**For Sutton County Treasurer
YOUR VOTE COUNTS!**

Political advertisement paid for by Nelda C. Tobias Campaign
1604 Taylor Avenue, Sonora, TX 76950
Campaign Treasurer: Jennifer Martinez

DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY

EARLY VOTING:
02/16/10 THRU 02/26/10
HOURS: 8:30 AM — 4:30 PM (MON-FRI)
SUTTON COUNTY ANNEX BUILDING
300 E. OAK ST.

ELECTION DAY: 03/02/10
7AM—7PM
Precinct 1 Civic Center
Precinct 2 Hudspeth Hospital Wellness Center
Precinct 3 Courthouse
Precinct 4 Fire Station

VOTE

Bill Keel

For
Commissioner PCT. 2
Republican Primary
Concerned, Conservative, Experienced
March 2, 2010

*Early Voting
At Clerks office
February 16-26
8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.*

Political ad paid for by Bill Keel

VOTE



**JUANITA
GOMEZ**

FOR
JUSTICE
OF THE PEACE

EARLY VOTING
2/16/10 - 2/26/10

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT,
DEDICATION,
COMMITMENT,
IMPARTIAL,
FAIR

MY DOOR IS ALWAYS OPEN
325-206-0830

POL. ADV. PD BY JUANITA GOMEZ

"I rotate my pastures, I don't rotate banks"

Joe David Ross
Sutton County Rancher



I've seen many things come and go over the years, and you could say we all learn from experience. Lesson one: having the ability to adapt to constant change not only increases your chances for survival, it allows one's business to keep going and maintain needed infrastructure.

Innovation combined with proven techniques and hard work are keys to success. These same principles hold true with the folks at First National Bank of Sonora. We know that we can count on them to provide the latest in banking services and products. Truth is, four generations of Rosses wouldn't still be on our ranch if it weren't for their expertise and support.

Seems like most things worth having are the things you can depend on. Our family can rely on a state-of-the-art bank that's stood the test of time and on bankers who have always helped us on our way.



First National Bank of Sonora
SAN ANGELO BANKING CENTER
BOERNE BANKING CENTER

102 E. Main • Sonora, Texas 76950 • 325-387-3861 • www.fnbsonora.com

