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Sutton County Commissioners Meeting: Drought Hits Us All



Methodist Church Welcomes New Pastor

First United Methodist Church of Sonora is pleased to welcome their new pastor, Rev. Leigh Lloyd. Rev. Lloyd moved to Sonora the second week of June with her first Sunday in the pulpit being Father's Day.

Rev. Lloyd was raised on a farm in Atlanta, Texas. After graduation from Atlanta High School, she attended Texas Woman's University in Denton, where she received a BA in Social Work. A position as a caseworker in San Angelo State School in Carlsbad brought her to West Texas in 1975, where she has fallen in love with the big skies and open range.

In addition to her 5 years at the State School, Leigh served 4 years as Youth Director at Sierra Vista UMC in San Angelo prior to being a stay at home mom to three children. She became Director of Children's Ministries at Sierra Vista in 1990, leaving that position to attend seminary in 2005. During this time, she also served as part-time Program Director for the San Angelo District UMC and as part-time pastor for Veribest UMC for 6 years.

After completion of the Course of Study School in

2005 at Perkins School of Theology at SMU, Leigh continued her studies, obtaining a Master of Theological Studies in 2007. Upon completion of her degree, she was appointed to FUMC in Menard and served there for four years. She was ordained as an elder in the United Methodist Church in June of 2010.

Leigh is blessed to have three grown and married children, Elgin, Joyce and Tara, and is the proud grandmother of 1 year old Rebecca. Leigh recently married Mike Lloyd of Eldorado, who has a son, James and daughter, Levoona, and two granddaughters, Jozee and Lilija.

Leigh enjoys playing the piano, scrapbooking and sewing.

Leigh says, "the people of Sonora have opened their arms, hearts and doors to welcome us to our new home. Thanks to all who have provided food, unloaded and unpacked boxes, cleaned, sorted and put away books (and more books), and most of all, laughed with us."

Please join us on Sunday mornings at 10:55am on the corner of Oak and Water streets.

have been monitoring that very closely (at least once a month). The decision to close the park was a decision based upon the safety of the people that might be using the park. We are doing this out of an abundance of caution".

E. coli is a bacteria that is commonly found in the lower intestine of warm blooded animals. There are many different strains of this bacteria (most of which are harmless), and can be found just about everywhere. There are strains of the bacteria that are very harmful and can cause severe illness (certain strains of E. coli can also be transmitted from animal to human). The fact that it exists in the river at Allison Park is not uncommon, but the drought (and consequently lower water levels) have resulted in an increase in the amount of bacteria found in the water. When the water levels decrease the flow also decreases leaving a perfect environment for the bacteria to flourish. Once the river rises the bacteria levels drop, simply because the water flow cleans the river.

The third issue that arose was excessive watering at the Cemetery, particularly on Sundays. Over watering is causing water waste and run off. The Cemetery water system is based on well water, which is running low. Judge Garner added that, "That well has failed us before in time of drought, and we don't want to have a situation where overuse could result in it failing again. If the well dries up, there will be no water for anyone."

Sutton County Commissioners Court faced three controversial issues in their meeting of June 27th, all of which are attributable to the severe drought. Accordingly, the sale and use of all fireworks have been banned by a Disaster Declaration. This ban is in effect until July 5th. Sale or use of fireworks during this time will be punishable by fine.

Superintendent of the Texas A&M Experiment Station Dr. Charles "Butch" Taylor commented that, "the decision that the county commissioners made to ban fireworks is a good idea. It is a reasonable response to the drought conditions that exist in Sutton County. Right now it is so dry the probability of ignition is much greater than normal. It's very understandable that they are doing what they can to reduce the chances of a wildfire." Dr. Taylor (whose main research interest is in the use of prescribed fire) commented that the current drought conditions are reaching historical levels.

"The palmer drought index is just one method of measuring drought conditions. We've been keeping records at the experiment station for over 90 years and in the course of that period only twice (1953 and 2000) has the Palmer index been at negative four [extreme drought conditions]. We currently find ourselves getting close to reaching that level again in 2011. The La Nina weather pattern which has created this drought situation is breaking apart, but unfortunately we are moving into the seasonally dry part of our year. There is a real possibility that we could stay dry through July and August. We might get a few showers over the next few months but at this point it's going to take a pretty major precipitation event to get us out of this drought."

Additionally the commissioners decided to close Allison Park until further notice. Due to the stagnancy of the river, the bacteria levels have risen to unacceptable levels. Judge Carla Garner commented that, "the levels of E. coli bacteria have been low up until a week ago. We

SUTTON COUNTY PRO RODEO

Hats Off To The Red White And Blue



All-around cowboy Scott Snedecor receives his Montana Silversmith buckle from Sutton County Rodeo Association President Johnny Van Court.

On June 24 and 25 spectators and cowboys alike braved the scorching heat to take part in a time Sutton County Days Pro Rodeo. Following are the results from the rodeo.

All-around cowboy: Scott Snedecor, \$4,355, team roping and steer roping.

Bareback riding: 1. Zach Dishman, 80 points on Smith, Harper & Morgan Rodeo's Way Too Cool, \$931; 2. (tie) Winn Ratliff and Richie Champion, 74, \$582 each; 4. Justin Foltyn, 72, \$233.

Team roping: First round: 1. Scooter Nolen Jr./Blake Elms, 7.5 seconds, \$651; 2. Scott Snedecor/Tate Weeks, 8.2, \$489; 3. Mike Outhier/Sterling Price, 8.6, \$326; 4. Cody Tew/J.C. Williams, 11.5, \$163. Second round: 1. (tie) Scooter Nolen Jr./Blake Elms and Ben Hetzel/Cliff Davis, 7.4 seconds, \$570 each; 3. Cody Tew/J.C. Williams, 9.2, \$326; 4. Nathan McWhorter/Twister Cain, 10.6, \$163. Average: 1. Scooter Nolen Jr./Blake Elms, 14.9 seconds on two head, \$977 each; 2. Cody Tew/J.C. Williams, 20.7, \$733; 3. Scott Snedecor/Tate Weeks, 21.4, \$489; 4. Colby Schneemann/Jed Middleton, 26.8, \$244.

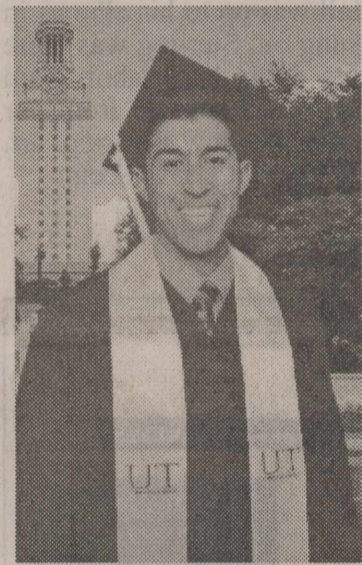
Saddle bronc riding: 1. Justin Browning, 83 points on Smith, Harper & Morgan Rodeo's Houston, \$1,045; 2.

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The DRN office will be closed Friday, July 1 and Monday, July 4.

The next edition deadline will be Noon Tuesday, July 5th.

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For His Eagle He Gave Us A Bronco: Sterling Hall An Eagle Scout



For the culmination of his Boy Scout career Sterling hall decided to do combine

his love of scouts with his love for the Bronco Nation. As many of us in the com-

munity have noticed there is something new on the corner of Concho and Crockett Street.

"I just found out that the vacant lot was just sitting there. My mom had mentioned something about putting a statue there. I thought it could show off our bronco pride to folks that come off of the loop. I would like to thank everyone that donated money for the purchase of this statue. I would like to give special notice to Jim Garrett (who donated rocks from his own house), and Norm Rousellout."

Senior Center Activities

Thurs. June 30 - Happy Birthay *Jerry Caldwell*
 Fri. July 1 - Run errands
 Mon. July 4 - *Center Closed for July 4th Holiday*
 Tues. July 5 - Happy Birthay *Jerry Johnson*
 Wed. July 6 - TRAX Van to San Angelo

Senior Center Menu

Thurs. June 30 - Chicken nuggets w/gravy, potato wedges zucchini squash w/tomatoes, blushing pears
 Fri. July 1 - Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes, milk mixed greens, cornbread, Jell-O w/fruit
 Mon. July 4 - *Center Closed for July 4th Holiday*
 Tues. July 5 - BBQ beef on a bun, oven French fries, milk baby carrots, coleslaw, peaches w/topping
 Wed. July 6 - Baked chicken, scalloped potatoes, milk sliced beets, roll, bread pudding w/raisins

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).

Obituary

Alisandro G. Noriega

Sonora-Alisandro (Alex) G. Noriega passed away June 25, 2011. Alisandro was born to Felix and Juanita Noriega in Sonora on May 18th, 1936. He is survived by his wife-Maggie Noriega. They were married on May 4th, 1958 had five children. Eddie and wife-Sylvia of San Angelo, Robert and wife-Gladys of Cisco, Alex and wife-Susan of Middletown, CT, John Paul of Laredo, Felicia and husband-Tommy Van Winkle of Sonora. Immediate survivors also include brother Frank Noriega of San Angelo, sister Mickey Chavez of Sonora, 8 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

Rosary was held at Kerbow Funeral Home on Sunday June 26, 2011. Funeral services were at St. Ann's Catholic Church on Monday, June 27, 2011 with burial following at Sonora Cemetery. Mass officiated by Rev. Barry Mclean.

Thank You Note

There are not enough "Thank You's" that can be said to everyone that helped to make Sonora's "Biggest Event of the Year" the huge success that it was this year. Being an all-volunteer organization it is a tribute to the kind of spirit we are so lucky to have in West Texas. I would like to thank each and every one of you for helping to put on one of the best small town rodeos in Texas.

An even bigger THANK YOU goes out to all of our very generous sponsors. They are the reason we are able to put on the show we do and hire the top rodeo stock contractor in the nation and have a rodeo crowd that fills every seat and have standing room only.

We are already busy making plans for the 2012 rodeo. Mark your calendars for June 29 - 30, 2012. Thank you again to all of you and hope to see everyone next year.

Johnny VanCourt
 President
 Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo/SCDA

Rode Reunion

July 9th and 10th the family of Burt and Lottie (Hearn) Rode will have a reunion. Bert and Lottie were married May 24, 1911 in Sutton County. This would have made their 100 year wedding anniversary. They had 3 children, G.T. Rode, Essie Baker, and Bessie Adams. 5 grandchildren, Patsy and Gail Rode, Tommy Ray (deceased) Artie Bert, and Katherine Adams.

Saturday morning starting at 9:00AM until 1:00PM they will be at the Comfort Inn in the lobby and breakfast room visiting. They would like to encourage you to come by and visit. At 1:00PM the family will go to the Rode ranch, 27 miles South East of Sonora to visit the ranch and the Rode cemetery. Then at 7:00PM that night they will gather for dinner at the Sutton Co Steak House.

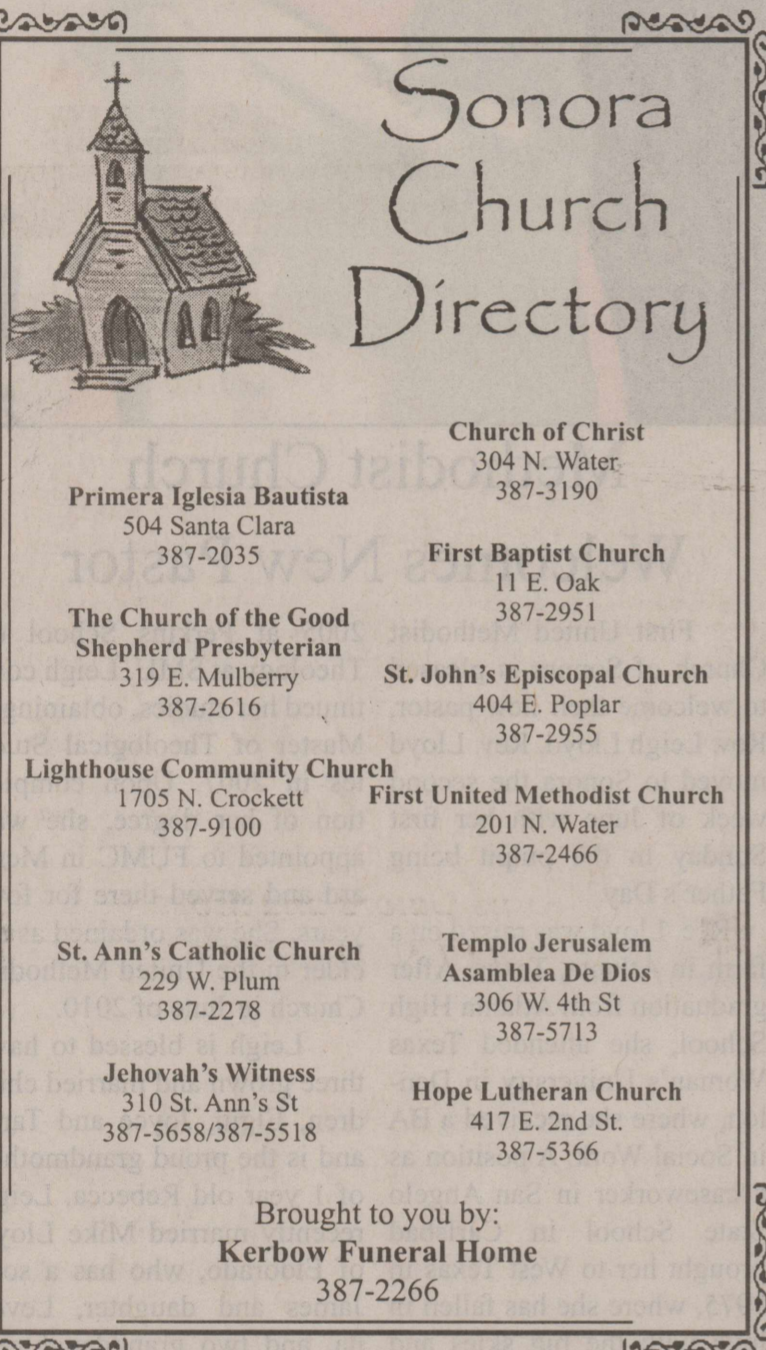
Letter to the Editor

To all who love America:

Right now there is a bill (HR 1380) sitting in the congressional hopper that is being ignored. It is know as the "Pickens's" bill and was put together by T. Boone Pickens at his own expense. It is a multi item, long range energy plan to reduce our dependence on foreign oil. It would be a boost to Sutton County and to job creation nationwide, as we converted our fleet of 18 wheelers to natural gas, and increased our use of renewable energy like wind and solar. Meanwhile, we continue to import 7 million barrels of foreign crude oil per day at approximately \$100 per barrel. That is \$700 million a day that should not be leaving our country! Boone Pickens has called this "the largest transfer of wealth in the history of mankind!"

I have written this letter to urge you to research this plan on the internet @ boonepickens.com or pickensplan.com. If you agree, then please use the furnished link to urge congress to put their differences aside and get this done. There is simply no other plan on the table that would have such a positive impact on this country!

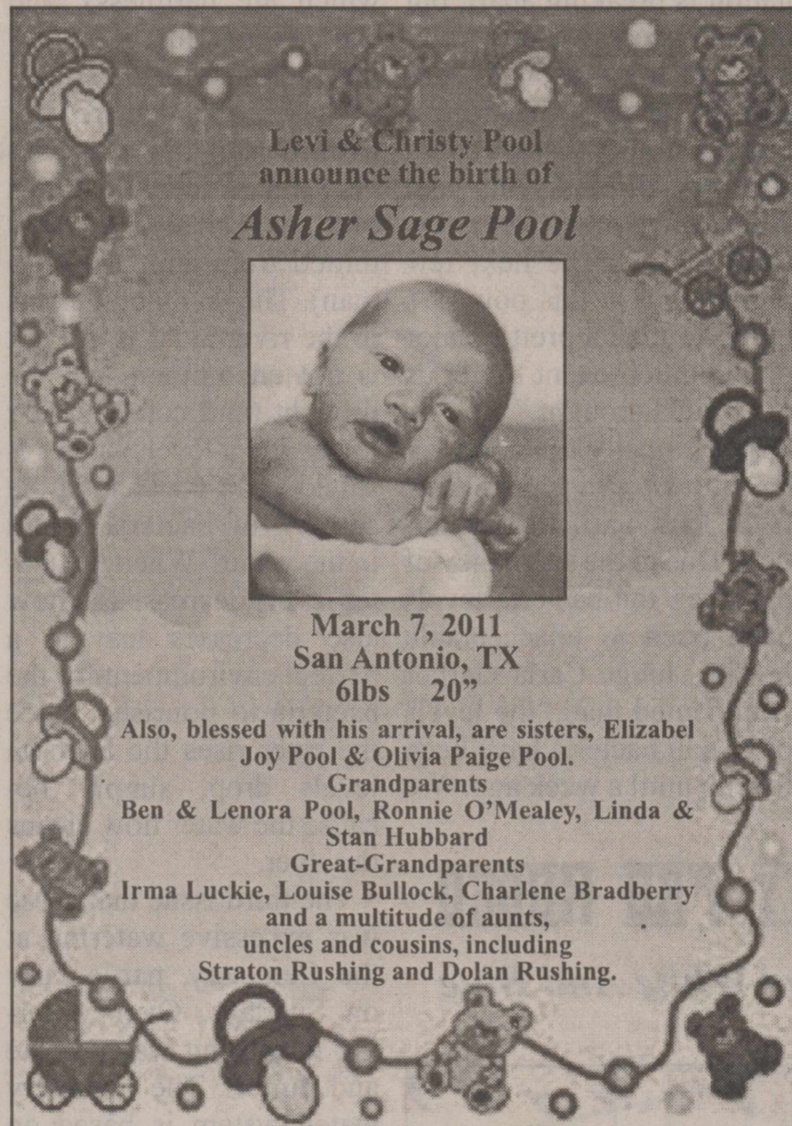
Mike McGuffin



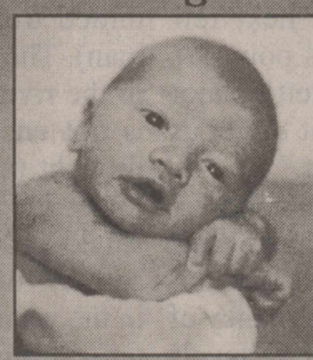
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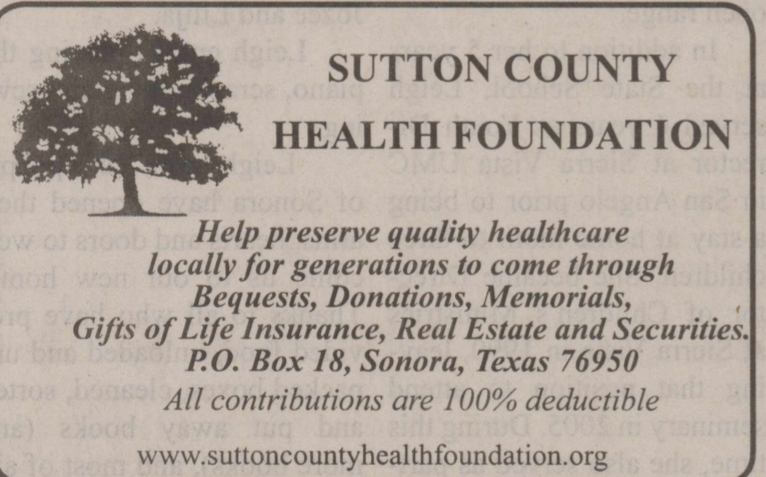


March 7, 2011
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Also, blessed with his arrival, are sisters, Elizabeth Joy Pool & Olivia Paige Pool.
 Grandparents
 Ben & Lenora Pool, Ronnie O'Mealey, Linda & Stan Hubbard
 Great-Grandparents
 Irma Luckie, Louise Bullock, Charlene Bradberry
 and a multitude of aunts, uncles and cousins, including
 Straton Rushing and Dolan Rushing.

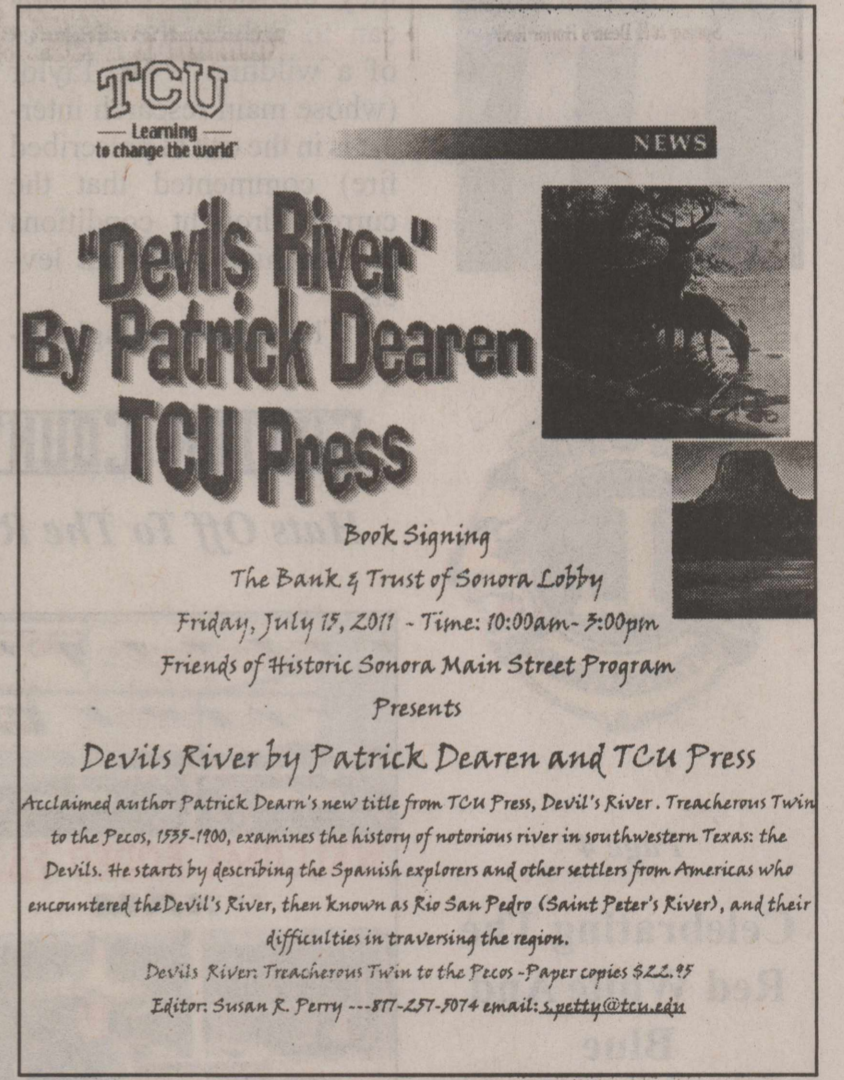
Citizens of Sonora,
 I hope you are as proud of the "Bronco Pride" project as I am. It is certainly an asset to our community.
 From the beginning, Sterling Hall was up to his elbows in this project. Any time work was going on, Sterling was there (and many times his family) on-site doing hard labor. I am proud to know this young man. As I come and go from our home I can see what once was an eyesore is now a work of art. Sterling, your Eagle Scout project is the best I have seen!

Lenora Pool



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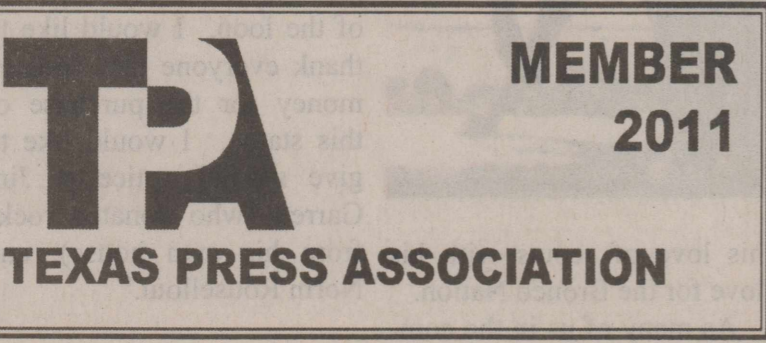
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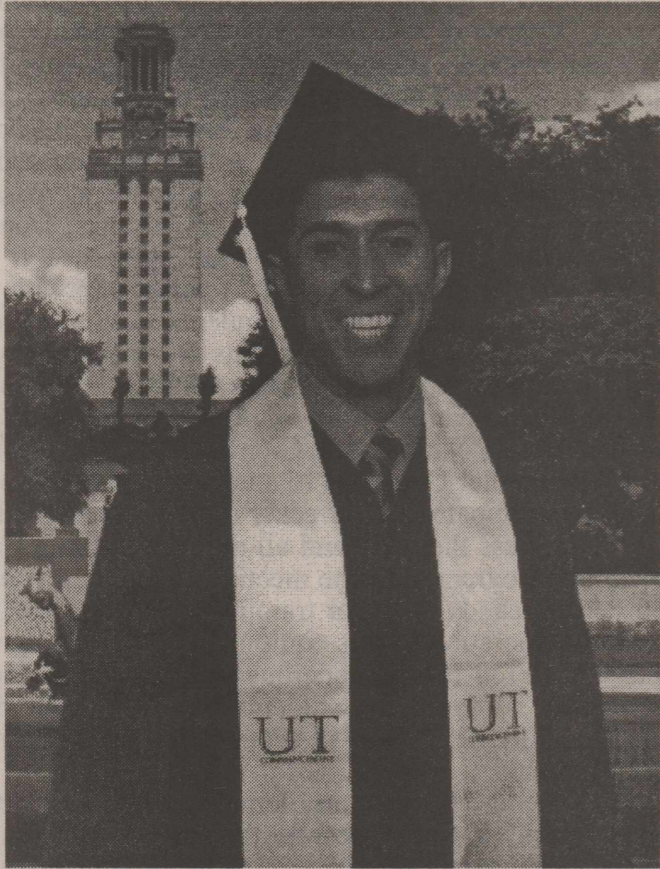
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Galindo Graduates University of Texas



On May 21, 2011, Olegario "Boomer" Galindo, a 2006 graduate of Sonora High School, graduated from the University of Texas at Austin with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology.

Olegario will pursue his second Bachelor's Degree in Mexican-American studies this fall at the University of Texas at Austin.

Congratulations, Boomer! We are so proud of you!

Sanchez Receives Degree



Stacy Lea Sanchez, daughter of David and Mari Sanchez, and a 2007 graduate of Sonora High School, received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Biochemistry from Abilene Christian University on Saturday, May 14, 2011. Stacy graduated Cum Laude, which required a GPA of 3.6 or higher and also graduated with College Honors. While attending ACU, Stacy was involved with ACU's Body and Soul Pre-Health Program, Peer-Health Educators Program, Big Brothers - Big Sisters Wildcat Kids, Christian Medical-Dental Association (CMDA), College Group Leadership, and was a Resident Assistant at University Park (UP). During her time at ACU she traveled to Nicaragua and served as an Intern at "Mision Para Cristo". Other mission trips while at ACU took her to Guatemala, Uruguay, Argentina, and Brazil. Stacy plans to work for one year and then continue another four-year journey and attend Naturopathic Medical School in Phoenix, Arizona, or Seattle, Washington, where she will pursue her degree as an ND (Naturopathic Doctor). Congratulations Stacy on such a great accomplishment and we wish you good luck on your next endeavor.

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

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.

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Main Street Traffic

Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program would like to invite you to stop in the Bank & Trust of Sonora for our first book signing for 2011, in the Bank & Trust of Sonora Lobby, Friday, July 15, 2011- Time: 10:00am- 3:00pm. Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program presents "Devils River" by Patrick Dearen and TCU Press book signing and meet the author. Acclaimed author Patrick Dean's new title from TCU Press, "Devil's River". Treacherous Twin to the Pecos, 1535-1900, examines the history of notorious river in southwestern Texas: the Devils. He starts by describing the Spanish explorers and other settlers from Americas who encountered the Devil's River, then known as Rio San Pedro (Saint Peter's River), and their difficulties in traversing the region. Devils River: Treacherous Twin to the Pecos -Paper copies \$22.95
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I would like to invite you to the John & Mildred Cauthorn Memorial St. Fe Train Depot to the first outside movies this summer called "Shark Tales". Maybe if we watch a movie outside that takes place in the ocean or water we will get some rain. Oh! Well! Sutton County Historical Society and Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program will be cooking up some great BBQ Sandwiches; chips, sweet treat, and drink for \$10 for adult and children less than 12 years old for \$5. We will start serving BBQ supper plates at 5:30pm You may drive up and take home a wonderful treat and we will even take it to your car. The sponsors are First National Bank of Sonora, the Bank and Trust of Sonora, prizes from Dairy Queen, Devils River News, KHOS Radio, KLDE Radio, Sutton County Historical Society, and Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program. Thank you to the supporters! We will recognize the Veterans this evening too. If you would like to sale bake goodies or any arts and crafts projects you are welcome to come and display and sell.

Friend to Friend: Staying Well Together Program



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

Texas AgriLife Extension is proud to be a local sponsor of the Friend to Friend: Staying Well Together program. This program's purpose is to encourage women to get regular mammograms and Pap tests for the early detection of breast and cervical cancer, when the disease is most curable. For every woman 40 and over, a mammogram is a must! For most women, a Pap test is a must, too!

The Friend to Friend program makes it easy for you by providing up-to-date information on breast cancer and mammograms and on cervical cancer and Pap tests from a health professional. It answers your questions and concerns about mammograms and Pap tests, and it helps you get these important screenings free or for a low cost, if you meet eligibility requirements.

Texas AgriLife Extension invites you to join them at the Friend to Friend party on July 6 at 6:00 PM. The party will be held at the Sutton County Civic Center. Please register by calling Kelly Thorp at 325-387-3604.

Lions Roar

This week was the beginning of the busiest week of the Lion service calendar. We started the week with our weekly meeting and wonderful lunch with our special lunch guests. Donna Garrett, Executive Director of the Sonora Chamber, led off the program with a fine rundown of the Sutton County Days schedule of events. It included the Outlaw pro Rodeo events, music and dance, Masonic Supper coupled with the Parade theme of recognizing all Sonora's Veterans. All vets will be the honored as Grand Marshall and they were asked to register for the parade at the Chamber so they could be recognized. Thanks, Donna, for the work you and Tibba do for this Sonora showcase. As ya'll know your Lions have a special relationship with the Sonora Middle School and their fine students. As part of our Mentor Protégé program with the students we will team with the Student Council to provide first class usher & concession services to the Rodeo patrons with extra special emphasis on Visitors to The Bronco Nation. Pam Crenwelge, Student Council Director, brought her Council (15 students pictured above) to lunch and to participate in the weekly meeting. Each had an opportunity to address the Club and all participated in a Concession planning program after the meeting. We then proceeded to Fred Perez's candy shop for training on making SNOW CONES and the operation of this equipment. A special thanks to Commissioner Fred for his generous support of our Lions and our students. Lions and Students are scheduled to provide services on July 22, 24 & 25 in support of our community at the Rodeo grounds.

Mrs. Jerry Jimenez (Nancy), an Elementary School teacher and a wonderful friend, was a guest for the purpose of assisting in a Girl Scout renaissance here in Sonora. Mark your calendar Moms and Dads for an afternoon Day Camp on July 11 and continuing on and ending on July 13 (2 days only 11 & 13 July) from 1pm -3pm at the Lions Scout Hut on the corner of Water and Pecan St in Sonora. For more information contact Ms. Carrie Searcy at 1.800.222.2222 or e-mail her at carries@gstx.org. Ms. Searcy will be at the Lions Club on Tuesday June 28 if you would like to speak to her11:45 am Methodist Church. We welcomed our newest Sonora Lions, Tim and Suzette Geer at this meeting. They come to Sonora from Michigan via Farmington, New Mexico. Tim & Suzette live on the top of Scenic Dr.

Super S/Lowes: A special thanks for all the help rendered the Lions Club as we shopped and special ordered groceries to support our many events. Your Lions do Shop Sonora! Rich, you and your staff are special - please give them a hug for us. Coming Attraction:
 June 25 Lion Queen will be selected for 2011-2012
 June 28 Girl Scout Representative in Sonora
 June 30 End of Lions Club Fiscal Year
 July 5 New Lions Officers installed
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 The movie will begin after the sun goes down (around 8:30pm)
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Sonora Hosts Fleece Show and Judging Contests

By Pascual Hernandez,
Sutton County Agricultural
Extension Agent



Sonora hosted the 74th annual Wool & Mohair Show, 51st National 4-H Wool Judging contest, and the 11th annual FFA National Wool Judging contest. Fleece entries exceeded one hundred for the fourth straight year. Results are as follows:

The Grand Champion Wool fleece was a yearling Rambouillet ewe fleece belonging to Kimble County 4-H'er Caleb Kott. It received a plaque from Gerry Ingham's Caverns Ranch and was purchased by the Eddy Sawyer Ranch for \$225. The Reserve Champion fleece came from a Commercial Aged Ram entry by Sara Zunker from Kendall County 4-H. It was purchased by Molly Campbell and the Sutton Ag Program Fund for \$150.

The Grand Champion Mohair Fleece came from a yearling doe belonging to Tyler Mejia from Kerr Co. 4-H. It received a rosette and plaque from Jimmy & Sharon Holman Ranch and was purchased by Carlos & Jane Davis and Sutton Ag Program Fund for \$225. Mean-

while, the Reserve Champion mohair fleece was a yearling buck fleece entered by Jackie Nentwich from Kerr County. It was purchased by the Eddy Sawyer Ranch for \$150.

Kimble County 4-H'er, Caleb Kott, received the Joe & W.F. Berger Memorial trophy awarded to the premier wool exhibitor by the L. Bloodworth family. The Fred T. Earwood Memorial trophy goes to the premier mohair exhibitor which this year was Tyler Mejia from Kerr County.

Texas teams dominated the wool judging contests. National Champion 4-H Wool Judging honors went to Kerr County 4-H with a score of 1857 while Tom Green County 4-H ended second with a score of 1764 points. The National Champion FFA Wool Judging team was Iron County FFA with a score of 1700, while James Madison FFA finished second with 1677 points.

The week also features youth livestock and range evaluation, as well as wool/mohair invitational judging contests.

Sutton County 4-H was represented by Damon Evans, Zachary Leonard, Brianna Palacios, Anali Palacios, Darby Ramsdell, Delaney Ramsdell, Christina Hernandez, Cara Hernandez, Catarina Hernandez, Summer Hall, Felicia Farley, Kristin Garret, Levi Garret, Danny Pechacek, Kady Petty, Taryn Mitchell, and Amber Freeman. The novice kids managed to place 1st in range evaluation and second in livestock evaluation and wool judging, while finishing 3rd in mohair judging. The junior team placed 4th in mohair judging.

This annual event is sponsored by the Sonora Lions Club and Sonora Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with Extension. Other sponsors include Sonora Bank & Trust, First National Bank of Sonora, Sonora Wool & Mohair Co., Capital Farm Credit, and Earwood Ranch. A sincere word of gratitude to all sponsors as well as Corky Schwiening and Angelo State University for their help.

The PBR Invades Rocksprings

Rocksprings, TX. (June 24, 2011) – The Professional Bull Riders are bucking into Rocksprings, TX on July 1st and 2nd, for a weekend filled with rank bulls, high scores and big wrecks. The Rocksprings Slick Rock Challenge, PBR Touring Pro Bull Riding will begin at 7:00 p.m. nightly at the Edwards County Fairgrounds complex.

The Slick Rock Challenge, PBR Touring Pro Event will showcase some of the most promising rising stars of the

PBR, riding alongside fan favorites and veterans, as all the competitors face off against the most famous animal athletes in the business. Bull riding fans will recognize the names of Skeeter Kingsolver, Mike Lee, Austin Meier and Pistol Robinson who are all signed up to compete. Stock Contractors, Tino Martinez, Chad Pennington, Circle T, Lufkin Ranch, Box K Cattle, Diamond S, Sid Evans, James Riley & Jerry Hale are expected to bring their toughest stock.

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For more information concerning this event, contact Betty Schnack at 830/683-3112 or visit the website at www.edwardscountyfair.com.

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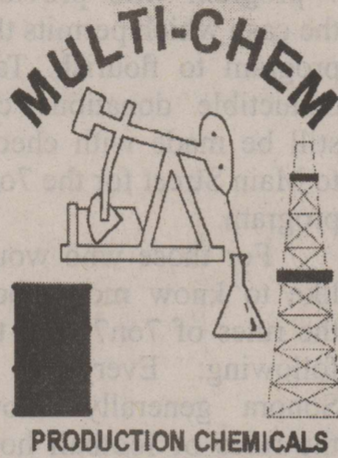
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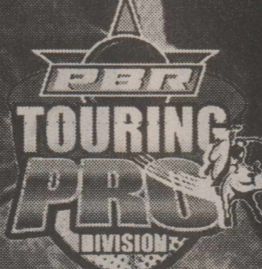
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Sonora City League Softball 14u XLR8 (accelerate) past the competition to bring home the Championship trophy on June 25. Along with All Tournament Most Valuable Player went to Jillian Buitron, Most Valuable Team Player went to Abby Murphy, Sportmanship award to Madie Childress. **JOB WELL DONE LADIES!!**

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Bronco 7on7 Win Three in San Angelo

Submitted

Our Bronco's once again traveled to Angelo State Stadium for perhaps the last 7 on 7 competition prior to the State Championship run at College Station on July 14-15, 2011. (We may have one more game in Sonora against Iraan a State qualifier if the coaches can get it scheduled) The teams competing this week were Lake View, Brady, Grape Creek, San Angelo Central Varsity, San Angelo Varsity 2nd string and Sonora. Once again we were short 6 players from the authorized 20 roster players authorized. This was due to injuries and vacation. Rest assured the Broncos will suit up 20 players for the grueling contest in College Station.

Even with a short handed squad Sonora was back to its crisp, no nonsense, and workman like ethic easily defeating 2A Grape Creek 44-26. The send contest was against 5A Central Varsity 2nd string which resulted in a relatively easy, lopsided win for the Broncos. (I lost sight of the score since there was no scoreboard operational). However, there was no problem remembering

the last score in the contest with 5A San Angelo Central Varsity. The Broncos sprinted to a 22-6 half time lead and held on to win 28-26 against a strong Central team. Once again Sonora's superbly conditioned, disciplined and mentally tough athletes prevailed against some tough competition. A well done is in order for our Kids who continue to embellish Sonora's fine reputation for excellence, Coaches Hudson, Pope and Dutton who do great selfless work for this wonderful town and the donors to the Sonora 7on7 program who provided the cash which permits this program to flourish. Tax-deductible donations can still be made with checks to Main Street for the 7on7 program.

For those who would like to know more about the rules of 7on7 read the following: Everyone in Sonora generally knows the rules of football however, let me go over the 7on7 basics so we can better understand this game. The field is 45 yards & you have 3 downs to make a first down, which is 15 yards long. Once inside the opponents 15 yard line you have 4 downs to reach the end zone. All passing, one hand touch is the same as a tackle, no blocking, no kicking, two 20 minute half's with a 10 minute half time and the game is over, no time outs and the clock once started doesn't stop. Offensive team has 25 seconds from the last play to start another play. They also retrieve all balls and spot the ball where the referee indicates. After the ball is snapped the quarterback must pass before 4 seconds expires or the play is over and down is lost. Touchdowns are 6 points and extra points are 1 or 2 Go Broncos and Shop Sonora!

Continued from front Page: Rodeo

Cody Angland, 80, \$784; 3. Mike Outhier, 78, \$523; 4. Travis Edwards, 76, \$261.

Tie-down roping: First round: 1. Lane Dudley, 9.0 seconds, \$956; 2. Neal Felton, 9.1, \$717; 3. Houston Hutto, 9.8, \$478; 4. Trent Walls, 10.1, \$239. Second round: 1. Sterling Smith, 7.8 seconds, \$956; 2. Trent Walls, 8.0, \$717; 3. Justin Nullich, 8.5, \$478; 4. Joseph Gernentz, 9.2, \$239. Average: 1. Trent Walls, 18.1 seconds on two head, \$956; 2. Neal Felton, 19.2, \$717; 3. Lane Dudley, 20.6, \$478; 4. Houston Hutto, 21.1, \$239.

Barrel racing: 1. Jana Bean, 17.49 seconds, \$891; 2. Brooke Catalani, 17.61, \$775; 3. Callie Chamberlain, 17.62, \$659; 4. Margaret Stephenson, 17.66, \$543; 5. Stacey Grimes, 17.97, \$426; 6. April Denny, 17.98, \$310; 7. Jamie McMeans, 18.08, \$194; 8. Melissa Childress, 18.21, \$78.

Steer roping: First round: 1. Tim Abbott, 9.5 seconds, \$1,224; 2. Chet Herren, 9.9, \$1,013; 3. Mike Chase, 10.3, \$802; 4. Paul Patton, 10.6, \$591; 5. Vin Fisher Jr., 11.0, \$380; 6. (tie) Rob Denny and Scott Snedecor, 11.1, \$106 each. Second round: 1. Dan Fisher, 8.7 seconds, \$1,224; 2. (tie) Landon McClougherty and Marty Jones, 8.9, \$908 each; 4. Lawson Plemons, 9.4, \$591; 5. Rocky Patterson, 9.8, \$380; 6. Scott Snedecor, 10.2, \$211. Third round: 1. Scott Snedecor, 9.5 seconds, \$1,224; 2. Ty Herd, 9.6, \$1,013; 3. J.B. Whatley, 9.7, \$802; 4. Cody Lee, 9.8, \$591; 5. Brent Lewis, 10.1, \$380; 6. Kim Ziegelgruber, 10.6, \$211. Average: 1. Scott Snedecor, 30.8 seconds on three head, \$1,837; 2. Brent Lewis, 33.3, \$1,520; 3. Mike Chase, 34.9, \$1,203; 4. Cody Scheck, 35.7, \$887; 5. Chris Glover, 35.9, \$570; 6. Ralph Williams, 36.0, \$317.

Bull riding: 1. Ardie Maier, 76 points on Smith, Harper & Morgan Rodeo's Bomb Squad Todd, \$950; no other qualified rides.

Texas Highway Patrol Increases Patrols To Stop Drunk Drivers During The July Fourth Holiday

During the Independence Day Holiday, the Texas Highway Patrol will conduct focused DWI patrols in high-risk locations at times when alcohol-related crashes are most frequent. The enhanced patrols target impaired driving and are funded through a grant from the Texas Department of Transportation.

The increased patrols are scheduled for June 27 through July 6. All available DPS troopers will patrol during this time to keep the traveling public safer by keeping drunk drivers off the roadways.

"Highway travel increases during the Fourth of July holiday, and we want to make sure that everyone is driving sober and getting to their destinations safely," said Chief David G. Baker, the DPS assistant director of the Texas Highway Patrol. "Anyone who plans on drinking, should also plan on having someone else drive them home."

Troopers are also participating in Operation Holiday and Operation C.A.R.E. from July 1 to July 4, both of which provide increased patrol to make holiday travel safer. In addition to looking for drunk drivers, troopers will focus on seat belt violators and speeders.

Last year during the extended holiday weekend, DPS troopers made 617 DWI arrests, issued 8,882 speeding citations and ticketed more than 1,600 seat belt and child safety seat violators.

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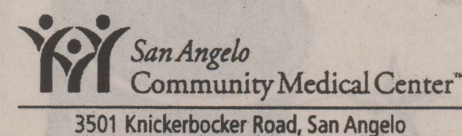
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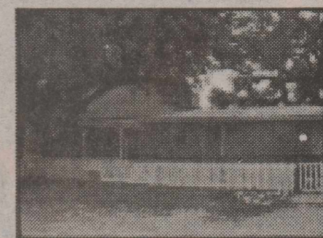
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Sterling Price and Cliff McMullan along with Miss Sutton County enjoy their victory.



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County Roping Results:
 First go winners were Try Hale and Clint Rainey
 Rodeo round winners were
 Cliff McMullan and Sterling Price
Avg Winners:
 1st - Cliff McMullan & Sterling Price 31.6 on
 four head 2nd - Hector De La Garza & Clint
 Rainey 43 on 4 3rd - Koda Armke & Clay Hale
 44.3 on 4

4th Trey Hale & Billy Joe Pena 45.6 on 4
Womens Open Breakaway Results:
 1st- Kirsten Stubbs - Eldorado, TX
 2nd - Karen Little - San Saba, TX
 3rd- Hope Thompson -
 4th - Lizzy Allen - Abilene, TX
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Left to right: Trevor Brazil, Johnny Van Court, and Keith Hudson stop for a quick picture.






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