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Duran Elected ACS Patient Service Representative



by Storie Sharp

and Bianca.

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Submitted

The 19th annual 6th Grade

Ecological Field Tour was held at

the E.E. Sawyer Ranch south of

Sonora on April 17th. Eighty-six

students and over thirty adults

including instructors, school per-

sonnel, parents, grand-parents, and

volunteer cooks participated in a

Mr. Robert "Beto" Duran, long time board member of the Sonora chapter of the American Cancer Society, has been elected as head of Patient Services. Robert is a lifetime resident of Sonora, which will be 72 years next month. He and his wife Alda have two children, Sylvia Gamboa who lives with her husband Frank in Kerrville and Robert Jr. and his wife Melissa who live in Houston. The Durans have four grandchildren, Ashley, Zachary, Gaston

Having lived and worked in Sonora for so many years, Robert feels that he will be good in this position because he knows so many

of the Sonora's citizens.

As head of Patient Services, Robert will be available to assist cancer patients and their families in anyway possible and provide necessary information from the ACS.

ACS services and materials are provided for cancer patients and their families at no direct cost. This is made possible through public con-

For patients without resources, standard equipment may be available for temporary use when medically necessary as prescribed by a physician. Hospital beds, wheelchairs, walkers, and commode chairs are among the equipment

See Services page 6 Sawyer Ranch Hosts Ecological

@ don't miss the @

The Annual Easter Egg and Treasure Hunt will be Saturday, April 22nd. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. on the Sutton County Courthouse Lawn. The hunts begin at 10:00 a.m. and door prizes donated by Sonora merchants will be given throughout the event. This year the Sonora Main Street Program and The Sonora Merchants Association has added some more fun to the event, by including a Senior Citizen Easter Bonnet contest and a Best Decorated Easter Basket contest. Everyone is encouraged to participate in some way! Photos with the Easter Bunny are being offered by the Sonora ISD. Special "Golden Money Eggs" will be hidden, these eggs will hold a special treasure to be saved! The treasure hunt takes on a new twist this year, with a trivia type theme. All 4th, 5th and 6th graders are encouraged to try and figure out the "puzzle" by answering the clues correctly and spelling out a special word for a chance to win a bike! A sample question is "This building is the carrier of the News, in Sonora. A red devil sits on the roof of the building. Pick up a red N" Can you be the first to spell the secret word or to find the "golden egg"?

3rd Annual Scholarship Scramble

The 3rd Annual College Scholarship Tournament will be April 29, 2000 at the Sonora Golf Course at

All proceeds will go to providing college scholarships to deserving Sonora High School Seniors who participate in the High School Golf Program. Over the last two years the tournament has provided

over \$5,000 in scholarships. The tournament is an 18 hole scramble. A 3 person team is \$100, a

4 person team is \$150 and a 5 person team is \$200. Green fees will be waived. First prize is a traveling tro-

For more information call the Pro Shop at 387-3680 or John Adams at 277-5741.

Bonilla Visits Sonora To Talk About OSHA



Henry Bonilla is holding over 1200 pages of the OSHA Regulation Index, the entire proposal is over 55,000 pages long.

Washington, D.C. - U. S. Rep. Henry Bonilla, R-Texas, was in Sonora today, warning local employers about the Occupational Safety and Health Administration's proposed ergonomics regulation. OSHA has been working at a feverish pace since November, trying to make sure the regulation becomes law. OSHA is required to hold public hearings before that happens. However, since the Department of Labor refused to hold any of the hearings below Washington, D.C., Bonilla is spending Tuesday and Wednesday holding public meetings in nine west Texas towns to discuss the issue. Information gathered at the meetings will be presented to OSHA.

Community leaders, employ-

ers, and concerned citizens were invited to come and hear Bonilla explain what the proposed regulation would mean to small businesses. The Small Business Administration estimates the regulation could easily cost American businesses more that \$18 billion dollars.

"I am concerned that some businesses won't be able to bear the burden of this costly regulation, and may be forced to lay off workers or pay them lower salaries," said Bonilla.

Ergonomics refers to injuries received from doing one motion repeatedly. So far, scientists have not been able to determine how often a motion must be completed

See Bonilla page 6

Veteran of the Week



Herman Moore was born in Granbury, Texas (Hood County) on May 20, 1920 and spent much of his childhood traipsing up and down the banks of the Brazos River, cane pole

Mr. Moore moved to Junction, Texas in January of 1941 and married May Dell Stewart on December 24, 1941, less than three weeks after Pearl Harbor was bombed. In February of 1942, he was inducted into

the U.S. Army and received his basic training at Ft. Bliss in El Paso, Texas. After having completed his basic training, Herman was dispatched to Camp Barkley (Abilene, Texas) where he was trained as a cook. However, when he had completed this school, he was reassigned and attached to the medical corps and was stationed at Randolph Field, Texas (San Antonio).

See Veteran page 6

Property Tax Exemptions Reduce Disabled Veterans' Taxes

Veterans with a service-connected disability may reduce their property taxes in 2000 by filling out a simple exemption form at the Sutton County Appraisal District

A veteran's percentage of service-connected disability determines the size of the exemption. The exemption ranges from a \$5,000 to a \$12,000 deduction from the veteran's property value. Rex Ann Friess, Chief Appraiser, explained who is eligible for the application:

A disabled veteran; a surviving spouse of a deceased disabled veteran, as long as the spouse remains unmarried; a surviving minor child of a deceased disabled veteran, if the veterans spouse does not survive the veteran and if the child is both under 18 and unmarried; a surviving spouse of a person killed while on active duty, whether the spouse has remarried or not at application time; and a surviving minor child of a per-

son killed wile on active duty, if the child is both under 18 and unmar-

Any eligible person who has not received this exemption must apply by May 1. If you received the exemption in 1999, you do not have to reapply in 2000.

Any applicant may claim the exemption on only one piece of property, such as a home or another property the applicant owned on January 1. The applicant must be a Texas resident to qualify.

The appraisal district may require proof of the disability, such as documentation from the Veterans Administration or the branch of the armed service in which the veteran served. Applicants may need proof of marriage, of age or of a spouse's or parent's death.

Obtain an application form and more information about specific qualifications at the Sutton County Appraisal District office at 300 E Oak St. or call 387-2809.

wonderful day of outdoor educa-See Sawyer Ranch page 6 Sonora Middle School Science Fair Winners

The students began the day

with instructors Mary Humphreys

(Texas Parks & Wildlife), Steve

Nelle (NRCS Wildlife Specialist),

Nick Garza (Sonora Experiment

Station), Tom Payton (NRCS

Range Specialist), David Embry

Shelly Shannon's 6th Graders learn how animals help aerate the ground.

Students from Sonora Middle School traveled to San Angelo on March 29, 2000 to compete in the Texas District XI Engineering & Science Fair. Forty-three students attended and awards were given to thirty-nine. Six special awards were given. Megan Fitzgerald received the Corrosion Prevention Award and an award from the U.S. Metric Society. Nicholas Favela received the U.S. Air Force Award. Tyler Talley was given the Sunset Mall Award of \$50 and Brian Payton received the Culligan Water Award. In Scientific Methodology, Allison Higdon, Tanner Matchus, Alisha Covey, Stevie Hernandez, Will Crittendon, Megan Fitzgerald, Embre Smith, Jessica Collins and Justyn Gray all received and award. Individual placings were as follows:

Behavioral and Social Sciences: 3rd - Norbert Ortiz, 4th - Kristina Hernandez and Allison Higdon, 6th Courtney Caruthers, and 7th -Chelsea Seaton.

Biochemistry: 4th - Tanner Matchus and John Healy, 5th - Candise Martin, and 6th - Danielle Matthews.

Botany: 6th - Embre Smith, 7th -April Flores, 8th - Hillary Lawson. Chemistry: 2nd - Kathryn Pacheco,



6th - Desirae Boldt, 7th - Erin Newton and Stevie Hernandez, and 8th -Tissie Wagoner.

Earth and Space Sciences: 4th -Elizabeth Elliott and Dainah Hernandez, 5th - Megan Fitzgerald, and 7th - Marilyn Holman.

Engineering: 2nd

Ainsworth, 3rd - Cameron Cox, 4th - Clayton Hicks and an Honorable Mention - Jack Turney. Environmental Science: 4th

Mathematics - 3rd - Susanna Street Medicine and Health: 4th - Warren Wallace, 7th - Danielle Fox, and Honorable Mention went to Tom Valliant

Microbiology: 6th - Kate Higdon Physics: 6th - Will Crittendon, 8th - Noemi Fay and Tyler Talley. Zoology: 4th - Jessica Collins, 5th - Justyn Gray and Alisha Covey, and 7th - Chris Perez.

Bronco Track On The Run To State

The seniors of Class 2000 had a great performance in Eldorado, leading the squad to a third District Title. The group includes Andy Sanchez, Graham Bloodworth, Curtis Sanders, J.D. Lozano, and Caleb Taylor. This group has been a part of winning three District titles, including one in AAA and two in Class AA. The group helped in scoring a total of 54 points of the teams 213 points.

Andy Sanchez continued his streak of winning District for the third time in the Shot Put. Andy also set a new school record in the Shot, with a throw of 56'1 1/2". The record was held by Wayne McLauglin, who had a throw of

Graham Bloodworth will represent Sonora in Regional in three events and will be an alternate in one event. Graham scored a total of twenty-four points for the team. He was a member of the 400m Relay and 1600m Relay that won the District title. Graham will also represent Sonora at Regional in the 100m (11.24) and will be an alternate in the Long Jump (19'5").

Curtis Sanders also qualified for Regional in the 800m and as an

alternate in the High Jump. Curtis ran a time of 2:06.31 to win District in the 800m.

J.D. Lozano ran the 3200m Run for the first time this year and placed fourth for the team.

Caleb Taylor placed sixth in the Shot Put to score points for the

The rest of the squad also had a great day and the team qualified a member in each of the running events for Regional. They also qualified in all the field events except for High Jump, Long Jump and Pole Vaulting, where there are alternates going in these events.

Zacarias Rojo had another great meet as he continued his winning in the 3200m Run and 1600m Run (4:48.55). Zacarias ran a personal best in the 3200m Run, with a time of 10:16:87. The 400m Relay team of Bill Renfro, Juan Rodriquez, Graham Bloodworth, and James Elliott ran a personal best of 42.84 to win the event.

Jason Moore ran a time of 2:10 to place fourth in the 800m and Carlos Ramirez ran a 2:16 to place fifth in the same event.

In the 110 Hurdles the squad

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St. John's Relay for Life Team would like to give a big THANK YOU to Bob, Janice and Courtney Caruthers and Sombrero's Laserwash for a fun, and exciting fundraiser. Also a very special Thank You goes to the church youth group, and all of the volunteers that came out to help while working for a great cause. I should not forget all of the supporters that came and made donations to our team. Without all of you we would not have had the success that we had.

Cards of Thanks

Thank You, St. John's Relay for Life Team

The Outlaw Gang would like to take this time to Thank You for joining us in our Night Golf Tournament Friday Night. We had a large and impressive turn-out for this fun event. The weather was good, the food great, and the people and personalities were perfect. What a fun way for all of us to get together and have some fun, while raising money for the American Cancer Society. At this time, we would like to thank these people; Wayne and Barbara Webb, Sonora Golf Course, Gary and Marcia Schwiening, Dan & Rosa Hawkins, T-Half Circle Ranch, Jack and Peggy Sharp, Vallree Draper, Stacey and Fran Pennington, Coors 4-D Distributing, Miller Quality Brands, Cellular One, The Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo, Rodeo Wild, the Devil's River News, Kendra Vandergriff, the Outlaw Gang Relay Team members and their families for their work and support, and all the golfers for their participation and donations. We appreciate you all more than we can say, and look forward to seeing you all at the Relay for Life, Friday, May 5, 2000!

Sincerely, Danni Martinez Storie Sharp

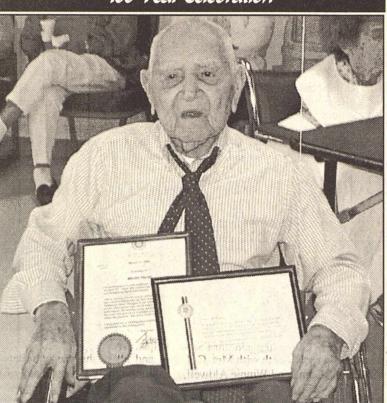
We would like to say Thank You to all these people, who helped with the grass fires over the April 8-9 weekend.

Bryn Humphrey, Patti Prather, Heath Prather, Seth Prather, The County Road & Bridge Dept., Bob Brockman, Landon Brockman, Canyon Ranch, Louis Dreyfus Natural Gas, Jim Cusenbary, W.A. Kinder, Trey Rushing, Joey Samaniego, Chris Green, Cole Cearley, Donny Yocham Jr., Doug Yocham, Borderline VFD., Eldorado VFD., Ozona VFD.

Also, any others we might have missed, your support is greatly appreciated.

Thank You again. Bradley G. Black Reporter, Sonora Volunteer Fire Department

100 Year Celebration



A big birthday bash was held at the Lillian M. Hudspeth Nursing Home on Wednesday April 12th. Celebrating April birthdays were Mrs. Eloisa Gamez, and 100 years young, Mr. Martin Perez. Mr. Perez was presented with plaques that held special birthday greetings from President and Mrs. Clinton and Governor George W. Bush, which was presented by Teri Dominquez. Entertainment during the party was provided by the Edison Jr. High Mariachis and later that evening The Ole Tyme Band performed. Mr. Perez entertained the residents, staff and guests by singing a few of his favorite songs and dancing to the music. He really enjoyed his special day. The Sutton County Steakhouse, La Mexicana and the Ladies Auxiliary helped complete the success of the day by donating all the wonderful food. Mr. Perez also celebrated his birthday with family and friends earlier in the week, with a party at St. Anns Parish Hall.

Senior Center News

Apr. 21 - Center will be CLOSED! Good Friday.

Apr. 24 - Birthday party and Bingo! Apr. 25 - Exercise with video 2:30 p.m.

Apr. 26 - Professional Secretaries Day!

Apr. 27 - Crafts Anyone! Senior Center Menu

Apr. 21 - Center will be closed for Good Friday! Apr. 24 - Swiss steak with gravy, peas, carrots, cornbread muffins,

tossed salad, orange sections. Apr. 25 - Chicken nuggets with gravy, zucchini with tomatoes,

potato wedges, roll, peaches.

Apr. 26 - Oven baked BBQ chicken, baked beans, California mixed veggies, cornbread, macaroni salad, jello with fruit.

Apr. 27 - Taco salad with beef, cheese, lettuce, tomatoes, pinto beans, roll, peach cobbler.

> Lunch is served Monday thru Friday at 12:00 Noon. \$1.50 donation is suggested for those 60+ and \$4.00 for others.

Weddings



Martinez - Espinosa

"Tamye" Deanne Martinez of Odessa and Charles "Eric" Espinosa of Midland, TX. were married April 8, 2000, at St. Ann's Catholic Church, Midland, TX. Father Frank Chavez officiated.

Parents of the couple are Gabriel and Sandi Espinosa of Sonora, TX. and Tomas C. Martinez Jr. and Dianne G. Martinez, both of Odessa, TX.

Maid of honor was Michelle Perez of San Antonio, Texas. Bridesmaids were Farrah, Crissy and Lorena Martinez of Odessa, TX., Staci Espinosa of Sonora, TX., Beverly Gallego, Amy Garcia, both of Pecos, TX., Rebecca Borrego of Midland, TX. Flower girls were Cayden Martinez, Sydne Robles, and Shelby Winn.

Best man was Oscar Perez of El Paso, TX. Groomsmen were Pete Perez of Austin, TX., George Reyes of San Antonio, TX., Randy Martinez of Odessa, TX., Jeff Parras of Midland, TX., Edward Hernandez, Homero Carrasco, both of Odessa, TX., and Pat Soto of San Angelo, TX. Escort of the flower girls was Miles Sentena. Ringbearers were Tomas Martinez III and Joe Ron Martinez, both of Odessa, TX.

The bride is a 1991 graduate of Odessa Permian and received a bacheor's degree in business management in 1996 from Angelo State University. She is manager of Martinez Funeral Home, Odessa, TX.

The bridegroom is a 1991 graduate of Sonora High School and received a bachelor of science degree in psychology in 1996. He is coordinator of Texas Council of Offenders with mental impairments.

After a reception held at the Midland Civic Center, the couple left on a Norwegian Caribbean Cruise.

Ronnie Cox would like to be your pharmacist.

Caros of Thanks

We at Rafter W Feed would like to express our appreciation for being named Business of the Year. As we said before, we give credit for our success to many loyal customers and some great employees. Rafter W looks forward to being a part of this community for years to come. We invite your comments and input.

> Thank you, The Jack Wardlaw Family

The Sonora Track teams and coaches would like to deeply express our gratitude to all the parents, community members, and off-season coaches for helping with the Junior High Colt Relays and Junior High District Meet. We are so lucky to have loyal supporters and one of the best tracks in our

district to run on. Sometimes when hard times are upon us, we dwell on the negative too much. When the fact is, we live in a wonderful town with caring people, and our children attend an above-standard school.

Tradition is what our school and athletic programs are about. Thanks again, Sonora.

Yours Truly, Sonora Track Coaches

We would like to thank Birthday on April 8, 2000 at the St. Ann's Parish Hall. Friends and relatives came from Bakersfield, CA., Sweetwater, Mertzon, San Angelo, Irving, Houston, Fort Worth, North Richland Hills, Austin and Sonora, Texas. Also, we would like to thank the Castilleja Band for providing the music, and Ronnie Cox for donating the helium for the balloons.

God Bless everyone, The Martin Perez Family

00 Thank you to all who have supported Lisa's Flowers & Gifts over the past 4 years. How very much that little shop has given to me - a memory making time with our daughter, Lori, and a glimpse of how the world should be - made of beautiful things and a chance to make someone happy with pretty bouquets and thoughtful gifts. It's been a beautiful experience. Thank You, Sonora Judy Webster

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Community

April 22 Community Easter Egg Hunt 10:00 a.m. on Courthouse lawn April 23 Sunrise Service 7:00 a.m. Courthouse lawn

The Community Calendar



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Calendar

April 27

Benefit Barbecue Supper for Jared Percifull and Caleb Taylor 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. at the swimming pool pavilion

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Ask the Historical Society



Joe Berger and Fred Berger

America. If he was 22 when he came

to the U.S. that would make it 1886

and he could not have been in Sutton

Co. in 1884. We do know that after

saving up enough money he went

into boot making on Main Street

about 1903 and also had a ranch. His

nephew Joe lived with him the last

27 years of his life. Fred Berger was

a member of the Dee Ora Masonic

Lodge and the Episcopal Church. He

April 18, 1908 issue is one telling of

the arrangements being made by the

"Mens Business Club" to welcome

Governor Campbell, Congressman

Smith, State Representative Silliman

and Mrs. Chase and Mrs. McKenna

to the Commencement Exercises of

the Sonora High School on May 5th,

and provide entertainment for the

distinguished visitors on May 6th.

Special invitations were sent out to

each neighboring county official,

editor, publisher, school principal

and clergyman for the event. D. F.

Patterson, C. J. Nichols, Geo. J.

Trainer, C. J. Lewis and Clyde

Windrow were appointed to the Dec-

oration of the Town Committee. It

was their duty to visit every business

and resident of the town and prevail

Another article of interest in the

died in 1934.

Jo-Ann E. Palmer, Secretary Q. When did Fred Berger come to Sutton County?

A. Devil's River News, Saturday, April 18, 1908

The News is authorized to announce Fred Berger as a candidate for Justice of Peace, precinct No. 1. Fred is sure enough a pioneer of Sutton County coming here in 1884, before the wire fence cut off the pure free air, and has a large circle of acquaintances who know him to be honest, industrious, fair and impar-

Fred Berger was born in Heinzendorf, Austria on August 13, 1864. Some statements in history books and late life articles state that he came to Sutton Co. in 1887. We found some notes from John Eaton that state that Mr. Berger came to Sutton Co. with Jim Barton in 1887. He had worked for John Reiley, George Allison, J. N. Taylor, Jim Barton and at Ft. Terrett with Mr. Sawyer for about 9 years. The Eaton note also states that he married Helen Brehm in 1899 and we know that he married her on November

If you would like to have a positive date I suggest you find out and resident of the town and prevail what year Fred Berger came to upon them to see that every place is

event. They were also to see that streets were sprinkled with water to hold the dust down. W. L. Aldwell, E. S. Briant and James Cornell were to meet and escort the honored guests to Sonora. Arrangements were made for the temporary opening of the Decker Hotel to help accommodate all the extra guests. Over 100 people were appointed to different committees for the function which was to include a huge basket dinner on the Courthouse Square.

decorated and cleaned up for the

We found this article quite interesting: Henry Ory is a "Water Witch" and will prove it to you for \$25. He has assisted the following ranches in getting water: G. W. Chesser, 218 and 224 feet deep, W. Sulteymer 265 feet, E. R. Jackson 271, Bob Miers 375, Tom Deen 117 feet deep. Pay half down, balance when water is struck. If he fails, which may happen, he will return

Someone had asked me what people did in the old days when there were no radios or TV, this listing of club meetings helps show just a few of the activities beside church, ranching and other business to conduct, housekeeping, yard upkeep, school activities, social dinners and evenings of music or poetry and book reading in each others homes, sewing, knitting, embroidery, repair of homes and outbuildings including the out house and feeding the ani-

The Cemetery Association met the first Friday in each month in 1908 and had the following officers: Mrs. James Hagerlund, President and Mrs. E. S. Briant, Secretary.

J. J. North was Worshipful Master of Dee-Ora Lodge No. 715 and J. Lewenthal the Secretary. Meet-

ings were held on the Saturday after

C. J. Nichols was Commander and J. A. Hagerlund Clerk of Camp No. 179 Woodsmen of the World which met the first Saturday before the full moon. Mrs. J. C. McDonald was Guardian and Mrs. C. J. Nichols the Clerk of the Woodmen Circle which met on the first and third Tuesday of the month.

The Sonora Tent No. 180, Knights of the Maccabees with R. W. Davis, Co.n., and J. A. Hagerlund, R. K. met the second and fourth Mondays in each month. The Sonora Hive of the Ladies Maccabees met on the first and third Saturdays in each month with Mrs. C. J. Nichols, Com., and Winnie Aldwell,

The Half Century and Over Club met on the first Saturday in each month with P. Hurst as President and D. B. Woodruff as Secre-

and third Tuesdays in each month with Geo. J. Trainer as Chief and C. J. Lewis, Secretary.

I think the television and radio have replaced a lot of the close interaction between people in the community. We are so busy watching or listening to certain programs on them that there isn't much time left for clubs, committees, play time with friends and social interaction with other adults in the neighborhood. While the TV, radio, computer etc. are all wonderful inventions they have almost wiped out the evenings of sitting before a fire with the family reading a good book out loud or playing musical instruments and entertaining each other while mother sits and does mending or needlework.

Now we listen to recorded music and watch movies made from

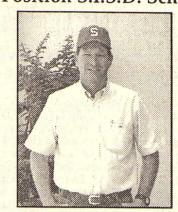
No more sitting and reading and imagining what something looks like in your mind it is right there in front of you courtesy of the TV. While this is very entertaining many times it is quite different from the story in the book that the movie is based on. No more reading the newspapers to the family, we watch the news on TV together. Dad can't edit out stories he thinks the children aren't old enough to hear any-

To some of you who keep ask-. ng me what it would be like to live in the "good old days" I have the following suggestion: Shut off the tv, stereo, all electrical appliances including the air conditioner. Light some candles, kerosene lamps etc. and pretend you are back in that time frame for one evening. Now Mom you can't use that washer and dryer. Dad no power tools, no lawnmower, no weed whacker except the old hand held man powered kind. If the kids want ice cream or popcorn make it the old fashioned way. Forget that stove, tv dinners and that microwave, cook on the barbeque, an old wood fed one not that modern gas one or a fireplace if you have one that you can cook in. Sweep with a broom, you can't use the vacuum cleaner. No ceiling fans, no window fans, just good old air, hopefully blowing in the windows on a cooling breeze. No shorts, or tank tops please, clothing from neck to toe. No swimming pools, no sprinklers in the front yard. Heat water on the fire in kettles for your evening bath in a large tin tub.

Don't forget the children all helped with the chores. I will give in and allow the use of toilets for sanitary reasons. After a day of this you can let me know if you still think your ancestors "had it easy."

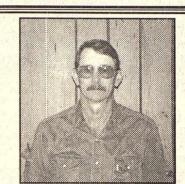
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Vote for Scott Jacoby

Area Agency on Aging Looking For Legislator

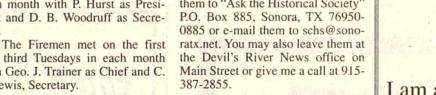
The Area Agency on Aging is older Texans an opportunity to asking for help finding a Texas Silver Haired Legislator to represent our area. No candidate filed for the TSH: from the southern region of the Concho Valley which includes Irion, Reagan, Crockett, Sutton, Schleicher, Kimble and Menard Counties. In order for the Concho Valley to be fully represented in Austin there must be someone from this area that is willing to fill this

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Any individuals interested must meet the following requirements: (1.) Must be 60 years of age or older on January 1, on even numbered years. (2.) Must be a resident of the Concho Valley. (3.) Must be a registered voter of the State of Texas.

If you, or someone you know, ets these requirements and is interested in filling this post, please call Rosie Quintela at 944-9666. If further information is needed, please don't hesitate to call the





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Public Notice

ORDINANCE OF ELECTION OF UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES
AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR ELECTION OF UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES TO THE OFFICE OF THE CITY OF SONORA, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING AND DECLARING EACH UNOPPOSED CANDIDATE ELECTED TO OFFICE AND ORDERING THAT NO ELECTION BE HELD AND PROVIDING FOR POSTING OF THIS ORDINANCE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SONORA, TEXAS:

Section 1: Upon receiving certification from the City Secretary on April 18, 2000, that the candidate to the office of Mayor and that each candidate to the office of City Councilmember is unopposed for election of office, and that only one candidate's name is to be placed on the ballot for Mayor, Jo Ann Hernandez, only one candidate's name is to be placed on the ballot for Ward 1, Virgil Polocek, and only one candidate's name is to be placed on the ballot for Ward 2, James Blackman, the City Council of the City of Sonora, Texas, does hereby declare each unopposed candidate elected to office. It is hereby declared that the following candidates are elected to the following offices and shall be issued a certificate of election.

Jo Ann Hernandez: Mayor, At Large

Virgil Polocek: City Councilmember, Ward 1

James Blackman: City Councilmember, Ward 2

Section 2. It is further declared that an election will not be held for the office of Mayor or City Councilmember of the City of Sonora.

Section 3. The City Secretary of the City of Sonora is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice of this ordinance of unopposed candidates to be posted on Election Day at each polling place that would have been used in the election.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 18 day of April, 2000. Attest:

Becky Covington City Secretary

Jo Ann Hernandez

Elementary News

Congratulations to the winners of the Class Attendance Contest for the 5th Six Weeks. The winners are as follows: 3rd Grade - Mrs. William's Class - 97.8%, 4th Grade - Mrs. Perez's Class - 98.6% and 5th Grade - Mrs. Herring's Class - 97.6%.

Congratulations to the winners of the Perfect Attendance Drawing for the 5th Six Weeks! The winners are: 3rd Grade - Briana Stewart and Reynaldo Gaytan, 4th Grade - Kari Nicholas and Dalton Dover, 5th Grade - Allyse Edmondson and Liano Luna.

The Intermediate students took their Spellathon test this week and will be collecting pledges. The money will be used for educational activities, materials, and projects for the Intermediate students. We appreciate your

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Police Reports

April 11 - Possession of Controlled Substance - A routine traffic stop led to the arrest of a Michigan man, Mohammad Abdrabboh, for Possession of a Controlled Substance. Sutton County Deputy Bob Hartman and Drug Tsk Force Officer DuWayne Castro assisted officer. April 14 - Accident - Officer was

dispatched to the 600 block of SE Crockett in reference to an accident. No injuries were reported.

April 15 - Burglary - Officer was

April 15 - Assault- Officer was dispatched to the 400 block of W. Mulberry in reference to an assault. Complainant advised that her daughter had been assaulted during an argument and they wished to file

April 17 - Assault - Officer was dis-

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April 14 - Fugitive from Justice

Officer was on a routine traffic stop, which led to the arrest of one local man for outstanding warrant and Driving While License Suspended. A seventeen-year-old and a twentyvear-old were cited for Minor in Possession of Alcohol. One sixteen year old was charged for Possession of Marijuana and cited for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. One sixteen year old was cited for Possession of Tobacco. Sutton County Deputies Jerry Kemp, Bob Hartman and Joe David West of the Texas Dept. of Public Safety Liscence & Weight all assisted.

dispatched to the Landmark Apts. in reference to a burglary. Complainant advised someone had broken out the back sliding glass and entered her pickup. Investigation continues.

charges.

patched to the 800 block of St. Ann's St. in reference to an assault. Upon arrival complainant advised officer that her boyfriend had just assaulted her. John David Duran was arrested for Assault and transported to the Sutton Co. Jail.

An Easter Sunrise Service will be sponsored by the Sonora Ministerial Alliance at 7:00 a.m., Sunday, April 23rd at the amphitheater behind the depot. All are welcome to come help us celebrate the resurrection of our

The Senior Center Van is going to San Angelo on Wed. May 10th instead of the regular trip, in order to take more seniors to enjoy Spring Fling.

Barbecue Supper to benefit Jared Percifull and Caleb Taylor who will be playing football in Germany. April 27th at the Swimming Pool Pavilion from 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Tickets can be purchased from Jared at 387-3926 or Caleb at 387-2055 or from local businesses.

Multi-County Brush Appreciation Day is Thursday, April 20, 2000 at the N&K Ranch in Eldorado. Registration fee is \$20.00. There will be 3 CEUs available for pesticide applicators. Lunch will be catered by Sutton County Steakhouse. Call 853-2132 for more information.

Junction Youth Baseball is looking to schedule games with any team available for teams consisting of players: 13 years of age, 14 years of age,& 15-16 years of age. Please contact Cheryl Herring after 4pm at 915-446-

The Community Easter Egg Hunt will be on the Courthouse Lawn on Saturday, April 22, 2000, starting at 10:00 a.m. Bring your baskets and your connets and be ready to hunt!

The Kimble Co. Gun Show and Flea Market, sponsored by the Kimble Co. Senior Center and Meals on Wheels, will be held on Saturday and Sunday April 29th & 30th, starting at 9:00 a.m. at the Stevenson Center in June tion, Texas. Admission to the center is \$3.00, with children under 12 free with parents. There is no charge to the Flea Market. The Senior Center will have a food concession stand.

Happy Birthday

Pepe Cervantez, Kathy Morris, Justin Routh, Cindy Paredes April 21

Velma Gonzales

Charlotte Alewine, Crystal Hidalgo, Jennifer Martin, Mike Martin
April 23

Don Deel, Dois Badgett, Juanita Arispe, Janea Crowder, Brad Johnson, Thia McKissack, Amy Ramirez

April 24 Cullen Parker, Estella Sanchez, Charlotte Castro, Santiago Luna, Kaleena Samaniego

April 25 Eddie Martinez, Breg Hughes, Travis Valliant, Stacey Fox, Elida Martinez, Shelby Lynn Onofre, Andy Sanchez, Adriana Castillo

April 26
Danni Martinez, Stephanie Hard, Beth Covington

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Thanks to the people of Sonora and the surrounding area, I had a great time last year while I was in Sonora. I recently had coffee at a local coffee shop with my friend Easter R. Bunny and a few other special occasion friends (Tom Turkey, Cupid, Jack O. Lantern and Uncle Sam). They were wondering why I was so special, to have my own store. We went to see Ronnie Cox and asked him to include all of my special occasion friends at Santa's Gift

This is our official announcement with Ronnie that Santa's Gift Shop on Main Street in Sonora is now Main Street Mercantile, featuring gifts, antiques, and surprises.

Thanks Ronnie and Alice for including all of my special occasion friends. Love and see you soon,

Just wanted to let everyone know what a great time we all had at the Chamber Banquet, Thursday Night. The "Who Wants To Be A Millionaire" Theme was wonderful. Everyone who attended had a very entertaining night. Justin, Ladonna, and the entire Banquet committee did a superb job, and should all be very proud of their efforts.

On a personal note, The Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo would like to take this time to Thank You for recognizing us as "Outstanding Organization of the Year". We are all very proud of this, as this organization is totally made up of volunteers that selflessly donate their time and efforts year round. We could not be the successful organization that we are without the help and support of the many wonderful people of Sonora and Sutton County. So...we gladly accept this award and share it with all of you!

Thank You, The Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo Committee

Dear Editor: As we enter a new century and approach a new millennium, we should reflect on where we are going. One of the most important indications of a civilized society is how we treat our children. Unfortunately, if current trends continue, too many Texas children will be abused and neglected.

Children are our most precious resource and we should be committed to working toward a happier, healthier and safer environment for them. Far too many children in Texas are abused or neglected. All Texans must join together to prevent this tragedy.

Our future depends on the well-being of children today. The time has come for us to reflect on what we are doing as a community to support children and their families. We must start putting children first. Its up to you. If we don't stand up for children, who will?

Sincerely, The Sutton County Child Welfare Board

King is Teacher of the Year

Jan McClelland King, daughter of Faye McClelland of Sonora, was voted Teacher of the Year by Lamar Elementary of the El Paso Independent School District. It is the largest elementary school in the district. Mrs. King has a B.S. in Elementary Education and a Masters in Reading. She has taught ESOL and At-Risk children at Lamar. Currently she teaches 4th grade

and is in her 31st year of teaching.

Earwood's School of Dance Plans Recital



Carolyn Earwood's School of Dance presents "The Sound of Music" and "My Fair Lady", Sunday April 30, 2000 at 3:30 p.m. at the Sonora High School Auditorium. Graduating seniors Johnna Wade and Allison Benson will perform solos, as well as advanced students Ashley Doran, Marilyn Holman, Thia McKissack, & Kayla Garcia. All Carolyn's students are working hard to perfect their dances. Please join their annual recital.



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Spanish Students Participate in Festival

Submitted

On March 31, 2000, 10 Spanish students from Sonora High School participated in the Foreign Language Festival at Angelo State University. Their teachers are Amy Davenport and Sandra Gonzalez. Listed below are the participants, events, and the results from the con-

Joe Flores - prose, superior/ written test, excellent

Reina Moreno - sight reading, superior/ written test, superior Luisa Rojo - sight reading,

excellent/ written test Sandra Cardona - sight read-

ing, superior/ poetry, superior/ prose, excellent

Landon Brockman - prose, superior/ sight reading, superior/ written test

Leandra Perez - poetry, superior/ written test

Mayra Martinez - prose, superior/ sight reading, excellent/ written Shannon Vick - written test,

Lionel Cervantez - sight read-

Patty Cerna - poetry, superior/ extemporaneous, superior/ sight reading, excellent



Stetson Hall, Kendra Jones & Thomas Schenke

THSRA Contestants Head For State Finals

The Texas High School Rodeo Association Region II Finals were held on Saturday, April 15, 2000 in Fort Stockton, Texas. Sonora's Thomas Schenkel finished 2nd in the Calf Roping with a time of 9.0. Kendra Jones finished 5th in the Goat Tying with a time of 10.0. The team roping team of Thomas Schenkel and Ozona's G.L. Bunger roped in 11.7, placing them 3rd for the event and Cory Lloyd of Eldorado roped with Stetson Hall to finished 8th with a

Schenkel finishes the year in 5th place in the Tie Down Roping, secur-

ing him a place as a Region II representative at the THSRA State Finals. The finals will be held in Abilene, Texas from June 4th through June 10th. Kendra Jones leads the pack to the Finals in Goat Tying, finishing 1st for the year. Jones will also go in Breakaway Roping, in which she ended the year 3rd, Stetson Hall and his roping partner from Eldorado, Cory Lloyd will go to State in Team

Roping, finishing the year in 8th place.
Region II will be the defending
Region champions at the State Finals
this year. At the 1999 THSRA finals Region II accumulated the most points over all of the other nine regions in the state to win this prestigious title. Congratulations to all of these contestants and Best of Luck at the Finals.

Track from page 1

had three individuals place. Riley Crain ran a time of 15.12 to win the event, Chance Armke was third with a 15.18 and Shane Mathews ran a 16.12 to finish fourth.

Bill Renfro placed third in a close race in the 100m, with a time

In the 400m James Elliott ran a great time of 49.87 to win the event, and Carlos Ramirez ran a 54.68 to finish fourth.

The 300 Hurdles had Riley Crain placing second to qualify for Regionals and Shane Mathews placed fifth.

The 200m had three place in the top six, with Bill Renfro winning the event with a time of 22.64, Juan Rodriguez placed third with a time of 23.01, and Chance Armkee was fifth with a time of 23.71

Curtis Sanders placed third in the 1600m Run with a time of

The 1600m Relay team of Juan Rodriquez, James Elliott, Graham Bloodworth, and Carlos Ramirez ran a time of 3:26.19 to win the event and qualify to go to Regionals In the field events, Stetson Hall

threw a personal best of 152'9" to place second in the discus. Riley Crain jumped a personal best in the triple jump to place sec-

ond with a jump of 43'7 1/2". This is one of the best performances at a meet by this group of young men. The team has started to come together at the right time and hope to improve more before the

ten individuals in twelve different Congratulations and Good



Sonora Broncos Varsity Baseball Schedule

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Sonora Broncos Junior Varsity Baseball Schedule

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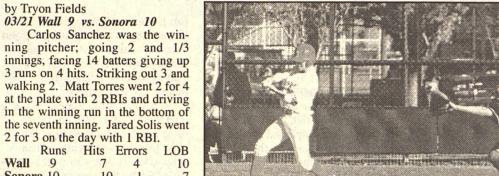
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Bronco Basebal



2 for 3 on the day with 1 RBI. Runs Hits Errors LOB Sonora 10 10 03/28 Sonora 3 vs. Eldorado 4 Eldorado's Ricky Huichapa

was the winning pitcher going 6 innings; facing 22 batters giving up 3 runs on 3 hits while striking out 3. Manuel Hernandez got the save; going 1 inning facing 4 batters giving up 1 run and striking out 1.
Sonora's Edgar Gonzales got

the loss; going 6 innings facing 30 batters giving up the 4 runs and 6 hits. Gonzales struck out 7 while walking 5 and hitting 1 batter. At the plate, Jason Surber and Bryce Williams both were 1 for 3, while Jared Solis went 1 for 2 with a base on balls. Defensively; the Broncos were led by Sean Fields with 4 put outs and Jared Solis with 1 put out and 4 assists.

Runs Hits Errors LOB 2 Eldorado 4

03/31 Sonora 16 vs. Ozona 6 Ozona's Kenny Vargas got the loss; going 6 and 2/3s innings, facing 41 batters, giving up the 16 runs on 13 hits, while striking out 7 and walking 6. Vargas also hit 2 batters and gave up 1 home run. Sonora's Jared Solis got his first district win; pitching 6 innings, facing 26 batters. Solis gave up the 6 runs on 2 hits, while striking out 9 and issuing 2 walks as well as 1 home run. At the plate, the Broncos were led by Bryce Williams, who was 4 for 5 with 3 RBI,s off of a massive home run over the center field fence. Matt Torres went 3 for 4 and Crispen Lira went 2 for 3 with 3 RBI's. Defensively, the Broncos over came miscues to gain the victory.

Runs Hits Errors LOB Ozona 6 04/05 Junction 13 vs. Sonora 23

Both teams used numerous pitchers in this game. The Junction Eagles used four, with Jimmy Taylor getting the loss. Taylor went 4 and 1/3 innings facing 20 batters, giving up 4 runs on 6 hits; while striking out 5 and walking 4.

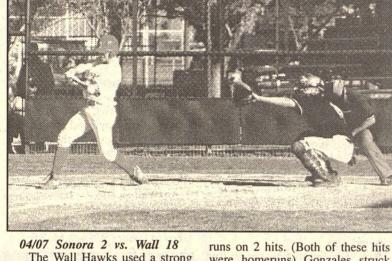
The Broncos used 3 pitchers, Edgar Gonzales, Jared Solis, and Chong Hernandez.

Hernandez earned the win going a 1/3 of an inning facing only 3 batters. Offensively, the Broncos had many heroes. Ubaldo Vaquera was perfect on the night going 4 for 4 with 4 RBI,s. Bryce Williams, 3 for 4, and a 2 run home run to give him 5 RBI's on the evening. Jared Solis went 2 for 4 with a walk and 5 RBI's also.

Javier Gayton went 1 for 2 with a walk, and Edgar Gonzales went 3 for 5 with 4 RBI's.

Defensively, the Broncos were led by Bryce Williams (3 put outs), Ubaldo Vaquera (3 put outs), and Jared Solis (2 put outs).

Runs Hits Errors LOB Junction 13



The Wall Hawks used a strong north wind and a dust storm to hand the Broncos their second loss in district play. The Hawks Marshall Moorman went the distance on the mound; going 5 innings facing 20 batters, giving up the 2 runs on 2 hits; striking out 1 and walking 4 Broncos. The Broncos Jared Solis did not fare as well, as he recorded the loss. Going 2 and 1/3 innings, facing 18 and giving up 9 runs on 8 hits. Jared struck out only 1 and issued 4 walks. The two Bronco hits were gotten by Bryce Williams and Sean Fields. In the field, the Broncos were also led by Williams and Fields; with Williams having 3 put outs and Fields having 2 assists and

4 put outs. Runs Hits Errors LOB Sonora Wall 18 13 04/11 Non-District

Sonora 16 vs. Reagan Co. 11 Broncos rebounded to defeat the Reagan Co. Owls in a non-district bout by a score of 16 to 11. The Owl's Rudy Bonilla recorded the loss; going 7 and 1/3 innings, facing 42 batters and giving up the 16 runs on 10 Bronco hits.

Bonilla struck out 5 while walking 4. Bronco lefty, Edgar Gonzales, earned the win going 4 innings facing 17 batters and giving up 3

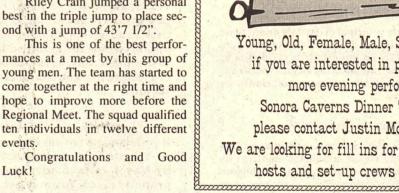
were homeruns) Gonzales struck out 7 Owls and only walked 1. At the plate, Edgar helped himself out as he went 3 for 5 with an RBI. Russell Dempsey aided the Broncos with his 2 for 4 and 1 RBI. At the catcher position, Byron Williams (1 for 2) and Javier Gayton (1) for 3 and an RBI) rounded out the crucial

for the Broncos. Jason Surber and Matt Torres both had excellent defensive games to aide the Broncos in their tenth victory of the sea-

Runs Hits Errors LOB Reagan Co. 11 9

To this point, the Broncos have had a tremendous season with a 10 and 8 record. When this article goes to print, the Broncos will only have 2 games left to play in district. The Broncos have an excellent chance of finishing in second place behind the Eldorado Eagles. This will be an improvement over last year where the Broncos finished in third, behind Eldorado and Wall. The two games that are left, will be with Ozona this Thursday here in Sonora; and next Tuesday, the Broncos will travel to Junction to close out

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Do I have to apply each year?

No. If you had a homestead exemption on your home in 1999, you won't need to reapply for 2000 unless your chief appraiser requires it. However, if you haven't received an exemption on your present home—or if you've moved to a new home—you'll need to file for an exemption for 2000. If you are 65 this year, you may file for the over-65 exemption up to one year after the date you turned 65. And if you became disabled during 1999, you need to file for the disabled person's exemption.

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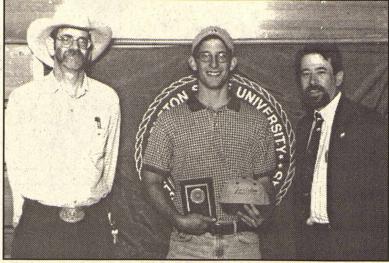
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West Places High at Judging Services from page 1 Contest



Jacob West (center), a student at Sonora High School, placed as the 18th high individual in the Range and Pasture judging contests held recently at Tarleton State University. Over 5000 high school students from across Texas participated in the Statewide Invitational FFA Career Development Event which rewarded the top 20 finishers in the nine contests. Tarleton faculty members Dr. Randy Rossiere (left) and Dr. Roger Wittie (right) were contest directors. (Tarleton News Service photo)

50th Annual Easter Pageant Starts At Dark in Junction

The 50th annual Easter Pageant will The pageant annually attracts a begin at dark April 22 in the natural amphitheater below the cross on Lover's Leap in Junction.

Sponsored by the non-denominational Men's Bible Class, the pageant features 50 amateur performers who pantomime the story of the last week of Christ's life on earth, climaxing with the resurrection and ascension. Narrators and background music enhance the 13act pageant, which is performed on 14 stages of varying levels. The production lasts about three hours.

In 1950, the Easter Pageant had a cast of 20 re-enacting the life of Christ on a small concrete platform. Since that time, the cast of volunteers has grown, and the stage now covers the side of the mountain and includes nine levels, several miles of electric cables and a sound booth where readers and sound effects personnel work to coordinate the works and music with stage action.

All participants, from Sharon Sissel, who directs the drama, to stage hands and wardrobe mistresses, are volunteers.

large crowd of spectators from throughout the United States. Most watch from cars parked under the direction of Boy Scouts and Explorer Scouts, who also distribute free programs. Local Scouts have been providing this service since the pageant began.

There are no reserve parking areas, but spectators are welcome to park their cars early, beginning at 3 p.m. on Saturday.

Free coffee will be served by the Junction Volunteer Fire Department. The local EMS will operate a concession stand with food and soft drinks. Proceeds will go toward a scholarship fund in memory of Dr. Joe Wolpmann. Some spectators come early and picnic on the

There is no admission charge, but free-will offerings are gratefully accepted. Boy Scouts will take up a collection from those who wish to contribute during an intermission. These funds are used to add or to replace equipment needed to produce the pageant.

The ACS provides gift items such as ostomy supplies, comfort pillows, blue pads and other materials related to rehabilitation programs. These items are provided at

Volunteers provide transportation to and from cancer treatment with the Road to Recovery program and volunteers who have been treated for breast cancer visit patients before and after surgery in the Reach to Recovery program.

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patients who must travel further than 100 miles for out-patient treatment and checkups. This voluntary service is limited to cities with agreements between the ACS and participating local hotels, based on their availability.

Support Services and groups designed to help patients of all kinds are also available.

For more information regarding Patient Services available for cancer patients contact Robert Duran at 387-3113 or the American Cancer Society at (915)944-2509

Sawyer Ranch from page 1



Tom Payton explained about Prescribed Burns at the Sawyer Ranch.

(NRCS San Angelo), and Virgil Polocek and Dennis Clark representing Underground Water Conservation Districts from Sonora and

Lunch was provided by the Edwards Plateau Soil & Water Conservation District. Jim Stephens, Lewis Allen, Raymond Draper and Bobby Martin cooked the gourmet fare of hot dogs and hamburgers. Lura Sawyer, Eddie Sawyer, Susan Bloodworth, Iris Garza, Kelly Thorp, Vallree Draper, Jane Rushing and Becca Love served.

After lunch the students were taken to Sonora Wool & Mohair Co.

for a tour. Preston Faris (TAEX County Agent) demonstrated sheep shearing and visited with the students, and Kelly Thorp (TAEX County Agent) talked about wool, mohair and cotton fibers.

The Edwards Plateau SWCD directors would like to thank all those involved for their time and talents. This is a worthwhile educational opportunity that would not be possible without the support of so many agency personnel and local volunteers. And, a very special thanks to Eddie and Lura Sawyer for graciously continuing to host this event.



Mary Humphrey explains about Sutton County Wildlife Conservation.

Bonilla from page 1

before an injury occurs, or the best ways to prevent them. For instance, an aching arm caused by playing softball every weekend could be aggravated by a job that involves lifting. Through trial and error, as well as common sense in some cases, many businessmen are already doing all they can to prevent these types of injuries in the work-

"Businessmen are already motivated to keep their employees as safe and happy as possible by the booming economy and shortage of workers. The Labor Departments own statistics show injury rates are at their lowest in thirty years. OSHA is using the issue as an excuse to weasel its way into the workplace, and have more control over employers," said Bonilla.
OSHA first issued a proposal

for ergonomics regulation in March of 1995. Since then, Bonilla has fought such a regulation, believing there was no sound science to back it up. The Current ergonomics proposal is more than 1000 pages long, including supporting documents.

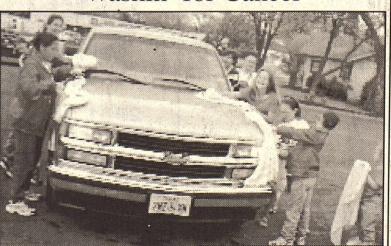
Veteran from page 1

While he was stationed at Randolph Field, Herman tried out for and made the base football team, the Randolph Field Ramblers. Because many of the best football players were already in the service, the Ramblers were selected to oppose the University of Texas in the 1944 Cotton Bowl. The game ended in a 7-7 tie.

Mr. Moore was discharged on November 30, 1945, and he later attended Tarleton where he again

earned a spot on the football team. Shortly after leaving Tarleton, Herman joined the Highway Patrol and was stationed in Sonora from 1952 until 1960, when he resigned to run for sheriff. He was successful in his bid for election as sheriff and later served as Municipal Judge before ending his career in public service as Justice of the Peace in 1990. Herman died in 1991, his wife, May Dell, remains a Sonora resident.

Washin' for Cancer



The car wash at Sombrero Laserwash held by St. John's Episcopal Church Relay for Life team was one of many fund raisers held over last weekend to raise money for the American Cancer Society. There were bake sales and a night golf tournament as well. Everyone had fun at all the fundraising

¡Varias exenciones de "Productivity appraisal" residencia pueden rebajar sus impuestos de propiedad! may lower the property taxes on your farm,

Una exención de residencia reduce sus impuestos de propiedad. Por ejemplo, si su residencia tiene un valor de \$50,000 y Ud. recibe una exención de \$15,000, sus impuestos se calcularán como si el valor de su residencia fuera \$35,000.

¿Quién califica para una exención?

Cualquier dueño de una residencia principal el día 1 de enero tiene derecho a una exención de residencia de \$15,000 este año para rebajar sus impuestos escolares... y no importa si la residencia es casa, condominio o casa móvil. (Los condados, municipios y distritos especiales de impuestos tambien pueden ofrecer exenciones de residencia.)

¿Hay otras exenciónes?
Si Ud. es incapacitado—o si tiene 65 años o más—tiene derecho a una exención adicional de \$10,000 en sus impuestos escolares de propiedad. Y si Ud. califica para la exención para los que ya cumplieron 65 años, tambien tiene derecho a un "cielo máximo" permanente en sus impuestos escolares de residencia. (El cielo máximo no tiene que ver con impuestos de propiedad de los condados o municipios, y esas entidades pueden ofrecer otras exenciones.) La exención para los que ya cumplieron 65 años y el cielo máximo se pueden transferir al esposo/esposa sobreviviente si el o ella tiene 55 ó más años de edad y es dueño/dueña de la casa en donde vive. Tambien el dueño de una casa nueva que tiene más de 65 años puede transladar un porcentaje de cielo máximo del los impuestos escolares que le tocaron

¿Debo solicitarla cada año?

No. Si Ud. recibió una exención de residencia en 1999, no hay necesidad de solicitarla de nuevo en 2000—al menos que se lo pida su jefe de valoraciones. Sin embargo, si no ha recibido una exención en su residencia actual—o si ha cambiado de domicilio tendrá que solicitar una exención para 2000. Si Ud. cumplirá los 65 años durante este año, tiene hasta un año de esa fecha para solicitar una nueva exención. Y si cumplió los 65 años o resultó incapacitado en 1999, tendrá que solicitar las exenciónes adicionales.

¿Donde y cuando debo solicitar mis exenciónes?

Su solicitud debe llegar en su oficina local del distrito de valoraciones antes del día 1° de mayo. Si necesita más tiempo, favor de ponerse en contacto con nosotros antes:

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their land rather than on market value. This "productivity

appraisal" means qualified land is taxed based on its ability

to produce crops, livestock or timber—not on its value on the

real estate market. And it can mean substantial property tax

When is the application deadline?

If your land has never had a productivity appraisal or you are

a new owner, you must apply to your local appraisal district

by May 1 to take advantage of this benefit on your 2000

property taxes. You may get up to 60 extra days if you have a

good reason and ask for it by May 1. If you miss this deadline,

you may still be able to apply, but you will pay a penalty.

Do you need to reapply annually?

If your land already receives agricultural or timber produc-

tivity appraisal, you normally don't need to reapply unless

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is required, the appraisal district will notify you by mail.

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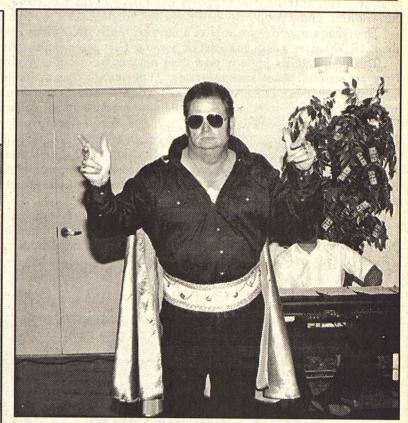
A public service announcement courtesy of this newspaper.

"Who Wants to be a Millionaire" Sonora Chamber of Commerce Banquet April 13, 2000



"Johnny & the Oilfield Trash"





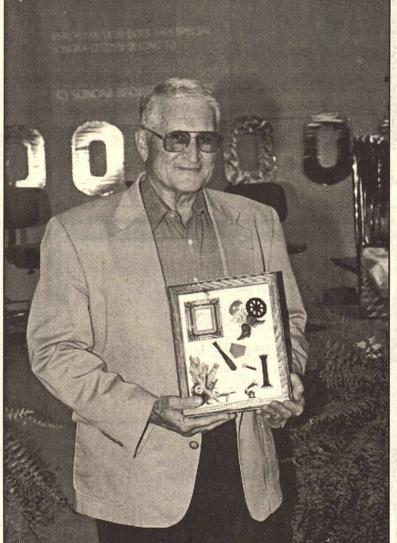
"Elvis"

Thanks A Million Award

Joe Lane





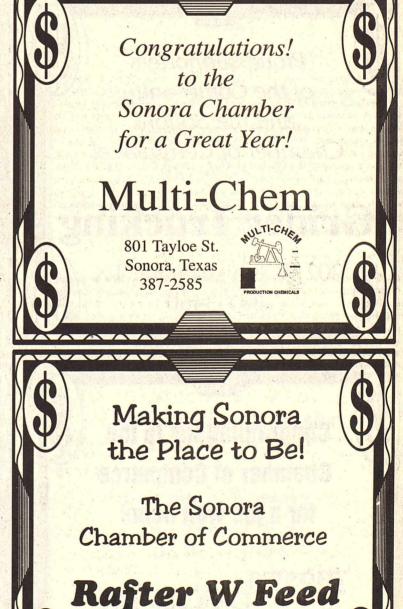




The million dollar award winner is top of the line in grammar, speech, and a master at putting words together. A million scriptwriters couldn't do the job this special person has been doing for what seems like the past million years.

Not only has he been writing scripts in Sutton County, he's been building bridges and roads all over Texas. He's offered his talents to our community in the areas of acting, singing, volunteering, and tirelessly promoting Sonora. We weren't quite ready for him to SCAT; we've been stranded without him and his wife Anita.

Thanks a million Joe Lane.



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Conservation Rancher of the Year

Each year the Edwards Plateau Soil and Water Conservation District and the Sonora Downtown Lions Club recognize a Conservation Rancher of the year. This recognition has been going on since the first award was given to Joseph Vanderstucken in 1948.

The main objective of the award has been to recognize a person or persons who have dedicated themselves to good stewardship of the land under their control, giving back to the land that has been providing for them. This mission is carried out by implementing responsible conservation practices. The work they do improves the quality of the rangeland habitat for their livestock and the wildlife. These people do the things that are necessary to improve the range resources!

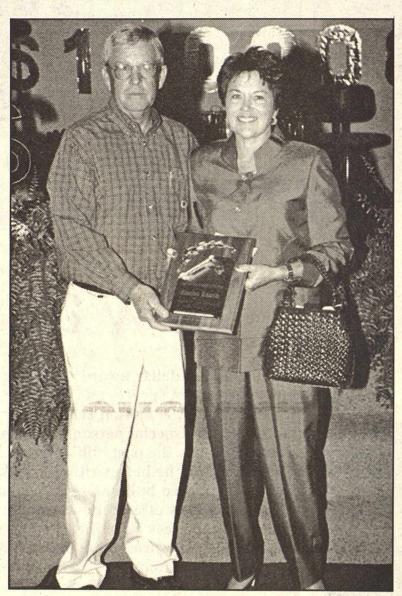
This year's award went to a couple who ranch two places in Sutton County. They operate about 17,000 acres South and East of Sonora. They have cattle, sheep and goats.

This couple takes pride in how their ranches look and how much "grass" their places have. They are careful about stocking rates. They realize that maintaining this valuable vegetative resource is what feeds their livestock and wildlife, reduces soil erosion, improves the water holding capacity of their soils, and allows them to produce an agricultural product they are proud of . They carry out management practices such as deferred grazing, proper grazing use, flexible stocking, drought management and rotational grazing.

Wildlife habitat management is also very important to this year's recipients. They have conducted a deer census and this data coupled with buck/doe ration information gives them harvest recommendations. Data collected before and after each hunt allows them to determine the status of their deer population and future needs.

Over the years, these folks have been cooperators with local agricultural agencies such as USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service, Edwards Plateau Soil & Water Conservation District, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, and they recently formed Edwards Plateau Prescribed Burning Association.

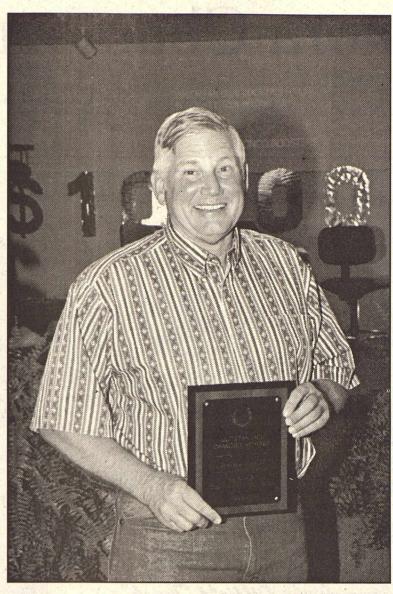
The unanimous choice for the year 1999/2000 Conservation Rancher of the Year are the owner/operators of the Encino Ranch...



Bobby Doran and Randee Fawcett-Doran

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Jimmy Cahill



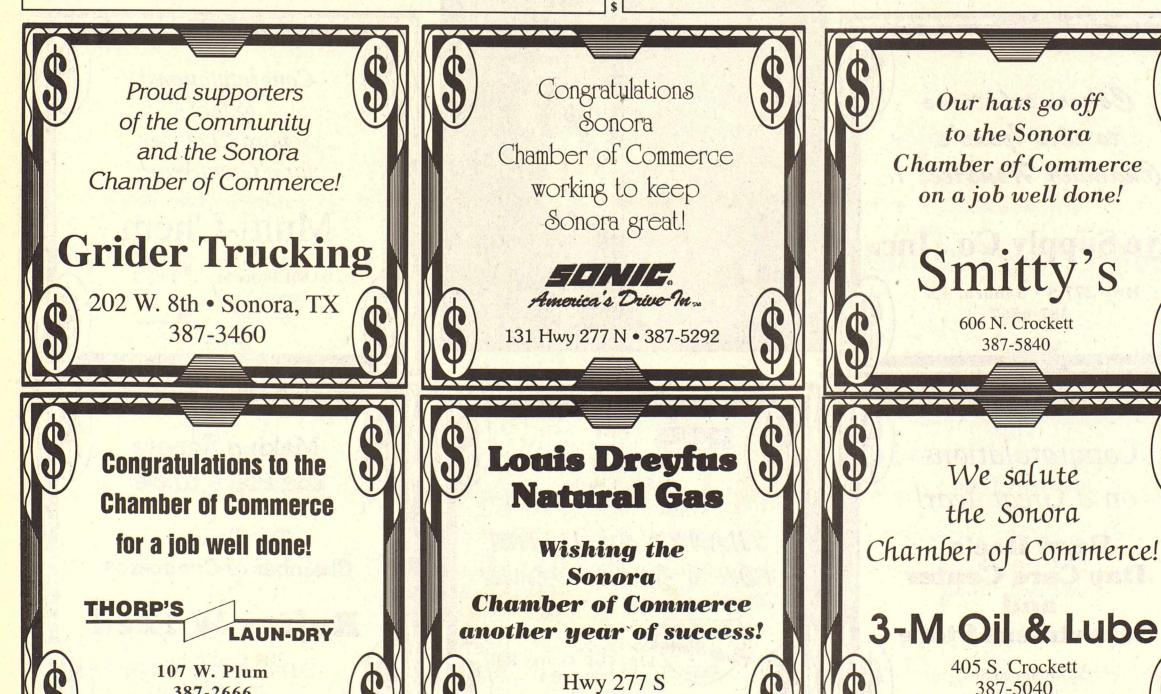
Some people are unaware of the fact that this Outstanding Chamber Member once accidentally drank anti-freeze from a mislabeled Gatorade bottle. His heart really is in Sonora. He spends millions of hours on millions of projects like the I-10 Magazine, promoting mohair, starting the Covered Wagon Dinner Theater and serving on the Chamber of Commerce board. He has volunteered countless hours of his time and energy on projects like the library, civic center, and the golf course. He is an active member in the First United Methodist Church. He works tirelessly to promote Sonora.

Community spirit runs a million miles per hour in his blood, his father was instrumental in helping to establish the Sonora Chamber of Commerce. His roots run deep in Sonora, his family includes his mother Wanda Neville, his terrific wife Ruthie, daughter Kelly Owen and son Chacho, who have all gained inspiration from him. This year Jimmy spent a million hours working on the exciting Eaton Hill Project. He is a visionary, selfless, and motivated by a pure spirit of community...

Our first outstanding chamber member of the new millenium is Mr. Jimmy Cahill.

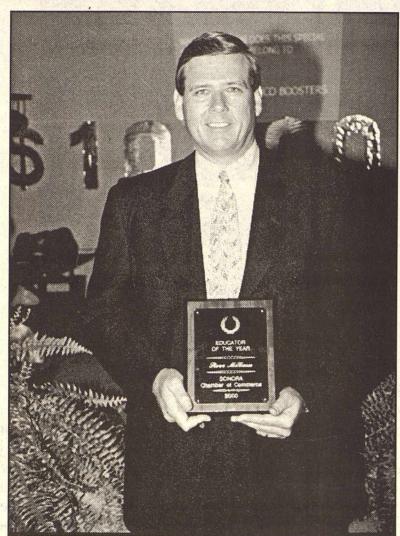
Member

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Educator of the Year



Steve McCarn

This million-dollar educator grew up in Pawnee as a farmer's son; so he doesn't tolerate sweat hogs in our High School, but promotes good behavior and academic excellence in all areas of education.

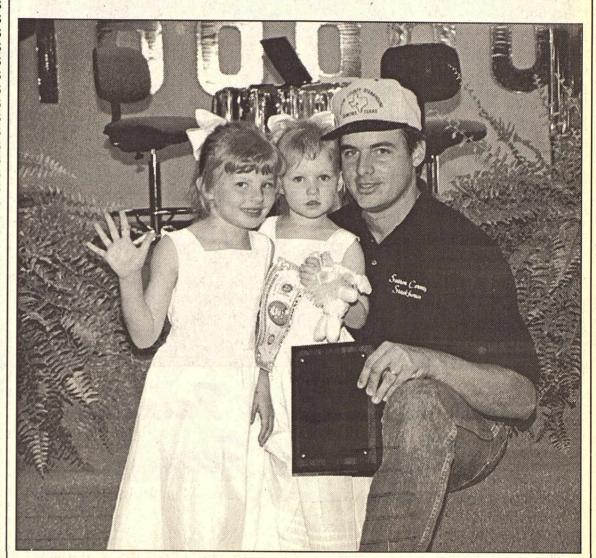
This educator has done millions of things to improve the quality of education at Sonora High School. He has taught millions of kids in the areas of High School P.E., sciences and biology, volleyball, track and basketball. Basketball is one of his loves, he left Stephen F. Austin University on a football scholarship after only a week to play basketball at Beeville. He even went to state in the discus and shot put.

This million-dollar principal is not only active in educating our children, he's also very involved in the community by serving as a director for the Chamber of Commerce. He and his wife Cindy are active members in the First United Methodist Church, where he enjoys singing in the choir. They have 2 children, Chris and Jeff. According to Cindy, Steve is good at driving tractors and pulling calves, but we all know those are not his only talents. He received a degree in biology from Texas A&I as well as a Masters Degree in P.E. and Education. He has dedicated 25 years to the education of children, 20 as a teacher and coach, and 5 as a principal.

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Blayze Sykes

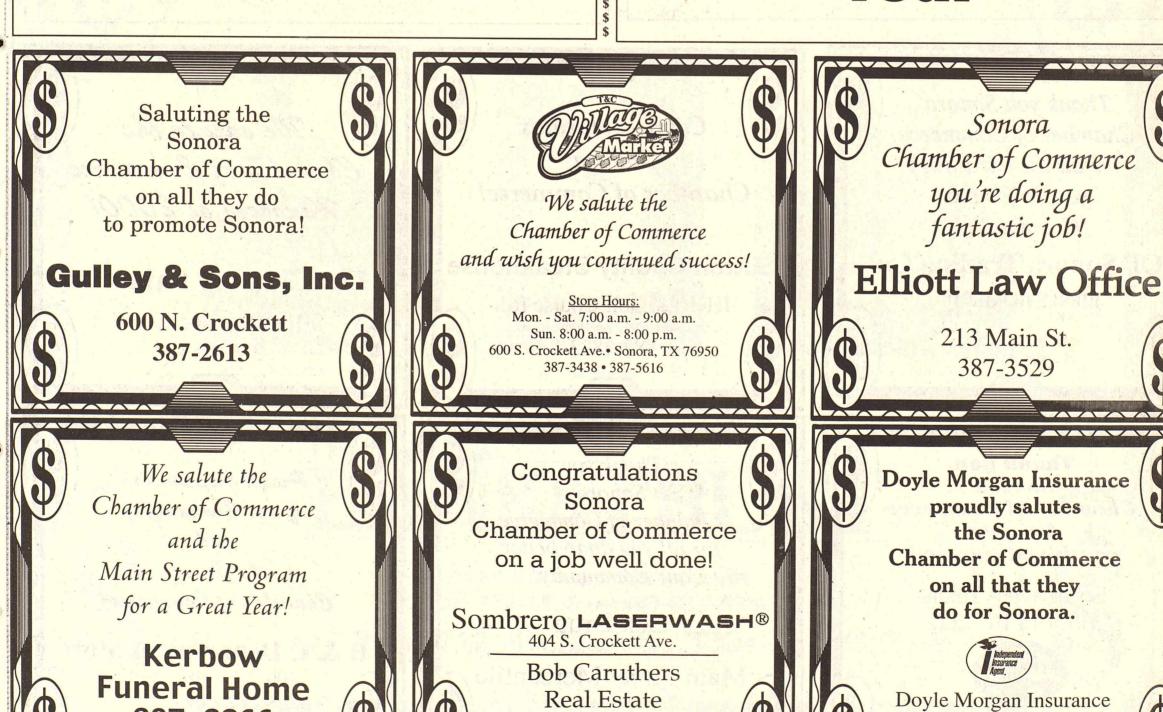
The employee of the year works for one of our locally owned, family run, businesses. In 6 years he has learned every aspect of the business. He has climbed to the top by learning each job from the bottom up. He never asks any of his 35 co-workers to do anything that he wouldn't do himself. Whether it's cooking, butchering, catering, doing inventory, or scheduling, he always makes a positive impression on those around him. Living next door to his mother-in-law hasn't been all bad luck. – She nominated him for employee of the year at Sutton County Steakhouse. Blayze is married to Amy Love-Sykes. They have 2 precious daughters Paige and Alexa, who are already learning to roll silverware at the Steakhouse. The days are long for this outstanding employee, but the rewards are great! Blayze enjoys knowing that at the end of the day, his customers are satisfied!



Employee of the Year

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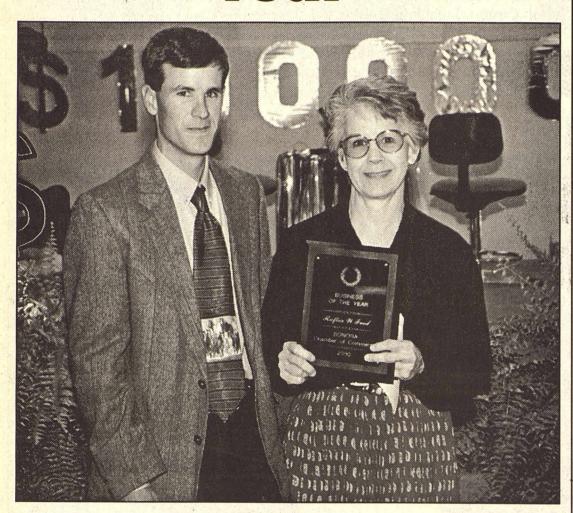
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Business Person of the Year



The Wardlaw Family Rafter W Feed

This year's businessperson of the year award had to be modified slightly to fit the category. When the votes came in, it was evident that this unique family was your choice for businesspersons of the year. The story begins in the fall of 1997 when they purchased a run down feed store and began renovating. By January of 1998 after a million hours of work, the store was ready to open. The Wardlaws have built their business and currently employs 6 full time employees and 1 part time employee. They have made tremendous strides over the last |\$ 3 years and have done so all while maintaining their ranching and hunting operations.



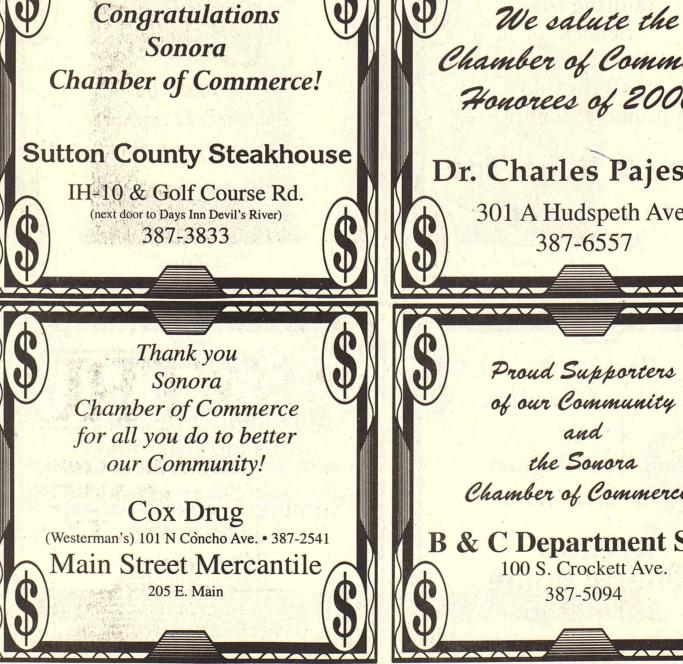
Sharon Tinsley & Carolyn Ward accepted for WTU

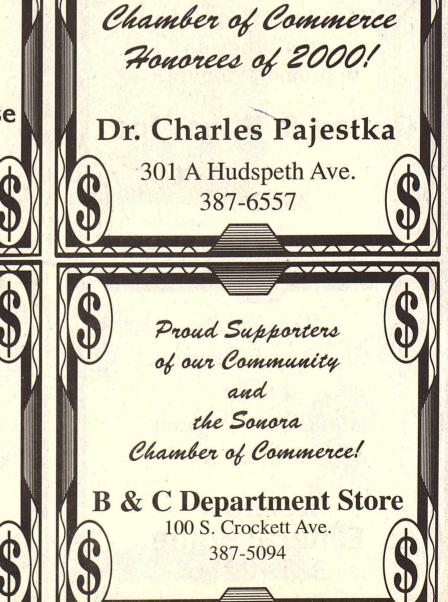
The Spotlight on Sonora Award winner is truly a bright spot in our community. They are definitely responsible for lighting up Sonora. Not only do they provide power, but also they ignite sparks of interest in the development of Sonora. Their sense of community spirit and development is evident in each and every employee. They truly are our community partners. They donate time, money, and even electricity to almost every project and event in Sonora. Enough can't be said about this year's winners....

> West Texas Utilities Spotlight



Thank you Sonora







Patti Prather was the first contestant in the "Hot Seat" and she found out real quick NOT to rely on her table for assistance!! Because she chose to use her own judgment, Patty was the first "Millionaire" of the evening.



An Evening of a Million Laughs



Martha Wallace had trouble with her question about the Brady Bunch... but only because it was "before her time"!!! Lucky for her, her life-line was much better than Patti's and they helped her become one of the "Millionaire" winners of the night!











"Reba McMillions" wowed the audience by belting out "Fancy".

"Money Monroe" entertained guests with her rendition of "Diamonds are a Girl's Best Friend".



Congratulations to all the Certificate of Appreciation Winners!





Joyce Chalk and Fran Pennington Sonora Main Street Advisory Board



Lise Miller



L-R: Mike Hale, Ladonna Snyder and Justin McGeath



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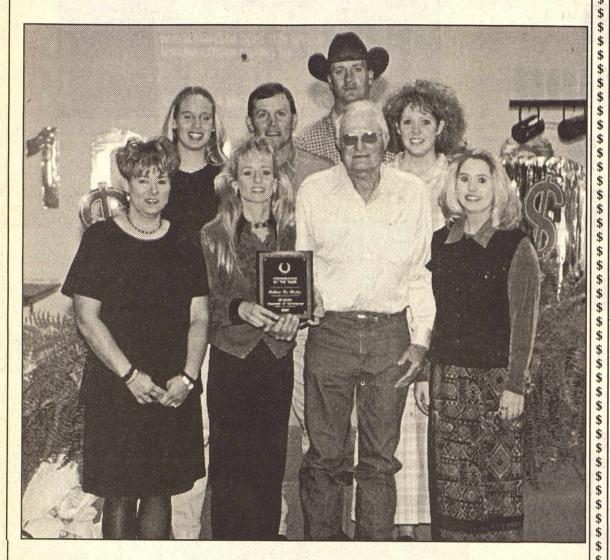
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Organization of the Year

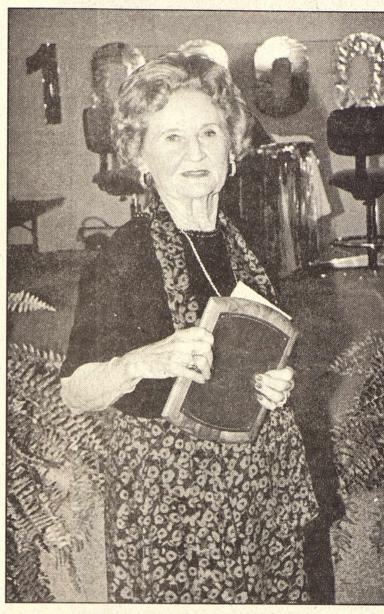


Most people don't realize this organization started out as the Sonora Park Association. This group is filled with volunteers who enjoy being outlaws!

In the past, this organization has made contributions to the Boy Scouts and the 4-H club as well as giving scholarships to the Sutton County Queens contestants each year. The #1 goal for this group since it's inception has been to help the economy in Sonora and Sutton County. Unlike most outlaws, this great group of folks share common goals, camaraderie, and tons of hard work. From the crowning of Miss Sutton County, to providing a top-notch rodeo each year, the Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo has contributed to our community in a million ways. Your Organization of the year for 2000....

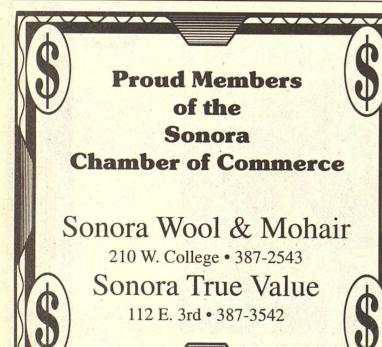
The Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo Committee

Wanda Neville



This year's citizen of the year is a sparkling gem in our community. She is the epitome of a beautiful, caring, loving, Christian woman. In her lifetime she has spent millions of hours working in the family business as well as in her community. She is an avid golfer, so "tee time" is her favorite time. She was instrumental in the construction and development of the Sonora Golf Club. She was Sonora High School's valedictorian in 19. Her roots run deep in Sonora. She is proud of her family and proud of her community. Generosity has been a way of life for her, she has quietly helped and supported millions of local people and causes. In 1972 she established the helping hand fund here in Sonora, to help assist Sutton County residents with medical expenses. She is a member of the booster club, and probably the Bronco's biggest fan.

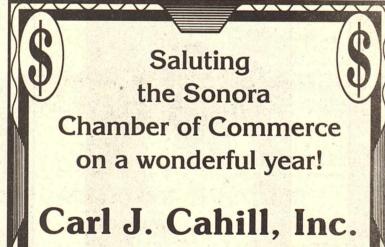
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Junction Livestock Auction

Monday - 04/17/00

Sheep and Goats: 3,925 Ago: 7,465 Year Ago: 5,829 Compared to last week: Feeder

lambs 3.00-5.00 lower. Slaughter lambs steady. Slaughter ewes 1.00-3.00 lower. Slaughter and feeder goats 3.00-5.00 lower. Trade and demand moderate. Supply included 27 percent sheep including near 250

Stock and Feeder Sheep:

Feeder Lambs: Medium and Large 1-2: New crop 30-60 lbs 87.00-95.00.

Stock Ewes: Medium and Large 1-2: Yearling and 2 year old 80-120 lbs 50.00-58.00, one lot 63.00 per head; Pairs: 28.50 per head.

Barbados: Lambs: 20-40 lbs

Slaughter Sheep:

Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Prime 2-3: Old crop 80-130 lbs 80.00-88.00; Good and Choice 1-2: New crop 60-80 lbs 102.00-105.00; old crop 60-80 lbs 79.00-87.00.

Slaughter Ewes: Utility 2-3: 80-120 lbs 35.00-42.00; Good 2-3: 90-150 lbs 43.00-50.00. Bucks: 100-200 lbs 30.00-

Barbados: Muttons: 60-100 lbs

70.00-80.00. Stock and Feeder Goats:

Spanish Goats: Kids: 15-35 lbs 75.00-82.00, few 14.00-19.00 per head; Young nannies: 50-100 lbs 25.00-35.00 per head, one lot 38.00 per head.

Boer and Boer Crosses: Young nannies 50-120 lbs 48.00-58.00, one lot 103 lbs 80.00 per head. Angora: Kids: 15-35 lbs 70.00-

Slaughter Goats: Spanish Goats: Kids and Yearlings: Choice and Prime: 35-65 lbs 75.00-85.00, one lot fancy 58 lbs

Nannies: 50-100 lbs 37.00-47.00, thin nannies 35.00-45.00. Billies: 80-175 lbs 65.00-75.00. Muttons: 80-120 lbs 65.00-

Angora Goats: Kids: Choice and Prime: 35-65 lbs 72.00-82.00. Source: Texas Dept of Ag Market

Producers Livestock Auction Sheep Auction

Sheep Auction:

Receipts for today: 11500: Same day last year: 11699:

Compared with last week slaughter lambs steady. Slaughter ewes firm to 1.00 higher. Feeder lambs weak. Trading fairly active, demand moderate. Quality average. Supply included 60 percent slaughter ewes, 15 percent feeder lambs, 5 percent slaughter lambs, balance

Slaughter Lambs:

Choice 2-3 shorn and wooled 90-125 lb 74.00-80.00; new crop 90-120 lb 85.00-87.00.

Slaughter Ewes:

46.00, few 46.00-49.50; Good 2-3 52.00-60.50; Utility and Good 1-3 45.00-53.00; Utility 1-2 40.00-46.00; Cull and Utility 1-2 33.00-

Slaughter Bucks: 42.00-49.00, thin

Estimated Feeder Lambs:

Medium and Large 1-2 new Same day last week: 16319: crop 40-60 lb 107.00-117.50; 60-70 lb 105.00-113.00; 70-80 lb 103.00-110.00; 80-95 lb 99.50-108.00.

Medium and Large 2 new crop 40-60 lb 96.00-107.00; 60-80 lb 95.00-105.00.

Replacement Ewes: Medium and Large 1-2: set 2 year old ewes 80.00 per head; ewes and lambs 35.50-47.00 per head.

Goats: Slaughter - Meat Goats:

Billies: 100-150 lb 60.00-95.00 per head; 150-200 lb 110.00-150.00 per head.

Nannies: 70-115 lb 50.00-60.00 Good and Choice 2-4 36.00- cwt, set 64.00 cwt; thin 60-90 lb 42.00-51.00 cwt.

Kids and Yearlings: Choice and Prime 40-85 lb 85.00-93.00 cwt; 90-130 lb 77.00-82.00 cwt. Choice 40-80 lb 78.00-85.00 cwt. Good 40-80 lb 68.00-78.00 cwt. Source: USDA

The Wisdom of Will Rogers

Don't squat with your spurs on. Good judgment comes from experience, and a lot of that comes tobacco. from bad judgment.

Lettin' the cat outta the bag is a goat in a flock of sheep. whole lot easier 'n puttin' it back in. If you're ridin' ahead of the herd, take a look back every now and then to make sure it's still there.

If you get to thinkin' you're a person of some influence, try orderin' somebody else's dog

After eating an entire bull, a mountain lion felt so good he started roaring. He kept it up until a hunter came along and shot him. The moral: When you're full of bull, keep your mouth shut.

Never kick a cow chip on a hot There's two theories to arguin' with a woman. Neither one works.

the first thing to do is stop diggin'. Never slap a man who's chewin'

It don't take a genius to spot a Always drink upstream from

the herd. When you give a lesson in meanness to a critter or a person,

don't be surprised if they learn their When you're throwin' your weight around, be ready to have it

thrown around by somebody else. The quickest way to double your money is to fold it over and put

it back in your pocket. Never miss a good chance to

There are three kinds of men. The one that learns by reading. The few who learn by observation. The rest of them have to pee on the elec-If you find yourself in a hole, tric fence for themselves.

Rig Locations as of April 14, 2000

Crockett County

New Union Pacific Res; 10000', Henderson P1-#6, Patterson Drilling.

Tema Oil & Gas Co.; 6300', M K Daniel A-#5, Cleere Drilling.

Edwards County

EEX E & P Company; 10100', Whitehead 45-#1, Cleere Drilling. New Louis Dreyfus; 4200', M Whittle #703, Patterson Drilling.

Sutton County

New Louis Dreyfus; 8400', Minnie H Mayer VVV-#1652, Patterson Drilling.

New Louis Dreyfus; 8350', Mayer 18-#5, Patterson Drilling. New Burlington Res/Mid; 6740', Deberry A-#51, Cleere Drilling. New Louis Dreyfus; 5600', Pfluger 106-#14, Patterson Drilling. KCS Medallion Res.; 5600', Miers A-#1516, Patterson Drilling. New KCS Medallion Res; 6200', Epps D-?, Patterson Drilling.

Terrell County

Conoco/Midland; 11900', Culbertson #16-3, Nabors Drilling. Jack N. Blair; 12000', Huckaby Ranch #1, TMBR/Sharp Drilling. Athanor Texas; 9000', Mitchell 2-#8, Cleere Drilling.

Val Verde County

Huntington Energy; 12500', B J Cole #109, Cleere Drilling. Phillips Pet/Odessa; 10500', Cauthorn G-#2, Patterson Drilling.

> For complete report contact: Scott Huggins, Rig Location & Permit Report Service



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Public Notice

THE STATE OF TEXAS

BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF SALE COUNTY OF SUTTON DATED April 11, 2000, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Sutton County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on April 11, 2000, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in May, 2000, the same being the 2nd day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Sonora, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Sutton and the State of Texas, to-wit:

NUMBER

STYLING OF CASE AND PROPERTY

DESCRIPTION

3928 Sutton County Appraisal District v. Manuel G. Hernandez, Corina Flores, fka Corina G. Hernandez and Department of Housing and Urban Development (In Rem Only)

Lot 7, Block A, Tract 47, Santa Rosa Addition to the City of Sonora, and that tract of land adjacent to Lots 1 and 7, Block A, Tract 47, Santa Rosa Addition designated as Lot 1A, Sutton County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 1, Page 844 of the Deed Records, Sutton County, Texas

4237 Sutton County Appraisal District v. Budlee Whiddon, Heir to the Estates of James B. Whiddon and Myrtle Whiddon, both deceased, Ronald Whiddon, Heir to the Estates of James B. Whiddon and Myrtle Whiddon, both deceased, J.L. Whiddon, Heir to the Estates of James B. Whiddon and Myrtle Whiddon, both deceased; All defendants being In

Lots 1 and 2, Block 23A, South Heights Addition to the City of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas being that property more particular ly described in Volume 33, Page 581 of the Deed Records, Sutton

4315 Sutton County Appraisal District v. Maria Elena Favila, Eloisa Gamez, Candalaria Noriega, Elodia Galindo, Micaela Flores, Josephina Santos, Vicky Santos, Rodrigo Santos, and Estella Lumbreras, All defendants being In Rem Only

Lots 7 and 8, Block D, Sinaloa Addition to the City of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 113, Page 814 of the Deed Records, Sutton

4412 Sutton County Appraisal District v. Robert R. Mata, Sr., Robert Mata, Jr., Heir to the Estate of Minerva Mata, deceased, Mary Lou Jiminez, Heir to the Estate of Minerva Mata, deceased; All defendants being In Rem Only

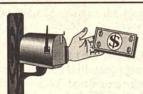
Lot 8, Block W38, Original Townsite of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 70, Page 449 of the Deed Records, Sutton County, Texas

Sutton County Appraisal District et al v. Frank F. Guzman and

Lots 3 and 4, Block B, Hermosa Addition to the City of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 114, Page 803 of the Deed Records, Sutton County, Texas

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or any one interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

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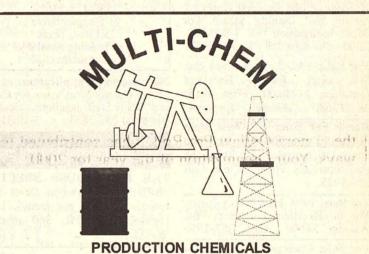
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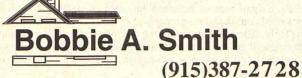
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Independent Executor is Sutton County, Texas. The address is c/o Randy Gillit,

Box 1443, Sonora, Texas, 76950. All persons having claims against this Estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them within the time and manner prescribed by law. **DATED: 04/13/00.**

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Notice is hereby given that Sutton County is now accepting applications for seven (7) part-time positions for students: to work at the Cemetery, Park, Courthouse/Annex maintenance, Road & Bridge, and courthouse clerical.

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