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Sonora Visits Mexico For Tourism Training

During the week of August 20 through August 24, Mayor JoAnn Hernandez, Main Street Director Mary Ann Kay and Economic Development Board Member Sandra Luz Gonzalez traveled to different cities of the State of Coahuila; Sabinas, Agujita, Rosita, Muzquiz, Monclova, Frontera and state capitol Saltillo, participating in the Coahuila, Texas, Oklahoma Corridor Association. The trip to Coahuila was productive and educational. Productive because we have many people interested in the different aspects of our city. In the next few months we will have visitors interested in finding out more about

Durante la semana del 20 al 24 de Agosto de este ano, la Alcaldeza JoAnn Hernandez, Directora del Main Street Mary Ann Kay y Sandra Luz Gonzalez miembro de la mesa directiva del Desarrollo Economicio de Sonora, visitaron varias ciudades del estado de Coahuila, entre ellas Sabinas, Agujita, Rosita, Muzquiz, Monclova, Frontera y la capital del estado Saltillo, participando en el Corredor Coahuila, Texas, Oklahoma Mision Comercial. El viaje al estado de Coahuila fue productivo y educacional; en los proximos meses tendremos per-

hunting in Sonora. Main Street will have their first cultural event in December with arts and crafts from different cities including Coahuila. We were able to talk to CANACIN-TRA, and they will get together a group that will be here showing their products. From this show we hope someone will be interested in establishing business relationships with these crafters. We learned the importance of working together to improve Coahuila's and Sonora's economy. We are also finding out all the details about becoming a Sister City to a city in Coahuila. We had work tables divided into each of

our specialized areas, we were joined by Government officials, University directors, ranchers, Tourism Department, and business

The highlight of our trip was the signing of the Treaty by the Governor of Coahuila Lic. Enrique Martinez y Martinez and the President of the Corridor Association Mr. John Paul Bates. Mayor JoAnn Hernandez gave the keys to the city of Sonora to Coahuila's Governor Lic. Enrique Martinez y Martinez.

In the following weeks we will be reporting more details about our

los diferentes aspectos de nuestra ciudad. Main Street tendra su primer exhibicion cultural durante el mes de Diciembre, en la cual se espera contar con la participacion de artesanos de las ciudades circunvecinas y del estado de Coahuila, esperamos que drante esta exhibicion se encuentren personas interesadas en la relacion comercial entre los dos paises. Estamos tratando de finalizar todos los detalles para convertirnos en Ciudad Hermana con una de estas entidades Coahuilenses. Nos reunimos en mesas de trabajo de acuerdo a nuestos intereses

directores de universidades, departmento de turismo, ganaderos y comerciantes. Para cerrar con broche de oro estuvimos en el Palacio de Gobierno prescenciando la firma del tratado del Corredor con el Senor Gobernador Lic. Enrique Martinez Alcaldeza de Sonora Sra. JoAnn Hernandez le entrego las llaves de la ciudad de Sonora al Sr. Gobernador Lic. Enrique Martinez y Martinez.

En las proximas semanas estaremos informandoles mas al

sonas que nos visitaran para conocer con mandatarios gubernamentales, Hospital Board Agrees On Severance Package for Nursing Home Employees_

tors met on August 29, 2000 in the dining area of the Lillian M. Hudspeth Nursing Home.

The first order of business was to canvass the votes for the election held on Saturday, August 26. The election was for a referendum to give the hospital board the authority to raise taxes by more than 5 cents.

There was a total of 181 voters that went to the polls, with a count of 19 for and 162 against. The Board voted to approve these totals.

The minutes from prior meetings were approved, with one correction on the July 10th minutes.

A lengthy discussion took place regarding the 2001 budget. Dianne Dower, Administrator, answered many questions from the Board regarding specific line items. The most questionable items were those

The Hospital Board of Direc- of LVN salaries, administration salaries and a debt retirement line. These three topics could be reworked in order to present a balanced budget for the upcoming year. By proposing a balanced budget, the District would be able to operate at the current tax rate.

After much debate and clarification on all parts of the budget, a motion was made to adopt the 2001 budget.

Following along with the same topic, budget, the Board voted to keep the current tax rate of .27133. This will mean that the Hospital District taxes will not increase for taxpayers, unless property values change for that person.

Severance pay for Nursing Home employee was the next topic of discussion.

Dianne explained the formula

that was going to be used to determine each persons severance pay. Each employee will receive one week's pay for every year of service they have acquired, not to exceed eight weeks. The amount will be based on the employees wages. All employees will receive severance pay, whether they quit or were laid

Dower commended Carol Evans for working so closely with the employees to ensure everyone was compensated correctly and job endings were handled as well as possible. Dower also commended all the employees on a job well

A motion was made to pay a severance package of \$27,700. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board then went into Executive Session.

• Successful Turnout for Sutton County Days 5K Run/Walk and Fun Run

Eight A.M. was race time for Sonora's first 5K Run/Walk and Fun Run August 19 during Sutton County Days. Sonora's Cross Country teams hosted the event that brought runners from Del Rio, San Angelo and San Antonio as well as locals from Sonora. Fifty-eight runners in all made up the event that had seven divisions. Cash award prize money donated by the Ross Family to the 5K winners was one of the prizes that contestants were awarded. Local businesses that donated other gifts were Sutton County Steak House, La Mexicana, Pizza Hut, Dairy Queen, KHOS, The Video Store, Caverns of Sonora, Sonora

See 5K Run page 5



L to R: Roland Escobar, Janis Jenkins, Beth Wallace, Jessica

Snyder, CD Lipham, Clayton Sahr

Caverns of Sonora - The Discovery

Labor Day weekend, 1955, the and untold beauty began circulating discovery of a lifetime took place on the Mayfield Ranch near the town of Sonora, Texas. Two weeks prior to that weekend, three speleologists, Bob Crisman, Bart Crisman, and James Esetes from Abilene, Texas were exploring another wellknown cave in Sutton County. They exited the cave around three p.m. and headed to the Mayfield Ranch to take a look at a cave known as Mayfield Cave. They entered the cave and eventually found their way to a large room with a deep pit blocking further progress. High on the other side of this pit were passages that continued, but pressed for time, they left the cave.

This story was told to other cavers and Labor Day weekend, 1955, Danny Sheffield, Pete Cobb, Jack Allen, Claude Head, and Jack Prince crossed over the ledge and reached the passages on the other

BRONCO

by Tryon Fields

side, Jack Prince being the first. Stories of bizarre formations

The 2000 Broncos will kick-off

this football season with a home

opener against the Reagan County

Owls on Friday. The Broncos, under

the direction of head coach Jason

Herring, will bring seven offensive

and seven defensive starters back

from a 13 and 1 record of a year ago.

return 24 letterman to start the sea-

son. Along with Herring on the

sidelines, will be several new coach-

ing faces. Defensive co-ordinator,

Jimmy Randolph, brings sixteen

years of experience to the field.

Defensive line coach Shane Mobley

and secondary coach Chad Russell

Over-all, the Broncos will

ARE YOU READY?

among members of the caving community.

September 3, 2000 represents the 45th anniversary of this historic event. The Caverns of Sonora will be celebrating this discovery with reenactments of the crossing of the ledge, and members of the original discovery teams will be present for autographs and questions.

There will be activities

throughout the three-day weekend. A climbing wall will operate from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. Single rope caving techniques (ascending) will be taught during this time. Saturday afternoon, some of the original explorers of what was originally known as Mayfield Cave, will be gathering from around the state to share their adventures. A meal catered by the Sutton County Steakhouse will be served at 7 p.m. Saturday night. Afterward, the explorers will present a slide show.

Reenactments of the Labor Day

FOOTBALL

coaching staff will be Drew Cox,

offensive co-ordinator; Eddie Favi-

la, receivers; and Thomas Hanson,

give a split six look with a three

will be Chris Green, Anthony

Sanchez, Riley Crain, Jarred Solis,

and Chance Armke. Filling the

inside linebacker duties will be Tom

Jacoby, Stetson Hall and Thomas

Bloodworth. The outside lineback-

ers of Danny Solis, Jake Percifull

and Cole Cearley will have the out-

side containment duties. Matt Tor-

res, James Elliott, and Sean Fields

deep coverage in the secondary.

Defensively, the Broncos will

Anchoring the defensive line

linebackers / trainer.

weekend discovery of the active section will be presented throughout the entire three days. Tours of the caverns will be conducted as usual except for tour prices. The tours for the three days will be at a

An off trail tour through the passages in the historic section of the cave will be offered to a 6 person maximum for a one hour tour. The Caverns of Sonora will provide headlights. The "Discovery Tour" will involve climbing, crawling, and will be strenuous. An age

reduced price of \$8 for adults and

\$6 for children 4-11.

for this tour. The Colt 45's will be on site to prepare food for lunch Saturday, Sunday, and Monday. They make great burgers.

limit of 10 years will be required

For more information contact Caverns of Sonora at (915) 387-3105 or 387-6507.

Commissioners Adopt 2001 Budget

The Sutton County Commissioner met on Monday, August 28, 2000 to a room full of EMS volunteers.

The first order of business was the signing of a Burn Ban Resolution. The Commissioners were informed that the Burn Ban was needed because of the drought conditions. It was also explained that the ban would exclude control burns with experienced fire personnel on hand. A motion was made and approved to sign the Resolution.

Sutton County Judge, Carla Garner informed the Court that the DPS Weight and Measurement officer had requested that the county consider buying him a

will also bring valuable experience See Bronco Football page 5 to the Broncos. Rounding out the See Commissioners page 6 y Martinez y el Presidente de la Asociacion Sr. John Paul Bates. La Extreme Fire Danger Continues to Threaten West Texas

Extreme fire danger continues to threaten more that 75 percent of Texas, including the endless miles and often rocky and steep terrain of

far West Texas. A lack of significant rainfall coupled with temperatures in the triple digits has zapped June's lush green-up, leaving West Texas' cedars and grass dry and primed for wildfire, said a Texas Forest Service official. And in such a vast region where it may be miles to a fire, current conditions have the potential to quickly elevate a small fire into a raging blaze.

"Val Verde County is 3,300 square-miles--it's all ranchland," said Jerry Rust, fire chief for the Val Verde County volunteer fire departments. "Some of our runs are 90

miles (one way) and often we don't have radio communication once we get there because the fires are out so

far. Terrain and accessibility are other obstacles the departments face in this region. "We had a fire that was all manual labor," Rust explained. "We walked up the mountain with backpacks, shovels and rakes to keep the fire from dropping off the top of the mountain where the fuel was heavy. It had to be put out the hard way.'

An even greater concern for these volunteer fire departments in manpower. With a high probability of ignition and the potential for quickly spreading and intensely burning fires, Fire Chief Donald Lannom of Fort Stockton, worries

that he won't have the manpower to respond should a fire break in the middle of the day.

'We're short (of firefighters) during the daytime," said Lannom. Many of the volunteers either work out of town or at jobs that they can not leave during the workday, he added.

Such firefighting obstacles coupled with the extremely dry conditions have moved fire officials to urge Texans to be on their guard against any action that could start a fire. Texas Forest Service Regional Fire Coordinator Bill Davis advises people to extinguish their cigarettes in vehicle ashtrays rather than out the window or in the ground, and if

See Fires page 7

County Ropers Team Up for Big Win



Mickey Sharp and Jodie Hooten were the big winners of the Sutton County Roping Challenge. The two roped a total of 4 steers for a winning time of 41.32, with an 8.8 in the short goround held during the Saturday night performance of the Outlaw Pro

Pam Haynes awarded both ropers with custom buckles, donated by the Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo and Bad Co. Rodeo, as well as a cash prize. The team will go on to represent Sutton County in the Bad Co. "Shoot the

Moon" Tour Finals to be held in Del Rio, TX in October. They will compete against other teams from all over Texas and New Mexico.

Steel Magnolias" opens Homecoming Weekend

The Sonora Community Arts and Theatre (SCAT) proudly presents Steel Magnolias by Robert Harling. This is the first production in several years that SCAT will be producing and it is directed by Sonora High School Drama Department's Cody Eoff. The play takes place in Truvy's (Kelly Thorp) beauty salon in Chinquapin, Louisiana, where all the ladies who are "anybody" come to have their hair done. Helped by her eager new assistant, Annelle (Tori Valliant), the outspoken, wise-cracking Truvy dispenses shampoos and free advice to the town's rich curmudgeon, Ouiser (Suzanne Steves), an eccentric millionaire, Miss Clairee (Jerrilyn Ward), and the local social leader M'Lynn (Lise Miller), whose daughter Shelby (Andi Allen), risks pregnancy and forfeits her life.

Show times will be Homecoming Weekend, Saturday September 23, 2000 at 3:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. and Sunday, September 24, at 3:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Tickets for the show will be \$5.00 for students, \$6.00 for senior citizens, and \$7.00 for adults. More ticket information will be available at a later date. Don't miss it !!!

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1005 N. Crockett

387-9525

La Mexicana

240 N. Hwy 277

387-3401

Los Jarritos

605 S. Crockett

387-2838

Pizza Hut

401 Hwy. 277 N.

387-3540

Rosie's Cafe

207 Glasscock Ave

387-5552

Sutton County Steakhouse

1306 N. Service Rd

387-3833

Town & Country Subway

610 S. Crockett

387-6181

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903 N. Crockett Ave.

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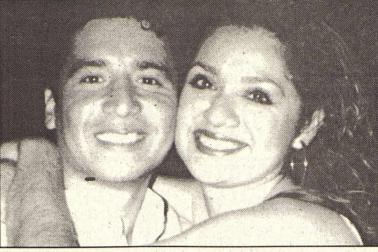
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Engagement



Avalos - Luna

Erika Avalos of San Angelo and Ramiro Luna of Sonora will be married October 7, 2000, at the Iglesia Sagrado Corazon in San Angelo. The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Magdeleno Avalos.

The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Santiago Luna, Sr. Miss Avalos is employed as a secretary at Shannon's Children Center. Her fiance was enlisted in the Marines for 4 years. He is currently attending Angelo State University and is employed by Skinny's Convenient

Birthdau



Happy Belated "30th" Birthday! **Katie Kinder**

Cards of Thanks

A Big Thank You to all the wonderful people supporting the Rena Elliott Music Scholarship Fund by making contributions at our flower booth at Sutton County Days. Your donation makes possible the 7th scholarship available for a graduating senior majoring in music.

In appreciation, The Scholarship Committee

Sutton County Committee on Aging Thanks the Community

Only a few words for now - for so many. All donations, business and personal, made our ANNUAL BAR-B-QUE the BEST yet!! In a future issue we shall list our benefactors. We appreciate all of you who obtained tickets and attended. An enormous "Thank You" to the hard-working Committee Members.

Hershel Davenport President, SCCOA

Ronnie Cox would like to be your pharmacist.

Senior Center News Sept. 4 - Center will be closed for Labor Day!

Sept. 5 - Exercise with video 2:00 p.m.

Sept. 6 - Trax Van to San Angelo! Call 387-2509

Sept. 7 - Crafts anyone?? We need volunteers & new ideas for Holidays! Call 387-5657

Sept. 8 - Recognize all "Senior" Grandparents after lunch. Senior Menu

Sept. 4 - We will be closed for Labor Day! Call 387-3888 in case of emergency.

Sept. 5 - Beef tips with gravy, rice, mixed vegetables, tossed salad, roll, banana pudding.

Sept. 6 - Baked chicken, fried rice, zucchini with tomatoes, roll,

orange juice, peach cobbler. Sept. 7 - Meatloaf with tomato gravy, blackeyed peas, carrots, corn

bread, melon salad. Sept. 8 - Polynesian chicken salad, peas, golden salad, wheat bread,

vanilla pudding. Lunch is served Monday thru Friday at 12:00 Noon.

\$1.50 donation is suggested for those 60+

and \$4.00 for others.

Birth Announcement

Johathan has a new playmate! Amber Lynn Freeman arrived Friday, August 18, 2000 9:48 a.m.

She weighed 6 lbs. 11 1/2 ozs. and was 19" long Amber is also welcomed by her proud parents Edee and Terry Freeman

Cards of Thanks

Dear Sonora Community and Business Owners,

As your 2000-2001 Miss Sutton County, I would like to say "thank you" for your support! Without your help, I would not have been able to run for Miss Sutton County and have the opportunity to represent Sonora.

I would like to extend a special thanks to my sponsors, First National

Bank of Sonora, image apparel, and Sonora Wool & Mohair, and also the coordinator of the Miss Sutton County Pageant, Storie Sharp. Without your generous support, none of this would have been possible. I would also like to thank the Sonora Chamber of Commerce for their hard work in making the Sutton County Days Celebration at the Courthouse successful and an enjoyable part of the community's biggest event of the year.

Because of the continued support of the community of Sonora, queen contestants raised record breaking amounts of money this year through rodeo and dance ticket sales. Kasey and I knew it would not be easy, but thanks to you, we did it. I would also like to thank the out-of-town businnesses and people who also supported us by purchasing tickets from us. Hopefully, our efforts created a large economic impact beneficial to our entire community of Sonora and our local and out-of-town sponsors.

A special thank you goes to the Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo Committee and other volunteers, for all of their hard work and patience in making this year's rodeo and pageant a huge success. Without all of them volunteering their time and labor, the Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo and other events would not be possible. We are so fortunate to have people who care so much and work so hard, not only during the rodeo but months in advance, to help benefit the community, non-profit organizations, and youth of Sonora and Sutton County.

As Kasey and I continue what has been and will be a wonderful and exciting year representing Sutton County, I would once again like to offer a collective "thank you" to Sonora. It is my hope that through our representation, Kasey and I will make each and every one of you proud to be from Sutton County.

Sincerely, Heather Felts - Miss Sutton County 2000-2001

I would first of all like to thank my wonderful sponsors: Ol' Sonora Trading Co., the Bank and Trust and Rafter W Feed for all of their help and support throughout this experience. I would also like to thank all of my friends and family for being there for me. I know at many times within the last couple of months I have been extremely stressed and busy, but they were very patient and understanding. Two individuals that I would like to thank are Storie Sharp and Kim West who coordinated the Queen Contest. They don't get enough credit for the wonderful job that they do so, "Thank you ladies!" And finally, I would like to thank the community for being so supportive of me. In return, I hope to be a good representative of Sutton Co. as the first ever Sutton County Princess, well give angle Wiese Hill !

Thank You,
Kasey Kearney - Sutton County Princess 2000-2001

Loved Ones Rally For Claudia Dempsey

Friends and loved ones have shown their concern and support for the Dempsey Family by participating in several fund raisers. The money raised is going to help the family with the medical bills incurring daily while Claudia remains in ICU.

A softball tournament held recently, raised about \$1000. The drawing for the Bar-B-Que grill that was held during the Outlaw Pro Rodeo raised \$1250. Donations can still be made to a Trust Fund in Claudia's name at : the First National Bank of Sonora.

Claudia is still in critical condition in Colorado, but has shown some improvement. Your thoughts and prayers are greatly appreciated.

School Lunch Menu Sept. 4 -8

Breakfast

Mon. - School Holiday!

Tues. - Pancakes, syrup, juice or fruit.

Wed. - Toast, ham and eggs, juice, fruit.

Thurs. - Sweet roll, juice or fruit. Fri. - Sausage& egg burrito, juice or fruit.

Milk and cereal offered with all breakfasts.

Lunch

Mon. - School Holiday!

Tues.- Chili dog, tator tots, peaches, peanut butter cookie. Wed .- Frito pie with cheese, pinto beans, tossed salad, jello with

Thurs. - Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, rolls, pudding.

Fri. - Hamburger, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, potato wedges, fruit.

Community

Sept. 1 Brisket Dinner Fund raiser for Sonora Broncos High School Commons Area 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Tickets available at Ronda's Styling Haus Sept. 2 - 4 Labor Day Boer Goat Sales Sept. 2-4 Caverns of Sonora 45th Discovery Anniversary Celebration

The Community Calendar



Calendar

Sept. 4 School Holiday Sept. 11 4-H Meeting 6:30 p.m. Civic Center Al- Anon Meeting Held every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. First United Methodist Church Basement

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Member 2000

TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

Historical Society

neering student, won second place

in the sophomore division of the

1933 mathematics contest at the

The Sonora Woman's Club was

carefully cleaned and made ready

for the summer under the park com-

mittee headed by Mrs. B. W. Hutch-

erson assisted by Mesdames W. E.

Three new swings were donated by Mesdames E. C. Mayfield, L. W.

ter of Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Babcock

is one of the 155 seniors at Texas

College of Women who will receive

bachelor degrees on June 5, com-

pleting four years of under-graduate

work. She is majoring in fine and

applied arts and is a member of the

Alice Freeman Palmer Club. Her

parents and Kenneth and Edyth Mae

will attend the graduation exercises.

the parents of a baby boy born on

Marion, Hermon and Carl Holland

and Dossie Blanton are in the U.S.

Conservation Army in a re-foresta-

lish-style three room and bath house

and J. T. Penick has just moved into

a recently built frame house of five

rooms at the edge of Sonora on the

Junction Highway. The McClelland

house has been started and is locat-

ed just south of the Sonora Wool

The Dee Ora Masonic Lodge was

expected to host a joint meeting of

chapters and councils from June 25

- 27, 1933. Over 75 members from

surrounding lodges were expected

and Mohair Warehouse.

Russell Long is building an Eng-

tion camp near Satonia, Arizona.

May 24, named Samuel.

Mr. and Mrs. Miguel Sanchez are

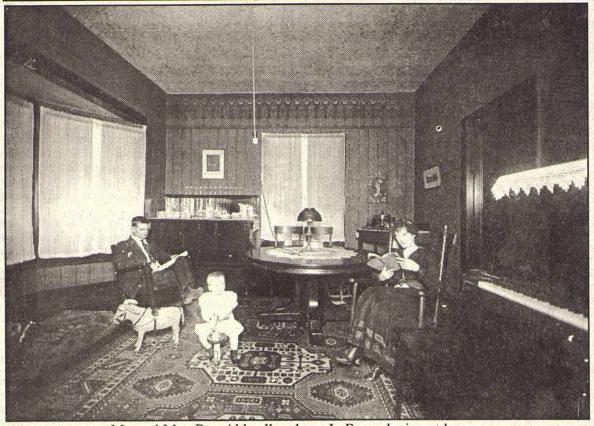
Miss Gertrude Babcock, daugh-

Caldwell and H. V. Stokes.

Elliott and W. E. Caldwell.

The children's park cared for by

Texas A. & M. College.



Mr. and Mrs. Roy Aldwell and son LeRoy relaxing at home. W. Hull of Sonora, electrical engifrom Sonora High School in the

by Jo-Ann E. Palmer, Secretary Q. Were the Longhorn Caverns at Burnet discovered before the Caverns of Sonora?

A. Longhorn Caverns State Park was opened to the public in November of 1932 that is around 60 years before the Caverns of Sonora. Q. Who were the co-captains of the

A. Devil's River News, December 9, 1932 reported the following in an article on the banquet:

football team for 1933?

Herbert Fields and Ernest Smith were elected co-captains of the 1933 Sonora High School football team. Smith was made captain of the line and Fields captain of the backfield. Mascot chosen for the year was little Miss Dorace Gene Smith, new-born daughter of Coach and Mrs. A. L. Smith. The followlettermen announced: G. W. Archer, Harold Friess, Bob Johnson, Gilbert Castillo, George Ory, Troy White, Earl Smith, Marvin Smith, Ernest Robertson, Joseph Logan, Bill Stender, Lacey Smith, Raymond Allison, Herbert Fields, V. J. Glasscock, Wess Hill, Captain Dewight (Ikey) Kring, Jesse Green Barton, and Ernest Smith. Honorable mention was given to Lem Eriel Johnson, Jess Willis and Jack Turney. Q. When did Mora Lee Meckel

class of 1932. She went to Dallas following graduation and took the Marinello School's course in beauty culture and returned to Sonora where it was announced in the June 2, 1933 issue of the Devil's River News that she would open a new beauty shop in a few weeks in the residence owned by her father opposite the Methodist Church. One of her schoolmates from Dallas would join her in the venture.

In the same issue I found an announcement for a "Prosperity Dance" to be held on June 12th, 1933 to celebrate the return of profitable prices to wool and the drought-ending rains of the last few weeks. We wouldn't have to hold a dance to celebrate if it rained. I think about now most of us would be so exhausted from being out kicking up our heels jumping around in it and from bending down on our knees to kiss the muddy earth and praise God we'd be too tired to dance. As to the profitable mohair prices all I can say nastily is Thanks Aussie land and a few others for flooding the market.

In June 1933 J. W. McLendon caught a 60 pound catfish in the Llano River near Junction. J. T. Penick opened a new sandwich and drink stand on the lot adjoining his

Mr. and Mrs. Libb Wallace were proudly displaying a beautiful bear skin rug at their home, made from the coat of a large bear which was killed by their son, Libb Wallace, in the Chisos Mountains last year.

Mr. and Mrs. McDermott of St. Louis are the parents of a son, James Robert, who weighed 8 lbs and 14 oz. He is the grandson of George S. Allison.

J. L. Johnson and wife sold the Cedar Pond ranch near Rocksprings to Mrs. Mona Sweeten for \$30,000. Mrs. Sweeten had owned the ranch and sold it in 1928 to H. G. Franks who sold it to Johnson in 1930.

W. D. Wallace died of a heart attack in Sutton County and Ed. Mears died of a heart attack in Austin. A daughter, Bonnie Jean, was born to Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Quisenberry at 11:35 o'clock on Saturday, June 17, 1933.

A small residence belonging to Mrs. John Swinburne and occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lohn, on the Menard Road in east Sonora, was totally destroyed by a fire discovered at 9:30 Saturday night. A pond near the house was almost empty and the fire hose would not reach to the nearest hydrant on the court-

Eight Sonora girls were recognized as part of the ten outstanding girls at Camp Louis Farr Camp Fire Girls Outing. They were: Lillian Kring, Jo Nell Miers, Muriel Reiley, Kathryn Brown, Cathryn Trainer, Elizabeth Elliott, Renna Glen Shurley, and Joyce McGilvray. Mrs. John Eaton supervised the girls.

If you have any questions concerning Sutton County history send them to "Ask the Historical Society," P.O. Box 885, Sonora, TX 76950-0885, e-mail them to schs@sonoratx.net or give me a call at 915-387-2855. Those strange noises coming from the old former Fincher House has been a few of us going in and working at starting to gut the house for renovation into the new Sutton County Historical Society building. Finally Sonora will have proper archival storage and a historical society office in the downtown area. This will be a big plus for researchers and I will happily turn over all my research to the building. My research has been done for the sole purpose of preserving the history of Sutton County for the benefit of the people of Sutton County. My house is jammed with files and storage boxes and my husband will be happy to not have to keep falling over my volunteer work. I would like to express my sincere appreciation to the board members of the Cauthorn Trust for their support over the years of projects to preserve local history. They deserve the thanks of everyone in this com-



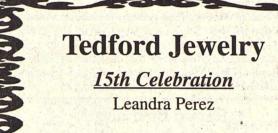
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Celebrating the end of summer is a rite of passage for Americans. As you take to the road this Labor Day weekend, celebrating the end of a very wet or very dry summer, bear in mind the findings of a recent survey by progressive.com:

open a beauty shop in Sonora?

Fifty-seven percent of respondents said they were more likely to drive when overtired or fatigued while driving home from a weekend getaway.

* Fifty-nine percent were more likely to drive when they shouldn't have because they wanted to get to a summer getaway in one night.

* Twenty-six percent of respondents reported driving when they shouldn't due to alcohol consumption at summer barbecues.

Twenty-three percent of respondents said they would be more likely to drive after drinking at a summer barbecue if they didn't have very far to drive to get home.

"People are stressed out working too many hours each week and traveling for business. So when it comes time for vacation, people's attitudes are different. They want to enjoy the outdoors, relax and de-stress," said Alan Bauer, Internet Business Leader, Progressive. "But what we found was that while people go to great lengths to enjoy the summer, they may be pushing the limits of safety and letting their busy lives affect their driving habits. It's extremely important that consumers are aware of the risks that they and their friends and neighbors create when traveling this holiday weekend."

Further, the progressive.com study of more than 400 consumers found that more than one-fifth of consumers reported having taken their kids out of their car seats while driving on a summer trip. And it looks like women are more likely to take chances women were four times more likely than men to break a traffic law (i.e. speed, run a red light, drive on the shoulder) while stuck in summer traffic with kids in the car. Also, families with children were six times more likely to drive home from a long day trip while fatigued during the summer

than those people without children. Progressive offers the following tips on safe summer highway travel. Follow them this Labor Day weekend:

1. Wear a seat belt/restrain children. It is estimated by the NHTSA that safety belts save 9,500 lives a year. If every passenger over the age of four was strapped in, an additional 9,000 lives could be saved annually. An estimated 312 children under age five are saved annually in the U.S. by being strapped into a car

2. Allow extra time to reach a destination. Speeding causes 30 percent of all fatal crashes and over 13,000 lives are lost each year due to speed-related accidents.

3. Keep children under age 12 buckled up in the back seat to avoid injury from airbag impact.

4. If you're on a long drive, stop for a walk or meal at dusk - the most dangerous driving period of the day - and avoid city travel during rush hours.

5. Take frequent breaks. Stop, get out of the car and stretch tired muscles. Exercise increases the oxygen flow to the brain and boosts wakefulness. Avoid sugary snacks and caffeine that give drivers a surge of quick energy but leave them feeling more tired later.

6. Stop to read maps or discipline children. The rule of thumb is both eyes on the road and both hands on the wheel at all times.

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First Baptist Church to Hold Bar-B-Que

A new Church Year Kick-Off Fellowship is planned by the First Baptist Church for Sunday evening, September 3, 2000 at 6:30 p.m. Wonderful food, outstanding fellowship, and recognition of new church-year leaders will be enjoyed. The community of Sonora is invited to join with the First Baptist family for this annual kick-off event.

EMS News

On Monday, August 21, 2000 the EMS met for their regular training meeting. Pat Campbell gave a very informative lecture on recent updates on DNR (Do Not Resuscitate) procedures. The EMS will meet again on the first Monday of September for their regular business meeting.

4-H Update

2000 4-H Enrollment - Remember the Civic Center. to enroll again this year in order to 4-H Stock Show Projects - Anyone receive the 4-H newsletter. The needing the Ag agent to help in newsletter is sent only to 4-Hers with current enrollment. You can jects as gilts, meat goat wethers, or enroll at the Extension Office or at commercial Angora doe kids should the first 4-H meeting on Monday, contact the Extension office imme-September 11, 2000 at 6:30 p.m. at diately at 387-3101.

locating animals for stock show pro-

Former Student Graduates

Allison Mirike graduated August 20, 2000 with a bachelor's degree in Physician Assistant Studies. She attended the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas with 34 other students, all completing 27 months of study and medical training prior to graduation. Allison is a former graduate of Sonora High School and Angelo State University. She and husband David, live in Plano where she plans to work with a general surgeon, family practitioner. Allison is the daughter of Curt and Betty Schwiening of Sonora, TX and granddaughter of Wilna Schwiening of Roosevelt, TX and Early and Edna Barton of San Angelo, TX.

Happy Birthday

August 31

Ponciano Castillo, Jr., Harvey Garza, Florie Gonzales, Marisha Henson, Ronnie Cox, Hunter Townley, Rhapsody Swyter September 1

Gracie Lopez, Molly Cook, Dan Dockery, Sutton Foulds, Romana Duran, Emmanuel Lopez, Ramon Capuchina, Gloria Jean Paredes Erik Santana, Miles Sentena, Viola Solis, Elaine Thurmond September 2

Courtney Hill

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September 3

Lisa Creek, Dustin Dillard, Anotnio Loroles, Guy Parker, Chapo Samaniego, Levi Pool

September 4 Kaitlyn Henderson, Diana Hidalgo, Ocar Gutierrez, Mason Surber, Sidney Anderson, Hershel Davenport, Rosa Galindo, Lindsee

September 5 Elsa Trevino, Walker Lipham, Joe Castillo, Genny Cramer, Sandra

Luz Gonzales, Tim West September 6

Anna Samaniego, Joni Ellison, Ashley Bible, Kellie Downing, Diana Guana, Anna Samaniego, Jimmy Samaniego,

Beginner Clogging Lessons will begin on Thursday, September 7 from 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. at the Boy Scout Hut on Pecan Street. For more information call Carolyn McMeans at 387-9315 or Joan Cusenbary at 387-2093

Highest Intentions Choi's Tae Kwon Do registration is Saturday, August 26th from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. and Wednesday, August 30th from 3:30 o.m. - 6:00 p.m. Classes begin on Wed. September 6th at Sonora Elementary School in the Gymnasium/Cafeteria. For more information call

The new Sutton County book on World War II is now available at Westerman Drug and Al Elliott's office. Proceeds go to the New Historical Society Archival Storage Facility.

A Girls Softball Fast Pitch Clinic, sponsored by the San Angelo Girls Fastpitch Association will be September 8, 9, & 10th, 2000 at the 29th Street Recreation Complex (29th Street & Riverside Road). Instructors will be Ms. Terri McClure and her Dad Mr. Milt Whitmarsh, Tulsa, OK. The fee s \$120,00 per girl for 3 hours of clinic instruction. Bring your gloves and bucket for your catcher to set upon! Entries and fees are due by September 1, 2000 and are limited to the first 50 girls. For more information contact Debbie Fontenot at 915-944-0747.

The San Angelo Genealogical and Historical Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2000 in the Fellowship Hall of the Church of Christ at 901 Main Street, San Angelo, TX. All meetings are open to visiors. For more information call 655-6494.

Retired Highway Employees will hold their monthly luncheon at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, September 11, at Zenter's Steak House, 2715 Sherwood Way in San Angelo. The purpose of the luncheon is for retirees of the Texas Highway Department, State Department of Highways & Public Transportation, and Texas Department of Transportation to meet to visit and renew friendships. Spouses of retirees are invited to attend the lunch-

Bronco Football Season tickets are on sale now at the administration building. The cost is \$25.00 a book and they are available until September

The S.H.S. Radio and T.V. Class is selling all varsity and junior varsity football games. The cost is only \$6 per game. All home 7th and 8th grades games are also available for only \$6 per game, Please call Kristin Keel at the high school at 387-6533 ext. 315 or go by Ronda's Styling Haus for more information.

The S.H.S. Newspaper class is selling newspaper subscriptions for "The Bronco Times" for the 2000-2001 school year. The cost is \$10. Please call Kristin Keel at the high school at 387-6533 ext. 3125 or go by Ronda's Styling Haus for more information.

It's not too late to order a 2000 yearbook. The cost is \$35. Please cal Kristin Keel at 387-6533 ext. 315 to place an order.

The Knights of Columbus will be having a raffle for 16 de Septiembre Celebration (September 16, 2000). A \$1.00 donation can win you a 27 inch RCA Color Television with Remote Control. Contact any member or call 387-5300 for tickets.

Sonora Family Faith Center, formerly the Cowboy Church of the American West, meets every Sunday evening at 6:00 p.m. at the Sonora Livestock Auction. There will be a guest speaker every Sunday.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I am glad Education Commissioner Jim Nelson is very proud of our students. We, the parents, already knew we had a great group of kids.

I wish Principal Myers would have taken this into consideration when some of our Christian Athletes were given detention for being late when circumstances were beyond their control Wednesday, August 23, 2000.

They met at Rosie's Cafe' for lunch - meals were mixed up, time ran out, some didn't even get to eat, they had long lines paying out, and non-drivers had to find a way to get back to school.

This group was not skipping school, they were not smoking, and they were not drinking. They were having an organizational meeting. Teachers called the high school and explained what had happened and that they would be running late.

It's sad to see a room filled with exceptional students being punished because of something they had no control over.

Did our teachers receive a letter of reprimand? No. Did every Christian Athlete that was late receive detention? No. The detention room is full and speaks for itself. The kids may have been 5-10 minutes late, but they will go forth and succeed.

I just hope that at the next school sponsored meeting that things are more organized and that our kids won't have to be punished for being late. The Christian Athletes are good role models. I know Sonora citizens feel the same way as I do.

Parent of SHS Christian Athlete

Dear Editor:

Labor Day weekend is fast approaching, and I must tell you it's an occasion with special meaning for me. You see, more than 20 years ago I agreed to help the Muscular Dystrophy Association by reading a message for the Jerry Lewis MDA Telethon from a father dying from amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS or Lou Gehrig's disease). His amazing expression of courage brought me to tears, and became a personal source of inspiration that prompted me to again appear on the Telethon in 1987.

Many of you saw me in last year's ABC-TV movie "Tuesdays with Morrie" in which I played Morrie Schwartz, another brave man dying from ALS. An incredible educator, Morrie's indomitable spirit has transcended death by serving as a catalyst for living --even when one is being ravaged by disease. I'm proud that the movie, and the best seller by Mitch Albom on which it was based, have helped so many families. But Labor Day reminds me that we can't stop with Morrie's important lessons. We must find a way to stop ALS, an insidious disease affecting some 35,000 Americans.

I just completed a message for this year's Telethon. It will be part of the chorus of celebrity testimonials and performances you'll see this Labor Day weekend on KLST-TV, beginning at 6:00 a.m.. Monday, Sept. 4.

Nearly a million volunteers will be working Labor Day weekend to help families affected by ALS and other muscle-wasting diseases. Like me, they want to accelerate worldwide research seeking treatments and cures and help MDA maintain its network of 230 clinics offering families unparalleled medical services without direct charge. I hope you'll try to make a difference, too.

> Sincerely, Jack Lemmon

P.S. For more information about MDA or the Telethon, I encourage you to contact Bob Mackle, MDA Director of Public Information, at 520-529-5317 or bobmackle@mdausa.org.

The Devil's River News Office will be closed on Monday, September 4, 2000 in honor of Labor Day

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September 2, 3 and 4

The Caverns of Sonora will be celebrating the 45th Anniversary of it's Discovery. Saturday Afternoon

Original "Mayfield Cave" explorers, will be gathering from around the state to share their adventures.

Evening Meal catered by Sutton County Steakhouse at 7:00 p.m.

Explorers will present a slide show after dinner.

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Many exciting activities include A Climbing Wall (9 am - 6 pm) **Single Rope Caving Techniques** Reenactments of the Labor Day Weekend Discovery Tours of the Caverns The Colt 45's will be serving lunch on Saturday - Monday.

The tours for the three days will be at a reduced price of \$8.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children 4-11. For more information contact Caverns of Sonora at (915) 387-3105 or 387-6507.

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Valliant Completes Eagle Scout Service Project

The Sonora Main Street Program and the Sutton County Historical Society would like to express our appreciation to Tom Valliant for the wonderful job he did on painting two rooms in the Miers Home Museum. Tom Valliant chose the Miers Home Musuem as his Eagle Scout Service Project. He did a magnificent job, which he was assisted by his parents Mr. & Mrs. Tom E. Valliant. He also received help from Travis Valliant on taking down the stories and the photos of the Ranch Women Exhibit. Tom planned the project from stage one, which was to ask permission from the Sutton County Historical Society and funding from the Sonora Main Street Program and the City Council. Then he began the job of painting the two rooms of the Miers Home Museum. We invite you to visit the completely revitalized Miers Home Museum. Lewis Allen is the Scout Master working with Tom. Tom has been involved



Al Elliott (left) representing the Sutton County Historical Society and Ann Kay (right) were on hand to show their appreciation to Eagle Scout Tom Valliant (center) and his mother, Brenda (back center) for all the hard work that was done on the Miers Home Museum.

with Scouts for nine years. We would like to express our deepest gratitude to the Eagle Scout

Service Project Program, Lewis Allen, and Tom Valliant and his family.

5K Run from page

Outlaw Pro Rodeo Committee and Rye Supply. Runners were impressed with the course and were in hopes of having a bigger race for next year. All the hard work Coach Eddie Favila and other workers put in was worth it. The Race had a very successful turnout thanks to all who worked and participated in it. There were a total of 58 Runners for the 1st Sutton County Days 5K Run/Walk and Fun Run. Next year will bring a bigger and better race, so start now in preparing for Sutton County's 5K Run/Walk and Fun Run.

Results of the Run:
Fun Run Boys Division 12
years old and under:

1st- Clayton Sahr 2nd- Mackenzie Hirt 3rd- Hunter Lawson 4th- Tyler Creek 5th- Caleb Gonzales

5th- Caleb Gonzales
Fun Run Girls Division 12
and under:

1st- Jessica Snyder
1st- Jessica Snyder
2nd Kaitlyn Henderson
3rd- Cassie Krieg
4th- Alyssa Favila
5th- Baylee Hirt
Jr. High Boys Division



(Jr. High Division) Hillary Lawson, Kristina Hernandez, Chris Perez, CD Lipham, and Shalayne Hobbs

1st- CD Lipham
2nd- Chris Perez
Jr. High Girls Division
1st- Hillary Lawson
2nd- Kristina Hernandez
Walking Division
Beth Wallace
Men's 5k Run Division

Beth Wallace
Men's 5k Run Division
1st- Roland Escobar (Del Rio)
2nd- Justin Matthews (Sonora)

3rd- David Wallace (Sonora)
4th- Don Gibson (San Angelo)
5th- Juan Perez (San Angelo)
Women's 5K Run Division
1st- Janis Jenkins (San Angelo)
2nd-Yanessa Calderon (Del

3rd- Shalayne Hobbs (Sonora) 4th- Martha Solis (Del Rio) 5th- Adriana Arreola (Del Rio)

If you are interested in writing sports stories for the Devil's River News, please call Storie at 387-2507. Need J.V. and Colt Football, as well as Cross Country.

Troop 19 Elections and Canoe Trip

On August 22, 2000, the Boy Scouts of Troop 19 held elections. The following boys were elected: Tyler Talley - Senior Patrol Leader; Devon Yearout - Assistant Senior Patrol Leader; Warren Wallace -Quartermaster; Ty Love - Chaplain Aide; Frank Gallegos - Bugler; Roland Solis - Librarian; David Adkins - Historian; Israel Mendoza - Scribe; Laramie Hall - Wolverine Patrol Leader; Steven Barthelemy -Cobra Patrol Leader; Brandon Munn - Diamondback Patrol Leader; Embre Smith - Diamondback Assistant Patrol Leader; Shane Love - Hawk Patrol Leader; Travis Valliant - Hawk Assistant Patrol On Friday, August 25, 2000, the

Scouts left for an overnight campout and canoe trip on the Llano River. Adult leaders were Lewis Allen, Carlos Gallegos, David Love, Jack

Smith, Tim Talley, and David Wallace. Boy Scouts were Frank Gallegos, Ty Love, Shane Love, Embre Smith, Tyler Talley, Warren Wallace, Wilson Wallace, David Adkins, Travis Valliant, Devon Yearout, Matthew Glasscock, Roland Solis, Zed Snodgrass and

Steven Barthelemy.

After a night of camping under the stars at Llano State Park, the group spent a day on the river, canoeing, swimming, and bravely attempting a rope swing into the water. Many of the boys found it was not as easy as it looked! There were some belly busts into the water by younger Scouts, tripping over large roots, and even a crash into a tree by an older Scout! After that, Carlos really enjoyed singing "George of the Jungle - Watch out for that tree!!"

High School Rodeo Kicks Off Season

September 9 and 10 Region II of the Texas High School Rodeo Association will kick off their 2000-2001 rodeo season in Junction, Texas. Saturday's rodeo is at 6:30 P.M. and Sunday will have church at 9:00 A.M. and rodeo at 10:30 A.M. Rodeo events are open to all high school students, whether they are in public school, private school or home-schooled. There are even more events offered in High School rodeo than those in professional rodeo. Boys can participate in the standard Bareback Riding, Saddle Bronc Riding, Bull Riding, Steer Wrestling, Calf Roping and Team Roping. Boys Cutting is offered, too. The girls have many other events besides Barrel Racing. Girls events include Barrels, Poles, Breakaway Roping, Goat Tying, Team Roping, Girls Cutting and a Queen's Contest.

Many students from Junction and the surrounding area are expected to participate in these first two rodeos. Junction contestants include Kassidy Boyles, Cole Holland, Collin Wood and Will Murrah. Renn Rudasill, Bodie Hankins and John Clay Carpenter are expected from Rocksprings and Chelsea Lewis and Jessica Baker from Del

Rio. Sonora has Thomas Schenkel and Stetson Hall in competition and Menard's Seth Newkirk will be there as well. From Eldorado will be Leigh Ann Neal. A total of 100 or more contestants and their families from throughout the west Texas area are expected for the two days of rodeo.

Everyone is encouraged to come out and support these kids. This will also be a "director's" rodeo, in which all of the students, parents and director's will be doing the work --- from taking the gate money to sorting the stock and keeping the times. All profits from the rodeos will go toward year-end awards for all of the contestants. Cost is only \$4.00 for adults and \$3.00 for students.

Other rodeos that are scheduled for this fall include September 30 and October 1 in Big Lake, October 14 and 15 in Del Rio, and November 11 and 12 in Ozona. All Saturday rodeos start at 6:30 P.M. and Sunday rodeos have church service at 9:00 Å.M. and rodeo at 10:30 A.M.

For more information on High School Rodeo contact Elizabeth Schenkel, Secretary, at 915-387-

Bronco Football from page 1

res, James Elliott, and Sean Fields will have the responsibility of keeping the opposing passing game in check. (Scouting report: good speed, swarming defense that will knock your socks off, eleven individuals that play well together and not too concerned with who gets the credit; just as long as the job gets done.)

Offensively, the Red Hosses are loaded with weapons. Depth is the key to this unit. Three year starter; Bryce Williams will return to guide the Broncos from his quarterback spot. The strength of the Bronco offense is the offensive line. Javier Gayton, Dustin Patino, Anthony Sanchez, Beau Hughes, and Thomas Schenkel will provide the blocking up front. The receiving corp is made up of Riley Crain, Cameron Sims, Cole Cearley, Stetson Hall, Chance Armke, Matt Torres, and James Elliott. Each of these receivers not only can catch the ball; but each one is an excellent blocker, either on the line or downfield. Joining Williams in the backfield will be three year starter Tom Jacoby at fullback with William "Bill" Renfro at the tailback. Spelling these two gifted running backs will be Sean Fields and Jake Percifull. (Scouting report: depth at every position, receivers have excellent speed and excellent hands, quarterback has three years experience and an uncanny knack for the overall game, offensive line has good overall strength and good quickness, backfield is seasoned and very explosive.)

This week starts the Broncos on a long road to achieve their goal - a State Championship - the road will have fifteen or sixteen bumps; with each bump being instrumental in the Broncos achieving their goal. The first bump will be this Friday night at Bronco stadium against the Reagan County Owls. Game time is at 8:00 p.m. So come out and support the Broncos as they begin their quest!

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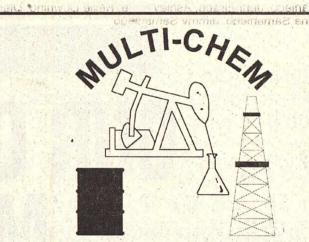
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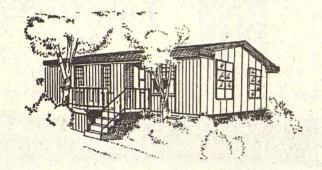
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radar like the other DPS officers had in their vehicles. The officer feels that this radar would be more efficient than the Sate issued radar that he is currently using. The cost is about \$80 a month for the radar. It was approved to purchase the

County Tax Assessor, Vehicles, Deedie McIntire asked if it was necessary to advertise for the full time position opening in that office, since she currently has an employee that she would like to promote. It was agreed that advertising was not necessary and she could promote from within.

The budget was the next topic of discussion, which Judge Garner began by asking to correct some misinformation that seemed to be obtained at the last meeting. Garner informed the Court that on the line item entry for Department Head salary at the EMS building, there seemed to be some misunderstanding that a \$10,000 raise request was being submitted for consideration. In actuality, what was being proposed was that EMS Department Head, Pat Campbell, be given a salary based on a 40 hour week and to do away with a commission-per-student fee that he had received in the last year. In place of the commission would be a set salary, justifiable to the hours worked as a Department Head.

Garner informed the Commissioner that the salary increase looked so large because it came from two different line item areas.

A lengthy discussion then took place on the additional hours

that Campbell worked on nights weekends. Campbell and explained that these additional hours were obtained because no one else was available or trained to cover the after hour calls. It was also explained that a recent class of Paramedic graduates would soon be off their probation period and would be able to take more of the extra calls. Much more discussion took place regarding this subject, including several comments from EMS volunteers present. Many questions were raised regarding job description, volunteer status and personality conflicts. After much debate a motion was made that in light of what had been learned, that Campbell be given the Department Head salary that was originally proposed. After a second was made votes were casts, with 3 voting aye and 1 voting no.

A motion was then made to raise the Road & Bridge Department head salary by 10%. Motion died for lack of a second.

A motion was then made and approved to change the fee per vehicle in the Road & Bridge Department from \$5 to \$10. Motion carried unanimously.

The Court then adopted the 2001 budget, setting a tax rate, with a 3% increase from last year,

Having no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Highest Intentions Returns to Sonora

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For more information call 1-888-895-5577.

News from the Neighbors

The temperatures may be hot, but it won't put a daze on the upcoming annual Diez y Seis Festival being planned by Sacred Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Rock-

Set for September 16th, the festival promises to have lots of funactivities throughout the day for the entire family.

All day activities scheduled to begin with a parade at 10:30 a.m. include football throw, fish pond, duck pond, ring toss, hole-in-one, dart throw, spin-the wheel and a jailhouse. There will also be train rides for the little ones.

At 11:00 a.m there will be DJ/Karoake entertainment by "Millennium Mix" of Uvalde. "Happy the Clown" of Uvalde will also be around to entertain kids by making characters out of balloons. At 3:00 p.m. live music by "Los Unicos" of Uvalde will begin. The queen coronation will take place in the Church Hall at 4:00 p.m. Imelda Benavidez of Rocksprings and Jerilyn Longoria of Leakey are vying for the crown. After the coronation there will be entertainment by our local Rocksprings Folklorico Dancers.

Events scheduled to begin in the morning are the shearing contest; car show and a washer pitching

One thousand dollars cash will be raffled later in the night at the dance, which will begin at 9:00 p.m. Music will be by Estilo Band of

The church is also selling festival T-shirts. A reminder that there will be no coolers allowed on the church grounds.

If you are interested in participating in any of the contest contact: Stephen Franco at 830-683-2209 for the shearing contest; Adella Spurlock at 683-2384 for the parade; and John Morgan Davis at 683-2326 for the washer pitching contest. For general information about the festival contact Edward Gonzales at 830-683-6177 or Juan Enriquez at 683-4470.

Hometown Fun in Fredericksburg for Labor Day Weekend 2000

Labor Day weekend in Fredericksburg will offer fun for everyone in the family this year.

Country Peddler

Mothers and daughters will head to the Gillespie County Fairgrounds for the Country Peddler Show on Friday, September 1, from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; and on and home decor will be featured at this popular show. Admission is \$4 for adults, \$2 for seniors 65 plus and free for children under 12.

Vereins Quilt Guild Show

Quilting enthusiasts won't want to miss the Vereins Quilt Guild Show at the Gillespie County Historical Society Building at 312 West San Antonio Street. The show runs form 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and from noon to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$3 for everyone over 12 years. See wearable art, wall hangings, awardwinning quilts and recognized antique quilts.

Opening Day Outdoor Show Now for the men! Fathers and sons will also have events to keep them entertained and educated. The Seventh Annual "Opening Day" Outdoor show will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday at the Marktplatz in downtown Fredericksburg. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$1 for children from 6-12 and free under 6. The show offers exhibits, seminars and demonstrations for hunters and outdoorsmen. In addition, close to 100 white tail deer trophies will be on display at the Region 4 Texas Big Game Awards Center.

Island Assault

Fredericksburg has an island Not really, but the National Museum of the Pacific War presents "Living History Island Assault" in a wooded area of downtown Fredericksburg that could easily be mistaken for an island in the Pacific. Combined arms demonstrations of the weapons used in the Pacific the-Sunday from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 water during World War II take place p.m. Fall and holiday fashions, arts shat 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for students.

Grape Stomp

Just outside of town, the folks at Becker Vineyards will be stomping grapes as part of their harvest celebration. Stop by on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. or on Sunday from noon to 5:00 p.m. for this free event.

Luchenbach Labor Day Weekend Music Festival

The folks at Luckenbach, the laid-back hamlet about ten miles southeast of Fredericksburg, don't need much of a reason to celebrate since their are a few strummer around just about every weekend under the big, old oak trees. This weekend there will be special music from 1:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., and it's free! So, stop by and sit a spell.

Whether you're into shopping, quilting, hunting, stomping or strumming, head to Fredericksburg for the long Labor Day weekend! For more information, call the Fredericksburg Convention and Visitor Bureau at 1-888-997-3600 or visit the web site at www.fredericksburgtexas.com for a complete calendar of events.

Big Lake Bluegrass Festival

The Big Lake Fall Bluegrass Festival is scheduled for September 8, 9 & 10, 2000. Entertainment is scheduled on the indoor stage. Come early for Beans & Rice with Pot Luck on Wednesday and Free Brisket on Thursday. Barbara's Kitchen will also be serving up some great home cooking. This year's entertainer will be Big Sandy from Brownfield, Gore Brothers from Big Lake, Star Canyon from San Antonio, Hickory Hill, Dison Family and Rocky Creek. For reservtions call 915-884-3396 or email BIGLAKEFD@HOTMAIL.COM.

Show times are Friday from 5:30 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. - \$6.00. Saturday from Noon to 11:00 p.m. - \$10.00. A free Gospel session will be Sunday.

Cape Crusaders Cruise Through Sonora

John Williams, Paul Crosshoare and Adam Hooper are traveling across the continent to raise awareness for Down Syndrome. The bikers started in Cape Horn, South America and are traveling to Alaska. They will travel through 13 countries before reaching their destination. You can read more about their adventures at www.cape-crusaders.co.uk/index2.html.



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Regional Water Planning Coming to a Close_

By Sutton County UWCD

Water shortages and droughts have been a part of our history and will continue into our future. Add twice as many people to the population of Texas in the next fifty years and conservation and drought planning becomes much more critical. Long range forecasts have predicted the beginning of a return to normal rainfall for Texas by fall. However, water planners around the state are working on conservation measures and plans to meet water needs for their citizens including transporting water from one water basin to another. The Region F Regional Water Planning Group which includes Sutton County has published a draft of the water plan for this area and scheduled public hearings to receive public input. This draft plan includes a description of the geographic area, population projections, water supplies, water demands, noted water shortages and

The Sutton County UWCD has provided representation at every Region F Regional Water Planning Group meeting, contributed written and verbal comment and made

suggested strategies to meet those

water shortages in our area.

numerous telephone calls for the past two years in an effort to interpret information endorsed by the Region F Regional Water Planning Group. And thankfully, numerous Sutton County residents have also attended past hearings and voiced their opinions.

The final set of hearings before official adoption is scheduled for September 5th at 6:00 p.m. at the TAMU Research Center, San Angelo and September 6th at 6:00 p.m. at the UTPB Center for Energy and Economic Diversification, Odessa. In an effort to share information with our citizens, the Sutton County UWCD will hold an informal presentation of the draft regional plan at 9:00 a.m., September 5th at the Water District Office, 301 S. Crockett Ave, Sonora. The presentation will include an outline of the 300 plus page document, data related to Sutton County and information on how this plan affects groundwater use in Sutton County. For more information, please call the Water District Office at 387-2369.

More information regarding this topic is provided in the article

Draft Regional Water Plan Complete

Big Spring - The draft water plan for the Region F Regional Water Planning Area has been completed and hearings will be held on September 5th in San Angelo and September 6th in Odessa to receive public comment, according to John Grant, Region F chairman.

The meetings will be conducted Tuesday, September 5, at 6:00 p.m. at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center, 7887 U.S. Highway 87 North in San Angelo; and the next day, Wednesday, September 6, at 6:00 p.m. at the UTPB Center for Energy and Economic Diversification, 1400 North FM 1788 in final steps in the development of a

Odessa. The hearings are one of the water plan for the future of the 32county region.

"In June, 1997, Governor George Bush signed Senate Bill 1 into law, mandating that the Texas Water Development Board take the lead in development of a compreshensive istate water plan," Grant () said. The TWDB divided the state into 16 regional planing areas, and selected individuals in each region representing different interest groups to actually prepare the plan

for their region.' Grant said that the "bottom up" each region, representing groups like municipalities, agri small businesses, water districts, river authorities, utilities, industry and environmental groups are best

their geographic area. "Given the state's vulnerability to drought, and the fact that Texas' population is expected to almost double by the year 2050, water development, conservation and drought planning are essential to the state, "Grant said. He noted that the plan is to be updated every five

equipped to understand the issues in

Region F is composed of the counties of Andrews, Borden, Brown, Coke, Coleman, Concho, Crane, Crockett, Ector, Glasscock, Howard, Irion, Kimble, Loving, Martin, Mason, McCulloch,

ground, and if pulling over onto the

side of the road, to look for areas

with little to no vegetation. Hot cat-

alytic converters can easily start a

fire, he says. Also, Davis warns that

pull-chains on vehicles should not be

allowed to drag the ground. A spark

occurrences have been low-numbers

Rust credits this to chance and the

-burn ban on August 14, so I think we

haven't seen as many fires due to

awareness (of the extreme condi-

tions) and a lot of luck." And to

avoid being down on that luck,

Davis said, residents are going to

have to continue to be on their guard.

In spite of the potential for

"Val Verde County passed a

could ignite a roadside fire.

people of West Texas.

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Menard, Midland, Mitchell, Pecos, Reagan, Reeves, Runnels, Schleicher, Scurry, Sterling, Sutton, Tom Green, Upton, Ward and Winkler.

"The Region F group has been meeting, working and conducting studies and public meetings since March of 1998 to compile a comprehensive overview of water supplies and plans for the wise use of those resources," Grant said. The group's tasks included identifying and quantifying both available and potential water resources, projecting future water demand, identifying threats to natural resources and planning for development of water supplies and drought contingencies.

The chairman said that the two major Region F problems identified in the draft plan were the shortage of water available for irrigated agriculture in some of the counties, and regulations the Environmental Protection Agency may adopt pertaining to radio nuclei in public water supplies that could eliminate the Hickory Aquifer as a regional water

"Radio nuclei is present in water from the aquifer, located primarily in McCulloch County", Grant said. "If the EPA rules are stringent, several communities in method recognizes that the people in the area may be forced to discontinue municipal use of the water."

Grant said it is vital that plan be as complete and correct as possible, since its recommendations will be a key component in both regional and state-wide water planning. The Texas Legislature will refer to the plan's recommendations when considering water issues and financial assistance, and the TWDB will use it in determining availability of low-interest loans to finance water supply projects.

The draft plan may be viewed in the county clerks' offices and public libraries in each of the counties, as well as on the internet at www.freese.com/senbill1/regionf/in dex.htm. Grant said that oral and written comments from the hearings will be given consideration as the Region F plan is finalized.

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A Thought for your Back to School Send-off

U.S. Rep. Henry Bonilla, Texas 23rd

It's that time of the year again. Parents, myself and my wife Deborah included, all across Texas and the United States are rushing to buy pens and pencils, crayons and construction

paper and new lunch boxes for our children's back to school send-off. The summer of rest and vacation is over almost as quickly as it began. I would like to ask you to give some thought to the meaning behind

"Back to School." If you take away the long lines at the store or the searching for the new Britney Spears lunch box, it boils down to education. We are sending our children back to school to learn. This is undoubtedly in the mind of every parent and is also the debate on

The debate on education is not about money. Fair-minded individuals can clearly see that Republicans and Democrats fund educational needs at nearly the same levels. What is at the center of the educadecisions that affect our childrenparents and teachers or Washington D.C. bureaucrats?

I consistently vote for the parents and teachers. As a parent, I know first hand that parents and teachers can do a much better job with the education of their children

many miles away. That is why I have worked to promote and pass education flexibility measures. I want to give the power of learning to the parents and teachers who are beside our children day in and day out.

Conservatives in Congress are working to get dollars directly to the classroom rather than having that money stay here in Washington D.C. Conservatives are also working to encourage greater accountability for schools to raise test scores and graduation rates. We want to maximize our education funding by root-

ing out waste, fraud and abuse. There is a serious problem with the education of America. Our nation's 12th graders rank 16th out of 21 countries in science and 19th out of 21 countries in math. Approximately 38 percent of our nation's 4th graders are below the standard rank in reading proficiency. And 38 percent of our country's 8th graders are below the standard rank in math proficiency. As a parent this is unacceptable. And as your Congressman, I intend to put America back at the head of the class.

The federal government must tion debate is: Who should make the continue to allow states to use funds for proven state education programs. We must ensure that schools remain safe environments where learning is not feared but welcomed. And we must trust our nation's parents and teachers at home with our children, not Washington D.C. bureaucrats to make the best choices for our chiland pupils than faceless bureaucrats dren-the next generation of leaders.

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Who's Guarding the Cattle?

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For those who have never traveled to the great West, cattle guards are horizontal steel rails placed at fence openings on highways to prevent cattle from crossing.

For some reason the bovines will not step on the guards, probably because they fear getting their feet caught between the rails. I need to make that clear in order for everyone to appreciate the following TRUE story.

President Clinton received a report that there were over 100,000 cattle guards in Colorado. Because Colorado ranchers protested his proposed changes in grazing policies, he ordered Secretary of Interior Bruce Babbitt to fire half of the guards immediately.

Before Babbitt could respond, and presumably straighten him out, Colorado's congresswoman Pat Schroeder intervened with a request that before any were fired they be given six months of retraining.

"Sodbusting" May Endanger USDA Program Benefits_

Farmers planning to break out new land may want to do a little research before actually planting the land to annual crops. Farming Highly Erodible Land without a plan approved by their local soil and water conservation district may effect eligibility for USDA farm program benefits. "We would hate to see someone lose their eligibilty for crop insurance or other programs because of a misunderstanding of the rules" states David Embry, Agronomist with the Natural Resource Conservation Service in San Angelo. "Times are hard enough without problems like that."

Farm Bill provisions require erosion control plans on Highly Erodible Fields planted to annual crops as a condition of eligibility for most USDA programs. "Most producers are carrying out conservation plans on the land they have been farming for years" states Embry. "As long as they continue, they shouldn't have any problems. However, the erosion control provisions for new land brought into production are quite a bit tougher than those for fields that have a long cropping history.'

Embry recommends that anyone considering breaking out new land visit their local USDA service center. Representatives of the Farm Services Agency can help them delineate cropland fields and determine cropping history, if necessary. Then a conservationist with the Natural Resources Conservation Service can determine whether or not the designated fields meet the Highly Erodible Criteria. If the land is highly erodible, conservationists can also help producers develop a conservation plan that will control erosion on the effected acreage. Once the plan is approved by the local soil and water conservation district and all practices have been applied, the fields can be farmed and eligibility maintained.

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"Until this region receives significant rainfall, it's imperative that everyone does their part to prevent fires," Davis, who works out of Fort Stockton. "We're asking each person, burn ban or not, to postpone all outdoor burning." Of the 254 Texas are pooling their resources to take counties, 169 have implemented burn bans.

With hunting season around the corner, Davis said hunters need to ban, visit the Texas Interagency avoid driving through tall grass and starting campfires. Hunting leases are often miles from the nearest fire

department, and if a spark from a campfire ignites the dry grass, what may start as a small fire could quickly grow into a blaze that could endanger hunters and anything else in its path. Rust suggested hunters use camp stoves rather than the traditional campfires.

And while the western United major wildfires in West Texas, States continues to battle the largest fire season in years, agencies throughout Texas have band together to protect this state's people and their property. Statewide, agencies such as the Texas Department of Transportation, Texas Army National Guard and the Texas Department of Criminal Justice have joined forces with the Texas Forest Service. Agencies are providing the forest service everything from person-

nel to equipment. "In the past, the Texas Forest Service has incorporated firefighting resources from out of state," Davis said. "But with limited national resources, Texas agencies care of Texas."

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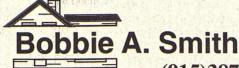
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nity employer. **EMPLOYMENT NOTICE** Notice is hereby given that the City of Sonora is now accepting applications for a part time Animal Control Officer. Applicant should have a valid Texas Driver's License, and be able to enforce city ordinances and State law governing the impounding, treatment, and disposal of animal and operation of animal facility. Applications can be picked up at City Hall, 201 E. Main, Sonora, Texas 76950 and should be returned to the City Secretary's Office. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. The City of Sonora is an equal opportunity employer.

REQUEST FOR SEALED BIDS The Sonora Industrial Development Corp. is requesting sealed bids for restoration and carpenter work to the Eaton Hill House. All bids need to be accompanied with proof of Workman Compensation Insurance. Contact Rick Taylor at 103 Hwy 277 North or call 915-387-6280 for specifications and information concerning the project. All sealed bids must be received by 10:00 a.m. September 4th, 2000. Sonora Industrial Development Corp. has the right to refuse any and all bids.

NOTICE OF **PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is given that the Sonora Industrial Development Corp. wish to hold a public hearing on September 19th, 2000 at the City Council Chambers located in City Hall at 201 E. Main in Sonora, Texas. Purpose of hearing:

1. To approve a budget for general repairs and maintenance of the Eaton Hill House and surrounding property.

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