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Sonora Drinking Water Determined Safe To Drink

submitted

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) has assessed our water system and determined that our water is safe to drink. The analysis was made by using the data in the attached tables. Being that the water we drink meets federal standards, there may not be any health-based benefits to purchasing bottled water or point of use devices.

The City of Sonora drinking water is obtained from ground water (Wells) pumped from the Edwards Aquifer. There are six (6) wells located about the city, when pumped, the water is treated with chlorine as it is fed into the system for distribution. TNRCC will be reviewing all Texas drinking water sources. The source water assessment process will be completed in three (3) years.

Special Notice for the ELDERLY, INFANTS, CANCER PATIENTS, People with HIV/AIDS or other immune problems: Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immunocompromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune systems disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contami-

nants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Required Additional Information:

To ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes limits on the amount of certain contaminants in the water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and radioactive materials, and can pick up substance resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

An explanation of the Water-Quality-Table:

The following table shows the results of our water-quality analysis. Every regulated contaminant that is detected in the water, even in the minutest traces, is listed. The table contains the name for each constituent, the highest level allowed by regulation (MCL), the ideal goals for public health (MCLG), the amount detected, and the usual sources for such

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City Council Meets, Sets Tax Rate

On this the 17th day of September 2002 the City Council of Sonora, Texas met in Regular Session at City Hall with the following people present: James Stephen, Mayor; Councilmembers James Blackman, Gloria Lopez and Virgil Polocsek; Beth Wallace, City Attorney; Brent Gesch, City Manager; Becky Covington, City Secretary.

Others attending all or part of the meeting were, Chief House, Rodney Bryant, Ann Kay, Nelda Tobias, Reverend Conrad Archer, Cliff Roberts, James McLaughlin, Shelly Hughes, Justin McGeath, Ladonna Wardlaw, Larry Lynch, and Juanita Mesa.

Mayor Stephen called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Reverend Conrad Archer delivered the invocation and the "Pledge of Allegiance" was recited.

Councilmember Lopez made a motion to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held on August 10, 2002 as distributed. Councilmember Blackman made a second to the motion and the motion carried.

Polocsek made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 20, 2002 as distributed. Blackman made a second and the motion carried.

Polocsek made a motion to approve the August monthly tax collection report that was presented by the Sutton County Appraisal District. Upon a second by Lopez, the motion carried.

Rodney J. and Patsy Bryant, 112 Deerwood Dr., Block 2, Lot 6, Live Oak Valley Addition, requested a variance to build a storage building up to a side property line in the backyard. Upon recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Board, a motion was made by Blackman to approve the variance. Polocsek made a second and the motion carried.

Mrs. A.D. Morgan, 606 Allen Dr., Block 1, Lot 5, Allen Addition, requested a variance to build a carport over existing

concrete driveway approximately 15' from street. Upon recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Board, the motion was made and approved.

Tina Tyler, requested Lot 4, Block 4, Castle Hills Addition be subdivided. Polocsek made a motion to approve the replat of lots 4 & 5, Block 4, Castle Hills Addition. After a second by Lopez the motion was approved.

Polocsek made a motion to appoint Lewis Allen, Carl Teaff, Mike Hale, and John Tedford to serve a two year term as Directors on the Sonora Industrial Development Corporation. Blackman made a second to the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Blackman made a motion to set a public hearing on October 15, 2002 at 2:00 p.m. to receive comments on the Sonora Industrial Development Corporation expending \$25,000.00 of 4B sales for the Eaton Hill Project. Polocsek made a second. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Polocsek, seconded by Lopez was approved for a request from Friends of Historic Sonora Inc. for a parade permit and closure of a portion of Water Street, Concho Street and Main Street on Friday, September 20, 2002 at 3:30 p.m. for Homecoming Festivities with the route starting at the Sonora Independent School District Administration Building and ending at the Courthouse. Polocsek then made a motion to approve a request from Friends of Historic Sonora Inc. to close a portion of Water Street, Concho Street and Main Street for Fall Festival. Lopez again made a second to the motion and the motion carried.

Polocsek made a motion to approve an interlocal contract with Sonora Independent School District to provide security service at local football games and other local school events at which security serv-

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Homecoming Makes More Bronco Memories



Homecoming 2002 was a time for winners, with Sonora Broncos of all ages, 7th grade, 8th grade, Junior Varsity and Varsity all beating Forsan and a new Homecoming Queen being crowned. Amy Gutierrez, the daughter of Priscilla Gutierrez and the late Jesse Gutierrez, received the title and the crown. Pictured above is the entire homecoming court: Tara Green, Cady Taylor, Ashley Parker, Amy Gutierrez, Morgan Hobbs, Koda Armke and Hillary Lawson. For more Homecoming pictures see page 7.

Health Fair Moves To Hudspeth

The plans for the 2002 Health Fair are almost complete and this year promises to be bigger and better than before. This year's event will be held at the Lillian M. Hudspeth Annex (the old Nursing Home) and will spill out into the parking lot. If there is rain, the event will be moved to the Sutton County 4-H Civic Center. The Health Fair starts at 7:00 a.m. and will last till 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday,

October 1st.

The United Blood Services will have the Blood Mobile outside and is looking for donors. If you are 17 or older, weigh at least 110 pounds, have not donated in the past 8 weeks, and are not currently taking antibiotics or insulin, your blood donation is welcome! United Blood Services requires donors to show identification containing a given name and one of the

following: date of birth, social security number, United Blood Services assigned donor number, or photo of the donor. Some types of identification are: driver's license, UBS donor card, social security card, security badge (picture and donor's name) and passport.

The Safekids Coalition will also be outside, demonstrating

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Be Water Smart

submitted by Sutton County Water Conservation District

All residents of Sutton County are dependent on groundwater. The City of Sonora customers and those with private wells all rely on groundwater for their daily water needs.

Conservation should be everyone's concern. It not only reduces the amount of water used but can save money. Smart water use will reduce the potential of increased water bills for those on city water supply and utility bills for those with private wells. Regardless of where you live, wise efficient use of our groundwater will conserve for future use and save you dollars.

Lawn and landscape watering accounts for up to 60% of outdoor water use. All of us enjoy a pretty yard, it enhances the beauty of our homes. By utilizing good management practices through landscape planning an attractive yard is possible even during drought conditions.

For existing lawns and landscapes a few simple adjustments in lawn management practices will make you water smart.

For your lawn:
• Reduce watering frequency to once a week
• Water slowly during the early morning when it is cooler
• Deeper less frequent watering promotes root growth and drought tolerance
• Use sprinklers which produces large drops of water
• Avoid watering on windy days
• Forget about watering streets and sidewalks (they will not grow)
• Raise the mower cutting height, taller grass reduces evaporation

For your trees and shrubs
• Use mulch to retain moisture and reduce evaporation
• Use drip irrigation or soaker hoses
When planning landscape changes consider changing the "old established" landscape thinking.

• Use native plant and grass varieties

Buffalo grass requires See Water Smart page 6

Diana Green, R.N., L.P. Accepted to Physician Assistant Program

submitted

Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital and Charles R. Pajestka, M.D. are pleased to announce the acceptance of Diana Green, R.N., L.P. to the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, Physician Assistant program. Diana has been employed by Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital since 1992. Diana began her health care career as a nurse's aide and completed her Associates Degree in Nursing at Angelo State University in 1993. Diana is certified in Advanced Cardiac Life Support, Pediatric Advanced Life Support, Trauma Nurse Core Curriculum and is a Licensed Paramedic. Diana currently serves as the Director of Nurses.

Diana will begin her training January 27, 2003. The program includes didactic and skill instruction as well as a yearlong internship with Dr. Pajestka and other specialty areas. The University of North Dakota program is designed specifically for Registered Nurses and accepted 60 students from around the nation. The competitive program includes personal interviews with community



Dr. Charles Pajestka, M.D. and Diana Green, R.N., L.P.

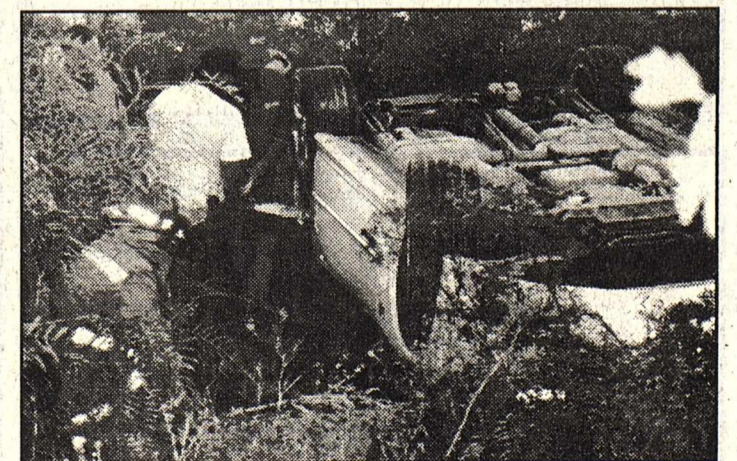
members and medical professionals as well as university performance, experience and an essay from the candidate. The program looks for candidates from rural areas, which have a commitment to practice in that setting at the conclusion of the program. Once licensed, Diana will practice in the office of

Charles R. Pajestka, M.D. This is a special opportunity for Sonora. Recruiting physicians and other medical professionals to rural areas is a challenge and the concept of "grow your own" is a logical step to maintain quality health care services in our community.

Commissioners Approve Property Insurance

by Storie Sharp

After tending to the usual business of approving prior meetings minutes and accounts payable at Monday's meeting of the County Commissioners, County Judge Carla Garner began by reporting on the TRAX Van situation. Garner informed the Commissioners present, including John Wade, Belia Casteneda and Mike Villanueva, that she had received no official word from the City of Sonora about budgeting for the van. She said that Jeffery Sutton from the Concho Valley Council of Governments in San Angelo called and will be visiting Sonora later in the week to explore other options possible to return the van to its regu-



Emergency Crews Respond To One Vehicle Roll Over

Two Sonora residents were taken to the Lillian M. Hudspeth Hospital after the vehicle they were traveling in overturned in a bar-ditch off of Hwy. 277 South. Trooper Cody Cory reported that the driver over accelerated and lost control of the Trans Am, causing it to spin-out in the loose gravel and roll over onto its top. Sutton

County Emergency crews had to cut through the driver's side door to extract the trapped occupants. Both were transported to the hospital, where the driver refused medical assistance and was arrested for Driving While Intoxicated. The passenger was later released with minor injuries.

Aggravated Robbery Results In High Speed Chase

On Monday, September 23, 2002 at 1:38 a.m. the Sutton County Sheriff's Dept. dispatcher received a 911 call from Town & Country #97. The clerk advised they had just been robbed by a bearded white male wearing a cap and driving a blue car with Texas license plates. The vehicle was reported to be heading South on Crockett Ave. when it left the store.

The Sutton County dispatcher notified Sonora Police Department Officer William Dudley and Sutton County Deputies Jody Harris and Bob Hartman regarding the robbery.

Deputy Harris located the suspect vehicle on State Highway 277 South by the Eddins Walcher fuel station.

Deputy Harris attempted to stop the vehicle but was eluded when the driver took evasive action by making a U-turn and heading back toward town. The suspect then observed Officer Dudley and Deputy Hartman traveling southbound toward their location.

The driver then made a second U-turn, again heading South on Hwy. 277 S. The suspect then attempted to ram Deputy Harris' patrol unit, causing the deputy to have to swerve to avoid being struck by the vehicle.

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Sonora Church Directory

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA

Antonio F. Gonzales, Sr.
504 Santa Clara
387-2035

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Jerry Jackson
304 N. Water
387-3190

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

T. Wayne Price
Pastor
111 E Oak
387-2951

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

404 E. Poplar
387-2955

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Conrad Archer, Pastor
201 N. Water
387-2466

TEMPLO JERUSALEM ASAMBLEA DE DIOS

Rev. Santos Beserra, Jr.
306 W. 4th St.
387-5713

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Rev. Charles Huffman
417 E. 2nd St.
387-5366

NEW LIFE MINISTRY CENTER

Jerry & Joy Wood
205 E. Main
387-3241

LA IGLESIA HISPANA PENTECOSTAL DEL NOMBRE DE JESUS, INC.

387-6072

IGLESIA PENTECOSTAL UNIDA HISPANA

Pastor Isai Oviedo
509 Amistad
650-3121

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD PRESBYTERIAN

Lewis Allen, Pastor
319 E. Mulberry
387-2616

LIGHTHOUSE BAPTIST CHURCH

Don Longoria, Pastor
707 Glasscock
387-5886

PENTECOSTAL CALVARY TEMPLE UNITED

Randy Greenwood
Pastor
509 Amistad
387-5266

ST. ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Father William DuBuisson, O.M.I.
229 W. Plum
387-2278

JEHOVAH'S WITNESS

310 St. Ann's Street
387-5658 or 387-5518

NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH

Interim Mike Dixon
511 Cornell
387-5207



BRONCHO FORD INC.
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Kerbow Funeral Home
387-2266

Dining Out Directory

Dairy Queen
134 Hwy. 277 N.
387-2118

La Mexicana
240 N. Hwy 277
387-3401

Pizza Hut
401 Hwy. 277 N.
387-3540

Sutton County Steakhouse
1306 N. Service Rd
387-3833

Taco Grill
232 Hwy. 277 N.
387-9127

Town & Country Subway
610 S. Crockett
387-6181

Town & Country - Country Kitchen
903 N. Crockett Ave.
387-2169

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Obituaries

Vera Marie Guest

Vera Marie Guest, 87, of Sonora died Wednesday, September 18, 2002 in a local care center.

Graveside services were Friday, September 20, 2002 at 10:00 a.m. in the Sonora Cemetery. Kerbow Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

She is survived by one son,

Bob Guest of San Antonio. She was born February 28, 1915 in McCullough County to William and Elizabeth Laman Taliaferro. She married Tom Guest in June of 1934. He preceded her in death in 1981. She was a homemaker and a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

Wanda Van Hoozer

Wanda McAngus Van Hoozer, 66, of Sonora died Monday, September 23, 2002 in West Minster Manor Nursing Home in Austin after a long battle with cancer.

Wanda was born October 15, 1935 to William Ross and Ethel Hamilton McAngus in Eldorado. They preceded her in death. She was raised in Eldorado and lived in Sonora for 45 years.

She received her R.N. License from Shannon Nursing School and was then employed by Hudspeth Memorial Hospital in Sonora. While working in the area she met and married the late Floyd Calvin Van Hoozer on April 29, 1960.

Her main interest in life was her family. Wanda's life was enriched by her grandchildren. She loved to travel and spend time with them.

Wanda is survived by three children, a son Mark Van Hoozer and wife Teresa of Milano, a daughter Tammy Sheldon of San Angelo, and another daughter Marla Mitchell and husband Clay of Lovington, NM.

She is also survived by 6 grandchildren Sarah and Rachel Mitchell, Garrett and Holly Van Hoozer, Bethany and Joshua Ford. Wanda is further survived by three sisters, Mimi Ann



Sackedis of Mount Holly, NJ, Peggy Hopkins of Glasgow, KY, Bonnie Hooker and husband Bill of San Angelo, and one sister-in-law Geneva McAngus of Marshall. She had several nieces, nephews, and many friends.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her two brothers Eldon and Billy Dan McAngus, and her husband Calvin Van Hoozer.

Funeral services were held at Kerbow Funeral Home Chapel at 3:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 25, 2002. Burial followed in Sonora Cemetery under the direction of Kerbow Funeral Home.

Cards of Thanks

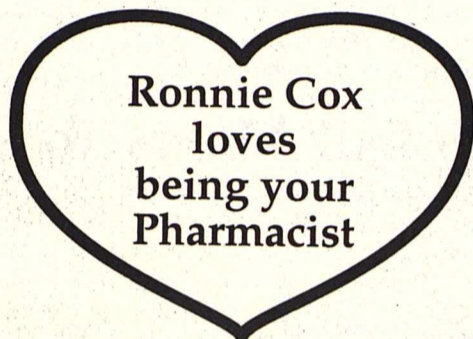
I would like to thank the City of Sonora, Police Chief Mike House, and Sheriff Joe Fincher for having the streets blocked off and escorting the parade. I appreciate Mr. Myers and all of the school organizations, etc. for participating and to Coach Herring and Carrie Smyth, cheerleader sponsor. A special thanks to Vivian Mears for announcing the parade entries for us. I want to thank Ann Kay for all her work in organizing the parade and for decorating Main Street for the parade. Thanks for all who contributed to make it a fun parade and pep rally. Good Luck Broncos!

Roy Jean Johnson
Homecoming Committee

The Main Street Program would like to thank Mando Dominguez for the moving rendition of "Taps" he played at the American Flag Retirement Ceremony on September 11, 2002.

The SMS 6th grade teachers would like to thank the 6th grade parents and community for its support and patience during our Krispy Kreme doughnut drive. It was a great success, and with the money earned, we hope to reward our students several times throughout the year and put on the best culture fair ever, at the Civic Center. We will also be able to reward our students during the school year. Once again, the community of Sonora pulled together and helped our students and we cannot thank you enough!

Thank you again,
Kate Jennings, Shelly Shannon, Marlyn Young,
Tina Van Gundy, Lisa Herring and Dustin Glidewell



School Lunch Menu • September 30 - October 4, 2002

Breakfast

Mon. - Breakfast burrito, juice
Tues. - Glazed donut, orange juice, milk
Wed. - Pigs in a blanket, apple juice, milk
Thurs. - Pancakes, syrup, fruit, milk
Fri. - Breakfast burrito, grape juice, milk

Milk and cereal offered with all breakfasts.

Lunch

Mon. - Deli turkey sub, lettuce, tomatoes, carrot sticks, frosted brownie
Tues. - Turkey pot pie, green salad, jello with fruit, hot roll
Wed. - (2) Beef tacos, cheese, salad, pinto beans, iced brownie
Thurs. - (3) Fish nuggets, macaroni & cheese, green beans, peaches
Fri. - Cheeseburger, lettuce, tomatoes, French fries, ice cream cup

Senior Center News

Sept. 30 - Bingo!
Oct. 1 - Health Fair at Hospital Annex 7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Flu shots, hearing test screenings. Check it out.
Oct. 2 - Exercise anyone?
Oct. 3 - Start on holiday crafts. Need ideas and volunteers after lunch.
Oct. 3 - Fall Festival 5:30 p.m. downtown Main St.

Senior Menu

Sept. 30 - Polynesian chicken salad, sweet peas, tossed salad, wheat bread, pudding, milk.
Oct. 1 - Hamburger with mustard, oven French fries, lettuce, onion, tomatoes, carrot salad, bun, fruit cocktail.
Oct. 2 - Steak fingers with gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, rolls, orange wedges.
Oct. 3 - Meatloaf with tomatoes, blackeyed peas, okra, cornbread, banana pudding.
Oct. 4 - Turkey with giblet gravy, cranberry sauce, cornbread, dressing, broccoli, coleslaw, roll, pumpkin pie.

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

Menu is subject to change.

Community

Oct. 1
Health Fair
Hudspeth Memorial Hospital
7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.



Member FDIC

Calendar

Oct. 3
Fall Festival
Downtown Sonora • 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

is made possible by:



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Letters To The Editor Policy

The Devil's River News encourages letters from its readers. Letters should be to the point, typed if at all possible and signed. Name, address and telephone number should be included for verification purposes. Letters will be printed on a space available basis. Letters should stick with issues, and not simply be personal attacks. Letters endorsing a particular position on issues of local interest will be accepted, however letters endorsing a candidate for political office will not be accepted.

We reserve the right to edit for length, content, and potentially libelous statements.

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Ask the Historical Society

by Jo-Ann E. Palmer, Secretary
Sutton County Historical Society

Clyde Martin and Mary Dan Wilson.

Q. Do you have a yearbook on the Class of 1922?

A. No. The closest we can come for pictures of the class of 1922, and this isn't the complete class, is their listings as juniors in the Class of 1921 Yearbook. Almost at the end of the 1921 book, tucked in among some other pages we found the following: "A Summary of 1922, Introduction - These following few pages were edited by the Seniors of '22. Because there are so few pages to represent them, do not underestimate their importance to the school, but remember that this annual would not have been published had not the Seniors of '22 paid for it. Everyone interested in the school knows of the debt that the Seniors of '21 made, and of the annual they left unpublished. This year's Seniors paid the debt and published the annual, and they wish to impress the fact upon the public that they did this, not because they had to, but because they loved the school too well to let it be disgraced by a debt, although they had no part in creating the debt."

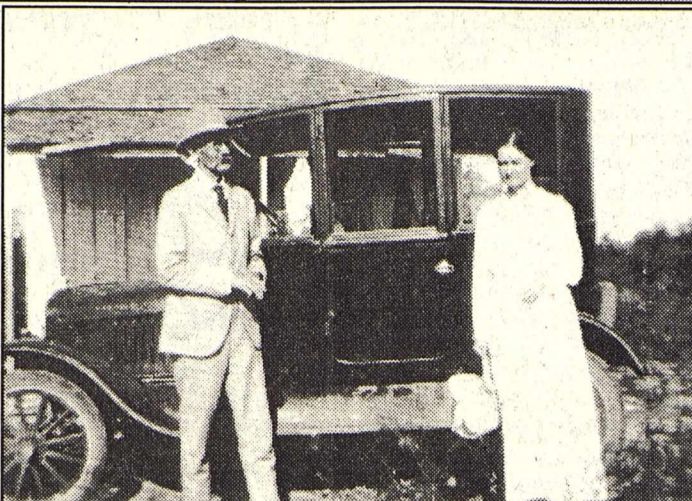
The ideal of the class was an annual of their own, an annual that they could be proud of, and a record of the happiest days of their lives. But this ideal was willingly sacrificed for the reputation of the school and the honor of the alumni. The people of Sutton county should appreciate this unusual show of loyalty to the school, for such liberality and big heartedness is unusual."

Nearly 80 years ago, a group of Sonora High School graduates sacrificed a lifetime record of memories for the honor of their school. We felt that we should at least mention their names in this weeks column and tell the story of their unselfish act. The following were members of the Class of 1922: Horace Rees, George D. Chalk, Grace Trainer, Sam Allison, John Eaton, Jewell Eaton, Guida Ogden, Lucy Hill, Blanche Turney, Pearl Hull, Gladys McClelland, Jack Grimland, Curtis Edens, Sam Karnes, Weldon Moreland,

Q. Were there really camels in Texas around the Civil War?

A. Jefferson Davis, Secretary of War under President Franklin Pierce got the idea to use camels in the American military after serving under Gen. Zachery Taylor in the Mexican War. Davis got his friend, Senator Shields, to get \$30,000 from Congress on March 3, 1855 to try using camels instead of pack mules and horses on the difficult terrain in the southwest. He put camels into several states on a trial basis.

In 1856 a camp was established on Camp Verde Creek. Also on February 15, 1856 a ship sailed from Smyrna carrying 12 male, 24 female and one calf camel. During the journey 1 adult camel died and 2 of 6 calves born survived. 33 of the camels were to be sent to Camp Verde along with 12 Armenian camel drivers and their families. The camels and drivers had arrived at Indianola and taken about 14 days to travel from there to San Antonio where they were kept at the headwaters of the San Pedro River for a few days rest. They were then moved to the ranch of Major Howard on the Medina, about 12 miles from San Antonio then to their permanent home at Camp Verde on August 26 and 27, 1856. The camels adapted quickly to the area and did an excellent job of hauling tons of supplies to many local military posts. The only problem was horses were quite spooked by camels so many of the troops hated the camels. There was one other problem, by 1861 there were quite a few camels wandering around the hills of Banderita and surrounding counties. They had escaped from their handlers or deliberately been let go by some of the troops and had adapted well to wandering in West Texas. They spooked more than one cowboys horse and the cowboys came to hate camels. They tried to shoot every wild camel they came upon. In 1866 the U.S. Government went out of the camel raising business. 66 head



Job Taylor "J.T." Shurley & Nannie Belle McCollum Shurley and their "Model T" Ford car. Sonora, Sutton County around 1920.

of camels at a price of \$31 each were sold to Bethel Coopwood in San Antonio. The camel camp, Camp Verde was closed in November of 1866. The camels that had escaped their caretakers continued to roam west Texas in small herds until they finally died off or were killed by cowboys.

People almost forgot over the years that the camels had ever been in Texas. During the time that people were afraid that aliens were landing in our country, fifties and sixties, one old boy brought a strange collection of bones to town and tried to claim it was a dead alien remains. The remains were sent off for identification and quickly proved to be those of a camel. Some people thought the remains might have been from an animal that escaped from a circus until some old timers told them about the Camel Corps at Camp Verde.

We are partially moved into the new offices, the rock house just before the Miers Home Museum on Oak Street and waiting for the painter to return and do some final touch up work and the carpenter to finish the attic air vents, put finish trim on the tile floor and put up the shutters. We are scheduled for our ADA inspection and will open to the public as soon as we can. We are going to need a lot of help to file, sort, set up shelves and exhibits and finish moving in. The new telephone number is 915-387-5084. During this interim period give

me a call at home at 915-387-2855, any day but Wednesday, if you can't catch me at the new number. Our e-mail address will remain the same, schs@sonoratrax.net. Until we can raise enough money for a new computer system, scanner, etc. we are using my OLD computer system at the office. We also need a microfilm/fiche reader, several legal size file cabinets, furniture for the reading room and research room and a microwave for the kitchen. Rick and I donated a coffee pot and all the supplies to go with it and cleaning supplies for the building. Right now we desperately need a vacuum cleaner for all the carpet in here and volunteers to help file and set things up... can you spare an hour once and a while to help preserve the history of Sutton County?

Volunteers don't get paid for their work but they do get a wonderful sense of satisfaction in knowing that they have contributed their time to preserving our written and pictorial history so that it won't be lost to future generations.

If you have any questions call one of the above numbers or use the above e-mail address. You may also write to "Ask the Historical Society," P.O. Box 885, Sonora, TX 76950-0885. Don't forget to pay your dues, we need them to pay insurance, utilities, and hopefully purchase equipment. Dues and donations should be sent to the above box, attention Al Elliott, Treasurer.

Gifts Galore & More
Bridal Registry

Jennifer Wente bride elect of John Jones
Jody Lowdermilk bride elect of Andy Mirike
Olivia Samaniego bride elect of Marco Cunningham
Rachel and Rhett Johnson

Baby Registry
Stacey & David Fisher

417 Hwy. 277 N.
387-2541

Tedford Jewelry
Bridal Registry

Jennifer Wente bride elect of John Jones
Lindsay Johnson bride elect of Frank Cranek
Rachel and Rhett Johnson

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The Landmark Apartments
103 Dollie (A-4)

Our apartment homes are spacious with
wall-to-wall carpet, ceiling fans, mini blinds,
walk-in closets, stove, refrigerator, dishwasher,
built-in microwave ovens and CH/A.

3/2: \$450/\$250 deposit

Call Jana @ 387-2104
for all your apartment needs.

Benefit Barbeque For Cancer Patient
Michael Gonzales
Sutton County Park
September 29, 2002
12:00 p.m.

For more information please contact Jessie Noriega at 450-7026 or Delma Noriega at 387-9325

Your participation is greatly appreciated.
Together we can all make a difference.
May God Bless You!

Miss Sutton County Takes Blue Ribbon In Rocksprings



Miss Sutton County, Koda Arme traveled to Rocksprings, Texas on September 14, 2002 to participate in the Diez Y Seis Celebration Parade. Her first official act as Miss Sutton County won Koda a First Place blue ribbon to proudly bring home to our community. Koda was crowned Miss Sutton County at the 2002 Outlaw Pro Rodeo during Sutton County Days. She is the daughter of Pamela and Dayton Arme and is a Senior at Sonora High School.

Rep. Bonilla Lends Helping Hand to American Cancer Society



by Henry Bonilla, R
WASHINGTON, D.C.
Representative Henry Bonilla

has been a tremendous supporter of cancer research and advances since his early days in Congress. Bonilla continued his support today by spending time with survivors, volunteers and participants who are visiting Washington, D.C. to promote this important cause.

"Cancer is a war fought not only by the families directly affected. It is every American's war to win. When it comes to this disease, no one can afford to take a 'that won't happen to me' attitude," said Bonilla.

Thousands of men and women from throughout the United States visited Washington, D.C. this week to participate in the American Cancer Society's Celebration on the Hill. Hundreds of those participants visited the nation's capitol from Texas and dozens came from Bonilla's district.

Cancer is the second leading cause of death in the United States and its leading health concern. An estimated 1.2 million Americans will be newly diagnosed with cancer and 550,000 people will die this year. Celebration on the Hill is a part of the American Cancer Society's signature activity, "Relay For Life." Relay is a unique 24-hour overnight activity that offers everyone in a community an opportunity to participate in the fight against cancer.

"This is a unique opportunity to speak with survivors, volunteers and every-day people who have been touched by cancer," said Bonilla. "I am so proud of the American Cancer Society. Their work keeps this important issue on the front-burner. I'm honored to support

them and do everything I can to help this essential cause."

Bonilla held a personal meeting today with participants from throughout the 23rd Congressional District. Later in the afternoon, Bonilla and members of his staff participated in the celebration taking place in the United States Mall. Bonilla took time to sign the Society's Celebration bus, a "rolling petition" carrying signatures from cancer survivors, their families and friends. The petition is a reminder that the fight against cancer must be a national priority.

"With dedication and proper funding, we are just steps away from major advances in cancer," said Bonilla. "I encourage everyone to learn more about cancer. Through education, research and sheer tenacity, we can work together to help the millions of families whose lives are affected by this deadly disease."

Bonilla believes that his role on the Appropriations Committee gives him the opportunity to help fund important programs that will one day find a cure for this terrible disease. Funding for the National Cancer Institute has increased by 108 percent since Congressman Bonilla took office. This increase has translated into real progress in cancer research. Bonilla has also been a champion of important breast cancer research programs. Last year the Department of Defense's peer reviewed breast cancer research program was funded \$150 million.

Bonilla is a recipient of the National Breast Cancer Coalition Award and the American Cancer Society Public Policy Leadership Award. He has represented the 23rd Congressional District since his first election in 1992.

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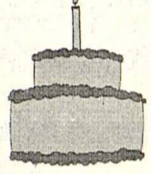
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Christy Bell, the High School counselor, will be holding a **Special Meeting for Parents of High School Seniors on Monday, Oct. 7th.** The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Library Lecture Room at the High School. At this meeting Miss Bell will be reviewing scholarships, colleges, financial aid and other helpful information. Parents will receive handouts on the TEXAS grant, websites and resources available in her office. There will also be a question and answer session. All parents (and their students) are invited to attend.

The Historical Society's new telephone number at the new office is 387-5084.

Health Fair - October 1st, from 7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital Annex. Flu Shots, Mammograms, Blood Mobile, Hearing Tests, Osteoporosis Screenings, Cholesterol & PSA Screenings & more. Call Shanna Petty at 387-5666 for more information.

If you would like to purchase any Varsity or Junior Varsity football game tapes, please call Kristin Keel at 387-6533 ext. 315. You can also purchase any home 7th or 8th grade game tapes. We also have games from past seasons.

The 2002 Yearbooks are on sale for \$35. Come to the high school or send your payment to the following address: S.H.S. Yearbook Department, 807 SE Concho, Sonora, Texas 76950. You can also call Kristin Keel at 387-6533 ext. 315 for more details.

Are you ready for another year of Bronco sports? The **Bronco Spirit Shop is now open** and located at Ronda's Styling Haus, 712 S. Concho Ave. Purchase this year's Bronco caps, visors, and spirit items for the start of the new season. Thank you for supporting all boys and girls athletics in Sonora.

The Bereaved parents Support Group will meet **October 8 at 7:00 p.m.** at The Bank and Trust Community Room. If you have experienced the death of a child you are urged to attend.

Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital, in cooperation with Texas Tech University Health Science's Center, is pleased to provide the **Mobile Mammography Clinic on October 1st and 2nd, 2002.** The cost will be \$75.00 for Screening Mammograms and \$150.00 for Diagnostic Mammograms. Texas Tech will file most insurance programs to include Medicare and Medicaid. For an appointment, please call 1-800-222-8388. Other questions may be directed to Keith L. Butler, CEO at 387-2521

Future Broncos Take the Field

Come out this Saturday, Sep. 28, 2002, to watch the future Broncos show their stuff. YMCA football has formed a Southern League with teams from the surrounding area and many of our youth are involved. The PEE-WEE team, consisting of third and fourth grade players will play at 10:00 and 12:00. The HEAVYWEIGHT team, consisting of fifth and sixth grade players will play at 3:00. Bring your lawn chairs to the High School practice fields and support our youth.

Sonora Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours

Sonora Chemical & Supply Inc. along with Circle S Automotive will host a Business After Hours on Monday, September 30, 2002 at Ol' Sonora Town (located between the Sonora Chamber Of Commerce Office and Ol' Sonora Trading Co.)

Fall 2002 Star Party Scheduled at Fort McKavett State Historical Site

Members of the Johnson Space Center Astronomical Society (JSCAS) will host a public star party on Saturday, October 5th, 2002 at Fort McKavett State Historical Site. JSCAS will offer afternoon lectures beginning around 4:00 p.m. on the celestial bodies in the West Texas night sky this time of year. Telescope orientation will take place before dark with viewing beginning at dusk. Fort McKavett State Historical Site is located 23 west of Menard off of Hwy 190, 45 miles north of Junction on FM 1674, 41 mi. northeast of Sonora on FM 864 and 60 mi. south of San Angelo traveling from FM 2084. We welcome groups of all ages and anyone interested in viewing planets, black holes, and galaxies galore and all that our beautiful sky offers. Regular park fees apply. Bring a flashlight and please call before you come as even a cloudy sky will cancel. The number is 915-396-2358.

Peer Mediation Teaches Students To Help Others

This year, Sonora Elementary School began a School Team Mediation Program. Seventeen students from second through fourth grades were selected as Peer Mediators from the elementary

Happy Birthday

- September 26** - Laurie Gibbens, Debbie Hard, Jennifer Gonzales, Jenny Hunt, Dustin Creek, Caroline Vickers
- September 27** - George Vickers, Kelly Lewellen, Tom Bedwell, Cheyenne Teasley
- September 28** - Thomas Samaniego, Felicia Van Winkle, Gabrielle Alvites, Cathy Ball, Andy Mirike, Laura Hearn Wolff, Bob Merry
- September 29** - Jack Sharp, Edgar Gonzalez, Mack McAngus, Cindy Jones, Miguel Lira, Gabriel Espinosa, Julie Martin, Brad Mogford, Kristin Keel, Louie Castro
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Sonora Elementary To Offer Parenting Classes

Sonora Elementary School announces the start of parent information classes beginning October 8. The class will meet on Tuesday mornings in the auditorium from 8:15 a.m to 9:15 a.m. Information will be provided on a wide range of topics including health issues, positive parenting practices, parent involvement, behavioral strategies, and much more. Parents will have the opportunity to talk about these topics with other parents. School staff, along with area agencies will be presenting. Refreshments and childcare will be provided.

Sonora H.S. Rodeo Team Stirs Up Dust In Big Lake



Above: Laramie Hall dogs a steer in Big Lake to take 1st place. Below: Koda Armke takes a flying leap in the Goat Tying. Photos by David Jennings

La Escuela Primaria de Sonora Anuncia Clases Para Los Padres

La Escuela Primaria de Sonora anuncia el comienzo de las clases informativas para los padres empezando el 8 de octubre. La clase se reunirá en el auditorio de la escuela primaria los martes en las mañanas de 8:15 al 9:15. Información será proveída en una gran variedad de temas que incluyen asuntos de salud, las prácticas de paternidad positiva (positive parenting practices), involucramiento de los padres, estrategias de comportamiento, y mucho más. Los padres tendrán la oportunidad a hablar de estos asunto con ostros padres. Los empleados de la escuela junto e con agencias del área serán presentando. Los refrescos y el cuidado de los niños serán proveidos.



The Sonora High School Rodeo team traveled to Big Lake this past weekend. The team has lost Steven Duhon until the sping due to a broken hand. Koda Armke and Laramie Hall competed on Saturday and Sunday. Laramie and his roping partner, Collin Wood tied for 9th in the team roping on Saturday and had a no-time on Sunday. Laramie also placed 4th in the steer wrestling on Saturday and came back and won 1st on Sunday. Koda had a little tough luck in the barrels and the break-away roping, but finished 9th in the Goat Tying on Saturday. Koda and Laramie will travel to Monahans this weekend and we wish them luck there.

Changes = Victory

by Tryon Fields

After a one and two start, the Sonora Bronco coaching staff decided that some changes were in order. Offensively, the Red Hosses moved senior, Juan Rodriguez, from fullback to tailback, senior, Dustin Martin from tailback to wingback, and sophomore transfer student, Lance Roberts into the fullback position. It looks like the changes, along with some good up-front blocking, got the Bronco Express back on track. The Broncos scored 49 points and racked up 310 total yards (163 rushing and 147 passing). On defense, after starting the season in a 5 - 2 set up; the Broncos seemed to be confused at times and were having trouble stopping their opponents. The old saying, "Dance with the one that brung ya," is very applicable here.

For the last two years, the Broncos have used the Split Six look and the record shows it has been effective. Last Friday night was no exception. The Broncos, going back to the "gal that brung them", limited the Forsan Buffaloes to 68 total yards (54 rushing and 14 passing) and zero points on the score board.

It took the Broncos only three minutes of the first quarter to get their first score of the game. Sonora winning the toss deferred to the second half. After receiving the opening kick-off, Forsan would start their first offensive possession at their own twenty. Using the pounding running game of full-back, Billy Acosta, the Buffaloes began to grind out the yardage. Faced with a third and long at their thirty-three, Buffalo quarterback, Josh Helmstetler, would suffer the first turn over of the game. Bronco defensive corner back, Louis Segura, would intercept Helmstetler's pass at the Forsan thirty-seven and cruise into the end zone for the touchdown.

Zedekiah Snodgrass would boom the PAT through the uprights to give the Broncos a seven point lead with eight minutes and forty-eight seconds showing on the first quarter clock.

Forsan's next possession would last two minutes and the Buffaloes would loose yardage. After receiving the punt, the Broncos would start their first offensive possession in Buffalo territory, at the Forsan forty-nine.

The explosive Bronco Express would only need two and a half minutes and five plays to cover half of the field. Juan Rodriguez would get 42 of his game high 119 rushing yards on this drive. Rodriguez would start the possession with a 9 yard run and end the possession with a 31 yard sprint for the touchdown. Snodgrass' PAT would give the Broncos a fourteen point lead with just over four minutes left to play in the first quarter. Forsan would fare a little better on their third possession of the game. Behind the running of Acosta and Wes Longoria, the Buffaloes would cross the mid-field stripe for the first time. Defensive plays by Diego Cardona, Lance Roberts, Israel Arevalo, Jared Parks, and Louis Segura would lead the Red Hosses in forcing Forsan into a punting situation at the Bronco forty-nine. After a short punt, the Broncos were back in possession of the pigskin at their own thirty-eight. With 8.9 seconds showing on the first quarter clock, the Broncos would get only one play off before the buzzer sounded. Forsan 0 - Sonora 14.

Once again the quick strike Bronco offense would only need forty-five seconds to light up the score board again. Faced with a third and one at the Forsan forty-six, student body left to Rodriguez was called. Excellent up front and lead blocking by Scottie Moore and Lance Roberts would break Rodriguez to the outside. At the forty-five of the Buffaloes, Rodriguez would turn on the jets and out run everyone to the end zone. The PAT by Zedekiah Snodgrass would now give the Red Hosses a twenty-one point advantage. Forsan 0 - Sonora 21.

Forsan's offense would continue to find it hard to get anything going; as the stingy



Shaun Ramos picks up a fumbled Forsan ball that leads to his first TD of the year. Photo by Robin Street

Bronco defense led by Emmanuel Lopez, Justin Sims, and Laramie Hall would force the Buffaloes to punt after losing sixteen yards on three plays. The Broncos offense would stumble for the first time on their next possession. Using three minutes of the second quarter clock, the Red Hosses would net zero yards on five plays. A blitzing Forsan defense would negate a nineteen yard pass reception and a one yard run on three sacks of Scottie Moore. After the short Bronco punt, Forsan would have good field position at the Bronco forty-six. Forsan's woes would continue; as they would suffer their second turn over on this next possession. A double team hit by Sonora's Lance Roberts and Diego Cardona would force Forsan's Billy Acosta to cough the ball up at the Bronco forty-eight. Several Broncos led by Brandon West would come up with the loose pigskin to give the Broncos the football and a short field. Runs by Juan Rodriguez and Chris Martin, along with pass receptions by Douglas Yocham and Rodriguez would advance the ball to the Forsan five. A punishing run by Emmanuel Lopez would get the last five yards and the Broncos fourth touchdown. A high snap from center would thwart the PAT. However, the Broncos now held a twenty-seven point advantage. Forsan 0 - Sonora 27.

Sonora's aggressive defense would continue to force the Buffaloes to go in the wrong direction. Four plays; a procedure call and a net of negative yards would force the Buffaloes to punt once again. Another short punt would give the Red Hosses excellent field position at the Forsan thirty-five. Nineteen seconds is all the Bronco Express would need.

A thirty-five yard touch pass from Scottie Moore to Caleb Gully would not only give the Broncos their fifth touchdown, but would give the Bronco wide-receiver his first varsity touchdown ever. Snodgrass would get the PAT back on track; as he would kick the ball through the uprights, to notch his fourth point and the Broncos thirty-fourth of the night. Forsan 0 - Sonora 34. With only a minute and twenty-four seconds left in the half, Forsan would run the clock out on three plays. Forsan 0 - Sonora 34.

To begin the second half, the Broncos offense would pick up where they left off in the first half. After receiving the kick-off, Sonora would begin at their own thirty-seven. Runs by Dustin Martin, Chris Martin, Emmanuel Lopez, and Lance Roberts would gobble up the yardage to the Forsan twenty-six. At the twenty-six, the Broncos would suffer their only turnover. Forsan's Adam Johnson would intercept Scottie Moore's pass and return it to Forsan's forty-six. Three plays and out! Bronco defense at its finest! Thomas Bloodworth, Israel Arevalo, Wilson Wallace, and Dustin Martin would help lead the defensive charge. For only the second time in the game, the Broncos would be forced to punt the ball on their next possession.

Forsan would fare no better; as they would also punt the ball for the sixth time. With four minutes and fifty-four seconds showing on the third quarter game clock; the Broncos would set up shop on their own

eighteen. Runs by Juan Rodriguez and Dustin Martin would begin to move the ball out of the shadows of their own goal posts. Faced with a third and long at their thirty-six; Scottie Moore would find Emmanuel Lopez streaking across the middle for a fifty-one yard gain. Power running by Lance Roberts and Chris Martin along with a pass reception by Chris Martin would move the ball to the Forsan three. At the three, Emmanuel Lopez following the power blocking up front would get his second touchdown of the game. With fifty-seven seconds left in the third quarter, Zedekiah Snodgrass would add the PAT to give the Broncos and insurmountable lead: Forsan 0 - Sonora 41.

Forsan would close out the third quarter and use four minutes of the fourth quarter to loose eleven yards. Starting at their own thirty-seven; a major penalty and the aggressive Bronco defense would continue to thwart any offensive plans that Forsan might of had. The Bronco offensive reserves would also be forced to punt on the Broncos next possession. With six minutes and forty-six seconds left in the game; Forsan would suffer their third turnover of the game, as the Buffalo running back would become separated from the football with Red Hoss linebacker, Shaun Ramos recovering the ball at the Buffalo fifteen. Sonora would use two minutes of the fourth quarter clock to notch their final score of the night. Shaun Ramos would be the back of choice; as he would gain all fifteen yards on three plays to get his first varsity touchdown.

Emmanuel Lopez, the Broncos extra point holder, would field the low snap from center on the PAT and scamper into the end zone for two points. This put the Broncos up by forty-nine. Forsan 0 - Sonora 49. Forsan would give it a valiant effort on their last possession; as they would begin on their seventeen and advance the ball to the Bronco forty-two, where the drive would stall. Defensive plays by Landon Brockman, Caleb Gully, Diego Cardona, Laramie Hall, and Brandon West would force the Buffaloes to turn the ball over on downs.

The Broncos led by Doug Yocham; would be satisfied to run the clock out to even their record at 2 and 2. Forsan 0 - Sonora 49.

The Bronco Express will be at home again this week against the Brackettville Tigers. Game time is 7:30 p.m. So make plans to come out and support the Broncos.

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2002 Bronco Football Schedule
COLT FOOTBALL
Sept. 26 • Brackettville (7th Only) • There • 5:00 p.m.
Oct. 3 • Garden City (8th Only) • There • 5:30
Oct. 10 • Reagan County There • 5:00/6:30
JV FOOTBALL
Sept. 26 • Brackettville There • 6:30 p.m.
Oct. 3 • Open
Oct. 10 • Reagan County Home • 6:30 p.m.

Varsity
Sept. 27 • Brackettville Home • 7:30 p.m.
Oct. 4 • Open
Oct. 11 • Reagan County There • 7:30 p.m.
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Bronco J.V. Gets Taste Of Victory, Defeat Buffaloes

by: Maray Cearley

The Sonora Junior Varsity got their first taste of victory as they defeated the Forsan Buffaloes 31-12.

Sonora's Embré Smith took a short opening kick for 20 yards to the Forsan 46. Hilton Bloodworth and Cameron Cox moved the ball on the ground, while Clint Cearley hit Austin Wagoner for 10 yards to convert a fourth and short. Bloodworth and Cox then combined to move the chains and on a first down from the 22 yard-line, Uriel Santana sprinted into the end zone. Bloodworth added the 2-point conversion and Sonora led 8-0.

After a booming kick by Travis Heard, the Sonora defense led by J.R. Solis, Frank Gallegos and Nash Traylor, forced the Buffaloes to go to the air. When the Forsan Quarterback dropped back to throw, Smith greeted him for a 10-yard loss, which resulted in a punt.

On Sonora's next series, Cox and Bloodworth found running room behind the offensive line of Garrett Watkins, Miguel Vaquera, Brian Payton, J.R. Solis and Heard. With 1:50 left in the first quarter, Bloodworth takes the pitch 31 yards for the score. The extra point was wide, leaving the score 14-0.

Forsan's next possession finds them in reverse. Payton came up with 2 big stops for minus yardage and Jesse Galvan has a huge tackle to force the Buffaloes to punt. The Broncos

take over on their own 44. Chris Perez, Cox, Santana and Bloodworth combine to move the ball 24 yards. On fourth down, Cearley once again converts with Wagoner for a gain of 14. The Broncos aren't able to move the chains again and Cox attempts a field goal. It is blocked and Forsan takes over at their 20. Justyn Gray, Warren Wallace, Federico Romo, Roland Solis and Wagoner are able to manhandle the Buffaloes and at halftime, the score remains 14-0.

To start the second half, Heard kicks it 50 yards, leaving Forsan deep in their own territory. They go 3 and out, with Payton having 2 solo tackles and one assist with J.R. Solis.

Sonora's first series includes a 24-yard pass from Smith to Wagoner and an 11-yard run by Cox. The Broncos then fumble twice with minus yardage and with a 15-yard illegal blocking penalty they are forced to punt. The Buffaloes again cannot move the ball, thanks in part to defensive plays by David Adkins and Heard. After a very short kick, it doesn't take the Big Red long to score. Cearley finds a wide-open Anthony Longoria for a 30-yard completion for the touchdown. Cox adds the extra point and with 1:52 left in the third quarter, Sonora increases their lead to 21.

With another tremendous kick by Heard, the Buffaloes start from scrimmage at their own 18. Will Crittenden and Jeb Hunt force a couple of hurried

incomplete passes, but on third down the tailback is able to break loose for a big gain. Gray has a touchdown saving tackle deep in Sonora territory. The Buffaloes then complete a pass just inside the pylon, giving Forsan their first points of the game. On the 2-point conversion attempt, Wagoner steps in front of the intended receiver and returns it 98 yards to give Sonora the 2-points.

Forsan attempts an on-side kick, but Smith is the one who falls on the loose ball. The Broncos go 3 and out and are forced to punt.

Brandon Munn, Trent Reiner, Romo and Wallace all contribute to the Bronco defensive effort. Roland Solis forces a hurried pass but then the Buffaloes are able to find the end zone. Munn stops the 2-point attempt and with 36 seconds remaining, the score is 23-12.

Once again, Forsan tries the on-side kick but the ball fails to go the 10 yards and the Broncos take over at Forsan's 47. The first play, a wingback trap, Traylor races the distance for the score. On the extra point attempt, the ball is bobbled, but Longoria scoops it up, rolls right and tosses it to Bloodworth for 2.

On Forsan's last possession of the game, Cullen Parker, Cearley, Heard and C. Perez force the Buffaloes to run the clock out, giving the Broncos their first win of the season. Final Score, Sonora 31, Forsan 12.

This week the Broncos will again be on the road. They will travel to Brackettville; game time is 6:30 PM, immediately following the 7th Grade Colts. Hope to see you there.

Editorial

The Devil's River News is offering a reward for any information leading to the exposure of the person or persons that committed the juvenile, disrespectful, down right rude! act of putting the sign in Coach Herring's yard.

What kind of example are you setting for the youth of our community when you do such hurtful things? If you have such a problem with losing, maybe you know a better way to lead our children to victory, then come forward and let yourself and all of your knowledge be known. Oh, but it appears you work best in the dark of the night, like a common thief or burglar. Coach Herring and his staff have worked very hard with our kids, ALL of our kids, from Kindergarten to High School. He encourages and teaches in the most positive manner and does a very fine job. Two losses does not a loser make!

We will honor this person with their picture on the BACK page of The Devil's River News as the "Loyal Fan" of the week, right next to the "For Sale" ad for YOUR house!

8th Grade Colts Blank the Buffaloes



Pedro Gloria runs with the ball behind the fine blocking of the 8th Grade line. Photo by Ray Glasscock

by Nancy Glasscock

This game started slowly with neither team being able to put the ball into the endzone the entire first half of the game. The Colt defense during the first half was led by Ruben Mendez, Dustin Duhon, Marc Hernandez, Pedro Gloria, and Steven Lozano.

The Colts came out of the locker room fired up for the second half of play. After taking over on the 47 yard line, the Colts drove the field. Lito Trevino took the ball 37 yards to the five yard line and Agustin Vaquera scored from the one. Caleb Ramos added the two point conversion on a keeper.

Jose Casillas scored the second touchdown for the Colts, and Ramos scored the third one. Evan Gulley quarterbacked the two point conversion on the Ramos touchdown to make the score 22-0. Pedro Gloria scored the final Colt touchdown on a 30 yard run around the left end. As time was running out, Forsan almost scored on a reverse; however, Marc Hernandez made a touchdown saving tackle in the open field.

The 8th grade Colts are off this week. Their next game is in Garden City at 5:30 October 3rd.

7th Grade Colts Defeat the Forsan Buffaloes 24 - 14

by Nancy Glasscock

Alonzo Peña and great blocking by the Colt offensive line were too much for the Buffaloes. Peña and Victor Vaquera each scored touchdowns for the Colts in the first half. The Buffaloes had some firepower also as Forsan's Justin Wilson was able to run the ball and the Buffaloes lead at the half by 14 to 12. In the third

quarter, Peña started a sweep and broke several tackles enroute to a 45-yard touchdown. In the middle of the quarter, Peña put the game away with another tackle breaking run to the end zone.

The 7th grade Colts are off to a great start at 3-0. Their next game is Thursday, September 26th at 5:00 p.m. in Brackettville. Go Colts

Back Talk

Chiropractic Care Questions & Answers

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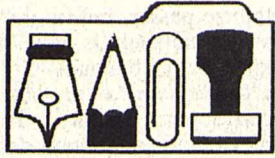
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7th Grade Cross Country Boys Take Second In Ballinger

by Becca Emert
Twenty one students from Sonora Middle School competed in the Ballinger Cross Country Meet in Ballinger, Texas on Saturday, September 21st. The students did a great job of representing our school with the 7th grade girls bringing home a fifth place finish and the 7th grade boys with a second place. The standings for the 8th grade teams were not available at press time.

Individuals standings are as follows for the 8th grade girls: Alexie Ortiz - 5th, Felisha Gamez - 34th, Jena Teasley - 50th, Emilly Butler - 60th, Erika Hernandez - 66th.

The 7th grade girls placings include: Emily Earwood - 4th, Kyla Turney - 18th, Kelsey Watkins - 19th, Heather Hughes - 48th, Kimble Luna - 49th, Katrina Ramos - 50th and Lauren Schaeffer - 100th.

The 8th grade boys placed as follows: Pedro Gloria - 10th, Augustin Vaquera - 29th and Ruben Mendez - 30th.

The 7th grade boys had the following placings: Clayton Sahr - 5th, Colton Moore - 13th,



The 7th Grade Cross Country Team: Front row: Hunt Wagner, Fidel Acevedo, and Riley Sanchez. Back row: Colton Moore and Clayton Sahr. Not pictured: Michael Chavez.

Michael Chavez - 17th, Hunt Wagner - 30th, Riley Sanchez - 37th, Fidel Acevedo - 38th.

Congratulations on a job well done Colts and Lady Colts

Lady Broncos Improve Times In Ballinger

The Lady Broncos competed in their fourth meet of the year last week, traveling to Ballinger. The young ladies were a little short handed this weekend, but they improved on their times. Coach Kathy Marshall commented that she is very proud of each member that makes the sacrifice each week to run and encourages each runner to keep up the good work.

The following girls made up the team for the week: Mandy Brister finishing 91st, Amanda Word 101, Brittany Longoria 108, Desirae Boldt 114 and Cerissa Hedgecock 116. There were 140 young ladies competing in this meet.

The next meet will be held in Iraan on Saturday, Sept. 28, 2002.

Water Smart from page 1

watering every 2-5 weeks (St. Augustine requires watering every 5 days)
• Decorate areas with rocks, gravel, or other materials
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Commissioners from page 1

lar operating hours. He told Garner that there are several areas to look at that could allow for the vans to run past the 2:00 p.m. cutoff it is now operating at. This time limit does not allow the van to pick up children from school. It also takes away from any Senior Citizens that may use the van for afternoon visits to the doctor, grocery store, pharmacy, etc. All of the Commissioners expressed concern over this matter and agreed that they hoped something could be done to rectify this problem.

Garner also asked for the Commissioners advice on recovering the equipment that the county had purchased for the Weights and Measurements vehicle. The trooper is no longer operating out of Sutton County and the Commissioners agreed that the county property needed to remain in Sutton County.

Garner then asked the Commissioners to begin thinking about possible options for taking care of the problem of the lights being left on at the Sutton County Arena. Several complaints from residents in the area have been received, as well as the increased electricity bill this causes. This problem will be addressed at a future meeting.

One bid was received for the County's property insurance, so after some discussion on this topic a motion was made and approved to accept Doyle Morgan's bid from the St. Paul Company for Property Insurance.

Oscar Jimenez with the Road and Bridge Department reported that the ice machine at the County Yard was broken and the repairs would run almost as much as purchasing a new one, and then there was no guarantee how long it would last. After several options were discussed it was decided to allow Oscar to look into a possible lease contract for a new ice machine.

Pat Campbell ended the meeting with a request to use the Sutton County 4-H Civic Center for the Health Fair if it rains. Being that this is a community based affair it was agreed to waive the rental fee.

Health Fair from page 1

the affects of not wearing a helmet when riding a bicycle. They will also be holding drawings for free helmets.

From 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. the Medivac Helicopter will be outside for people to see.

Another vendor outside will be the Texas Tech University Health Science Center's Mobile Mammography Clinic on October 1st and 2nd, 2002. The cost will be \$75.00 for Screening Mammograms and \$150.00 for Diagnostic Mammograms. Texas Tech will file most insurance programs to include Medicare and Medicaid. For an appointment, please call 1-800-222-8388.

The first 100 visitors to the Health Fair will receive free Cholesterol Checks and PSAs (Prostate checks). Recipients must have fasted, starting at midnight on Monday.

Drinking Water from page 1

contamination with footnotes explaining our findings.

Definitions:
MCL: Maximum Contaminant level, the highest level of a contaminant allowed in drinking water. MCL's are set as close to MCLG's as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
MCLG: Maximum Contaminant level Goal, the level a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLG's allowed for a margin of safety.

Treatment Technique: a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
AL: Action Level, the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system follows.
Mg/L: Milligrams per liter or (parts per million)
pCi/l: Picocuries per liter (a measurement of radioactivity).
Coliforms: Coliform bacteria are used as indicators of microbial contaminants of drinking water because they are easily detected and found in the digestive tract of warm blooded animals. While not themselves disease producers, they are often found in association with other microbes that are capable

of causing disease. Coliform bacteria are more hardy than disease-causing organisms, therefore their absence from water is a good indication that the water is bacteriologically safe for human consumption.

Public Participation Opportunities:
The Public can voice their concerns or comments by calling City Hall at (915)387-2558.

Other vendors that will be on hand to offer information and answer questions include: the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council, Child Protective Services, Family Shelter, American Cancer Society, Hospice of San Angelo, Aids Foundation, Texas Dept. of Health, Health Steps, WIC Program, Texas Commission for the Blind, Interlink, Area Agency on Aging, CCAD, and CBA/DHS, Dr. Pajestka, Dr. Calderon, Lillian M. Hudspeth Hospital, Texas Cooperative Extension, American Home Patient, Texas Dept. of Transportation, Sonora Police Dept., SCCI, Rivercrest, Sutton County EMS, Sutton County/Sonora Senior Center, and the Social Security Administration.

Novartis will be doing Alzheimers determinations and West Texas Rehabilitation will offer hearing exams. Free Blood Sugar test will also be offered.
Dr. Forlano of Forlano Chiropractic in Eldorado will offer Osteoporosis Checks for a

fee of \$40.

Approximately 10 miles South, in Edwards County on Hwy 277, after a continuous high speed chase, the suspect's vehicle began to slow. Deputy Harris pulled his patrol unit in front of the suspect's vehicle while Officer Dudley and Deputy Hartman pulled their patrol units behind the suspect's vehicle.

Officers then initiated a felony stop on the suspect, who admitted later that he had run out of gas. The suspect, identified as Dustin Wayne Lawson of San Angelo, Texas, was taken into custody without further incident.
Department of Public Safety Trooper Cody Cory, Texas Parks and Wildlife Game Warden Will Allison, Sutton County Sheriff Joe Fincher and Sonora Police Department Chief Mike House arrived at the scene to assist.

Lawson was transported to Edwards County, Rockspings, Texas to be arraigned. He was then transported back to Sonora where he was identified by the clerks and booked into the Sutton County Jail for Aggravated Robbery, 1st Degree Felony and Evading Arrest.

| Year | Constituent | Highest Level at Any Sampling Point | Range of Detected Levels | MCL | MCLG | Unit of Measure | Source of Constituent |
|------|-------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----|------|-----------------|--|
| 2000 | Barium | 0.18 | 0.1690-0.1800 | 2 | 2 | ppm | Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits. |
| 2000 | Fluoride | 0.4 | 0.3000-0.4000 | 4 | 4 | ppm | Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories. |
| 2000 | Nitrate | 2.04 | 1.6000-2.0400 | 10 | 10 | ppm | Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits. |
| 2000 | Sodium | 13 | 9.0000-13.0000 | NA | NA | ppm | Erosion of natural deposits; By-product of oil field activity. |

NA = MCL not applicable - not regulated. Special Monitoring Requirement.

Organics NOT TESTED FOR OR NOT DETECTED

Disinfection By-Products NOT TESTED FOR OR NOT DETECTED

| Year | Constituent | Average of All Sampling Points | Range of Detected Levels | Unit of Measure | Reason for Monitoring |
|-----------|----------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|---|
| 2000-2001 | Chloroform | 1.325 | 0.0000-4.6000 | ppb | Unregulated contaminant monitoring helps EPA to determine where certain contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those contaminants. |
| 2000-2001 | Bromoform | 2.125 | 0.0000-6.5000 | ppb | Unregulated contaminant monitoring helps EPA to determine where certain contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those contaminants. |
| 2000-2001 | Bromodichloromethane | 0.75 | 0.0000-1.3000 | ppb | Unregulated contaminant monitoring helps EPA to determine where certain contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those contaminants. |
| 2000-2001 | Chlorodibromomethane | 1.1 | 0.0000-2.1000 | ppb | Unregulated contaminant monitoring helps EPA to determine where certain contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those contaminants. |

| Year | Constituent | The 90th Percentile | Number of Sites Exceeding Action Level | Action Level | Unit of Measure | Source of Constituent |
|------|-------------|---------------------|--|--------------|-----------------|---|
| 1999 | Lead | 1.8000 | 0 | 15 | ppb | Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits. |
| 1999 | Copper | 0.2220 | 0 | 1.3 | ppm | Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives. |

Total Coliform NOT DETECTED
Fecal Coliform NOT DETECTED

Class of 1927



Sarah Taylor McKee

Homecoming 2002

Class of 1932



Charlie Pharis

Class of 1937



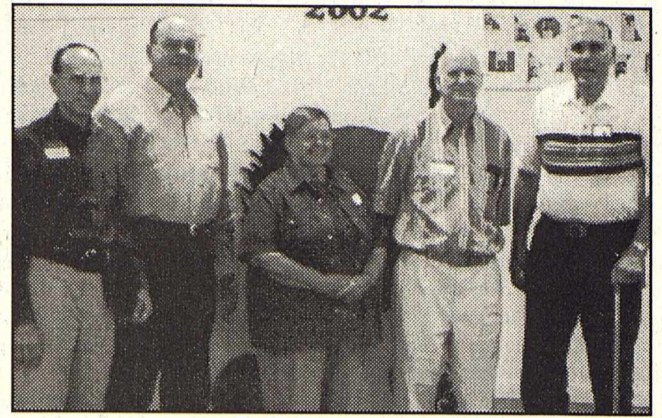
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Class of 1942



Fannie Sellman Wade & Betty Jo Adams Russell

Class of 1947



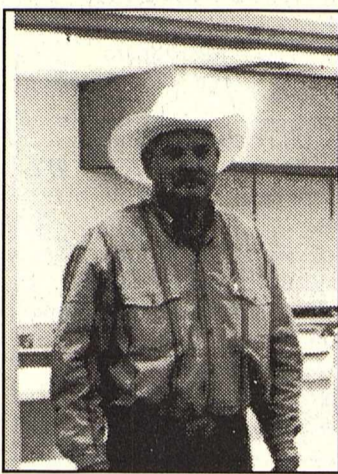
Billy D. Drennan, John Allen Ward, Kathryn Ross Chastant, Cleveland Nance, Al Boughton

Class of 1952



Back: L - R: Bill Savell, Rusty Drennan, Corky Schwiening, Lee Roy Valliant, Jack Ratliff, Jack Slone. Front: Joe Morrison, Myrtle Armentrout, Eya Lee Emdy, Carnie Sue Henderson, Bobbie Smith, Darlene Hardesty, Pete Gomez.

Class of 1957



Preston Love

Class of 1962



Back: George Roberson, Mike Ellis, David Archer, Anita Birdsong, Gay Janszen, Elaine Roberson, Cleve T. Jones. Middle: Domingo Gutierrez, Sondra Orr, Preston Neely, Bill Karnes, Lester Schmidt. Front: Prissy Paxton, Teacher/Coach Oliver Wuest, Elaine Donaldson, Marcy Ceil Miller, Oscar Galindo - Honoree of Class of 1962, Sara Neely, Teacher - Charlotte Wilson.

Class of 1977



Karen Brown Voight

Class of 1967



Back - Al Letsinger, Wayne Bryant, and Bert Bloodworth. Front - Brenda Bryant, Prissy Barker, Linda Hearn and Kaye Johanson.

Class of 1972



Barbara Granger, Selma Nell Glasscock, and Jessie McCutchen Kerbow.



Homecoming cheerleaders come in all sizes.



2001 Homecoming Queen Monica Lira, escorted by Little Mr. Sutton County Carter Zook and Little Miss Sutton County Kaitlyn Lopez.



The Class of '52 shows spirit in the Homecoming parade.



Honorees enjoy a buggy ride in the Homecoming Parade.



"Best Legs" Homecoming "Kings" Dustin Martin, Juan Rodriguez and Landon Brockman.



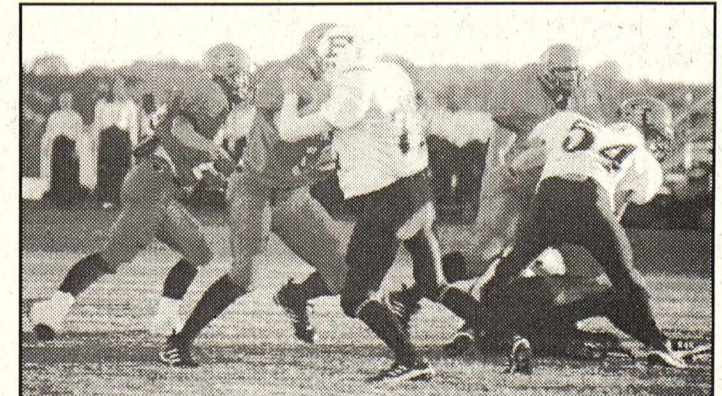
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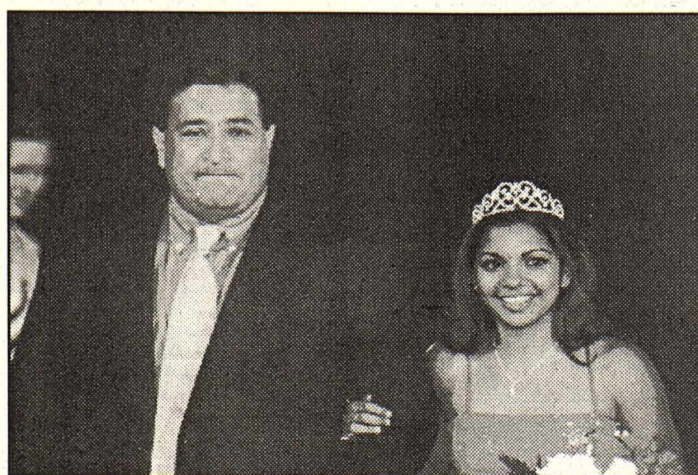
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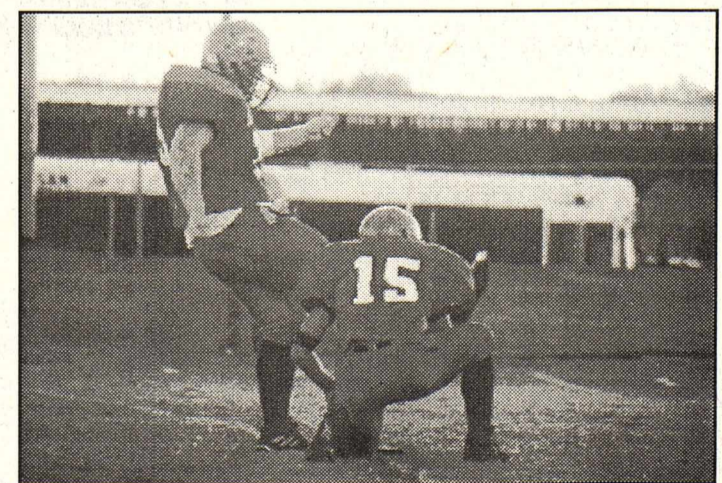
7th Grade Colts



Bronco line keeps the Buffaloes at Bay.



2002 Homecoming Queen Amy Gutierrez



Zedekiah Snodgrass kicks one of many extra points.

Interactive Website Available to Help New Landowners

Attention new land owners! Just bought a place in the country? Great first step. Now the trick is to use expert help in helping you establish your operation.

Texas Cooperative Extension has launched an interactive web site designed to help landowners manage their land in an environmentally friendly manner. The web address is <http://sutton-co.tamu.edu/>.

"Living in the Country: A Resource for Landowners," will help you learn about range management, water conservation and quality, and natural resource conservation.

You can also learn to evaluate your land and manage it in

the best way.

Whether you are interested in wildlife, or horses, or meat goats, Extension offers you a chance to learn from the ground up on the Internet with the help of your local Extension agent. Develop a land management plan or explore specific enterprises for your land while working at your own pace, at home, or on your computer.

For more information about this free educational website, contact Sutton County Extension agent Preston Faris at 915-387-3101 or go by the Extension office at 1700 N. Crockett in the Civic Center.

Texas Wildlife Expo Coming Up In Austin

AUSTIN, Texas - Approximately 50,000 people from all over Texas are expected Oct. 5-6 at Texas Wildlife Expo, a free outdoor festival. It will transform the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department headquarters site next to McKinney Falls State Park into a colorful fairground where visitors of all ages can try fishing, shooting, climbing, biking, and more.

Expo was started in 1992 as a tribute to hunting's role in conservation. State park and fishing activities were added in subsequent years and the event has broadened to encompass many other outdoor activities. It is now the nation's largest free festival of the outdoors,

and other states are looking to Texas and hoping to create similar events.

One new event this year is "Design With Nature," an exhibit that shows homeowners how to use ecologically sound practices like gardening with native plants or collecting rainwater. These practices could help address the potentially devastating long-term consequences for wildlife and the environment caused by urban sprawl.

For more information about Expo, visit <http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/expo/> on the Web for a complete schedule of activities, or call 800-792-1112.

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ExxonMobil Dev. Co.; 16000' Banner Estate #25, Patterson UTI/LV.
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New Dominion; 4500' Jenkins Ranch - #801, Patterson Drilling.

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Bonilla Announces Livestock Compensation Program

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Representative Henry Bonilla recently announced his support of a new livestock compensation program totaling \$750 million. The program will provide immediate assistance to U.S. livestock producers. As chairman of the Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee, Bonilla's oversight will be key to the success of this new program.

"This is a win-win program. We're providing immediate assistance to producers in drought-affected areas and at the same time, we're meeting the President's principles and staying fiscally responsible," said Chairman Bonilla.

With Chairman Bonilla's support, the Administration has developed a plan to provide immediate assistance to those producers most in need. Because livestock producers do not have access to highly subsidized crop insurance and subsidy payments, this program will provide immediate assistance. The program will affect producers across the country, including statewide availability in seven states and availability in specified counties across 30 additional states.

This innovative program will begin with a sign-up on October 1, 2002. Producers will be able to contact their local Farm Service Agency county office or their local USDA Service Center to learn what documentation will be required.

Payments will be based on standard feed consumption data for each eligible type of livestock. Approved animals include beef and dairy cattle, buffalo and beefalo (when maintained on the same basis as beef cattle), and sheep. For more information on the program, producers may visit the USDA website.

"Drought is one of the most devastating disasters that producers live through. I'm proud to support this program. Every day, I'm watching out for the farmers and producers of America. Agriculture is the backbone of our nation's economy - it's essential that we take care of this important national resource," said Chairman Bonilla.

Bonilla has chaired the Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee since January of 2001. He has represented the 23rd Congressional District since his first election in 1992.

Now Is The Time For Winter Weed Control In Lawns

by Jennifer Paul

DALLAS - Now is the best time to apply pre-emergent herbicides for controlling annual grassy and broadleaf weeds in lawns and landscapes, say experts from Texas Cooperative Extension. In the northern parts of Texas, these winter weeds start germinating in early September; in southern areas of the state, in mid- to late-September.

"Many individuals wait too late to apply their pre-emergent herbicides and then wonder why they still have problems with winter weeds in the lawn," said James McAfee, Extension turfgrass specialist at Texas A&M Dallas.

"Once these annual weeds germinate and start to grow, most of the pre-emergent herbicides will have no affect on the weed," he said. "Application of a pre-

emergent herbicide is the most effective method to control the winter annual grassy weeds. If winter annual grassy weeds are allowed to become established in the lawn, there isn't a real good post-emergent control.

"While post-emergent herbicides such as Roundup and Finale can be used to control winter grassy weeds, these products should only be used once the warm season turfgrasses are completely dormant," said McAfee. "In many areas of Texas, these grasses do not go completely dormant and applying products such as Roundup and/or Finale can cause serious injury to the lawn."

When purchasing a pre-emergent herbicide, read the label very carefully to make sure the herbicide is labeled for the type of turfgrass to be treated, he added. Also, read the label to

determine how much herbicide is needed to treat the lawn. Over-applying the herbicide can injure turfgrass plants.

"Once the herbicide is applied, then water the application in very thoroughly. It takes approximately 0.5 inches of supplemental irrigation to move the herbicide down in contact with the top layer of the soil where most of the weed seed are germinating," said McAfee.

"One of the most common reasons for failure to achieve good weed control is not watering the herbicide in thoroughly. Also, following application make sure the material is watered in thoroughly before the lawn is mowed. If the lawn is mowed before the product is watered in thoroughly, then control of the weeds will be disrupted."

See Winter Weeds page 9

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Public Notices

**ORDINANCE NO. 533
SETTING THE TAX RATE
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002-
2003**

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR USE AND SUPPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF SONORA FOR THE 2002-2003 FISCAL YEAR; PROVIDING WHEN TAXES SHALL BECOME DUE AND WHEN SAME SHALL BECOME DELINQUENT IF NOT PAID. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SONORA.

SECTION 1. That there is hereby levied and there shall be collected for the use and support of the municipal government of the City of Sonora, for the 2002-2003 fiscal year, upon all property, real personal and mixed, within the corporate limits of said City subject to taxation, a tax of \$0.508077 on each \$100.00 valuation of property, said tax being so levied and apportioned to the specific purposes here set forth:

For the maintenance and support of the general government (General Fund), \$0.508077 On each \$100.00 valuation of property; and:

SECTION 2. That taxes levied under this ordinance shall be due October 1, 2002 and if not paid on or before January 31, 2003 shall immediately become delinquent.

SECTION 3. All taxes shall become a lien upon the property against which assessed, and the city assessor and collector of the City of Sonora is hereby authorized and empowered to enforce the collection of such taxes according to the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas and ordinances of the City of Sonora shall, by virtue of the tax rolls, fix and establish a lien by levying upon such property, whether real or personal, for the payment of said taxes, penalty and interest, and the interest and penalty collected from such delinquent taxes shall be apportioned to the general fund of the City of Sonora. All delinquent taxes shall bear interest from date of delinquency and thereto prescribed by state law.

SECTION 4. That Rex Ann Friess, Chief Appraiser, Sutton County Appraisal District is authorized to perform all duties required by the law of the tax assessor-collector in regard to assessing and collecting ad valorem taxes.

SECTION 5. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after passage. PASSED this 17th day of September 2002, at a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Sonora, there being a quorum present by 3 years and 0 nays, and approved by the Mayor on the date set out.

APPROVED

Attest: James B. Stephen
Mayor
Becky Covington City
Secretary

**NOTICE OF WASTE-
WATER RATE CHANGE**

The following wastewater rate schedule will be effective on November 2002 bills. Charges are based upon a minimum charge plus an average winter water consumption or

current water consumption, whichever is less. "Winter average" is determined by averaging the amount of water used during three winter months (November, December, and January). New customers who have not established a "winter

average" are charged on the current water usage, until records are established. Judicious water use during the averaging period can save customers money on their utility bills all year round.

Rate Schedule

| NEW RATES: | Minimum Charge | per 1000 gallons 0-5000 | per 1000 gallons 5001-10000 | per 1000 gallons 10001-25000 | per 1000 gallons 25001-50000 | per 1000 gallons 50001+ |
|----------------|----------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Metered | 11.78 | 0.80 | 0.92 | 1.02 | 1.12 | 1.23 |
| Non Metered | 15.79 | | | | | |
| CURRENT RATES: | Minimum Charge | per 1000 gallons 0-5000 | per 1000 gallons 5001 - 10000 | per 1000 gallons 10001 - 25000 | per 1000 gallons 25001 - 50000 | per 1000 gallons 50001+ |
| Metered | 11.33 | 0.77 | 0.88 | 0.98 | 1.08 | 1.18 |
| Non Metered | 15.19 | | | | | |

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es are necessary for \$25.00 per hour per officer. Motion carried.

Blackman made a motion to approve an ordinance annexing a 6.9 acre tract at the end of Queens Court Townhouse Subdivision to the City of Sonora and extending the boundary limits of said city so as to include said property within the city limits, and granting to said territory and to all future inhabitants of said property all of the rights and privileges of other citizens and binding said future inhabitants by all of the acts and ordinance of the said city and approving a service plan requested by Jorge and Sheila Velarde. Polocek made the second and the motion carried.

Lopez made a motion to approve a Resolution authorizing the filing of a Texas Community Development Program application to the Office of Rural and Community Affairs; and authorizing the city manager to act as the city's executive officer and authorized representative in all matters pertaining to the city's participation in the community development program for a planning/capacity project. A second was made by Polocek and the motion carried.

Polocek made a motion to approve Resolution authorizing the filing of a Texas Community Development Program application to the Office of Rural and Community Affairs; and authorizing the mayor to act as the city's executive officer and authorized representative in all matters pertaining to the city's participation in the community development for water improvements and Blackman made the second. Motion carried.

The first reading of an ordinance for drug free, weapons free was reviewed.

Brent Gesch, City Manager, advised that a certified map showing the weapons free zones and the drug free zones should be prepared by the city engineer to be filed with the county clerk. The council ask Brent to look into the cost.

The drug free zone ordinance was left out of the packets, therefore, the item will be placed on the agenda for first reading at the next regular meeting.

A motion was made by Blackman to approve an Ordinance making appropriations for the support of the City of Sonora for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2002 and ending September 30, 2003 and adopting the annual budget. Polocek made a second to the motion and all members present voted in favor. Motion carried.

Polocek made a motion to approve an Ordinance setting a tax rate of .508077 on each \$100.00 valuation of property for the use and support of the Municipal Government of the City of Sonora for the 2002-2003 fiscal year, providing that taxes become due on October 1, 2002, and if not paid on or before January 31, 2002 shall become delinquent and that Sutton County Appraisal District is authorized to perform all duties required by law of the tax assessor-collector in regard to assessing and collecting ad valorem taxes. Councilmember Lopez made a second to the motion and the motion carried.

Polocek made a motion amending the fee schedule for wastewater rates (see table).

Lopez made a second to the motion and the motion carried.

Polocek made a motion to approve an Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 525 dated September 18, 2001 to amend the budget for the City of Sonora, Texas for fiscal year


2001-2002 to increase expenditure appropriations for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2001 and ending September 30, 2002 in the sum of One Hundred Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred Thirty One Dollars and No cents (\$117,531) and regulating the payment of money from the city treasury. Blackman made the second and the motion carried.

The council discussed setting a date after the first of the year for a council workshop to discuss long range planning for the city. Mayor Stephen ask the council to be considering a date that would be convenient and setting it on next months agenda.

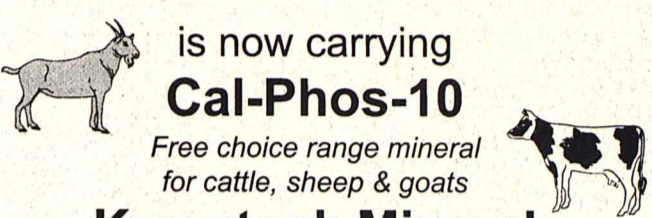
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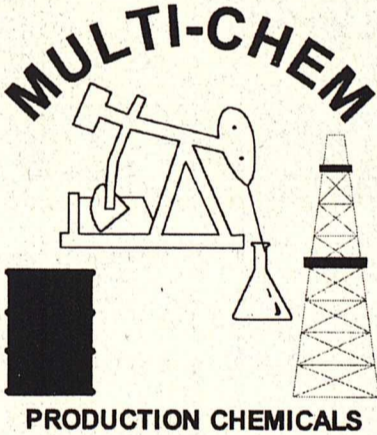
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ed." Fall is also the best time to apply post-emergent herbicides for winter broadleaf weeds.

"If you wait until spring to try and control the winter broadleaf weeds, they will be a more mature plant that is going to be much harder to control," said McAfee. "For winter broadleaf weeds such as henbit and dandelions, use one of the hormone type herbicides such as 2, 4-D or products that contain 2, 4-D in combination with other hormone-type herbicides such as MCPP and Dicamba.

As with the pre-emergent herbicides, always read the label to make sure the herbicide is labeled for the type of turfgrass in your landscape and that it is labeled for the particular broadleaf weeds you are trying to control, he said.

"With the application of


post-emergent broadleaf herbicides, it is important to delay watering for at least 24 to 48 hours following application of the herbicide. Also, delay mowing of the lawn for the same period of time," said McAfee.

He also warned not to apply pre-emergent herbicides in heavily shaded areas of the lawn. Because turfgrasses growing in heavily shaded areas are under stress, the application of a pre-emergent herbicide could damage these plants.

"If you are planning on over-seeding the lawn with one of the cool-season turfgrasses such as ryegrass for winter color, then do not apply a pre-emergent herbicide," said McAfee. "These herbicides will not only affect the weed seeds in the soil, but will also affect the ryegrass seed."

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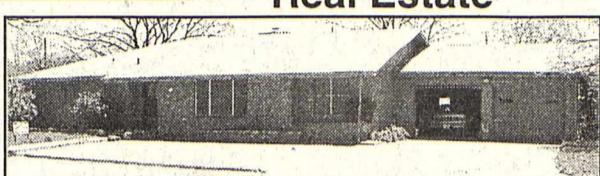
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ORDINANCE NO. 534 AMENDED APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 525 dated September 18, 2001 to amend the budget for the City of Sonora, Texas for fiscal year 2001-2002 to increase expenditure appropriations for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2001 and ending September 30, 2002 in the sum of One Hundred Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred Thirty One Dollars and No cents (\$117,531) and regulating the payment of money from the city treasury.

Passed and approved this the 17th day of September 2002.

James B. Stephen
 Mayor, City of Sonora

ANNUAL BUDGET

On Tuesday, September 18, 2002 city council approved the city's budget for Fiscal Year 2002-2003. The budget showing the intended uses and information supporting the budget actions taken by the council are available for public inspection in the Office of the City Secretary, City Hall, from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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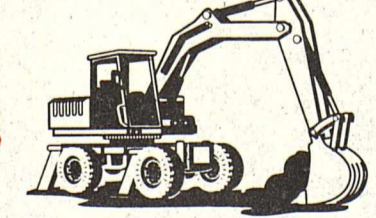
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