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## High Speed Chase Ends At Taqueria El Torito



by Storie Sharp

What started as a nice quiet lunch for some on Monday ended with a bang... and a bust.

Diners at Taqueria El Torito on Hwy. 277 South were finishing lunch when they heard a loud crash and then saw a Dominion truck hurtling toward them at the window.

The driver of the Ford Crown Victoria that caused the accident, 37 year-old Francisco Baraja-Arcila of Mexico had begun his high speed race earlier at the Texas Border. Border Patrol agents from Del Rio contacted the Sutton County Sheriff's Department and alerted them to the vehicle they had been following. The agents reported that they had lost sight of the vehicle and believed it was headed North. Texas State Trooper, Earlie Williams III spotted the vehicle on

Hwy. 277 North and clocked him at 81 m.p.h. Trooper Williams activated his emergency lights, indicating for the vehicle to pull over. Baraja-Arcila increased his speed and began the chase towards Sonora. Reaching speeds of over 109 m.p.h., the chase continued toward town, with the suspect vehicle traveling in and out of the wrong lane of traffic. City Police Chief Mike House, Officer Dick Dudley and Sheriff Deputy Oscar Chavez had positioned a road block near the Eddins-Walcher gas pumps, but Baraja-Arcila went through them and continued toward town.

Sutton County Dispatcher, Carla Crites alerted the Sonora High School to keep the students from leaving for lunch until further notice, so as to avoid any danger for students traveling in the line of traf-

fic. As the driver took the last curve before town he lost control of the vehicle and careened over the south bound curb, smashing into a dumpster and sending a street sign sailing over parked vehicles in the Taqueria parking lot. The car then crashed into Calloway Hall's Dominion pick-up, wedging it against the front windows of the restaurant. The suspect climbed out the passenger side door and began running down Glasscock Ave. toward the draw.

Officer Dudley, Deputy Chavez and Trooper Williams pursued him on foot, with Dudley and Chavez apprehending him in a yard, one street over from Hwy. 277.

After Baraja-Arcila was searched for weapons, he was

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## New Physician Recruited To Sonora

The Board of Directors and Staff of Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital is pleased to announce that Gregory P. Johnson, M.D. will begin practice in Sonora on July 7, 2003.

Dr. Johnson completed his undergraduate studies at the University of Texas-Austin and received a Doctorate of Medicine from the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. Dr. Johnson is Board Certified in Emergency Medicine in San Angelo. He and his wife, Becky, look forward to becoming a part of the Sonora Community.

Dr. Johnson's office will be located at the Sonora Medical Clinic, Suite B. Office hours and telephone number will be announced at a later date.

## Lady Bronco Golf Finishes Fifth At State Tournament

The Lady Bronco golf team ended their season as the 5th best 2A team in the state, shooting a two day total of 779 at Jimmy Clay Golf Course in Austin. Tamika Marshall finished as the low scorer for the Lady Broncos with a two day total of 185. Kayla McBride followed closely with a 186. The girls and their scores were as follows: Tamika Marshall-94-91-185. Kayla McBride-95-91-186. Missy Longoria-99-100-199. Sarah Gutierrez-110-99-209 and Candice Martin-111-109-220. Overall team standings at the state tournament were as follows; 1st-Salado-703, 2nd-Lago Vista-714, 3rd-Idalou-719, 4th-Hamilton-729, 5th-Sonora-779, 6th-San Saba-780, 7th-McGregor-804 and 8th-Elkhart-868. This completes a great season for the Lady Broncos.

## Bronco Baseball Area Champions

The Sonora Broncos and the Shallowater Mustangs met at Sweetwater for the Area round of the baseball playoffs for a best 2 out of 3 series. They played at the Sweetwater Mustang baseball field which was built in the 1930s for minor league play; an older baseball field with lots of character.

The first game started late because Shallowater's bus broke down in Snyder. Arriving in cars, the Mustangs and the Broncos were able to begin play with a nice breeze, overcast skies and intermit-

tent sunshine. The fans and players were thankful for the weather, as earlier that day a rain storm with golf ball size hail had been through the area.

Shallowater's starting lineup consisted of 3 seniors, 3 juniors and 3 sophomores. The Broncos were the home team and their starting lineup was: Doug Yocham - pitcher, Landon Brockman - catcher, Israel Arevalo - 1st base, Peter Duran - 2nd base, Manuel Lopez - short

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## Commissioners Discuss Renovation Requests At County Park

by Storie Sharp

The Sutton County Commissioners held their first meeting for the month on Monday, May 12, 2003.

Sheriff Fincher reported that there were 49 inmates for the month of May, averaging 92¢ per meal. Fincher also reported that the Sheriff's Department logged 6200 miles in April at 9¢ per mile, for an average of 14.7 miles per gallon. He said that the new deputy was doing well and they had been doubling up so as to save on mileage.

Bill Laster, EMS manager, reported they treated 32 patients and billed out \$11,745.75. They collected \$3,667.30 for the month of April.

Oscar Jimenez reported that the Road and Bridge Department was working on attaching cables to a light pole at the Softball field in attempt to keep it from leaning any further. Sutton County Judge, Carla Garner told the Commissioners that the City League had arranged for the pole that was in the new T-Ball field to be moved.

County Tax Appraiser, Rex

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## Lady Bronco Softball Quarter Final Champions



The Lady Broncos celebrate their Quarter Final Victory - see story page 5.

## Future Of Lillian M. Hudspeth Hospital In Our Hands

submitted

The future of healthcare in Sonora affects everyone in our area. We owe the quality of life we enjoy to the foresight and generosity of those who came before us. These passages from the Foundation brochure echo the belief of the SUTTON COUNTY HEALTH FOUNDATION that it is now our turn to preserve the legacy of superior healthcare in Sonora and to pass this treasure to future generations.

The SUTTON COUNTY HEALTH FOUNDATION was organized in early 2002 by a group of people who love Sonora and the way of life in Sutton County. The goal of the Foundation is to create an endowment with sufficient capital funds to produce supplemental income for Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital and to ensure the continuing excellence of healthcare in Sutton County.

While the Hospital is in sound financial condition, there are many variables that could affect its financial future. Currently, tax dollars and operational revenue support the Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital. At some time in the future, the expense of maintaining the hospital may exceed what county taxpayers are willing, or able, to pay. At that time, the hospital would be forced to close.

The major problem facing the community is the decrease in property values due to the depletion of the gas reserves. Governmental changes in Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement, and the continuing increase in the number of patients not covered by insurance are other factors. Because business owners, school teachers, doctors, industries, and retirees are reluctant to relocate to a town without a hospital, the loss of our hospital and the healthcare it provides endangers the economic survival of our community.

The purpose of the Foundation is to provide long-term support of

Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital and other healthcare resources in Sutton County. The goal is to replace the tax dollars lost by the depletion of the mineral reserves.

With these known and unknown variables in mind, all volunteer Board of Directors - which includes Jim Stephen, President; Rande Fawcett, Vice-President; Sharon Holman, Secretary/Treasurer; Pascal Allison, Dr. Alvis Johnson, Ben Pool, Carl Teaff, Curry Campbell, and Lolabette Jones, and Steering Committee members Susan Bloodworth, Glen Fisher, Carla Garner, Mike Hale, Cleve T. Jones, Joe David Ross, Melissa Teaff, Ronnie Cox, Lesa Gamez, Laurie Garza, JoAnn Hernandez, Rodney Knight, Eddie Sawyer, and Keith Wallace - seeks to be pro-active in addressing the future needs of healthcare in Sutton County.

The SUTTON COUNTY HEALTH FOUNDATION is a tax-exempt, 501(c)3 organization, which seeks tax-deductible funds to build an endowment through bequests, contributions, memorials, insurance policy proceeds, and gifts. The principal of this endowment will be invested in a conservative portfolio and income from these funds will supplement the hospital and other county health related organizations. This is a major project with important long-term goals. Your contributions will help preserve our hospital and ensure a future of promise and stability for Sutton County.

The SUTTON COUNTY HEALTH FOUNDATION is available for community presentations by calling the Board of Directors or Keith L. Butler at 387-2521. Contributions may be mailed to SUTTON COUNTY HEALTH FOUNDATION, P.O. Box 18, Sonora, Texas 76950.

## Bronco Golfers Finish Second At State

The Bronco golf team ended their season as runner up at the state golf tournament on Tuesday, May 6th at Jimmy Clay Golf Course. The boys finished with a two day total of 637, 29 strokes behind first place Three Rivers who shot a 608. Stetson Perez had a two day total of 149 to finish in a three way tie for the 4th overall medalists of the tournament. A.J. Hernandez shot a 74 on the second day, team low score for the day. The boys and their scores were as follows; Stetson Perez-70-79-149, A.J. Hernandez- 84-74-158, Embr Smith- 85-80-165, Chris Martin- 85-82-167 and Dustin Martin-83-86-169. The team results at the state tournament were as follows; 1st-Three Rivers- 608, 2nd-Sonora - 637, 3rd-Coleman-659, 4th - Jacksboro-663, 5th- Warren-668, 6th- Alpine-669, 7th-Yorktown-675 and 8th- New Diana-727. This ends a great season for the Broncos golf team.

## Sutton County Library Awarded Texas Book Festival Grant

Sutton County Public Library was one of 33 public libraries statewide to be awarded a Texas Book Festival grant at the annual convention of the Texas Library Association of Thursday, April 3, at the George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston.

The 2002 Texas Book Festival raised \$81,556.32 in grant monies through book sales, special events, sponsorships and exhibitors. Grants of up to \$2,500 will be presented to 33 libraries, all of which are first-time recipients. Since 1995, the festival has raised \$1.43 million for 474 libraries statewide.

"The Texas Book Festival, now in its eighth year, continues to work toward its goal of placing a grant in every public library in the state," said Mary Margaret Farabee, Festival chairman. "The importance of these grants cannot be underestimated - for many of these libraries, a \$2,500 grant doubles their annual book-buying budget."

The Sutton County Public Library will be adding to our minimal collection of bilingual books. Our primary focus is for ESL, but native English speakers may also find these materials very helpful. Included in this plan are Spanish novellas, non-fiction books, sets of videos for learning the English language and reference books.

The eighth annual Texas Book Festival will take place Nov. 8-9, 2003. Founded by First Lady Laura Bush in 1995, the Festival is held on the ground of the Texas State

Capitol and features readings and discussions from renowned authors. The 2002 Festival attracted more than 30,000 attendees with a program that included Rick Bragg, Robert Caro, Sandra Cisneros, Paula Danziger, Fannie Flagg, Tim O'Brien, Mary Pope Osborne, Richard Peck, Annie Proulx, and Richard Rodriguez. It's considered the most prestigious literary event in the Southwest, growing each year with the help of the Austin community, a statewide advisory committee, and hundreds of volunteers. Laura Bush continues to serve as Honorary Chairman.

"The 2002 Festival was our most successful to date in terms of attendance and quality of programming," said Cyndi Hughes, Festival director. "We look forward to building on that success in 2003."

The Festival underwriter is AT&T. Other major sponsors include Bank of America, Barnes & Noble, The Hewlett Packard Company/Microsoft, Susan Vaughan Foundation, Target Stores and Mervyn's, T.L.L. Temple Foundation, and Workplace USA.

The Festival's promotional sponsors include Time Warner Cable, The Austin American-Statesman, Book magazine, KGSR 107.1 FM, Oldies 103 NewsRadio 590 KLBJ-AM, Texas Monthly, KUT 90.5 FM and News 8 Austin.

For more information on the grant awarded to Sutton County Public Library, contact Florie Gonzales at 387-2111.

## Join The Sutton County Game Dinner Association

The Sutton County Game Dinner will hold elections at their general meeting on Tuesday, May 20th at 6:30 p.m. at the Fire Hall. All current members are encouraged to be there and anyone interested in joining is invited to attend.

The Sutton County Game Dinner Association was founded in 1967 by local rancher Bill Stewart. After attending a similar celebration in San Antonio, Sonora began having an annual event under the sponsorship of the Lions Club. Goats were barbecued because

hunting season had not yet begun. Everyone involved decided to start planning ahead to ensure a better menu the next year.

The event was started mainly for the community to thank the visiting hunters for contributing to Sutton County's economy. The event continued to grow, so in 1983 the members moved the date from the first Tuesday to the second Saturday of hunting season and by the late 1980's they began renting

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## Lady Broncos Make Academic All-State Basketball Team



Brittany Longoria and Amanda Sanchez have been selected to the 2002-2003 Texas Girl's Coaches Association Basketball All-State Academic Team. To be selected to this team the girls had to maintain a 94 or above grade point average throughout their four years of high school. Brittany and Amanda were members of the 02-03 Lady Bronco Varsity Basketball Team. Congratulations!

## Lions Club Celebrates 75 Years

submitted

On May 9, 1928 25 men showed up at the Sonora Woman's Club building with one thing on their mind, a vision for community service and leadership. On this day way back when, this group of far sighted, public spirited men formed an organization which has illustrated the idea of service to one's community. The original 42 charter members of the Sonora Lions Club became a part of District 2A and through their efforts they enlisted like minded men. At one point, Sonora represented the largest number of Lions per capita of any community in Lions International.

The Sonora Lions Club was sponsored by the San Angelo Downtown Lions Club and organized by Mr. Vernon H. Galloway. It's only through the hard work and dedication of these original members, and past members through the years, that the Lions were able to gather for the 75th birthday celebration held in Sonora May 9 - 11th. Those charter members were: Roy E. Aldwell, O.G. Babcock, W.R. Barnes, Dr. A.G. Blanton, M.O. Britt, W.E. Caldwell, O.L. Carpenter, Dan Cauthorn, B.H. Cusenbary, W.R. Cusenbary, W.H. Dameron, C.G. Dunklin, John Eaton Jr., A.C. Elliott, L.W. Elliott, W.C. Gillmore, V.F. Hamilton, Floyd Harrison, W.O. Hightower, Charles Hull, S.R. Hull, Bryan Hunt, B.W. Hutcherson, Alvis Johnson, C.T. Jones, C.S. Keene, E.D. Long, J.D. Lowrey, W.D. Martin, Ben Mittel, George H. Neill, M.C. Puckett, Alfred Schweining, G.G. Stephenson, Wirth Stephenson, H.V. Stokes, M.N. Stokes, George Tranier Jr., R.D. Trainer, A.Ware, J.D. Westbrook, and M.A. Wilson.

Following that first meeting at the Sonora Woman's Club building,



Current Lion President Robert Duran, celebrated his 75th birthday along with the club on Saturday.

the next meeting was held at the First United Methodist Church fellowship hall, where the club found a home and has met each week for 75 years.

The club went about its weekly business of "Serving" the community and in 1939 realized a need to develop a fund raiser to expand the services that the club offered the community. So, in 1939 the Sonora Lions Club annual auction was born. In addition to raising funds, many traditions within the club have been born out of this auction, including the sale of the "mystery package" each year. This mystery package has been bought and sold year after year and has never even been unwrapped. No one is quite sure what is in that mystery box, but

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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

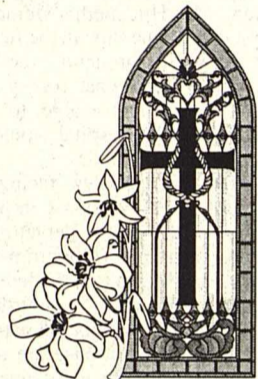
**LIGHTHOUSE COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
Don Longoria, Pastor  
1705 N. Crockett

**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**  
Pastor Mike Dixon  
1306 Savell St.  
387-5215



**Kerbow Funeral Home**  
387-2266

### Obituaries

## Mary Josephine Longley Curry

Memorial Services for Mary Josephine Longley Curry, who died Wednesday, May 7, 2003 at Crockett County Care Center in Ozona, will be held on Saturday, May 17 at 5:00 p.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church in Sonora, Texas.

Mrs. Curry was the daughter of pioneer ranchers Cam Longley and Josephine Young Longley of Crockett, Terrell and Val Verde counties since the early 1900's. The youngest of five children, Josephine Longley was born October 15, 1913 in Ozona and attended Ozona Public Schools and San Marcos Baptist Academy.

She married William Calvert Curry, a pharmacist, in 1935. Mr. and Mrs. Curry lived briefly in Sanderson and Lubbock before settling in San Angelo where Mr. Curry owned Curry Drug Company. In San Angelo, Mrs. Curry was a member of the "32 Club", The Eastern Star and The Daughters of The Nile organizations.

After Mr. Curry's death in 1967, Mrs. Curry moved to the Longley home in Del Rio to care for her mother. While in Del Rio, she enjoyed her lifelong hobby of painting in the mediums of oil, pastel and china. She was a member of The Del Rio Porcelain Arts Club and the First Christian Church of Del Rio. For the past four years, Mrs. Curry has been a resident of Crockett County Care Center in Ozona.

Preceding Josephine Longley in death were her parents, her husband, her sister Gretchen Longley Word, three brothers; Glen Lawley Longley, Cole Young Longley, Col. Cam Longley, Jr., and grandson Alan Neil Emery, Jr.

Survivors include a son Virgil Chrane, and two daughters; Virginia Calvert Curry



Epps and husband Ben of Sonora, and Josephine Kay Curry Emery and husband Neil of Langtry.

Mrs. Curry's grandchildren include Donald Loding Campbell and wife Ruth Ann of Sweetwater; Cam Longley Campbell and wife Erika Jane of Sonora; Calvert Curry Campbell and wife Bonnie Lou of Sonora, Kimberly Kay Emery Lozano and husband Eddie Lee of Langtry. Great grandchildren include Donald Loding Campbell, III (Tres) and Kathleen Ann Campbell of Sweetwater; Chelsey Lou Campbell and Chance Calvert Campbell of Sonora; Laurissa Kay Lozano, Alan Emery Lozano and Kamryn Lee Lozano of Langtry and numerous nieces and nephews.

Our family wishes to express heartfelt appreciation for the professional care and many personal acts of kindness shown to our Mother in the Crockett County Care Center.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made to The Sutton County Health Foundation, P.O. Box 18, Sonora, Texas 76950, The Crockett County Care Center, Ozona, Texas, or a charity of your choice.

## Mary Lena Brown

Mary Lena Brown, 51, of Odessa died Thursday, May 8, 2003, in Odessa. Services were on Saturday, May 10, 2003 in the Sonora Cemetery. Arrangements were by Kerbow Funeral Home.

Survivors include her husband, Dan Brown of Odessa; daughters, Lisa Brown of Dallas and Laura Danner of Odessa; and sister, Sue Griffith of San Antonio.

### Cards of Thanks

Johnell Casparis would like to thank the people of Sonora for their concern during her extended stay at Cook Children's Medical Center in Fort Worth. It is expected that she will be released from the hospital and return home on June 26, 2003.

Brownie Troop 235 would like to thank E.M. Hobbs for the use of their truck during the Cinco de Mayo Celebration Parade.

Also to David Buitron for driving the truck. The Girl Scout Brownie Troop really enjoyed it! Thanks!

I want to thank God, my parents, my relatives and all the people who helped in one way or another throughout my Cinco de Mayo campaign and to Father Bill and Annette Castro for selecting me as a candidate for Cinco de Mayo Queen. It was not an easy task, but all the long hours, hard work and dedication paid off. I raised \$4,047.50 and all this money went to St. Ann's Building Fund for the construction of a new hall and classrooms. Thank you to all the people who with their generous hearts helped with the cakewalk, bake sale and to all who purchased brisket, pancakes, enchiladas, chicken or tuna salad plates, burritos, candied apples, popcorn balls, empananda, candy, hamburgers and tamales. Thanks to those who purchased dance and raffle tickets to all who donated money in my jars and money or the scratch off cards. Thanks to the people who visited and called to extend their congratulations. It was a great experience for me because I got to meet a lot of people and I also had lots of fun. I am honored to be part of a community where people are willing to help, because of you good people, I was crowned Cinco de Mayo Queen. I will represent St. Ann's Church, my community and county with great pride. Again, thank you so much and God bless you!

Thank you to the following: Mom Jeannie, Aunt & Uncle Amalia and Mario, my aunts: Edwina Gandar, Frances Reyna, Adelina Mata, Irma Mata, Sally Mata, my sister Bianca, Jennifer and her husband J.B., my uncles: Robert and Sam Mata, my aunt and uncle Adela and Adolpho Alvarez, my cousins Yolanda Avila, Adrian Mata, Lori Galindo, Maria Espinosa, Dora Mata, Albert and Hillary Borrego, Sonia and Max Reyes, Henry and Hilda Mata, Crystal Delgado, Edward and Elva Mata, Jeanette and Billy Gonzales, Lisa Talamantes, Ronnie Lopez, Faye and Carlos Gamez, Vanji and Narcisco Lira Jr., Rosie and Ricky Moreno, Irma and Bobby Mata, Lydia Galindo, Lala Hernandez, Shorty Torres, Juanita Gandar, Cindy Perez, Benita and Harold Martinez, Enedina Ramirez, Irma Favila, Joyce Jimenez, Alicia Virgen, Kaci Lewis, Sutton County Senior Citizens, Carmen Galvan, Lole Castilleja, Irene Dominguez, Elvida Martinez, JoAnn Gamez, Gracie Lopez, Alicia Salazar, T & C Subway, Joe and Elvira Garcia, Mary and Fred Perez, Viola Solis, Evelyn Solis, Eloisa Ortiz, Andreita Borrego, Belia Solis, Elida Noriego, JoAnn and George Hernandez, Jennifer Martinez, Tonia and Enrique Sanchez, Lee Hazelton, Warren Hemphill, Delia and Neomi Samaniego, Dee and Pete Martinez, Seco Mayfield, Johnny Acuff - Food Center, Shari and Jesse Telles, Shanna Petty, Irene Friess - Flowers by Irene, Mary Lou Creek - The Cutting Edge, Victor and Diana Virgen - Victor's Automotive, Lisa's Flowers, Dairy Queen, Pizza Hut, Rita Mendez, Irene Ozuna, Velma Virgen, Betty Hernandez, Lisa Gamez, Arcelia Carrasco, Tina Sanchez, Rachel Duran, Rebecca Perez, Steven Barley, Olivia and Alvin Hernandez, Cenisia Martinez, Felis Solis, Valentina Gallegos, Hermelinda Hernandez, Thelma Vasquez, Amy Ramirez, Flora Salazar, Juan Patino, Joe and Irene Casillas, Jovita Jimenez, Rosalba Chavez, Maria Carrasco, Gloria Guerra and Yogi Solis.

Blanca Dianne Lozano

On behalf of the Women of St. John's Episcopal Church, I would like to thank all the ladies that contributed their time by baking goodies for our Country Store / Bake Sale last Friday. I also want to thank all those who gave so generously by monetary contributions. A special thanks to Chelsey Lou, Carol, Fran and Sherry who came and helped get things organized for the sale on Friday morning. We were blessed with contributions over \$900. Once again, thank you ladies for all your contributions. All proceeds will benefit the A.C.S. Relay for Life.

Bonnie Lou Campbell  
Country Store, Chairman

Ronnie Cox  
loves  
being your  
Pharmacist

### Senior Center News

- May 19 - Bingo. After lunch.
- May 20 - City Council. 2:00 p.m. City Hall.
- May 21 - Van to San Angelo! Medicals come first. Call 387-3941 FMI.
- May 22 - Birthday party for May babies!
- May 23 - Run errands and pay bills!

### Senior Menu

- May 19 - Chicken strip with gravy, broccoli, rolls, baked potatoes, peach cobbler, milk.
- May 20 - Polish sausage, sweet potato, steamed cabbage, cornbread, pears, milk.
- May 21 - BBQ chicken, pinto beans, potato salad, cornbread, apricot/banana medley, milk.
- May 22 - Hamburger on bun, onion, lettuce, tomatoes, baked French fries, carrot, salad, apple, milk.
- May 23 - Roast beef with gravy, potatoes, green beans, rolls, angel food cake with fruit, milk.

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.\*

## Lighthouse Community Church

A Place to Belong and a Place to Become.

### Sunday Services

Bible Study 10:00 a.m.  
Worship • 11:00 a.m. • 6:00 p.m.  
1705 N. Crockett

### School Lunch Menu • May 19 - 23, 2003

- Breakfast**
- Mon. - Pancake on stick, syrup, juice or fruit.
  - Tues. - Scrambled eggs, toast/jelly, juice or fruit.
  - Wed. - Waffles, syrup, juice or fruit.
  - Thurs. - Cinnamon roll, juice or fruit.
  - Fri. - Cheese toast, juice or fruit.
- Milk and cereal offered with all breakfasts.
- Lunch**
- Mon. - Chili cheese dog, tator tots, ketchup, fruit, cookie.
  - Tues. - Chalupas, Spanish rice, salad, dressing, fruit crisp.
  - Wed. - Baked ham, kernel corn, fruit salad, topping, hot roll.
  - Thurs. - Fish nuggets, macaroni & cheese, steamed broccoli, jello with fruit.
  - Fri. - Deli turkey on bun, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, fries, orange sherbert.

## 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

**Stagecoach BBQ & Catering**  
109 W. Main  
387-0623

**Sutton County Steakhouse**  
1306 N. Service Rd  
387-3833

**Taco Grill**  
232 Hwy. 277 N.  
387-9127

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May 16  
SISD Holiday

May 16-17

A.C.S. Relay for Life

6:00 p.m. • Bronco Stadium

May 19-23

Teacher Appreciation Week at  
Sonora Elementary

The Community Calendar



P.O. BOX 798 - SONORA, TEXAS 76950

(325) 387-3861

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## Calendar

May 21

Piano Recital • 6:00 p.m.  
St. John's Episcopal Church

May 25

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High School Auditorium

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### Letters To The Editor Policy

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Email us at editor@sonoratr.net



## Ask the Historical Society

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

We received the following letter and the picture shown with this column was enclosed. I thought we should share it with our readers:

**May 6, 2003-Dear Jo-Ann,**  
I enjoy your Historical Society column and Delyse Jaeger's articles on Eaton Hill. My brother, Dan, and our friends have spent many happy hours running around on the hill playing cowboys and Indians (This was before TV). Dan and I could probably tell you where every rock and cactus plant is. It is wonderful that others are enjoying it too, thanks to Sonora Industrial Development Corporation, Mr. Cahill and many others.

Finding this picture among Dad's things, thought I would send it to you. Seems as if the boy Scouts found a good place to practice their exercises.

Notice the many blue bonnets along the road up the hill.

I am looking forward to reading more about Sonora and its history.

Nancy Eaton Groom

This picture has quite a story that goes along with it. I had seen it before many years ago when I visited John looking for information on the earliest Boy Scouts of Sonora. A book had come out called "Panjandrum A History of Scouting in the Concho Valley Council 1911-1931" and there was no mention of the Sonora Boy Scouts in the book. We knew Sonora had a troop in those earliest days because of an old article we had on file from 1915.

After speaking with Mr. Frank T. Hilton, the author of the book, we copied the early article we had and sent it to him. He made a trip to Sonora and we went to John Eaton and he had this wonderful picture in his files of the boys practicing emergency first aid on the hill. A little more digging on Mr. Hilton's part and he found that we were the second troop organized in the Concho Valley. Roy E. Aldwell had organized the troop in the council in 1914. Mr. Hilton made a change to Chapter 4 of his book, to be added when it was reprinted and gave out sheets to those who were buying the current edition, with the correction regarding Sonora.

A part of the history of scouting in Sonora almost went unrecognized. Thankfully, through this picture and the articles in the Devil's River News, Sonora Boy Scouts were recognized as the second troop ever formed in the Concho Valley. They even listed the names of the leaders and scouts in the rewrite:

Troop Committee-Dr. J. F. Peek, School Principal; Dr. H. R. Wardlaw, medical doctor; and R. H. Martin, rancher.

Troop Leadership-Roy E. Aldwell, Scoutmaster; Prof. I. B. Peck, math teacher; Prof. Seth Wagon, history teacher; and Fred Simmons, partner in Sonora Motor Co.; Assistant Scoutmasters; H. Huebner, blacksmith and "troop leader;" Hiram Stokes, troop scribe.

Patrol No. 1-A. B. Stokes, patrol leader (second class), Wade Grimland, asst. Patrol leader (second class), Harvey Morris, Collier Shurley, Joe Martin, Basil Halbert, Jr. (second class) and Alfred Cooper.

Patrol No. 2-Will Adams, patrol leader, Willie Miers asst. patrol leader, Justice Adams, Ben Martin, George J. Trainer, Joseph Vander Stucken, Ariel Wardlaw.

Patrol No. 3-Emmitt Archer, patrol leader, Joe B. Ross, asst. patrol leader, Duard Archer, Edmund Alley, J. V. Alley, Merrill Bodeheimer, Fordie Beard (second class), Earnest Parton.

Patrol No. 4-Delma Smith, patrol leader (second class), Henry Decker, asst. leader, Wallace Davis (second class), Birdwell Davis, John Fields, Homer Parker, Tom Davis.

Patrol No. 5-Rufus Ward, patrol leader, Joe North asst. patrol leader (second class), Jim Merck, Justice Pinkston, Millard Bryson, Miers Savell.

Joe B. Ross, a member of Patrol No. 3 of the Sonora Troop, in 1914, later became President of the Concho Valley Council, and served in that capacity from 1954 through 1955.

At the time this book was written, Joseph Vander Stucken was the only member of the troop still alive. He remembered the troop hiking to the Llano River for summer camp. They took along a "hard rubber" tired truck that carried all the provisions and gear. The Scouts hiked for two days to reach the camp. On the



First acting Scout master, Roy E. Aldwell, watches four boys build an emergency stretcher in the Spring of 1915. Jim Bean Photography

second day, several of the Scouts, including himself, received permission to hike ahead of the other boys as they knew where they were going. Upon reaching the Llano, they stripped and went swimming even when they knew they weren't supposed to. When Roy Aldwell arrived at camp found out about it, he whipped each boy for going swimming without his permission! He still remembered that whipping some 75 years later when he told this story on January 18, 1990. For many years Mr. Vander Stucken was a benefactor of the Council. In addition to Boy Scouting he was a benefactor of the West Texas Boys Ranch and donated to the El Camino Council, Girl Scouts, the land for Jo Jan Van Girl Scout Camp near Vance, Texas.

The troop met in the lower hall of the Masonic Lodge. At the start of WWI, the Scouts collected Spanish Walnuts for the Army. These were burned and the charcoal from them was used in the manufacture of gas masks. The troop lasted for two years until Aldwell and several of his Boy Scouts joined the military and went off to serve in World War I. After he returned from the war, Aldwell started the troop up again in 1927 and served as Troop Committeeman. He was presented the Silver Beaver award for his outstanding service to boyhood on Jan. 24, 1936.

This is just another example of why saving and preserving the history of Sutton County is so important. With our files and research and John Eaton's picture we went from non-existent in the early years to the

second oldest troop in the Concho Valley Council.

We ask you all again to please share pictures with the society so that future generations can enjoy local history through the years. One reader told me "Oh how I wish I'd given you copies of those pictures years ago, now we have nothing." Her house had burned down and with no backup file anywhere, they lost their whole family history of photos. This is one of the reasons we are trying to get a copy of a picture of everyone who has ever lived in Sutton County. People die and things get thrown away, fires happen, water damage, shipping crates get lost, so many ways to lose precious pictures. If we have a backup copy in the archival storage area we can make you prints of your photos on file. At least it would be a start to reconstructing your photo collections. It is also possible to go through all the papers and copy articles pertaining to your family. One person whose military records had been lost to fire was able to prove his service this way.

If you have any questions concerning Sutton County history, send them to "Ask the Historical Society," P.O. Box 885, Sonora, TX 76950-0885 or e-mail them to schs@sonorax.net. You may call us at 387-5084 Mondays, Tuesday mornings and Fridays or catch me at home at 387-2855.

Note: We caught a couple of names that had been spelled wrong in the book, if you find any you know are wrong give me a call please. We want to make sure your ancestors names are spelled correct-

## Rogers Nominated For Senior Hall of Fame

Brigitte Rogers has been nominated for the Concho Valley Senior Hall of Fame Award, held each year in conjunction with the Senior Spring Fling.

Two outstanding individuals who have made a significant impact within their Concho Valley Community through volunteer service.

Rogers was the first certified benefits counselor for the Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley. She is still active in benefits counseling, as well as in the Western Texas Lions Eye Bank Alliance and the Texas Silver-



Haired Legislature. This December she became the manager for the Lifeline program in Sonora.

## Chamber Chatter

by Ruthie Bounds, Chamber of Commerce Manager

Welcome to our "Chamber Chatter" column. Years ago there was a weekly column in the Devil's River News; it was called "Chamber Chatter" and it contained news and information about the Sonora Chamber of Commerce. For unknown reasons the column ceased to be published in the newspaper many years ago. We have decided to revive this column so that we can stay better in touch with our Chamber of Commerce members and the community of Sonora. Our intention is to use this column as a forum to help promote local

business, tourism, hunting, and community events. We hope you will call our office at 387-2880 to let us know of any upcoming events that should be mentioned in our little column.

We will feature at least two businesses each week in the column. They will be chosen at random and will include not just retail businesses, but also service related businesses, restaurants, oilfield related businesses, motels, ranches and any other businesses that we have listed. We are looking forward to working with all our Chamber members and would like to invite any of you who are not a Chamber of Commerce member at this time, to become a member. We have information packets available on our website [www.sonoratx-chamber.com](http://www.sonoratx-chamber.com) or, of course you may call or come by our office anytime Monday-Friday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. We welcome your suggestions and look forward to working with you in the future.

## Main Street Traffic

### Four Man Golf Tourny

submitted

The Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program will have the Main Street Four Man, 2 Low Ball Golf Tournament on May 17 and 18, 2003 at the Sonora Golf Course (325-387-3482). Tee Times will be 8:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. and the fee is \$400 per team (first 40 teams). There will be great food, cash prizes, golf gifts and lots of fun.

The Main Street Four Man, 2 Low Ball Golf Tournament is a benefit golf tournament for the Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program. The funds will go to support the events and promotions that the Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program does for our community. Come and support your Sonora Main Street Program with a couple days of great fun and golf.

The "Longest Drive" contest is sponsored by First National Bank of Sonora and the "Closest to the Pin" is sponsored by The Bank & Trust of Sutton County.

Other prizes have been donated or sponsored by National Oil Well Service, Federal Land Bank Assn., KHOS Radio, The Devil's River News, and San Angelo Standard Times. If you would like to be a sponsor please contact F.H.S. Main Street Program at 325-387-2248.

## Engagement

### Chávez and García To Wed



Delma Chávez and Manuel García

Victoriano and Rosalba Chávez are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Delma, to Manuel García III, so of Manuel and Urbana García of Kingsville, TX.

Delma is a graduate of Sonora High School and The University of Texas at San Antonio, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Interdisciplinary Studies. She is also a graduate of Texas A&M Kingsville, where she earned a Master of Science degree in Educational Administration. Delma is currently employed with Northside I.S.D. in San Antonio, TX.

The prospective groom is a graduate of H.M. King High School and St. Mary's University, where he earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Accounting. He is currently employed as a C.P.A. with SBC Communications.

The couple is planning a July 12, 2003 wedding at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in San Antonio, TX with Rev. Jose Sanchez, C.M.F. officiating.

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**Favila Named  
Girl Scout  
"Outstanding  
Volunteer"**

On Saturday, April 12, 2003, the Girl Scouts - El Camino Council held their Annual Awards & Recognition Luncheon and Annual Meeting in San Angelo, Texas at the Bentwood Country Club. Volunteers honored included Trainers, Event Directors, and Service Unit Directors from the Council's 18 counties.

Twenty-seven volunteers received Girl Scouts of the U.S.A.'s "Outstanding Volunteers Award," including Tammy Favila of Sonora, for outstanding service benefitting a geographic area and going far beyond the expectations of her position.

**Marshall  
Graduates  
Magna Cum  
Laude**



Olga Camille Marshall, daughter of Oscar and Kathy Marshall graduated Magna Cum Laude from the University of the Incarnate Word in San Antonio, Texas on Saturday, May 10, 2003. Camille, a 1998 graduate of Sonora High School, received degrees in Accounting and Information Systems.

**ESL Summer School**

Sonora Elementary is offering an ESL (English as a Second Language) Summer School Program. This program is offered to limited English proficient students who will be eligible for admission to kindergarten and first grade at the beginning of the 2003-2004 school year.

This program is offered from June 5 - July 18 from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. each day with July 4 being a holiday. If you would like for your child to participate, please contact the elementary office by Friday, May 23. In order to provide this program, we must have at least 10 children sign up to attend.

If you have any questions, call the Elementary School office at 387-2414.

**Escuela de Verano Para Estudiantes de ESL**

Sonora Elementary está ofreciendo un programa ESL (Inglés como Segunda Idioma) de escuela de verano. Este programa se ofrece a estudiantes que son limitados en el idioma de inglés y que son elegibles para entrar a kindergarten o primer grado al comienzo del año escolar de 2003-2004.

Este programa se ofrecerá del 5 de junio 18 de julio de 8:00 - 12:00 cada día. El día 4 de julio no habrá clases. Si usted desea que su niño/niña participe, por favor pongase en contacto en la oficina para el viernes, 23 de mayo. A manera de poder ofrecer este programa, necesitamos tener por lo menos 10 estudiantes firmados para asistir.

Si tiene alguna pregunta, llame a la oficina de la escuela Elementary al numero 387-2414.

**Letter to the Editor**

To America's Teachers:

Thank you. Thank you for your dedication. Thank you for your hard work. Thank you for your service. Thank you for choosing this noble profession.

Thank you for being a hero to both young and old. Thank you for being a best friend. Thank you for your love.

Thank you for believing in the bright hope of every child. Thank you for setting high standards. Thank you for believing every child can learn if given the chance.

Thank you for inspiring the leaders of tomorrow. Thank you for offering comfort in times of sorrow. Thank you for being a mentor for a lifetime.

Thank you for your professionalism. Thank you for your commitment. Thank you for staying after school and providing extra help. Thank you for doing whatever it takes to make sure no child is left behind.

As you go about your work this day and every day, know that you have the admiration, appreciation and respect of the President of the United States and all of the American people.

Sincerely,  
Rod Paige, U.S. Education Secretary

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- May 18 - Felis Solis, Rosalinda Hernandez, Sydne Robles, Jenny Kneuper, Alex Noriega
- May 19 - Toni Charo, Brittney Cook, Brent Archer, James Blackman, Vicki Bermea
- May 20 - Kelly Jones, Raquel Vela, Irma Ramirez, Ram Perez
- May 21 - Todd Wolfe, Tasha Hernandez, Adriana Faz

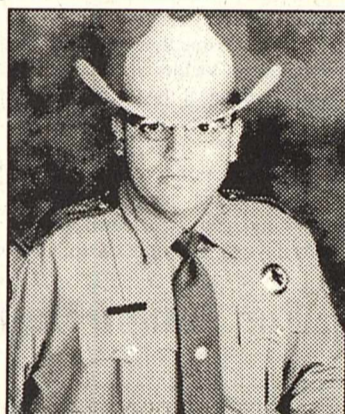
**Renteria Graduates From DPS  
Training Academy**

Austin - Rito Alberto Renteria of Sonora graduated today from the Texas Department of Public Safety's 124th Training Academy.

"Our graduates today enter a different and more dangerous world in law enforcement," said Col Thomas A. Davis, Jr., director of the DPS. "They will act as the first line of defense for the citizens of Texas against criminals of all sorts - from drunk drivers to terrorists. We expect them to uphold and even enhance the proud tradition of the Texas Department of Public Safety."

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott addressed the graduating class at Riverbend Center in Austin. DPS assistant director Lt. Col. David McEathron also participated in the ceremony along with DPS training officers.

The 27-week school is the longest continuous training academy offered by any law enforcement agency in Texas, and one of the longest in the nation. The cadets entered the Academy in September and completed 1,214 hours of instruction - more than twice the



training required by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education. The students received instruction in criminal law, traffic law, arrest procedures, accident investigation, first aid and other law enforcement subjects, as well as classes aimed at developing self-esteem and goal setting skills.

Trooper Renteria will be assigned to the License & Weight Service in Laredo.

**F.Y.I.**

**BANK NIGHT and T-shirt pick-up for Relay For Life teams will be Thursday, May 15, 2003 from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. in the First National Bank Founder's Room.** Team captains **NEED** to pick up the T-shirts, goodies and turn in all money raised as of yet!! If you can't be there call Storie at 387-2507.

Carolyn Earwood's School of Dance Ballet Recital Videos are in! You can pick up your tape at Main Street Realty.

A Benefit Bake Sale will be held for Elias Perez, son of Robert & Cynthia Perez to help defer medical expenses on Saturday, May 31st, starting at 8:00 a.m. at the T&C Village Market (Food Center).

The Halloween Dance Club Spring Dance will be held in June. Watch for more information at a later date.

The Sutton County Adult Probation Department is seeking entities/organizations who may need community service labor on a regular basis or for special occasions. Interested organizations/entities must satisfy non-profit requirements and will need to provide their contact information to: Sutton County Adult Probation Department, 116 N. Concho Ave. - P.O. Box 926, Sonora, TX 76950 or call 387-5744 and leave contact information.

The Sutton County Public Library, 306 E. Mulberry St., will have a Book Sale from May 1st - May 30th, Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Nonfiction, fiction, children, youth, paperbacks, reference, magazines - \$1 hardcovers, 50¢ paperbacks, 25¢ magazines.

The Dominion/BB Chemical Relay for Life team is selling raffle tickets for \$1 a chance, to win a DVD/CD/VCR combo player. Contact any team member to get your tickets today. All proceeds will benefit the ACS Relay for Life.

Well-wishers are encouraged to continue sending mail to 13 year-old Johnell Casparis, who is recovering from HSV Encephalitis. Your cards and letters have been a great inspiration to her and her family. Send mail to: Johnell Casparis, Cook Children's Hospital, 801 Seventh Street, Room 6406, Fort Worth TX 76104-2796. The phone number is 817/885-4454.

Donations can be made to: Johnell Casparis Benefit Fund, Cedar Creek Bank, PO Box 43412, Seven Points, Texas 75143. She still has at least 8 weeks of therapy left and is showing some improvement. As recently as a week ago, her old personality started coming through again. She is understanding most of what is said to her, but is still having trouble expressing what she wants to say in words. It is a slow process, but she is improving.

Project Graduation will be held on Friday, May 30, 2003. Please send donations or prizes to Beth Wallace, 410 S.E. Crockett, Sonora, Texas. If you have any questions, please call Beth Wallace at 387-5786 or Sandi Ainsworth at 387-3737.

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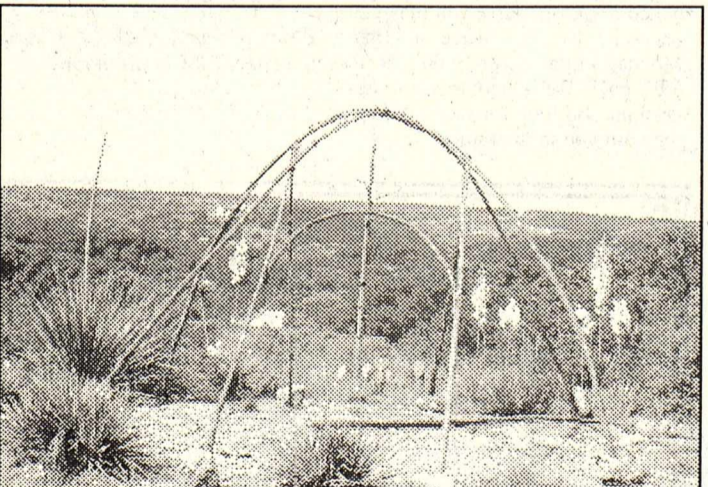
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**Piano Players To Perform**



Elizabeth Dixon (left) and Sydney Dermody (right) are the newest members to join the Sonora Piano group. They are also ready for the Recital on Wednesday, May 21st at St. John's Episcopal Church Parish Hall at 6:00 p.m.

**Native American Dwelling Going Up  
On Eaton Hill**



The quarry on Eaton Hill is evolving into quite a point of interest. A Native American Indian dwelling is being constructed, using native materials at the quarry along Shinnery Stroll off the Agave Ridge Trail. The floor of the quarry is covered with fossil formations from the ancient shallow sea and is fascinating to inspect. Also, located in the quarry is a rock and geological display. And no, that's not an overlooked trash pile along the trail.

Remnants of old food containers, tools, utensils, etc. found on Eaton Hill are actually old enough to have historical value. The Eaton Hill Committee is working on educational interpretation structures to complement the growing number of points of interest.

Currently the hill is adorned with elegant yucca blooms along with sotol stalks. The agave flower stalk has reached a height of approximately 16 feet. All can be seen in the photo. Wildflowers are still present, but bold and vibrant cactus blooms dominate. I imagine there are few places which offer such variety and contrast of plant life. Hit the trails and enjoy this new season of natural wonders on Eaton Hill. Eaton Hill Wildlife Sanctuary is a project of the Sonora Industrial Development Corporation.



## Broncos Baseball from page 1

stop. Lance Roberts - 3rd base, Justin Sims - right field, Caleb Gulley - center field and Stevie Hernandez - left field.

Senior pitcher for the Mustangs, Rusty Baker, faced 30 Broncos, and struck out 3 with 4 runs scored on 4 hits. Yocham pitched 6<sup>th</sup> innings, facing 25 batters with 2 strikeouts, 5 hits and 1 run. Yocham did a fantastic job of pitching for this game.

In the first inning, Caleb Gulley scored on a pass ball and Israel Arevalo got on base with a walk and later scored making the score 2-0 Broncos. The second out of the 2nd inning was a toss from Peter Duran to Manuel Lopez. No runs scored for either team. The final out of the 3rd inning was a fly out to Roberts which gave the Broncos the bat.

Brockman's sacrifice for the 1st out advanced Arevalo to 3rd. Followed by Yocham's fly out to center field, Arevalo scored, making it 3-0 Broncos.

Designated hitter, Clint Cearley, hit a home run in the 4th to make the score 4-0 Broncos. The Mustangs finally scored 1 run in the 6th inning. With the bases loaded and 2 outs, Justin Sims came in, in



the 6th inning, to get the last out. He closed the game and got the save, pitching 1<sup>st</sup> innings, facing 7 batters, with 2 strikeouts, 2 hits and no runs. Of the 21 outs for the Broncos, Gulley had six, with two of them back to back in the 4th inning. Shallowater left 10 batters on base; Broncos left 7 and each team had two errors. If both teams could have scored these runs, this game would have gone into extra innings.

## Game Two Against Shallowater

The Broncos exploded as the visiting team, with four home runs in game two against Shallowater. The boys in Red scored seven runs in the first inning, but Shallowater came back and scored three runs with a Rusty Baker home run.

Broncos starting pitcher, Clint Cearley, pitched two innings, facing 11 batters with two strike outs.

In the top of the second, the Broncos came back, sending eight batters to the plate and scoring four runs. Caleb Gulley started the process with a double and scored on Israel Arevalo's home run. Shallowater answered by sending five batters to the plate with Bynum's home run and scoring 2 runs. Score 11-5 Broncos. The Broncos 3rd inning sent nine batters to the plate. Arevalo got his second homerun, with 3 RBI's. Justin Sims came in to close the game and faced 17 batters and had six strikeouts.

Shallowater was shut down in the 3rd, sending only four batters to the plate and scoring no runs.

In the 4th inning, Manuel Lopez, led off with a triple and Arevalo hit into a 6-3 for the second out of the inning which was good enough to score Lopez who was already on 3rd base. Shallowater added a score in the bottom of the 4th making it 16 to 6

Broncos.

In the top of the 5th, Yocham led off, reaching 1st base on an error by Shallowater's second base man. Sims' home run drove Yocham and himself in.

In the bottom of the 5th, Shallowater brought 7 batters to the plate. The first batter struck out on 3 pitches. The next batter hit a home run off a 3-1 count. The next three batters connected with the first hitting a single, the next a double and the next a single to score a run. Sims came back and retired the side striking out the next two batters to end the game. Final score 18-8.

A struggling Shallowater went through four pitchers and four errors. The Broncos proved to be too much for the Mustangs to handle and proved to be the better team in this round of the playoffs. Arevalo ended the game with 6 RBI's, Justin Sims had 4, Lance Roberts had 3, Clint Cearley with 2, Landon Brockman and Doug Yocham each with 1. Sonora Broncos Area Champions.

The next round is Regional Quarterfinals against Lubbock Roosevelt. Date, location and time to be announced. Congratulations to the Broncos and their continued success. WAY TO GO BRONCOS!

## Pony Leaguers 5-2, In Full Swing

By: Danni Price

The Sonora 13/14 Year Old Junior Pony League Boys have been busy this season. As of today, they have already played 7 games resulting in a 5-2 record. This 14 member team consists of the following: Pecos Roberts, Riley Sanchez, Fidel Acevedo, Aaron Gaytan, Morgan Martinez, Victor Vaquera, Marco Jimenez, Alonzo Pena, Lito Trevino, J.T. Downing, Austin Castaneda, Tanner James, J.J. Galindo, and Nathan Mungia. The boys are managed by Fernando Trevino and assistant coaches are Tim Roberts, Willie Mungia and Danni Price.

In the first game, Sonora traveled to San Angelo Northern on Tuesday, April 22, 2003. This initial game was not necessarily a good one for the boys. Actually they asked me not to even mention this particular game in the paper. Sonora finished the game with only 3 Hits, 2 RBIs, 3 BBs, and 10 Errors. On a positive note, Riley Sanchez went 2 for 3 at the plate with a triple and a single and Morgan Martinez was 1 for 3 with a double. Defensively, Aaron Gaytan had 5 Ks and Victor Vaquera had 3 Ks.

The second game was considerably better. The boys traveled to San Angelo Lakeview on Thursday, April 24, 2003 and won this game by a score of 16 to 4. Sonora's bats came alive for this game as they wound up with 9 Hits, 16 Runs, 4 BBs, and 6 Errors. Riley Sanchez was 3-4 with a 1B, Walk and Error. Victor Vaquera was 2-2 with 2 singles. Fidel Acevedo went 1-2 with a Walk, Morgan Martinez was 4-4 with a single, 2 doubles, and Error. Lito Trevino was also 4-4 with 2 HRs, a Walk and an Error, Alonzo Pena was 2 for 4 reaching base with speed and ease on two errors. J.T. Downing was 1-3 with a single, Austin Castaneda was 3-3 with a single, walk and error. Austin Castaneda had 3 Strikeouts in two innings on the mound, and Lito Trevino had 4 Strikeouts in two innings of work.

Game 3 was played at home here in Sonora on Monday, May 28, 2003 with the neighbors of Eldorado coming to play. The game for the most part was a good competitive one. Both teams, in this writer's opinion, are both pretty evenly matched. But, unfortunately for Sonora, we let a 5-4 6th inning lead get away. After, what had been a pretty good game for Sonora through six, the 7th inning was just the opposite. Sonora allowed 11 Eldorado batsmen to step up to the plate and drive-in 7 unanswered runs. As, Tryon Fields would say, "the wheels just fell off for the Sonora Broncos". Final Score: Sonora 5, Eldorado 11. Sonora's tally 3 Hits, 5 Runs, 2 Errors, 5 BBs, and 2 HBP's. Riley Sanchez was 1-4 with a single, Victor Vaquera was 2-4 with a single and a walk, Morgan Martinez was 2-4 with a double and an error. Lito Trevino 2-3 with a walk and an error. Austin Castaneda 2-3 with a Walk and hit by pitch. Alonzo Pena 1-3 with a Fielders Choice. Aaron Gaytan 2-3 with a hit by pitch and an error. J.T. Downing 1-1 with a walk. J.J. Galindo 1-1 with a walk. Lito Trevino pitched 6<sup>th</sup> innings, striking out 12 along the way.

Game 4 was also played on home turf here in Sonora on Thursday, May 1st. The Sonora bunch faced the Hawks from Wall. The boys played a much better game this time, beating Wall handily 15-9. Sonora had 9 Hits, 15 Runs, 6 BBs, and 9 Errors. Riley Sanchez went 2-5 with a single and an error. Victor Vaquera went 1-4 with a walk, Morgan Martinez went 2-2 with a single and a walk. Lito Trevino went 1-2 with a single, Alonzo Pena was 3-4 with 3 walks, Austin Castaneda 1-3 with a single. J.T. Downing 3-4 with a single and 2 doubles. Aaron Gaytan went 4-4 with a single, triple and two errors, Marco Jimenez 2-3 with a Fielders Choice and an error, and J.J. Galindo 1-1 with a walk. Pitching for Sonora was Austin Castaneda 3 innings, 3 Strikeouts, and Aaron Gaytan 4 innings, 5 Strikeouts.

Game 5 was played on Monday, May 5, 2003 in Grape Creek. Sonora took on San Angelo North Concho. Sonora came ready to play as they won 15-7. Sonora had 15 Hits, 15 Runs, 2 BBs and 4 Errors. Riley Sanchez 2-4 with a single and a walk, Victor Vaquera 2-4 with a single and a double, Morgan Martinez 1-2 with an error, Fidel Acevedo 1-1 with an error, Lito Trevino 2-4 with a single and a double, Alonzo Pena 4-4 with 2 singles, a double and a walk, Austin Castaneda 4-4 with 2 singles a double and an error, Aaron Gaytan 2-3 with a single and a double, J.T. Downing 1-2 with a double, and Pecos Roberts 1-1 with a single. Pitching for Sonora was Lito Trevino with 3<sup>rd</sup> innings and 6 Strikeouts, and Aaron Gaytan 1<sup>st</sup> innings and 1 Strikeout.

Game 6 was a home game for the Pony Leaguers as they faced the Force from Wall on Friday, May 9th. This game was won by Sonora 16-6 in Five. Sonora seems to improve in every game that they play. Riley Sanchez was 2-4 reaching base on 2 Fielders Choice, Victor Vaquera 3-4 with 2 Singles and a Walk, Morgan Martinez 3-4 with a Single, Walk and Error, Lito Trevino 3-4 with a Triple, Single, and Error, Fidel Acevedo 2-2 with a Walk and Error, Pecos Roberts 2-2 with a Single and Fielders Choice, Austin Castaneda 2-4 with a Single and a Walk, Aaron Gaytan 4-4 with a Single and 3 Doubles, J.T. Downing 3-3 with 2 Walks and an Error, Nathan Mungia 1-1 with a Hit By Pitch, Marco Jimenez 2-2 with a Single and a Fielders Choice and Tanner James 1-2 with a Walk. Pitching for the "Pony's" were Austin Castaneda and Lito Trevino. Castaneda pitched 3 innings faced 15 batsmen, giving up 4 Hits, 4 Runs, Striking Out 2, and not giving up a Walk. Trevino came in to pitch the last 2 innings facing 9 batters, giving up 0 Hits, 2 Runs, Walking 1 and Striking out 4.

Game 7 was played on Monday, May 12th in San Angelo against the Southern Yankees. This was by far the best game played all season by the Ponies. This game saw a change in leaders several times. Fortunately for Sonora, the rally caps were on and the bats were hot in the top of the 7th. This was "do or die". Sonora had to score 2 to tie or 3 to go ahead. Well they did more than that...they scored 6 and then went on to hold the "home" team scoreless in the bottom of the 7th. Final Score, Sonora 10, San Angelo Southern 6. Scoring for the Ponies were: Riley Sanchez 3-4 with a Single and 2 Walks, Victor Vaquera 1-3 with a Walk, Nathan Mungia 1-1 with a Single, Morgan Martinez 1-4 with a Single, Lito Trevino 1-4 with a Double, Austin Castaneda 2-4 with a Walk and an Error, J.T. Downing 3-4 with 2 Singles and a Double, Aaron Gaytan 2-2 with a Walk and Error, Alonzo Pena 1-1 with a Single, Tanner James 1-1 with a Hit By Pitch, Fidel Acevedo 1-1 with an Error. Taking the mound for Sonora were Castaneda and Trevino. Castaneda went 5<sup>th</sup> innings facing 20 Batters, giving up 5 Hits, and 4 Runs, walking 3, and striking out 2. Trevino came in to the game to pitch 2<sup>nd</sup> innings facing 16 batters, giving up 0 Hits and 2 Runs, Walking 6, and Striking out 6. These boys are half way through their season with 7 games played and 7 left to go. These boys are vastly improving each and every game. When playing their first game they were only able to produce 3 Hits and 3 Runs, while committing 7 Errors and allowing their opponent to score 13. This 7th game against Southern they produced 8 Hits, 10 Runs and allowed 6 Runs.

The next game will be played here on Friday, May 16th at 6:15 PM. The Reds from San Angelo will be coming to town to challenge our 5-2 Record. If you find you are one of a few Sonorans left here on Friday evening, then come on out and watch some Sonora Brand baseball from the Pony League bunch. Go Sonora! Beat the Reds!

## Lady Broncos Slide Into Quarter Final Championship



Kali Roberts pitches against Colorado City.

The Sonora Lady Broncos are still rolling along in the Softball Championships, winning the Regional Quarter Finals with their Victory over the Colorado City Lady Wolves, 11 to 4 in San Angelo on May 8, 2003.

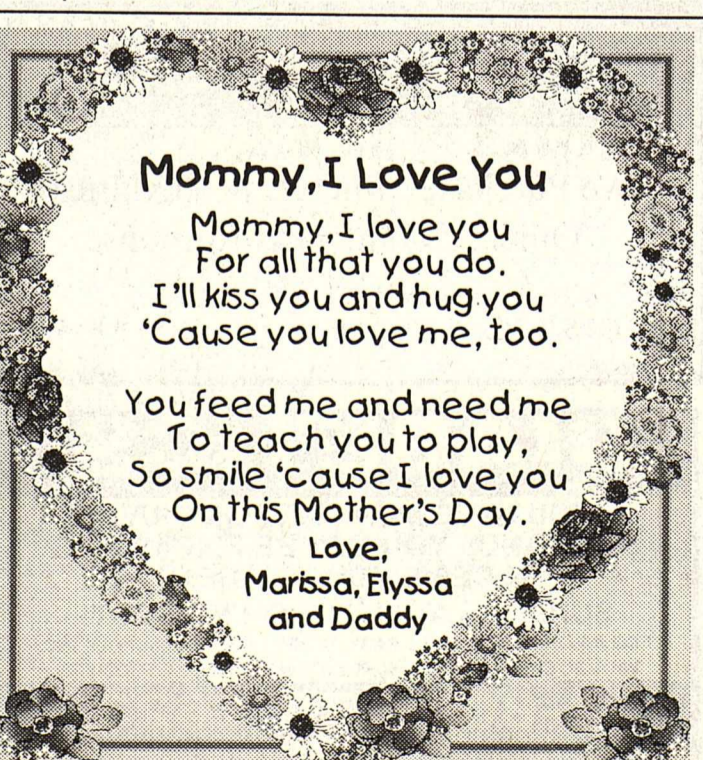
Deneyra Gloria went 2-4 with a double and a single, Debra Martinez was 3-4 with a walk, a double and an error, Kali Roberts was 4-4 with 3 singles and a walk, Ashley Parker was 2-4 with a single and a walk, Brea Hughes was 2-4 reached with an error, Tamika Marshall was 2-4 with a single and a walk, Adriana was 2-4 with 2 singles, Tissie Wagoner and Kristina Hernandez were 1-3 with a walk each.

Kali Roberts pitched a complete game, giving up 5 hits, 4 runs, 12 strikeouts, 3 walks

## "Mom and Me" Picnic Celebrates Mother's Day



Sonora Elementary School Kindergarteners shared a picnic lunch with their moms, grandmas or special friends on May 8, 2003 in honor of Mother's Day. Everyone lounged on blankets and snacked before the students presented their guest with a special Mother's Day plant in a child-painted pot and a special hand-made card.



Hard things are put in our way, not to stop us, but to call out our courage and strength.- Anonymous  
 There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.  
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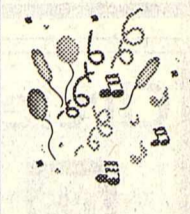
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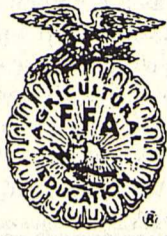
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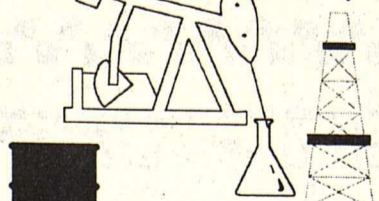
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## 4-H Dairy Judging Team Takes Top Honors at District



The Sutton County 4-H Dairy Judging Team placed first in the District contest in Hondo, Texas on April 26, 2003. The team, consisting of Jessica Snyder, Pecos Roberts, Paul Faz and Monica Traylor, traveled to the Stuebinger Dairy to compete for District, which includes schools from Sonora to Bastrop and in between.

The contest consisted of four placing classes, two heifer, one class of two-year old cows and one class of three year old cows. The team did an "udderly" outstanding job, even beating out teams that had prior access to the animals being judged! The team is coached by Chap Traylor.

## 4-H "Shoots" For District

Sutton County 4-Hers have been practicing since last fall for District Shooting Sports Rifle Competition which was held in Kerrville on May 3, 2003. Sutton County was represented with teams in three age divisions. The Novice Team of Dustin Neff, Word Hudson, John Duke Hudson, and Colyer Dermody placed fourth. Dustin Neff had the fourth high individual score.

The Junior Team whose members were Emilly Butler, Lauran Schaefer, J.T. Downing, and Mark Holman placed fifth.

The Senior Team of Hanna Allison, David Cook, Will Crittendon, and Ty Love also placed fifth. Shooting Sports coaches are Randy Knight, Sherry Ingham, Joe Schaefer, and Glen Love.

## 4-H Judging Teams Excel In Eldorado



Front row: Dustin Neff, Cash Jennings, Colton Moore, Sterling Love, Back row: Hunter Jennings, Alex Lang and Bailey Joe Pennington. Not pictured: Cadesman Pope

The Sutton County 4-H Judging teams competed in Eldorado the last weekend in April. Sonora had the 2nd and 3rd place teams in Range Judging and Bailey Joe Pennington received a 2nd place individual medal.

The Wool and Mohair Judging team also placed 2nd and Cash Jennings brought home a 2nd place individual medal.



## Rig Locations as of May 9, 2003

Sutton County  
Dominion; 8750' Brown-Whitehead - 2 - #27, Patterson Drilling.

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Dominion; 6700' Kelly - 115 - #18, Patterson Drilling.  
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New Dominion; 8350' Simmons Ranch #22, Patterson Drilling.  
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### Goat Producers To Gather July 21-23 In Seguin

San Antonio - A gathering of Goat Producers is scheduled July 21-23 at the Guadalupe County Fairgrounds & Coliseum in Seguin.

Hundreds of producers, exhibitors, and extension agents from a number of states are expected to attend the event organized by Texas Cooperative Extension. Industry leaders from Texas and other parts of the country will serve as speakers and conduct hands-on demonstrations, according to Preston Faris, Texas Cooperative Extension agent in Sutton County.

One of the most comprehensive programs offered to the meat goat industry, the gathering provides a practical forum for animal health and care, a review of the current state of the industry, and a close look at marketing issues.

"The meat goat industry has experienced unparalleled growth over the past decade," said conference coordinator Dr. Rick Machen. "Our two previous gatherings have been called the best educational opportunities ever offered for those interested in meat goat production. This year's program is just as strong, with a special full morning dedicated to meat goat marketing information. Five topics will be addressed, including selling live goats and a retailer's perspective."

First day sessions include elements for success, the future of the junior market goat program and live animal evaluation.

Second day morning sessions will cover nutrition, reproduction and health. Afternoon concurrent sessions include facilities and fencing, environmental stewardship, predator management and an introduction to goat marketing. Following a barbecue goat dinner, there will be Open Line Time, where a panel of producers and

industry professionals will answer all types of questions. The evening finishes with management demonstrations.

Third day sessions will be dedicated to the marketing of goat meat. Topics include selling live goats, the .com approach, selling a processed product, a retailer's perspective, and the east coast market.

**Vendor Exhibit Information**  
Vendors interested in exhibiting at the event are offered three choices. The standard producers space is 10'x10' with two 5'x5' pens, and eight-foot table and two chairs.

Commercial exhibitor space is 10'x10' with an eight-foot table and two chairs. Outside vendor space for large-size displays such as trucks, trailers, and large equipment is also available by calling Laurinda Boyd, (830)278-6568 to determine space needed.

All indoor booth space will be skirted and draped, and security will be provided. Booths will cost \$200 plus a contribution of a door prize, valued at \$50 or more, to the Goat Gathering. The door prize should be brought to the event.

Trade show participants will receive one complimentary registration fee per space purchased. Any other registration will be at the regular fee of \$75 per person.

For more information concerning trade show exhibits, or to obtain the required form, call Boyd at (830)257-6568. The form and payment are due by July 1.

For further information about the Goat Gathering, contact your local Texas Cooperative Extension agent Preston Faris at (325)387-3101 or Rick Machen at (830)278-9151 or by e-mail at r-machen@tam.u.edu.

### Texas Soil and Water Conservation Board To Co-Sponsor Groundwater Program

April 9, 2003--- The Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board will co-sponsor, "Buying, Selling and Exporting Groundwater: A program for Groundwater Conservation Districts, Landowners, and Citizens," on May 28, 2003 in College Station, Texas.

The seminar is designed to answer a number of questions for a range of concerned citizens, landowners, and Groundwater Conservation Districts. For landowners, such topics will be addressed as landowner negotiating options, groundwater sales and leases, what water marketers want and need, and how to protect your land and water assets when selling or leasing.

Groundwater Conservation Districts will learn their roles in leasing, how districts handle water exportation permits, and what districts need to know about water exportation fees.

Finally, concerned citizens will learn how to provide input on groundwater export proposals, as well as landowner and Groundwater Conservation District roles in groundwater exportation.

A diverse selection of speakers include groundwater specialists and distinguished guests from Texas A&M University, members of several Groundwater Conservation Districts, attorneys and representatives of the Texas Farm Bureau and Water Texas. A panel will also be on hand for two question and answer

sessions during the day.

The seminar will be held live at the George Bush Presidential Conference Center in College Station, and a live broadcast will also be telecast at the Texas A&M Agricultural Research and Extension Center in San Angelo. The course fee is \$55 a person before May 16, 2003, and late registration after that date will be \$75. Registration fees are transferable to other personnel.

The TSSWCB has a continuing assessment component of its management program designed to assess the impact of agricultural non-point source pollution on water quality, including groundwater resources. The TSSWCB has the authority to establish a water quality management plan program through local soil and water conservation districts if an area has, or has the potential to, develop non-point source water quality problems due to use of chemicals that have been identified as non-point source groundwater contaminants.

Because education is a key component to helping prevent continuous pollution of water resources, including groundwater, the TSSWCB supports the Groundwater Conservation District Seminar Series.

For more information, please contact Donna Long at the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation District at (254) 773-2250, or Val Silvy at Texas A&M University at (979) 862-4934.

### Water Development Board To Visit Kimble County Water Wells

The Texas Water Development Board is the state agency charged with collecting and disseminating water-related data, assisting with regional planning and preparing the State Water Plan for the development of the state's water resources, and administering cost-effective financial programs for the construction of water supply, wastewater treatment, flood control and agricultural water conservation projects. Staff from the TWDB's Hydrologic and Environmental Monitoring Section will be visiting Kimble County May 19 - 23, 2003 to collect groundwater samples from water wells completed in the Edwards Trinity (Plateau) and the Trinity Aquifers.

After samples are analyzed, well owners receive a free copy of the analysis with explanatory notes about each constituent dissolved in their water and the significance of amounts detected. This information is also stored in the TWDB's groundwater database. The database is available by county on the TWDB's Water Information Integration and Dissemination (WIID) website at <http://wiiddev.twdb.state.tx.us>.

The TWDB conducts an active groundwater resource assessment program to collect data on the state's aquifers for water resource planning. This information includes the occurrence, availability, quality and quantity of groundwater present, and the current and projected demands on groundwater resources. This is done through the statewide groundwater level measurement program, groundwater quality sampling program and groundwater studies.

If you have any questions or comments about the program, please contact Gary Franklin at 512/936-0847 (email: [gary.franklin@twdb.state.tx.us](mailto:gary.franklin@twdb.state.tx.us)), Janie Hopkins at 512/936-0841 (email: [janie.hopkins@twdb.state.tx.us](mailto:janie.hopkins@twdb.state.tx.us)), or Radu Boghici at 512/463-6543 (email: [radu.boghici@twdb.state.tx.us](mailto:radu.boghici@twdb.state.tx.us)), Roger Quincy, at 512/936-0833 (email: [roger.quincy@twdb.state.tx.us](mailto:roger.quincy@twdb.state.tx.us)), is available for specific public inquiries about information on the database.



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**Chase from page 1**

arrested and taken to the Sutton County Jail. Further investigation of the vehicle that Baraja-Arcila was driving explained why he was running from the law. Found in the trunk of the car was over 300 pounds of marijuana, packaged in 50 and 12 pound bales, with an estimated street value of \$540,000. Baraja-Arcila was charged with

3rd Degree Felony Evading Arrest and state charges of Possession of Marijuana are pending in Federal Court. Trooper Williams wished to express a special thanks to Sutton County Sheriff Deputy Oscar Chavez, Sonora Police Officer Dick Dudley and Chief of Police Mike House for their assistance in the pursuit.



Trooper Earlie Williams finds 300 lbs. of Marijuana in the trunk.

**Lions from page 1**

the club is still very protective of that prized package. It remains in the vault at a local bank and is only removed at auction time then returned to the vault for another year. Now it isn't certain by any means, but "IF" and that is a big "IF" the club ever dissolves, the member might just open that mystery package and have one very well aged drink at the last club meeting.

Moving ahead to 1955 the club began another fund raising tradition in the annual mop and broom sale. For 48 years the club has had this sale, raising funds for local projects, as well as providing a sales force and market for the blind that make the products that are sold.

The spirit of Lionism has grown so much in the community, that in April of 1961 the Sonora West Side Lions Club was born. The Lions clubs in Sonora have become part of the fabric of the community. Lions in Sonora have been a part of many worthy projects, including boys and girls scouts, 4-H and extension projects, and they have bought countless eyeglasses, and sent crippled children to camp.

Though times have changed and money and resources are sometimes harder to come by than in the past, the Lions in Sonora still have the same vision they did 75 year's ago - they serve.

The annual convention was held in Sonora over the week-end, with a birthday celebration barbeque and dance on Friday night. Fiddle music filled the air as Lions and their guest twirled around the dance slab.

Conventions and the crowning

of the District Lions Club Queen were on Saturday and Sunday. Over 300 visitors attended the event (see next week's issue of The Devil's River News for more on the convention).



District Governor Lion, Virgil Polocsek models the latest in Texas Lions' wear at the 75th birthday celebration dance.

**Commissioners from page 1**

April. Judge Garner said that the Chamber of Commerce is considering where to have the Sutton County Days celebration this year, the Courthouse Lawn or the Sutton County Park. She said that if the County gets a grant for the Courthouse lawn then the activities would have to be moved anyway. The commissioners did agree that they could help off-set the cost of one of the tents that has to be purchased for shade if it is held at the park.

Judge Garner told the Commissioners that Abby Gesch had retired as a Sheriff's Office dispatcher and a replacement would need to be hired. The dispatchers have been pulling extra shifts and are getting tired. Sheriff Fincher told them that there was a lady in town that was qualified and willing to help as relief and it was agreed that she could help out.

Judge Garner said that the Volunteer Fire Department had requested to build a second, permanent beer stand by the rodeo office. Everyone agreed that it was fine. Garner also told of a request by the

Sutton County Game Dinner Association to build fences at the Sutton County Park Slab area to help keep people from sneaking into the Game Dinner without paying. A lengthy discussion was held regarding where the fences were being requested and how they would affect other events at the park. It was decided for Oscar to meet with the Game Dinner Association and get more information regarding the fences. A second request from the Game Dinner was to put a second lock on the gate behind the slab. The commissioners decided to have an extra key available for use, but not put another lock on the gate.

It was decided to wait until budget discussions to make a decision on requests from TRAX and the DPS for cellular phones.

Florie Gonzales from the Sutton County Library told everyone that the library had received a grant for \$2500 to be used to enhance their Spanish collection (see related story). The commissioners congratulated Florie on a job well done for working so hard and getting the grant.

**Game Dinner from page 1**

to take care of the crowd. Each year thousands of dollars in prizes are given away by this organization and recently they used some of the money they had raised and added a closed in serving area on the Sutton Co. Dance Slab. With over 150 members and volunteers, this organization is one of the strongest in Sutton County and helps bring lots of visitors to our community, boosting the local economy. The years have seen many improvements out at the Sutton County Park, and the annual event has been moved into the Civic Center and a much larger menu of wild game has been added, as well as larger prizes. Attendance

in the most recent years averages approximately 1200 people. The Sutton County Game Dinner is the second oldest of its kind in Texas and the oldest in West Central Texas. There have been numerous hard working and dedicated "past" officers since the Game Dinner Association began years ago. A few of the past presidents include Bill Stewart, the late Scott Shurley, Carl Teaff, Pascal Allison, and Corky Schwiening.

New members and volunteers are always needed to keep a large organization going strong - come be a part of Sonora's "Organization of the Year" (chosen by the Sonora Chamber of Commerce).

**Culture Fair Brings Fun From Around The World**



**Reflections of the 6th Grade Culture Fair 2003**

At First I didn't really want to go... my heart was pounding, my mind was racing, my cheeks were red, caused by my grass skirt and Hawaiian shirt. Colorful costumes flooded the Civic Center at the 9th Annual Culture Fair.

I really enjoyed it all afterward. People really looked like they were having a good time.

I think that Sulema Castilleja and Derek Van Winkle had the best costumes. They were really funny and good, too. My favorite foods would have to be Jeanette's chicken from Aruba and Samantha's Pizza from Italy. My favorite part of the Culture Fair would definitely be when we did the Hand Jive! It was so fun! But, embarrassing at the same time... when we were dancing, Uvaldo grabbed my bracelet and it broke in the middle of the dance!

After all the good times and humiliation, the 6th grade Culture Fair was a blast!

Jessica Snyder

Tuesday was our 9th Annual Culture Fair. I didn't think it was going to be fun, but at the end I had lots of fun. I liked walking around and looking at all the boards and the costumes that the other kids were wearing.

My favorite part was going on the stage and showing my costume to everyone at the Culture Fair. I really liked Sulema's costume because it covered all of her face except her eyes. My costume was kind of like that too, but I prefer hers. I didn't taste any of the food because I didn't feel like eating. I really liked this year's Culture Fair, and I hope we can do it again.

Rosario Moreno

The Culture Fair was so cool and fun. At first I thought I was going to die, but then when I got up there I did fine. I survived! I enjoyed the dance and Uvaldo Ramos was hilarious. Sharee Johnson, Uvaldo Ramos, Jeanette Tovar and Sulema Castilleja had the best costumes there.

I've never had so much fun that has to do with school. The funniest moment was when Gabby and I followed Mario to the car while we ate his food. Next year, the 6th graders will have a blast!

Senida Martinez

In the Culture Fair 2003 I had one of the best times in my life! Our class of 2009 got to experience the 9th annual Culture Fair and, personally, I think it was one of the best.

If I was choosing the winner of the best costume award, it, along with my respect and gratitude, would have to go to Mario Lira. His costume from Monserrat looked really funny, but good.

Now, the best food award would be a different story. In my opinion, this award would go to Jessica Snyder and her salad from Fiji.

But my personal favorite part of the Culture Fair 2003 was the dancing. Especially the Hand Jive. It consisted of couples all going from the twist to the swim, to the Hand Jive, to the jitterbug and back to the Hand Jive and ending with a thumbs up. Everyone cheered loud and hard at the end. This year's Culture Fair will definitely stay in my memory forever!

Steely Ingham

The Culutre Fair is a great experience, you learn many differnt things, about many different cultures. My country was Mali and although I didn't have the best food, it was still lots of fun. I tasted many different foods and my favorite was Mario's and Sharee's. Sharee had chicken and Mario had rice, but don't forget it was from a different country which meant a different flavor. Everybody had to dress up in different costumes and they were very cool, but my favorite was Sharee's and Jeanettes. My favorite part of the Culture Fair were the dances and the pledge. The Culture Fair was lots of fun. It was a great experience.

Gabby Porras



The twist is a universal language at the Culture Fair.

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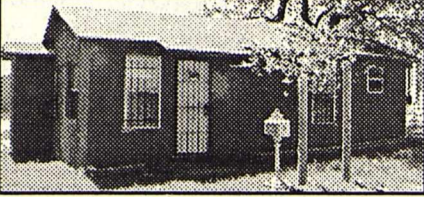
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