

Sonora Celebrates Clergy Appreciation Month

Clergy Appreciation Month is a special time that congregations set aside each year to honor their pastors and pastoral families for the hard work, sacrificial dedication and multiple blessings provided by these special people. It is typically scheduled in October, but can be held at any time that is convenient for the church and the community. It is also important to remember that appreciation and affirmation of our spiritual leaders is appropriate throughout the entire year.

The Sutton County Ministerial Alliance has been around for many years. Every church in Sonora is welcome to be a part of the Ministerial Alliance and all participate at a level that they feel comfortable. This makes for a strong "alliance" promoting, encouraging, and conducting activities that will be in line with the teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ. All its activities are conducted to strengthen our Christian community and to promote worship of our Creator and Savior.

The Ministerial Alliance seeks to carry on the benevolent work of our Lord by providing food and financial assistance to those who have a need. They also help to provide lodging and a meals for those who are passing through our area and have no place to stay due to financial problems. The Ministerial Alliance gives oversight to community Christian

ministries, which helps persons in need with rent, utilities, food, etc. Every year the group distributes Christmas food baskets to needy recipients during the Christmas season, distributes donated deer to families in need that request the meat, offer a community Sunrise Easter service, the Annual Lenten Lunches, Baccalaureate ceremony for the Sonora High School graduates, and have recently restarted special Thanksgiving services. Occasionally, the Ministerial Alliance sponsors youth rallies and they often assist with many programs held in the community.

The Ministerial Alliance is funded by contributions given according to the ability of the churches, individuals donations and the Cauthorn Trust. The Alliance has grown so large that in the last year they provided approximately \$31,000 in relief to locals and transients.

Currently there are eight churches from Sonora that participate with the Ministerial Alliance.

In accordance with Pastoral Appreciation Month, we would like to "Spotlight" local clergymen in our community for the month of October. Members from all the churches were asked to help prepare an introduction of their Church leader. Over the next few weeks, we will introduce them to you.

See page 8 for the first introductions.

Dairy Queen Awards Wuest With High Dollar Corsage



Joanna Wuest, manager of Dairy Queen, was honored with a special "corsage" this week when members of the corporate office dropped in.

Pat Dial, Doris Richeson and Dallas Pooser from the Corporate offices in Graham, Texas proudly awarded Joanna a "thousand-dollar" corsage, made of \$100 bills. The special award is not the first for Joanna, who consistently meets her sales and cost-control goals. Joanna and her staff work hard to offer quality service to Sonora and duly deserves the special award.

Bonilla Named Ag Man of the Year

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Farmers and ranchers often wonder if anyone in Texas cares about agriculture. U.S. Representative Henry Bonilla proves that some do care. He was recently honored for his outstanding dedication to the agriculture industry as "Man of the Year in Texas Agriculture."

"The farmers, ranchers and producers of Texas are a special breed. They are hardworking men and women, who I constantly learn from," said Bonilla.

The "Man of the Year in Texas Agriculture" award was presented in Marathon, TX, by the Texas County Agricultural Agents Association. The award is presented each year to a person who goes "above and beyond the call of duty for Texas Agriculture."

Bonilla was named Chairman of the Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee in 2001. Bonilla is dedicated to keeping the agriculture industry strong and healthy, and remains committed to reducing wasteful spending and unnecessary projects. Since serving on the sub-

committee, Bonilla has shepherded millions of dollars to home-district projects that help keep the Texas agriculture industry prosperous.

"Agriculture has been the backbone of Texas since its beginning. From producing crops and livestock, encouraging students to study agriculture, or ensuring that kids have healthy, well-balanced meals, American agriculture affects everyone, everyday of our lives," said Mr. Bonilla. "The future looks bright for agriculture. I am honored to be a part of that future and look forward to ensuring it's a successful one."

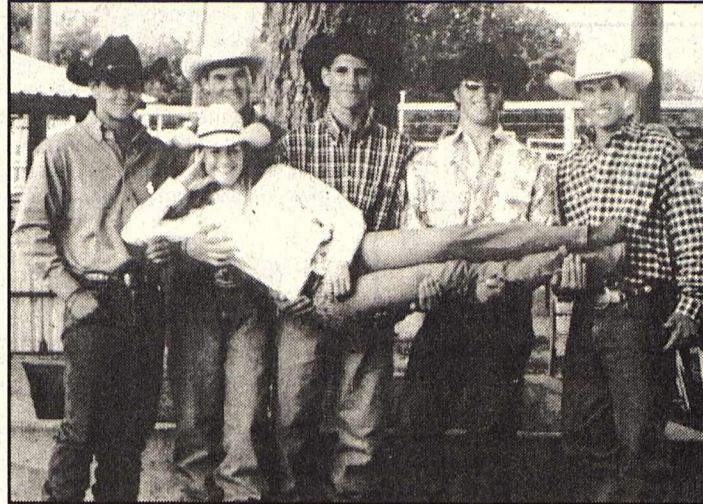
Representative Bonilla has represented the 23rd Congressional District since his first election in 1992. Bonilla was the first freshman in 25 years to receive a coveted seat on the Appropriations Committee. In addition to serving as chairman of the Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee, Bonilla is also a senior member of the Defense and Foreign Operations Appropriations Subcommittees.

High School Rodeo Returns To Sonora

For the first time in many years, High School Rodeo will return to Sonora on October 11 & 12, 2003. The two day event will bring cowboys and cowgirls from 32 counties, in Region II, to Sonora to compete in timed and rough stock events.

While rodeo is not recognized as a regular high school varsity sport, no other athletic activity in history was ever developed which so embodies the traditions and history of an entire way of life. The events in rodeo grew out of the actual day-to-day duties of the American cowboy, or were dreamed up to further test the courage, stamina and ability of these Westerners.

In fact and fiction, no other See High School Rodeo page 8



Sonora Rodeo Team: David Cook, Dustin Duhon, Steven Duhon, Laramie Hall and Courtney Caruthers (also pictured is Collin Wood, Laramie's Team Roping partner from Junction, Texas).

Sonora Receives High Honors From The Texas Downtown Association

Folks are taking notice of the great things going on in Sonora. Two of our projects, the Welcome to Sonora Planter Box and Eaton Hill Wildlife Sanctuary, have been named as finalists in the 2003 Texas Downtown Association (TDA) Awards program, which celebrates the best projects, people and places in Texas downtowns. There are twelve categories and winners are announced at the TDA Annual Conference held in November. The beautiful rock planter box which welcomes visitors to Sonora was named in the Public Improvement category while Eaton Hill Wildlife Sanctuary is a finalist in the Community Spirit category. Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program also received a Certificate of Recognition for the "Old Oak Tree Yellow Ribbon Ceremony".

"Each year, the quality of submissions increases," states Tony Eeds of White Rock Studio in Dallas, who is a TDA Board member and awards co-chair. "It is very obvious from the entries that there is great passion and enthusiasm for downtowns in Texas and even in economic down time, people are finding ways to pull together wonderfully creative and innovative projects." Adds co-chair Ann Kay of Sonora Main Street: "What we can see from the awards entries is that downtown truly remains the heart of the community and a place in which people are willing to invest their time and their money."

Award winners receive state wide recognition and this year's applications were comprised of 66 entries from 28 Texas downtowns. Representatives of each project will make a presentation to a statewide audience at the upcoming TDA Texas Main



Delyse Jaeger proudly displays the certificate from the Texas Downtown Association acknowledging Eaton Hill as a finalist.

Street. Annual Conference. Eaton Hill Wildlife Sanctuary will also provide a one hour break-out session on nature tourism as a downtown feature. The conference, entitled "Between a Hard Rock and a Green Space: Entertainment & Environment in Your Downtown", will be held in Austin, November 5-7. Finalists in each category comprise a wide range of projects from large cities to small towns. The judges are an impressive line-up of professionals in a variety of fields. Being chosen

as a finalist is an honor we can all be proud of. Congratulations Sonora, and who knows, perhaps there will be a winner among us!

For more information on the association, conference or awards program, contact the Texas Downtown Association at 512-472-7832 or info@texas-downtown.org.

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Austin--October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and the American Cancer Society is increasing awareness of the importance of early detection. As the second leading cause of death in women, breast cancer will claim an estimated 2,600 lives in Texas this year. Many of the lives lost to breast cancer could be prevented through early detection. When breast cancer is detected early the survival rate could be as high as 97%.

The American Cancer Society recommends the following screening guidelines for the early detection of breast cancer:

- Yearly mammograms beginning at age 40.
- Clinical Breast Exams about every 3 years for women in their 20s and 30s and every year for women 40 and older.
- Breast Self Examination (BSE) is an option for women starting in their 20s.
- Report any breast change promptly to health care providers.

Women at increased risk should talk with their doctors about the benefits and limitations of starting mammography screening earlier, having addi-

High Speed Chase Ends With Two Arrested

by Storie Sharp

A high speed chase early Saturday morning went through three counties and led to the arrest of two Sonora teens.

Sutton County Sheriff Joe Fincher reported that at approximately 12:40 a.m. on Saturday, September 27, 2003 a white Chevrolet pick-up, occupied by two males, ran a stop sign and almost collided with Sutton County Deputy Jody Harris. Deputy Harris turned on his overhead lights and got out of his vehicle to talk to the driver, at which time the vehicle took off. Deputy Harris returned to his vehicle and began following the vehicle, having recognized the driver as Victor Chavez, 18, of Sonora.

Chavez led Deputy Harris on a chase through the Loma Alta division of Sonora, before turning south on Hwy 277. The pursuit then took off south, reaching speeds in excess of 100 m.p.h. on the winding roads towards Del Rio, Texas, putting innocent people's lives in danger along the way.

Law enforcement in Edwards and Val Verde were notified of the ensuing chase and were asked to assist.

The run ended for Chavez and his passenger two miles north of Del Rio, Texas, when the Del Rio Police Department put out the spikes and deflated all four tires on the pick-up.

Both subjects then jumped from the truck and fled on foot, at which time Deputy Harris recognized the passenger as Robert Carlos Mata, 18, also of Sonora. The suspects ran into the brush, being chased by Deputy Harris, the Del Rio Police, and the Texas Department of Public Safety officers. Chavez was quickly caught, approximately 10' into the brush, and was handcuffed by Del Rio P.D. Further search resulted in the capture of Mata, about an hour later, also hiding in the brush. Both suspects were taken to the Val Verde Sheriff's Department and booked into Val Verde County Jail, where they face Felony Evasion by a Vehicle charges, punishable by no less than 180 days and no more than 2 years state jail time and a fine not to exceed \$10,000, if convicted. Chavez will also face Driving While Intoxicated charges in Val Verde County.

Texas Counties to Lose Over \$760 Million Through Cuts To CHIP Program

Over 169,000 children across Texas will no longer be eligible for health insurance coverage by 2005 as a result of changes to the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) made by the 78th Texas Legislature. These enrollment cuts will mean a loss of over \$760 million in state and federal funds. In addition, more than 500,000 Texas children enrolled in CHIP lost dental, vision, hospice and most mental health services as of September 1, 2003.

Local officials and health care providers are concerned about the impact of the cuts and the cost of health care will be shifted to cities and counties already facing severe budget shortfalls. Counties in Texas, regardless of size, will lose state funding. "By changing the eligibility criteria, the state will lose \$550 million in federal matching funds alone for CHIP over the next two years," said Bexar

County Judge Nelson Wolff.

Patti Everitt, Executive Director of the Children's Defense Fund of Texas, stated that the changes are unprecedented. "One-third of the children currently enrolled in CHIP will lose their coverage by 2005. No other state has made such drastic changes to its CHIP program or provides such a limited benefit to children receiving CHIP," she said. "Removing 169,000 children from coverage and eliminating critical benefits will set Texas even further behind other states."

Local community organizations will struggle to meet the needs of working families who lose benefits through CHIP. Of particular concern are cuts to children's mental health services. All but the most minimal mental health benefits have been eliminated from the Texas CHIP plan. All 500,000 children

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See Breast Cancer page 4

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Cards of Thanks

Thanks to all who attended and to those who have indicated that you could not attend the reception in my honor held on September 20. The people of Sutton County have supported me and my family for 24 years. In that time you have entrusted me with your children, opened your homes and ranches to me and made me feel a part of this wonderful community. Now you have honored me with special recognition, wished me well in my new consulting venture and rewarded me beyond my wildest dreams with a wonderful gift. Words are insufficient to express my appreciation. So many deserve a special thanks but I fear that I would overlook one in a list so long. I just say thanks to all of you for allowing me to make Sonora my home and for your wonderful friendships.

In humble appreciation,
Preston Faris

S.M. Fence Company would like to thank Marvin Shurley (American Meat Goat Association) for sponsoring the Mata Fencing Cooking Team who placed 2nd in the Marathon West Fest Champion Cabrito Cook-Off September 27, 2003.

Thanks,
Sam Mata, Edward Mata and Max Reyes



The family of Maria Samaniego Chávez would like to express their heartfelt gratitude to everyone who accompanied them during their time of sorrow. Thanks to everyone who sent flowers and food and donated for the meal after the funeral. Thank you for all your prayers for Maria during their time of illness.

Pedro and Rancie Chávez
Family of Maria Samaniego Chávez

La familia de Maria Samaniego Chávez les dan las mas' sinceras gracias a todos los que acompañaron en su pisar. Gracias a todos los que mandaron flores y comida, y los que donaron para la comida del funeral. Gracias por sus oraciones.

Pedro y Rancie Chávez
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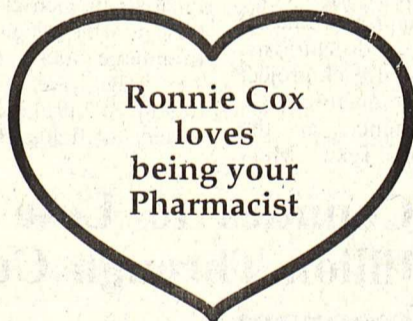
With deepest appreciation for the love and support shown to us at the loss of our little daughter. The food, flowers and deeds of kindness will never be forgotten. Thank you for helping us in our time of need.

The Daniel Hernandez Family

Congratulations to our YMCA PeeWee and Heavyweight Sonora Broncos for a great start with their games on Saturday, September 27th! We would like to take a moment to thank all of the wonderful people who made Saturday so successful. Thank you first to the YMCA for sponsoring a Southwest Division Football League that provides wonderfully positive interaction between our small communities. Thank you to Coach Jason Herring and Mr. Brant Myers for allowing us to use the practice fields for Saturday's events. Thank you to all of the wonderful coaches who give of their time to help our youngest Broncos have a great start to their sports careers. You set the best example of all. Thank you to all the parents who contributed water and cokes for the concession stand. The monies made at the concession stand will be used for the PeeWee and Heavyweights' expenses and end-of-season parties. A super big thank you goes out to Suzanne Badeaux for her hard work, and to Schlumberger for donating the sandwiches to the concession stand! A very special thank you goes to all the people who donated time and effort to the concession stand; most especially Sharon Creek, Christina Noriega, Aneida Castillo, and Adriana Castillo who went above and beyond the call of concession duties! We couldn't have done it without you! Thank you to all the families from all of our division's towns. The support you showed your children and to the program set a great example for a positive season. Thank you all, and Go Broncos!

Last week at the Thursday night football games, the Sonora Elementary Schools PTO sold Dairy Queen blizzards and 'DQ - Free Fridays' football cups as a fundraising event to benefit PTO and the children and staff of the Elementary Schools. We would sincerely like to thank Sonora DQ, Joana Wuest, and Leslie Samaniego for preparing and donating the items for this project. We also would like to thank: the Sonora Band Boosters for allowing us to sell them out of the concession stand during the rainy weather; the wonderful ladies and students who helped sell the blizzards and cups; Mr. Berry for allowing us to sell the remaining blizzards on the Middle School campus on Friday; and to our wonderful community for supporting our efforts and local businesses.

Sincerely,
Laurie Garza (Programs Co-chair)
and Mary Humphrey (Pres.)



Wedding



Belk - Newland

Barbara Leanne Belk and Keith Allen Newland exchanged vows in a double ring ceremony on Saturday, June 14, 2003; at seven o'clock in the evening. The wedding was officiated by Reverend Max Reynolds of Kerrville at Saint John's Episcopal Church in Sonora, Texas.

White gladiolas decorated the altar, and the church pews were adorned with white bows and white lilies.

Following the ceremony the bride's parents hosted a dinner reception in the church parish hall. On the eve of the wedding, the groom's parents hosted a poolside rehearsal dinner at the Earwood Ranch. Cynthia Ward, Cathy Ball, and Melinda Crain, all of Sonora, hosted a bridesmaid brunch the morning of the wedding at the Ward Ranch home in Sonora.

The bride is the daughter of Allen and Elsie Belk of Winters. She is the granddaughter of Armer and Barbara Earwood of Sonora and the late H.A. and Dixie Belk. The groom is the son of Noel and Carol Newland of Bryan, Texas. He is the grandson of Clyde and Dorothy Fuqua, also of Bryan and the late Richard and Mary Newland.

Given in marriage by her parents and escorted by her father, the bride wore a diamond white formal gown. The elegance of this mock two-piece gown was reflected in its intricate flower-like beadwork covering the sleeveless bodice. A delicate beaded band edged the scoop neckline and basque waist. The same beadwork was found along the hem of this princess cut skirt and matching detachable semi-cathedral train. The bride carried a bouquet of white lilies surrounded with white roses and stephanotis.

Serving as Maid of Honor was Miss Jessie Crain, cousin of the bride, of Uvalde, Texas. Serving as Matron of Honor was Mrs. Cheri Dry Dirksen, friend of the bride, of Nashville, Tennessee. Other bridesmaids were Mrs. Michelle Belk of Norton, sister-in-law of the bride, Miss Kayla Niehues, lifelong friend of the bride, of San Angelo, and Miss Susan Metzger of College Station, friend of the bride and groom. The bridesmaids wore euro-navy European satin two-piece dresses that had a spaghetti strap bodice with cuff. They carried a bouquet of daisies and yellow roses.

Flower girls were Miss Olivia Alexander of Alpharetta, Georgia, and Miss Carolyn Collins of Dimmitt, Texas, both cousins of the bride. Each wore white sleeveless tea length dresses designed and made by Mrs. Gainell Hood, aunt of the bride.

Attending the groom as Best Man was Mr. Craig Newland of Bryan, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Mr. Harley Belk of Norton, brother of the bride, Mr. Adam Gallagher of Hearne, and Mr. Clint Fuqua of Bryan, both cousins of the groom.

Ring bearer, Mr. Ashton Belk of Norton, nephew of the bride, wore a formal tuxedo short suit. Serving as ushers for the ceremony were the bride's cousins, Mr. Quincy Crain of Sonora and Mr. Riley Crain of Lubbock. Miss Meredith Earwood of Sonora and Miss Kristen Alexander of Alpharetta, Georgia, both cousins of the bride served as acolytes.

Providing the organ music for the ceremony was Edward Earwood, uncle of the bride and Robin Street, both of Sonora. Vocalist was Gainell Hood of Dimmitt, aunt of the bride. Brenda Kellermeier, of San Angelo, read the lessons from Corinthians.

The bride's cake was a four-tier white cake with pearls and topped with a bow. The groom's cake was a three-tier chocolate cake decorated with chocolate dipped strawberries with tuxedo designs. Carol Kozelsky of Winters made the cakes.

Serving in the house party were Mrs. Teresa Fuqua of Bryan and Mrs. Laura Gallagher of Hearne, aunts of the groom; Miss Blair Crain of San Marcos, Mrs. Sheila Halfmann of Wall, and Mrs. Krista Belk of Friona, all cousins of the bride; Mrs. Janice Niehues of Norton and Miss Shauna Goetz of Round Rock, both dear friends of the bride. Cousin of the bride, Miss Emily Earwood, of Sonora, presided over the guest book.

The bride is a graduate of Ballinger High School and Texas A&M University. She is currently employed as a third grade teacher at North Zulch Elementary. The bridegroom is a graduate of Bryan High School and is completing his studies in Computer Science. He is employed by Planters and Merchants State Bank serving as their network administrator.

The couple resides in College Station, Texas.

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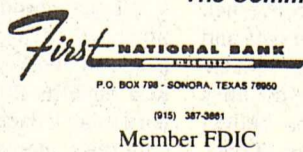
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12th • 9:00 a.m. Church Services
11:00 a.m. • Rodeo

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Ask the Historical Society

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

We'll start this week with a Thank You God For The Wonderful Rain. Everything is looking so green and pretty, a wonderful start on winter feed for the ranchers.

Since we don't have any questions this week we thought you'd enjoy a peek back at the end of September and early October of 1943: Devil's River News, September 24, 1943-John Allen Ward, Jr. of Sonora was elected president of the Sonora National Farm Loan Association and Charles E. Davidson, Jr. of Ozona served as vice-president. A. E. Prugel is serving as secretary-treasurer to the association and Miss Colleen Stevens is his assistant. The election followed the merger of the Ozona, Sonora and Eldorado associations.

The Ozona-Sonora football game was called off because two known cases of poliomyelitis existed in Ozona. But that didn't stop the head of Eight Service Command scrap drive and H.C. Atchison, county salvage chairman from planning a scrap metal drive for September 27.

Louis E. Klietches, 57, father of Miss Melba Klietches of Sonora was buried in the Fairmount Cemetery following services at the Hellenic Orthodox Church in San Angelo. Mr. Klietches, a native of Greece came to the United States in 1901 and moved to San Angelo in 1915. He operated a café and then established a grocery business in 1920. He married Miss Dewey Miskimmon on July 31, 1918 when he completed 10 months service in the Greek Army during WWI.

Walter E. Whitehead, 83, former Sonoran, and one of the organizers of Val Verde County, died September 22, 1943. Services were held Thursday afternoon at the family residence and grave side rites were performed by the Masonic Lodge.

Mr. Whitehead moved to Del Rio in 1882 and entered into the ranching business in partnership with Will F. and G. W. Whitehead. At one time their holdings included one ranch consisting of 250 sections and other ranches aggregating over 100,000 acres of land: He was born in Gonzales Co. January 2, 1869, a son of G. W. and Rachel Jane Frances Whitehead. The family ranches in Gonzales Co. until 1879, when they moved to Kimble Co. and from there to Val Verde Co. As soon as he was

old enough to ride a horse he began helping his father on the ranch and was soon rated "top hand."

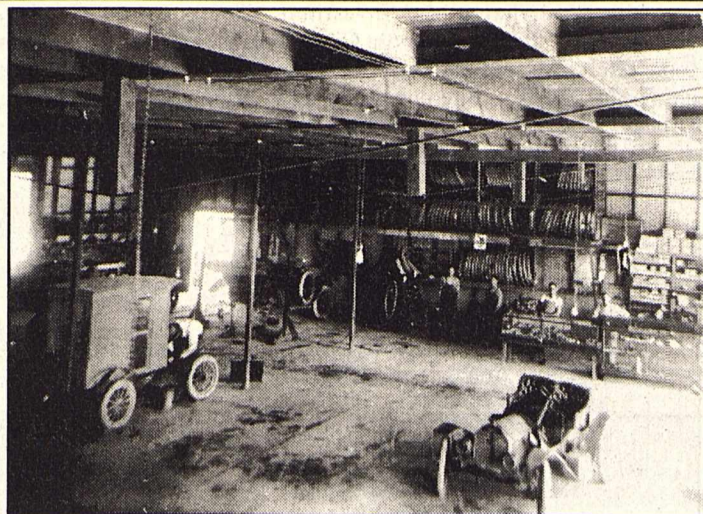
Walter E. Whitehead married Miss Mary Belle Martin at Howard's Well in Crockett Co. on December 24, 1885. Mrs. Whitehead was a daughter of James Martin and Mary Rowland Whitehead. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge and the Order of the Eastern Star. He was also a member of the Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association and the Trail Drivers' Association. He brought in the first ballot box ever used at Del Rio, having made a long trip on horseback for this purpose, and sat on the first jury ever impaneled in Val Verde Co.

Survivors were, Mrs. C. B. Wardlaw, Mrs. Noble Taylor, C. H., W.R. W. B., F. H. and L. B. Whitehead.

Mrs. T. A. Bond, RN and Mrs. J. B. Shanks, RN, returned from Dallas where they had received training for the treatment of infantile paralysis at the Scottish Rite Hospital in the Kenney method of treatment. Mrs. Boyd Lovelace had received similar training that summer at the Shannon Memorial Hospital. Training for all the women and the purchase of equipment necessary for the treatment of infantile paralysis in Sonora was paid for by the Sonora Lions Club.

Sonora Mayor H. V. Stokes, acting on the order of the City Commission proclaimed an emergency declared an immediate clean up campaign and called on all citizens to immediately clean up their homes and premises and to take every emergency precaution to protect the health and lives of their families. This included destroying all weeds, trash and removing all bottles, and old utensils scattered around the place that might hold water and help spread disease. He asked for full compliance and that everyone should be clean, wise and safe.

Historical Society Note: We found similar cleanup campaigns all through the existence of the town of Sonora. There were many problems with diseases that are now almost non-existent as people and animals now receive their shots, and boosters for these diseases. There were epidemics of small-pox, anthrax, rabies, measles, mumps, pneumonia, scarlet fever and illness caused by improper disposal of waste and those brought on by mosquito bites. Clean yards and removal of trash that holds water helps to



Sonora's first repair shop, located where the Ford Motor Company was housed. A milk wagon and a brush car are waiting to be repaired. The three ladies pictured in the Pioneer Days photo are Billie Wheat, Elvie Turney, and Ada Cauthorn. Thanks for the help!

keep down the mosquito population.

Sgt. A. J. Eastham was a prisoner of the Japanese in Moulmein, Burma. He wrote he was working for 15 cents a day or \$3.50 a month in the prison camp and had not had any illnesses. He is the step-brother of Gomer Minick of Sonora and son of A. J. Eastham of Camp Allison.

The Devil's River News, October 1, 1943-Lyles and Rape Texaco Service Station canopy caved in Sunday morning when a two and half ton J. H. Rose Trucking Contractor truck skidded and hit one of the supporting pillars. They also severed one of the gasoline pumps, hit a parked car and started a small fire.

Cpl. Scott Roberts, U.S. Army Paratrooper, who was formerly reported missing in action in the Sicilian campaign since July 10 has been reported a patient at the Army Hospital at Staten Island, New York. His brother, Cloma Roberts, is now serving with the Army somewhere in the South Pacific.

D. H. Reiley, Motor Machinist Mate Second Class received burns recently while performing his duties. He was hospitalized in Oakland, California and was able to talk with his parents by phone.

Lt. Serena Trainer was stationed somewhere in England and Vernon Cook was in the Pacific. Flight Officer Alan W. Saunders was stationed with the Air Transport Command in China. Cpl. A. W. Awalt, Jr., was at Camp Livingston, Louisiana. Lt. Commander Emil F. Vander Stucken, Jr. was stationed in the legal division of the Navy Dept. at Washington,

D.C. and Ernest McClelland was stationed with the Seabees in Oakland, California.

As you can see some things haven't changed. We are still fighting illnesses caused by mosquitos and our young men and women are still going off to fight wars on foreign soil. Accidents continue to happen and people die, it is all just life. So those of you who think things are so horrible and that these incidents have only happened to your generation are not alone, many have gone before you; some here in Sutton County have lived through the trials of waiting for loved ones serving in the military during WWI, Korea, Vietnam, Grenada, Panama, Desert Shield/Desert Storm, snipers and bombings in foreign countries and problems with defending our own shores from illegal aliens and smugglers. Through the years people from Sonora have served in conflicts all over the world. Those who suffer silently at home are all still praying they come home safe and sound.

If you have any questions concerning Sutton County history send them to "Ask the Historical Society," P.O. Box 885 or e-mail them to schs@sonorax.net. Our offices are open Monday 8-4, Tuesday 8-lunch and Friday 8-4. Booking of tours or rental of facilities should be done by calling 325-387-5084 on one of these days.

A special hello to all the Brownies that came to visit us recently. You were all so well behaved and polite, a real pleasure to have as visitors of the society. You are all welcome any time.

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Obituary

Cheyenne Lane Hernandez

Cheyenne Lane Hernandez, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Hernandez passed away on September 24, 2003, at the University Medical Center in Lubbock, Texas.

Graveside services were held Thursday, September 26, 2003. Survivors include her parents, Daniel and Esme Hernandez; sisters, Sky Lynn Hernandez and Janeska Hernandez; brothers, Dakota Hernandez and Adrian Hernandez; maternal grandparents, Albert and Anderita Borrego; paternal grandparents, Alvin and Olivia Hernandez; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

The Hernandez family request that memorials be made to the Ronald McDonald House in Lubbock, Texas, (1212 Indiana Ave. Lubbock, 79415).

CHIP Cuts from page 1

enrolled will no longer receive evaluation, treatment and therapy after a crisis, or counseling and early intervention to prevent serious illness.

Mental health organizations and providers, also struggling with significant budget cuts, will have difficulty absorbing the children who lose counseling and therapy services under CHIP.

"Children who are not able to access mental health services through CHIP will likely surface in less appropriate, more costly places such as the juvenile justice system and emergency rooms," said Lynn Lasky, president and CEO of Mental Health association in Texas.

Cuts are scheduled to take effect over the next several months, as follows:

- Effective August 31, dental, vision, hospice and most mental health benefits were eliminated from the CHIP benefits package.
- Effective September 1, CHIP coverage was reduced from 12 to 6 months eligibility
- Effective October 1, children will have to wait for 90 days after being declared eligible for CHIP in order to receive coverage.
- Effective November 1, CHIP co-pays and premiums will increase.
- Effective November 1, the following costs will no longer be considered in determining a child's eligibility for coverage: \$120 deduction for work-related expenses, childcare and disabled adult care expenses, child support and alimony payments.

A new CHIP assets test will be implemented for individuals earning above 150% of poverty, preventing individuals with more than \$5,000 in assets in qualifying for CHIP, and a vehicle assets test that is more restrictive than that of Children's Medicaid.

As a result of these changes, an estimated 169,000 children - more than a third of the current caseload - will no longer be eligible for CHIP coverage by 2005. In Sutton County there are 62 case loads, resulting in \$280,057 lost.

Health advocates point out that despite the cuts, CHIP coverage is still critical to thousands of Texas children and will continue to cover doctor visits, immunizations, prescriptions, hospital care and most needed medical services at an affordable rate.

The mission of the Children's Defense Fund is to Leave No Child Behind® and to ensure every child a Healthy Start, a Head Start, a Fair Start, a Safe Start and a Moral Start in life and successful passage to adulthood with the help of caring families and communities.

Prescription Cards Available For Senior Citizens

The Sutton County/Sonora Senior Center recently hosted an informative program for our Senior Citizens. The helpful information that was shared could save many elderly citizens money and hassle.

Frankie Westbrook contributed the following information.

In recent months several drug companies have announced discount cards. Each company made its own rules and decided which drugs would be included in the program.

Some pharmacies participated and some didn't. The array of possibilities is difficult to sort out. A person taking several medications might need several different cards, or might qualify for one card but not for another.

Some drug companies offer some of their medications free to very low-income people who can figure out how to send in the applications and get signatures from doctors, some of whom refuse to cooperate.

The value of such cards has been limited due to the confusion experienced by elderly and disabled patients in having to obtain different cards from different sources, each with their own set of rules, discounts, list of drugs eligible for the discount, and participating retailers.

The issue of adding prescription drug coverage to Medicare, while high on the national policy making agenda, remains unresolved. Because of this gap in our health care system, seven leading pharmaceutical companies have stepped forward to offer immediate assistance until a comprehensive Medicare prescription drug benefit is enacted into law and implemented.

Abbott Laboratories, AstraZeneca, Aventis, Bristol-Myers Squibb Company, GlaxoSmithKline, Johnson & Johnson (through Ortho-McNeil Pharmaceutical, Inc. and Janssen Pharmaceutica Products L.P.) and Novartis have responded by creating the Together Rx™ Card. With this one card, an estimated 8 to 11

million Medicare enrollees with no prescription drug coverage can access savings on more than 170 prescription medicines from these seven major research-based pharmaceutical companies.

The program is for Medicare holders that have an income of \$28,000 a year or less, or \$38,000 for couples.

The companies participating in the Together RX Card offer many of the prescription drugs commonly prescribed by internists for their Medicare patients. The companies said they will offer discounts on more than 145 widely used drugs, including many used to treat asthma, arthritis, depression, diabetes, high blood pressure, and high cholesterol.

The companies said discounts will range from 20 percent to 40 percent off the price individuals usually pay.

Enrollment for the Together RX Card begins immediately and the cards became effective in June.

To apply for the card, call 1-800-866-7211 or visit the website together-rx.com

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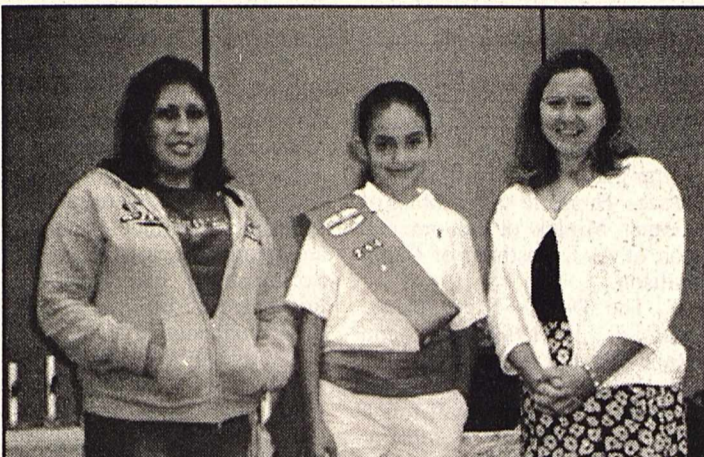
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Girl Scouts Ready For Busy Year

After completing the Investiture Ceremony on Sunday, September 21, 2003, the Sonora Girl Scouts were ready to go. With some returning faces and a few new ones, the Scouts will soon be hitting the streets selling nuts and may even be visiting your place of business as part of their learning adventures.



Tammy Favila & Marissa Faz are leaders for Brownie Troop #104. The following are Brownies, Brianna Reyna, Olivia Banda, Kelsey Favila, Micaela Moore, Kory Humphrey, Adriana Faz, Abby Creek, Katie Ramos, Melissa Freeman, Clarissa Hernandez, Jacinda Sanchez, Farrah Lopez, Stella Ingham, Marci Parks, and AnaLesa Samaniego.



Carrie Sinosic is the Leader for the Jrs. and Cadets. They are a small group but plan to have lots of fun this year. They are: (not all pictured) Stephanie Cornado, Nicole Hernandez, Allison Freeman and Maggie Ramirez.

Boy Scouts Will Be "Popping" By To Make A Sale

The Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts of the Concho Valley Council of the Boy Scouts of America hit the streets this week, kicking off their annual sale of Trails End Gourmet Popcorn.

The sales last through November 4th.

Scouts sell popcorn to earn their way in Scouting, including possible trips to camp, with 73% of the money going directly back to Scouting.

Trails End is high quality gourmet popcorn sold only by Scouts.

Products to be sold this year are: Deluxe 3-way tin with Gourmet Caramel Corn, Chocolate Caramel Crunch and Cheddar Cheese Corn, 30-pack Microwave Popcorn with 5 flavors (Unbelievable Butter, Butter Light, Regular Butter, Kettle Corn and Kettle Corn Light), 24 oz. Chocolate Caramel Crunch, 28 oz. Gourmet Caramel Corn with Pecans and Almonds, 15-pack Unbelievable Butter Microwave Popcorn, 15-pack Butter Light Microwave Popcorn and 12 oz. Gourmet Caramel Corn with Peanuts.

Scouts do a lot for our community and by helping to support them you are actually helping the city, and what a better way to help than through the purchase of popcorn.

Chamber Chatter

SONORA
Chamber of Commerce

by Ruthie Bounds, Manager

This week my Chamber Chatter column will feature Carl J. Cahill, Inc. and inform businesses of Sonora about the Welcome Hunter banners.

Carl J. Cahill Construction Company was founded in 1947 when Wanda talked her husband Carl into leaving his job with another construction company to start a business of his own in Sonora, where she had grown up. Carl had been working in the construction business for many years and was a Construction Superintendent for the construction company that was building US HWY 290 around Junction. Jimmy Cahill remembers as a young child, going with his father to light the smudge pots up on the big hill the other side of Junction while Carl was supervising that construction. Carl J. Cahill had worked for this same construction company before World War II. During the war Carl put his knowledge of dirt construction and equipment experience to good use by serving his country. He served in the Pacific as a United States Navy Seabee during World War II. When he returned from the war, the construction company that he had previously worked for asked him to come back to work for them. Which he did, until 1947 when he and Wanda purchased a dragline and moved to Sonora. Carl and Wanda operated the business out of Sonora, but Carl took his piece of equipment to where the work could be found.

They operated with that one dragline until they were able to purchase a couple of dump trucks. Then they were able to hire some men to help them operate their machinery. Two of their first employees were Charles Howard and Eddie Sosa. Long before the gas drilling boom of the late 1960's and early 1970's Cahill was working for such companies as: Conoco, Phillips, Humble, Stanolin, El Paso and Texaco. They built drilling site locations, roads and laid and cleared right-of-ways for pipelines all over West Texas. The company was incorporated as Carl J. Cahill, Inc. in January of 1959. I can remember while I was growing up here in Sonora that it was not unusual to see Carl still operating pieces of machinery during the 1960's. He believed in that kind of hands-on management and involvement with the company's jobs and employees.

Carl J. Cahill, Inc. is still owned and operated by members of the Cahill family. Carl J. Cahill III (Chacho), along with his father Carl J. Cahill II (Jimmy), is continuing with the family business. Carl J. Cahill, Inc. presently employ approximately 50 people in the Sonora area and is still building drilling site locations, roads, and pipeline right of ways as well as many other types of dirt construction. Carl J. Cahill, Inc. is certainly one of the oldest family owned and operated businesses in Sonora, and may indeed be the oldest. If you want a construction company with over 50 years of experience and dedication to the community of Sonora, call Carl J. Cahill, Inc. at 387-2524.

If any of you would like to order the Welcome Hunters banners to hang in front of your business, please contact the Sonora Chamber of Commerce. We need to have the orders for banners placed as soon as possible, and they must be placed by 5:00 p.m. October 13th, in order for us to have them in time for the first weekend of hunting season.

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Up on Eaton Hill

by Delyse Jaeger

"Sounds like strange chickens are roosting in our trees." Would you believe those are woodpeckers? Golden fronted woodpeckers are exceptionally beautiful birds and are quite noisy, making them easy to spot. These colorful feathered creatures are year round residents of our area but are not found in the majority of the US. They are one of thirteen species of woodpeckers in Texas. Their range extends from southwestern Oklahoma, through west-central Texas and down into Central America. Add the golden fronted woodpecker to our long list of unique plants and animals occurring in our area. These "jackhammers of the forest" prefer nesting in mesquite, oak or pecan, but will occasionally use telephone poles or fence posts. Abandoned woodpecker homes are taken up as nest sites by numerous other birds, playing an important role for some species like the elf owl. Golden fronted woodpeckers eat insects - mainly grasshoppers, fruit and berries. One article reported a woodpecker feeding carrion to its nestlings, however this is not noted elsewhere. Both parents incubate and feed the young. The golden fronted woodpecker sports unusually attractive plumage with its black and white striped and checkered back and wings, smooth gray body and head accented with a vibrant orange patch on the nape of the neck and canary yellow above the beak. The male woodpecker also has a patch of red on his crown. Special adaptations of the species include a tongue which can be extended several inches beyond the end of the beak for extracting insects out of tree bark and dead wood. Some woodpecker tongues are even barbed for increased effectiveness. Well, I've heard of a forked tongue but never... Anyway, another unusual characteristic is the heavily ossified or hardened bones in the skull. This adaptation protects against damage from a lifetime of head banging. The tapping behavior of woodpeckers enables them to build their homes and is also a form of communication denoting territory. The tail feathers are stiff and act as a prop while the bird is climbing trees. The flight of woodpeckers is easily recognized due to the roller coaster pattern. Golden fronted woodpeckers are very entertaining and can be seen in town as



Golden Fronted Woodpecker, drawn by Delyse Jaeger

well as on Eaton Hill. Next time you hear that tapping sound, or think you have chickens in your trees pause to observe these beautiful creatures. You are among the few people in the world who can!

Large numbers of migrating monarch butterflies are expected to push into Texas this week, so we should soon see increasing numbers. Visit Eaton Hill while the weather is perfect and the glory of nature is manifested in countless wonders. Don't forget the Native Plant Garden on the lawn of the Eaton House, this is an excellent spot for bird and butterfly watching.

Other news from the hill: The Friends of the Eaton House met last Thursday and decided to pursue restoration efforts for the house. The committee will ask the Historical Society to be the entity for funding purposes and the Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program will continue to lend expertise in the consultation and planning efforts. The Eaton House will also benefit from the support

and involvement of the Sonora Chamber of Commerce, city and county officials and several interested individuals. This broad based effort should make this project a shining example of community spirit. And speaking of Community Spirit, Eaton Hill Wildlife Sanctuary is basking in the limelight of honor. Eaton Hill was chosen as one of two finalists in the Texas Downtown Association Annual Awards Competition, Community Spirit category. We are greatly honored to be recognized and look forward to attending the banquet in November. A special thank you goes out to Ann Kay and the Friends of Historic Sonora Mainstreet Program for inviting and encouraging Eaton Hill to participate in the competition.

Eaton Hill Wildlife Sanctuary is a project of the Sonora Industrial Development Corporation.

Breast Cancer Month from page 1

fighting breast cancer. The American Cancer Society will be conducting its Tell A Friend program throughout October. The program enlists volunteers who call their friends and family members and encourage them to schedule a mammogram. To volunteer for

the Tell A Friend program, call the American Cancer Society at 1-800-ACS-2345.

For those who are diagnosed with breast cancer the American Cancer Society offers Patient Service programs such as: Reach to Recovery, Road to Recovery, Coping with Breast

Cancer support group, Dialogue support group and Look Good, Feel Better.

The American Cancer Society is the nationwide community-based voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer,

saving lives, and diminishing suffering from cancer, through research, education, advocacy, and service.

For more information 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, call 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit www.cancer.org.



Jr. High Cross-Country Boys



Jr. High Cross-Country Girls

Cross-Country Teams Run on the War Path

by Kellie Crain

On Saturday, September 27, the Sonora Cross-Country team traveled to Iraan to compete in the "Running on the Warpath" meet. This week, all junior high girls ran together, as did the boys, so the meet went very quickly.

Out of 103 junior high girls, Kyla Turney placed 20th, with a time of 14:25:05. Other results were as follows: Emily Earwood 31st, Kelsey Watkins

42nd, Savannah Leonard 43rd, Tanya Adams 57th, Vickie Torres 72nd, Azeneth Villanueva 76th, Gabby Porras 79th, Jeanette Tovar 91st and Loren Isenhour 94th.

David Lane placed 6th out of 56 in the junior high boys division, with a time of 12:32:41. Other results were as follows: Clayton Sahr 10th, Colton Moore 11th, Nick Peña 16th, J.T. Downing 22nd, Spencer Hall 37th, Michael

Luttrell 43rd, Amilka Hernandez 46th, Mario Lira 47th, and Ricardo Rodriguez 48th.

In the high school girls division, Alexie Ortiz placed 26th with a time of 13:44:79. Complete results are not in for the girls, however, other runners were Mandy Brister, Elizabeth Elliott, Delma Tovar, Amanda Word, Felisha Gamez, Emily Butler, and Maggie Ramirez.

Nick Favela placed 21st out

of 70 high school boy runners with a time of 18:03:96. Other runners were Toni Torres 28th, Jesse Garza 29th, Ty Love 33rd, Jacob Ibarra 37th, Fred Romo 58th and Jeb Hunt 66th.

The next meet is in Ozona on October 4th. The District meet will be in Grape Creek on October 27th, not November 1st.

Why It's Important To Prevent Kids From Drinking

Too many kids are drinking. Just look at the most recent government statistics: by the time they're seniors in high school, 62% of our children report they have been drunk at least once in their lives. Among other drugs (excluding tobacco), only use of marijuana comes even close, with nearly 50% of kids saying they have smoked pot.

Yet many people refuse to take the problem of underage drinking as seriously as they should. After all, they say, isn't getting drunk with your friends part of growing up in America?

Unfortunately, while the majority of kids who drink do grow up to become healthy adults, use of alcohol greatly increases the chances that they will be involved in a car crash, homicide or suicide, the leading causes of death for teenagers and young adults. In fact, a 16-year-old is more likely to die of alcohol-related causes than any other.

Adults also may be ambivalent about underage drinking because they think kids are drinking to relax or have a good time with their friends. What's the harm, they ask, if they're not drinking and driving?

Kids, however, aren't "social drinkers" who enjoy a glass of wine with their meal or go to cocktail parties. Nearly 60% say they drink when they're upset and nearly 40% drink alone. By the time they get to college 40% of them have become "binge drinkers" which means they have had five or more drinks in a row during the past two weeks.

Kids typically begin using alcohol around the age of 13, long before their minds and bodies are mature enough to handle the effects of a powerful drug. Research shows that the earlier kids start drinking the more likely they will be to develop a problem with alcohol or other drugs later in life. This risk is especially high for the 10% of eighth graders who say they have been drunk at least once during the past month.

Once kids start drinking, their world suddenly becomes a more dangerous place. Girls are more likely to be forced into unwanted sexual activity, which can result in pregnancy. Boys get into more fights and commit acts of vandalism that may escalate into more serious crimes. The academic and athletic performances of both sexes can suffer.

In short, if we care about the health of our children, we must do everything we can to discourage them from drinking for as long as possible.

Children see drinking all around them - at home, in restaurants, at family celebrations and on television - and they are naturally curious about alcohol and the way it affects people. You should always answer your child's questions honestly, but you also should be

prepared to initiate discussions about alcohol.

Some parents say that because alcohol is a legal drug, it's hard for them to think of it as being dangerous. Other parents say they find it difficult to talk about alcohol because they drink. Yet, alcohol is the drug most often used by young people and the consequences of its use can be harmful to your child in many ways.

It's never too early to start talking with your child about drinking. Some children start asking questions when they're four or five years old. Many parents make the mistake of waiting until their child has begun drinking - but if you listen and respond to your child sensitively, you may be able to help prevent problems from developing later.

* About 10.1 million people age 12 to 20 years reported current use of alcohol in 2001 - 28.5 percent of this age group for whom alcohol is an illicit substance. Of these, nearly 6.8 million or 19 percent were binge drinkers and 2.1 million or 6 percent were heavy drinkers.

* The median age at which children begin drinking is 15.7 years old.

* Students who attended schools with high rates of heavy drinking experienced a greater number of secondhand effects, including disruption of sleep or studies; property damage; and verbal, physical, or sexual violence.

* More than 40 percent of individuals who start drinking before the age of 13 will develop alcohol abuse or alcohol dependence at some point in their lives.

* Youth who drink before age 15 are four times more likely to develop alcohol dependence than those who begin drinking at age 21.

* People who begin drinking before age 14 are seven times more likely than those who began drinking after age 21 to report being in a motor vehicle crash because of their drinking.

* People who begin drinking before age 14 are three times more likely than those who began drinking after age 21 to report ever driving after drinking too much and four times more likely to report doing so in the past year.

* High school students who use alcohol or other substances are five times more likely than other students to drop out of school or to believe that earning good grades is not important.

* In 2002, 29 percent of 15- to 20-year-old drivers killed in motor vehicle crashes had been drinking. Twenty-four percent were intoxicated.

* It is estimated that at least 2/3 of alcohol outlets sell to underage purchasers without asking for identification.

These incidents illustrate that the problem of underage drinking is just as prevalent in

our area as it is across the nation, and that parents and school districts cannot afford to ignore the problem.

Underage drinking among high schoolers and even younger students is reaching epidemic proportions.

Teenagers who use alcohol are more likely to be sexually active and contract a sexually transmitted disease, and alcohol use is implicated in one- to two-thirds of sexual assault and date rape cases among teens.

Peer pressure plays a major role in underage drinking, but studies have said that even into the teen years, children are influenced by their parents' opinions and behavior. If parents talk to their children about alcohol, they can make a significant impact on their children's choices.

Any adult who provides alcohol to anyone under the age of 21, who is not their child, can face a maximum sentence of one year in jail and a \$4,000 fine. Even if an adult, through negligence, allows alcohol to be consumed by a minor in their home, they can face criminal charges.

Minors who are caught in possession of alcohol, consuming alcohol or using fake IDs to pay for alcohol have to pay significant fines. They can also lose their drivers license, be forced to attend mandatory alcohol awareness classes and perform community service. Repeat offenders may face jail time.

It can also add up for retailers. Those who are caught selling alcohol to minors can lose their licenses, their businesses and even end up in jail.

For all of these reasons, none of us can afford to let an opportunity slip by to talk to our children and their friends about the dangers of underage drinking. A little bit of prevention on everyone's part could go a long way in nipping this problem before it has a chance to spread to someone you know.

Tigers Scratch Their Way Past Broncos

by Anthony Longoria and Mason Martinez

The Sonora Broncos traveled to Bracketville, Texas on Friday, September 26, 2003, to take on the Bracketville Tigers.

The Broncos kicked off to start the game. After a few plays, the Bronco Defense stoned the Tigers and forced the ball over on a fumble. The Broncos didn't hesitate, scoring on their first drive on an 85-yard pass from Clint Cearley to Austin Wagoner.

Before the Broncos could go for the PAT, the referees postponed the game for a while because of lightning.

After the delay, both teams came back onto the field and the Broncos kicked their extra point to make the score Broncos 7, Bracketville 0.

On the next drive for the Tigers, the ball was fumbled once again, and Diego Cardona picked it up and took it the distance for the score. The Broncos missed the field goal, putting the score at 13-0.

After a couple punts by both teams' Offenses, the Broncos came back and scored on an 18-yard pass from Cearley to Chris Perez.

The Broncos tried the two

point conversion, but failed, making the score 19-0, in favor of the Broncos.

Right before the half, the Tigers scored on a short run, making the score 19-6.

The Broncos started off with the ball in the second half, but on the first play, the ball was intercepted by the Tiger defense. Bracketville wasted no time and scored on a run, making the score Broncos 19, Bracketville 13.

After punts by both teams, the Tigers managed to score again and took over the lead, 20-19.

The Broncos got the ball back on an interception by Steven Duhon and were charging down the field, when a fumble that appeared to have been recovered by the Broncos, was given to the Tigers.

The Tigers ran the clock down to make the final score Tigers 20, Broncos 19.

The Broncos play the Reagan County Owls on Friday, October 10. We would like to ask for a lot of support from the community because this is the first District game and a big one for the Broncos.

JV White Plow Through Garden City

by Chris Perez and Cameron Cox

The Sonora JV "White" Broncos traveled to Garden City on Thursday, September 25, to battle with the Red Storm of Garden City.

Garden City scored first with a 68-yard run on a reverse, which surprised everyone, and went the distance. That was the only touchdown that the Red Storm would manage to produce against the mighty Bronco "D".

A touchdown pass from Caleb Ramos to Pedro Gloria tied the game at 6-6. A two point conversion was successful on a pass to Lito Trevino, making the score 8-6.

The second touchdown was a pass from standout freshman quarterback, Ramos, to Trevino. With momentum on the Bronco's side, the Broncos scored their third touchdown

with a pass from Ramos to another freshman standout, Gloria. At the half, the score was Broncos 16, Red Storm 6.

The third quarter was a little slow, with both defenses making huge stops. However, in the fourth quarter, Ramos showed his stuff once more as he ran in the touchdown on the goal line option.

The entire Bronco team played an outstanding game. The Offensive Player of the Game (chosen by the coaches) was Pedro Gloria, with two touchdowns.

The Defensive Players of the game were Alex Perez, who led the team in tackles, Evan Gulley and Lito Trevino.

Sonora Football Broncos

Oct. 3
Open
Oct. 10

* Reagan County • Home

7:30 p.m.

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Oct. 24

* Wall • There • 7:30 p.m.

* District 2-2A Game

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Oct. 2

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White

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Red

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Oct. 16

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Oct. 23

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Oct. 2

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October 5

Katlynn Hill, Todd Keller, Cash Jennings, Jay Kay, Fred Perez, Bianca Velez, Mary Lou Solis

October 6

Crystal Coronado, Scott Smith, Libb Wallace, Jennifer Hernandez, Alaysia Capuchina, Danie Brister, Priscilla Castilleja, Alex Castilleja, Selena Mesa

October 7

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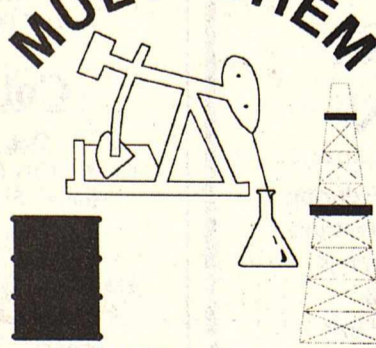
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4-H Workshops Planned, Validation Dates Set

Animal Nutrition Workshop
 Kyle Eckert, Dr. Frank Craddock's assistant, will be in Sonora on Monday, October 6, 2003, to discuss feeding requirements for all animal projects. He will start the program at 5:30 p.m. in the Langford Building. Kyle will be speaking about health problems related to nutrition and will give advice for avoidance of these problems. His discussion will be open to all of your questions regarding to development of your stock show projects, including swine, meat goats, and market lambs. Parents and exhibitors alike will benefit from this program so try to attend and get the latest information on feeds and supplements to help produce a winning project.

Wildlife Project
 Cliff Brister, project coordinator, has scheduled a meeting for Tuesday, October 7, 2003, at 7:30 p.m. in the Langford Building. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss project goats and select dates for programs. If you would like to participate in the project but did not include it in your project selection on your enrollment, come to this meeting and sign up. Other coordinators for this project are Will and Becky Allison and Mary Humphrey. These leaders will make this a very interesting and educational project. Plan to attend.

Market Lamb, Market Goats and Futurity Ewe Lamb Validation
 Monday, October 20, - Wednesday, October 22, have been set to validate livestock which must be validated during the month of October. If there is a conflict with the time that has been set for you, please contact the county extension office or Mr. Kissire so that you can be rescheduled. Animals may be brought and left in the Langford Building the night prior to your scheduled time. A shearer has been scheduled to shear the futurity ewe lambs on the 20th, so it is imperative that all of them be present on that date.

Even if you do not plan to validate with a state tag to show at the major shows, you still must validate your animals to be eligible for the county competition. Please do not hesitate to call the county extension office with any questions.

Below is the list of the assigned dates. If possible, all those with sheep and goats will be done on the same date. Only one sibling per family is listed.

Monday, October 20, 2003
 Mandy Brister, Steely Ingham, Chelsey Lou Campbell, Colton Moore, Bailey Pennington, Pecos Roberts, Sterling Love, Kaija Valkonen, J.T. Downing, Brea Hughes, Savannah Leonard, Brandy Neff, Macie Friess, Paul Faz, and Garrett Bawcom.

Tuesday, October 21, 2002
 Cadesman Pope, Colyer Dermody, Cash Jennings, Alex Lang, Madison Myers, John Duke Hudson, Hanna Allison, Tyler Edmondson, Stephani Morriss, Hilton Bloodworth, Rose Karnes, Kylie Johnson, Shane Love, Sheryl Strauch, and Marci Parks.

Wednesday, October 22, 2003 will be for reschedules only.

Underground Water Conservation District Amends Rules

by Cindy Cawley

After numerous lengthy discussions, the Board of Directors of the Sutton County Underground Water Conservation District has amended the District Rules. State law governing groundwater districts and the management of groundwater continues to change under the pressures of water needs across the State. And, management strategies within the District have urged changes in the District rules. Although the changes, which take effect October 15, 2003, are the first amendments since the rules went into effect in April, 1992, they will not be the last. The Directors will continue to study state law, current & future water usage and situational issues to determine the best management strategies for the Edwards-Trinity aquifer within Sutton County.

Changes to the rules include the following:

1. "Domestic Use" definition - an addition to the District rules.

The definition clearly defines what water use is considered as domestic use. Water usage is used to determine which category (exempt or permitted) the well should be classified as.

2. "Exempt Well" definition - changed to read as Texas Water Code Chapter 36.117. The District has two categories of wells - exempt and permitted. Exempt wells have different spacing requirements than permitted wells.
3. "Registration of Exempt Wells" and "Registration of New Wells drilled after 10/15/03" - The District must be notified prior to drilling any well. A "Notice of Intent to Drill" form is used to notify the District and begin the process prior to any drilling.
4. "Enforcement Provisions" - changed to read as Texas Water Code Chapter 36.102.

Please call the District office at 387-2369 to request a copy of the rules and ask for clarification of rules.

New USDA Program Promotes Healthy Creeks and Rivers

A new version of the popular Conservation Reserve Program is being offered to Texas landowners. The primary purpose of the program is to improve water quality in streams, creeks and rivers. The program provides financial incentives for landowners to exclude grazing and initiate needed management in eligible creek bottom areas for 10 to 15 years. The removal of grazing combined with riparian management is designed to improve desirable creek-side and bottomland vegetation. The dense vegetation will protect creek banks, filter sediment, improve water quality and enhance wildlife habitat. The practice, called Riparian Buffer is applicable on all perennial and many seasonal streams across Texas. Creek bottoms that already have the proper kinds and amounts of desirable riparian vegetation are not eligible for enrollment.

The program is administered and funded by the USDA Farm Services Agency with technical assistance provided by the Natural Resources Conservation Service. This partnership between private landowners and USDA will provide long term protection and enhancement of rivers and creeks across Texas.

Riparian buffers range in size from 35 to 180 feet wide on each side of an eligible creek.

The width of a buffer and eligible acreage depends on the size of the creek and the width of the riparian floodplain. An on-site visit by NRCS will determine eligible width.

Landowners who enroll will receive an initial up-front incentive payment of \$100 to \$150 per acre in addition to annual payments for 10 to 15 years. Annual payments for central and west Texas will range from about \$23 to \$53 per acre per year depending on location and whether the stream flows yearlong or only seasonally. A portion of these payments is intended to cover the costs of maintaining the buffer.

Landowners must agree not to graze the buffer for the entire period as well as carry out certain management practices that are needed to enhance riparian vegetation. This management may include selective thinning of mesquite or juniper, or removal of salt cedar in order to favor more desirable riparian grasses, shrubs and trees. Cost sharing of fences, alternate water development and other practices is offered, with USDA reimbursing 90% of the cost of eligible practices.

After several years, buffers are expected to develop a dense protective cover of desirable riparian shrubs, trees and grass. For more information contact your local NRCS office.

Commodity Loan and Deficiency Payments

The Farm Service Agency (FSA) has crop loans and loan deficiency payments available through out the crop year. Our agency annually establishes commodity county loan rates to calculate loans and availability of loan deficiency payments (LDP's). Loan deficiency payments become available for a commodity when the applicable daily or weekly price falls below the loan rate. County rates may differ and your rate is based on the administrative county records or the physical county location of the stored commodity. In our area eligible commodities include wheat, oats, barley, corn, grain sorghum, upland cotton, wool, mohair, unshorn pelts. All annual crop commodities must be mechanically harvested to be eligible and applied for in the county which maintains the applicable farm records. Wool, mohair and unshorn pelt commodities can be combined into one application for filing in your applicable headquarters county office.

To be eligible for a LDP or commodity loan, you must:

1. Submit an application request with acceptable crop/commodity production evidence.
2. Certify and report your crop acres including any idle land.
3. Have beneficial interest in the crop/commodity. This means you have title, risk and control of the crop.
 - a. If the crop/commodity is delivered to a buyer you have lost beneficial interest. If the buyer pays you for the crop, even if it hasn't moved from your farm, you have lost beneficial interest.
 - b. Commodity loans require beneficial interest in the commodity until the loan is repaid.
4. LDP's require beneficial interest at the time of the LDP request.
5. Actively apply an approved conservation plan on any highly erodible cropland.
6. Have a completed payment eligibility and limitation form with FSA that includes farms and ranches in your operation.

The commodity must meet the following guidelines:

1. Be in existence and in a storable condition.
2. Be merchantable for food or feed.
3. Be within acceptable moisture levels.
4. Not be substituted or purchased.

Acceptance production evidence must include:

1. Name of Producer---This name must be the same that you are using when applying for a LDP payment or loan application with FSA.
2. Commodity---It would be beneficial if the documentation clearly states the commodity.
3. Date - of submission to warehouse, scale ticket, bin measurement, settlement sheet, etc.
4. Net Weight and units (pounds, cwt, etc.)

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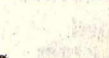
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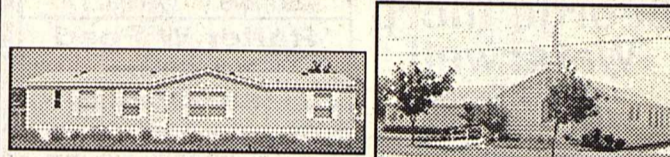
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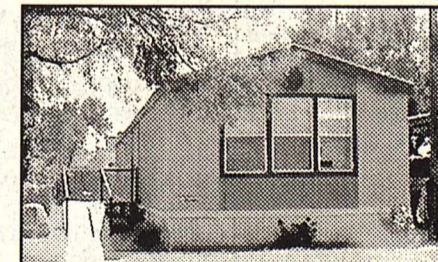


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Sutton County Health Fair will be at Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital on Wednesday, October 22, 2003 from 10a.m. - 3p.m. Free blood screening will begin at 7:30 at the Hospital Annex. Persons must be fasting to qualify for Cholesterol and Blood Sugar screenings. PSA will also be available. There will be fun for all ages.

Halloween Dance Club meeting - Monday, October 6th, at the Pocket Park on Main Street (located behind Texas Land & Ranches) 6:00 p.m. Elect new officers and discuss future of club. Important! Please try to attend.

DAISY MEETINGS 10/07/03
Sonora Animal Hospital, North Access Rd, 387-2481 (5:30-6:30)-Tuesday 10/23/03 THE GIRLS SCOUT HUT (409 Water St.) FROM 5:30-6:30 - Thursday

Table Manners and Etiquette workshop, hosted by 4-H Foods and Nutrition Project and the local Girl Scouts, Saturday, October 11, 2003, 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (instruction at the Sutton County Steakhouse 1:00 p.m. participants will be treated to a late lunch to practice what they have learned. Registration fee is \$10 and will cover the cost of the meal and supplies. RSVP by Oct. 9th to Kelly Thorp, County Extension Agent - FCS.

GED and Adult Basic Education Classes will begin October 7th at the Sonora Middle School in room 108 from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. ESL classes have begun. They are at Sonora Middle School every Tuesday and Thursday in room 104 from 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. For more information call 387-3029, 387-3023 or 387-3736.

Emmaus gathering - 2nd Tuesday of every month at Lighthouse Community Church, 6:30 p.m. Babysitting provided.

Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program has just received the 2003 Christmas Ornaments. The 24K gold finish brass ornament is a windmill and a turkey on the Sutton County Courthouse Lawn. The cost is \$10. Visit the Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street office on Main Street to get yours today, and add it to your Sonora ornament collection.

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Full Schedule Slated For Fall Festival 2003

The Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program, Sonora Independent School District and the downtown businesses invite you to come to the Annual Fall Festival on Saturday, October 25, 2003 on Main Street from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Proceeds from the Fall Festival will help offset the cost of youth activities in the Sonora schools and a portion will go to non-profit organizations in our community. There will be many activities for all ages, and lots of crafts, jewelry. The Senior Class of 2004 will be raising funds with hamburger sales and the Spanish Club will be selling ears of corn, so lunch is taken care of.

The Festival will start with the crowning of Mr. and Miss Fall Festival at 10:00 a.m. on the Main Stage. The Story Book parade will start at 11:00 a.m. with prizes going to the best costumes in all age groups.

Live music will entertain visitors throughout the day and The Devil's River Dancers will take the stage at 1:30 p.m.

The Fall Festival couldn't be done without the commitment from the S.I.S.D. that work so hard to make the event so much fun each year.

If you are interested in having a booth at the Fall Festival please contact the Friends of Historic Sonora at 325-398-2248 or visit 232 Main Street, Suite 101.

High School Rodeo from page 1

A single group of people have captured the imagination and respect of the world's population more than the American cowboy. This and many other factors set High School Rodeo apart from other high school sports. The fact that these athletes are competing on a scale comparable with college and professional rodeo competitors and the stock these young athletes compete on are the same size and caliber of those used at any professional rodeo, makes high school rodeo unique among other youth sports.

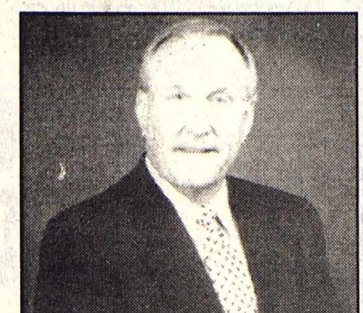
Many of the young athletes involved in the National High School Rodeo Association are the second or third generation to be a part of this unique organization and are themselves world-class athletes who compete not only in high school rodeos, but in professional and adult amateur rodeos as well. The cowboy or cowgirl and the animals used in rodeo compete against themselves and the clock, as much as they compete against other contestants.

Another fact which sets High School Rodeo apart from other varsity sports is that it is a truly independent student athletic association, receiving no financial assistance from tax dollars - and, therefore, does not usually come under the supervision of school administrations. High School Rodeo doesn't suffer from this independence, though. The association is basically self-supporting (with the generous assistance of national corporate sponsors) and is highly successful. Members are fully-insured, supervised and guided by adult experts, and have as much opportunity to acquire scholarships and grants for higher education as their schoolmates who are involved in recognized high school varsity sports. In fact, many NHSRA members are also stars in other high school sports as well.

Don't miss your chance to support these Broncos at the Sutton County Arena on October 11th at 6:00 p.m. and the 12th starting at 11:00 a.m. with a church service at 9:00 a.m.

Meet Sonora Clergymen First Baptist Church

Rev. T. Wayne Price - The First Baptist Church of Sonora is honored to introduce you to our pastor, Rev. T. Wayne Price. Under the leadership of the Holy Spirit Brothers, Price and his wife, Fay, were led to come and serve as the under-shepherd for Jesus of our fellowship in April of 2000. The Price's have three married children and five grandchildren.



This native of Victoria, in South Texas, came to Sonora from the Rose Hill Baptist Church in Texarkana, where he served faithfully for twenty years. Price began his ministry in student pastorates in the mid-sixties, and was an Associate Pastor in Pasadena, Texas, from 1967-70. He served as the pastor of the Old Boston Baptist Church in New Boston, Texas, from 1970-1973 and served as the pastor of the Central Baptist Church in Mineral Springs, Arkansas, from 1973-1980 before moving to Rose Hill in Texarkana.

Brother Price has always been actively involved in the Baptist Association, cooperating with the congregation where he served. He currently is active in the Concho Valley Baptist Association and served in numerous leadership positions in the Bowie Baptist Association while in East Texas. He is a former Executive Board member of the Baptist General Convention in Texas and served as a practical ministry mentor for the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Ft. Worth.

Price is a visionary leader, with a real dedication to leading his church in service to the Lord. In early 2002 he was responsible for leading the First Baptist Church of Sonora in the development of a five year strategic plan, which focuses on the church's "Reason for Being" Statement. This body of believers lives to exemplify the Spirit of Christ in ministry and service to all people.

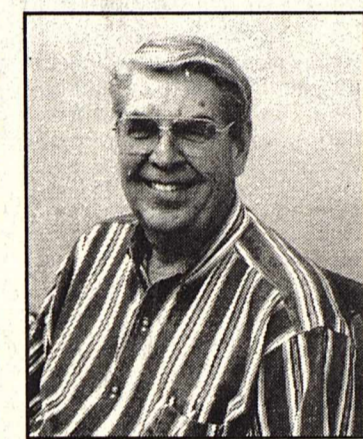
Brother Price is a gifted preacher, and a devoted pastor with a passion for serving God's people and doing God's work. He challenges each of us to service and leads by example.

Price has not only been a blessing to the First Baptist Church, but he is also very active in and around the city of Sonora. He currently serves as the "Voice of the Broncos" as the play-by-play announcer at all of our home football games. He is active in the Sonora Downtown Lions Club and is a friend to many.

T. Wayne's favorite hobby is golf, and he can occasionally be found on the local golf course, in his spare time.

Church of Christ

Jerry Jackson, minister for the Church of Christ in Sonora, brings with him not only a loving family, but so much experience with people - children as well as adults. Jerry has been preaching for over 44 years. He began preaching while in high school, in a small rural congregation in East Texas. He has worked with congregations in Texas at Point, Valley View near Gainesville, Wichita Falls, Marshall, Hamlin and now Sonora. He has been here for two years.



Jerry and his wife of 43 years, Linda, were both raised in Dallas. Linda is the daughter of a minister. They have three biological children, five grandchildren, and have adopted a sibling group of four boys. Of their second family, Mickey works for the City of Sonora and Bobby is a sophomore at Sonora High School.

The Jackson's have been foster parents for 14 years and have had over a dozen children in their home. Jerry has served on the Region 2 Foster and Adopted Parent Advisory Council since it was organized 14 years ago. He has served as its President and presently is serving as Parliamentarian and Secretary and is on the Board of Directors. He has served on the Oil Patch Foster Parent Association in Snyder in several capacities including President. At present, he is serving as President of the Concho Valley Foster Parent Association in San Angelo.

Jerry studied at Fort Worth Christian College, Preston Road School of Preaching in Dallas, Cooke County College, Midwestern University, and is very near a degree in Psychology from Abilene Christian University.

His previous community service includes 10 years with Optimist International, serving in several positions, including Lt. Governor; he was with the Rotary Club for 14 years and served in several positions including President; he was a member of the Board of Directors of the Hamlin Child Care Center for 10 years during a time of construction of a new facility; and served as Chairman of Indian and historical artifacts display at the annual Rath's Trail celebration in Hamlin. He is presently a mem-

ber of the Sonora Downtown Lions Club.

Jerry was nominated for Texas Rural Minister of the Year in 1998, Hamlin's Man of the Year in 1999, and their family was nominated for the Texas State Foster Family of the Year in 2000.

Jerry's hobbies include trout fishing, camping in Colorado, antiques and Texas history.

Our congregation in Sonora feels very fortunate to have Jerry, Linda and their family here with us. Not only does Jerry know God's word and shares it with us in a way that both adults and children can understand, but he seems to really enjoy what he does. He prepares at least four lessons weekly, teaches a high school class on Sunday morning and uses drama and a variety of visuals to present stories from the Bible to kids ages 3-12 years on Wednesday nights. He publishes, prints and mails out over 200 bulletins weekly to keep us all informed of happenings. His encouraging manner and willingness to be involved has served as a spark and we are more convinced that even the little things we do make a difference. He makes us want to try bigger things knowing that with Christ we can!

Jerry says, "Linda and I love children and we want to contribute in every way to their betterment. After all, they are our present as well as our future. Presently, we have over one hundred children enrolled in our congregation's Children's Program to help them socially, educationally, and spiritually. We love the support we have received from our congregation and the hospitable reception from the community."

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