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Sgt. Timothy Shane Folmar

Reality of war hits home as Sonora mourns loss of one of our own

What was supposed to be a homecoming celebration Friday, September 24, 2004, turned to a time of tears, as news that one of our own had fallen in the war against terrorism in Iraq.

Sgt. Timothy Folmar, Shane to us, was killed in the line of duty on September 24, 2004, as result of enemy action in Al-Anbar

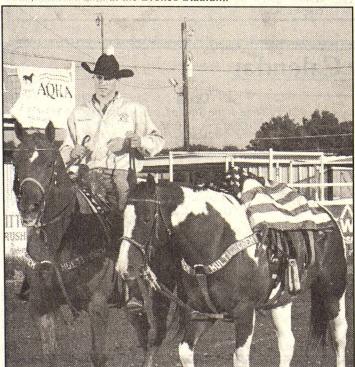
Shane graduated from Sonora High School in 2003, where he was active with the FFA and played on the 2002 State Championship Football Team. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and riding 4-wheelers with his buddies. He was a quiet country boy with a sheepish grin, and even though he drove that loud red truck too fast, everyone liked him. So many have fond memories of Shane, like the Bronco Pep Rally when he dressed up like Mr. Myers and strutted across the gym floor with the spirit broom.

Shane joined the United States Marine Corps on October 27, 2003, and went to boot camp at Camp Pendleton in California. He was a rifleman assigned to 2nd Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force. His personal awards include the National Defense Service Medal and a Purple Heart.

Everyone agrees that Shane was doing what he wanted to be doing by fighting for our country in Iraq, but it doesn't make it any easier for his family and friends who have to say good-bye. The loss hits home to each and every one of us in this community, where Shane had a large extended family, and to families all over the United States. Calls of condolences have come from as far away as California, from ex-Sonora residents who heard the news on T.V. and wanted to express their sorrow and gratitude for what Shane was doing for us in Iraq.

A special community candle lighting and white ribbon ceremowill be held at the Old Oak Tree on the Sutton County Courthouse Lawn at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 29, 2004, in honor of Shane. Everyone is invited to come honor our fallen hero as we remember the good times and love that Shane shared with our community and acknowledge the ultimate sacrifice he made for our freedom.

Funeral services have been scheduled for Saturday, October 2, 2004, at 10:00 a.m. at the Bronco Stadium.



A special tribute was held in honor of Sgt. Shane Folmar at the Sonora High School Rodeo on Saturday, September 25, 2004. Sonora High School student Steven Duhon led a riderless horse carrying an American flag into the arena as a moment of silence was followed by the playing of "I'm proud to be an American". Photo by David Jennings.

First National Bank robbed

by Storie Sharp

Texas Rangers and the Sutton County Sheriff's Department released this picture Tuesday, of a suspect who robbed the First National Bank of Sonora on Monday, September 27, 2004.

Sonora Chief of Police Mike House reported Monday that at approximately 12:30 p.m. a call was received that an armed robbery had just occurred at the First National Bank of Sonora. Local law enforcement immediately responded to the call and began a search of the area for the suspect who was reported to be armed and considered dangerous, and had fled the bank on foot. The FBI soon arrived on the scene to assist with the investigation.

First National Bank President, Michael V. Hale, stated that "the lone perpetrator entered the bank and approached a bank teller and requested the money from her cash drawer." The teller complied with the request and gave the suspect the money.

'None of the employees were harmed during the robbery," stated Hale, and business opened as usual on Tuesday, September 28. There were no customers reported to have been in the bank at the time of the robbery.

The amount of money taken from the scene has not been disclosed.

Although no vehicle information was reported, road blocks were set up by surrounding county law enforcement to assist with the search. A person fitting the description of the suspect was encountered at the Schleicher County check-point, but further investigation proved he was not the suspect in ques-

Several witnesses reported to have seen someone fitting the description of the suspect in the area before the robbery took

'We know he had to have

been here a while, he didn't just show up and rob the place," said Texas Ranger Brooks Long.

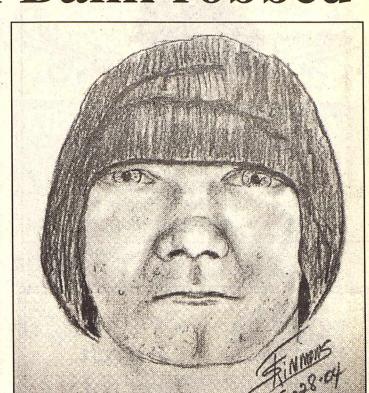
"We're just glad that no one was hurt and we are working with several leads based on evidence obtained," said Ranger

Sutton County Sheriff Joe Fincher said that the teller handled herself well and is to be commended.

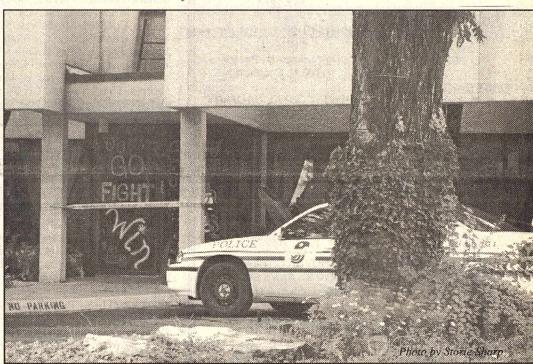
The suspect is reported to be a white male with acne scars on his face, approximately 5'8" or 5'9" tall, weighing approximately 170 pounds and was wearing blue sweat pants with a white stripe down the leg, a blue hooded sweatshirt, with a Dickies logo on the hood, faded white tennis shoes and a navy blue toboggan.

Hale stated that he "would like to take this opportunity to thank all law enforcement agencies for their quick response in handling the incident in a very professional manner."

Hale also extended a thankyou to the First National Bank family and all the customers for their concerns.



Have you seen this man? Anyone with information regarding the bank robbery on Monday, September 27, 2004 should contact the Sonora Police Department at (325) 387-3888 or the Sutton County Sheriff's Department at (325) 387-2288. Composite drawing by Shurley Timmons, Forensic Artist, from Austin, Texas.



The First National Bank lobby became a crime scene after an armed robbery on Monday.



April Flores crowns Tara Green the 2004 Homecoming Queen at Friday's games against the Reagan County Owls.

Sonora downs the Owls 37 to 0 at Homecoming game

by Ray Glasscock

The Broncos took the opening kickoff, but they were forced to punt after one first down. Caleb Ramos hit Anthony Longoria over the middle for a first down. After that the Owls held and Clint Cearley got off a long punt. The Owls went three and out and punted back to Sonora. On the first play, Cearley hit Longoria with a 71yard touchdown pass. The kick for the PAT was wide left and the

Broncos led 6 - 0. The Owls were not able to make a first down and punted back to the Broncos.

Brett McDaniel got the drive going with a 25-yard run

around the right side of the line. From there, Ramos, McDaniel, and Stetson Perez moved the ball steadily closer to the goal line. Ramos scored the touchdown on a four-yard keeper behind the lead blocking of McDaniel and left side of the Bronco offensive line. McDaniel caught a short pass from Ramos and scored the two point conversion making the score 14 to 0 as the first quarter ended.

The Owls made a couple of first downs on their next possession. In fact, they had an 80-yard touchdown run called

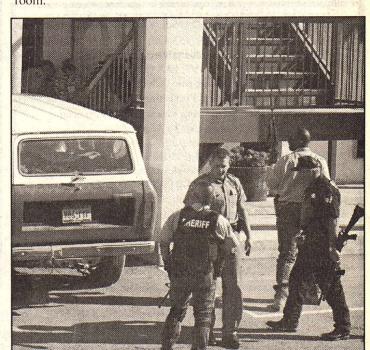
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Alleged suicide situation ends peacefully

by Storie Sharp

An hour long stand-off ended without incident on Thursday, September 23, 2004. Local law enforcement responded to the Best Western Motel in Sonora after a license check on a vehicle came back belonging to a missing person that was reported to be armed and dangerous. Sutton County Sheriff's Department, Sonora Police Department, Drug Task Force, Texas Department of Public Safety were all on alert as Deputy Jody Harris attempted to make contact with the suspect inside the motel room.

Family members had reported the man to be unstable and reported that he had left with several guns. Not knowing what the state of the suspect was inside the motel room, law enforcement used every precaution while trying to get the man to exit the room. After about an hour of attempting to make contact, the lone suspect finally opened the door to the room and surrendered to the police, at which time he was taken by Sutton County EMS to the Lillian M. Hudspeth Hospital for observation. A handgun was removed from the room. An additional handgun and two rifles were removed from the suspect's vehicle parked in front of the



Local law enforcement work to bring a safe end to a touchy situation at the Best Western. Photo by Storie Sharp

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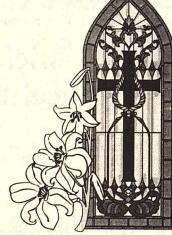
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Cards of Thanks

The family of Jacinto H. Garza would like to express our most sincere thanks to everyone for your prayers, food and flowers which were sent during the recent loss of our loved one. A special thanks to Hospice of San Angelo and Chartwell Community Services for the care they provided. Everyone and everything was greatly appreciated. May God bless each and every one of you.

The Garza Family

Sonora High School would like to thank all of the businesses and individuals who donated toward the Sonora Bronco tunnel. We continue to be amazed at what Sonora can do when we all pull together toward a common goal. It was exciting to see the tunnel go up for our first district game. Again, thanks to all of you who are always willing to donate your time and money to make our high school experience the best it can possibly be.

On behalf of Sonora High School, we would like to thank the following businesses and individuals for making Homecoming 2004 a success:

Ann Kay, Friends of the Historic Sonora, Inc., Tedford Jewelry, Radio Shack, Rick and Maray Cearly, Sonora Bronco Booster Club, SISD Maintenance Department, Parker Lumber, Carlos Gallegos, Johnny Solis, The City of Sonora, Lisa's Flowers and Gifts, Grider Trucking Co. and all of the downtown businesses.

The continued support of Sonora businesses and citizens is greatly appreciated by the student body of SHS. The type of involvement demonstrated in preparation for homecoming truly makes this a unique and special community. Again, thank you so much for all of your help and support.

Sonora High School Cheerleaders

To Ann Kay and everyone at the September 21st Lions Club Dinner and Auction,

Ruth Shurley deeply appreciates the compliments and the standing ovation given to her for her dedication to the Lions Club and to Sonora.

Ruth, her daughter, Derry Kay Bosch, and her granddaughter Alison Bosch appreciate the kinds words.

On behalf of the Sonora YMCA Heavy Weight Division, we would like to thank Don Grider, Janice Caruthers, John Brown and Mark Holt. We appreciate the use of the truck and trailer for our Homecoming Parade. It was greatly appreciated.

> Thank you again, Ronny and Betsy Smith and the Heavy Weight Team.

Go Broncos! Job well done! Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street would like to say "Thank-you" to all of the Sonora Homecoming Parade sponsors: Radio Shack (Nathan & John), Tedford Jewelry, Sonora Downtown businesses (who decorated their businesses), Sutton County Judge Carla Garner, Johnny Solis, Carlos Gallegos, Sutton County Commissioners, City of Sonora, Mayor Gloria Lopez, Sheriff Fincher, Police Chief House, Parker Lumber, Rafter W Feed, La Mexicana, Sutton County EMS, Sonora Fire Dept., Fire Chief Rick Cearly, Sonora High School Band, Sonora Football Players, Sonora Cheerleaders, Ms. Casey, Ms. Ward, Mrs. Friess, Sonora Independent School District Staff, Sonora Coaches, Mr. Myers, Mr. Berry, Mr. Chavarria, Little Mr. Sutton County Alex Castilleja and Little Miss Sutton County Felisha Farley, Miss Sutton County Courtney Caruthers, 2003 Homecoming Queen April Flores, all the recent Homecoming candidates and the participants that made the Homecoming Parade a success. Thank-you and Go Broncos - on to State!

Letter to the Editor

This is to the people who keep turning us in for neglecting our horse. If you are paying so much attention to our "28-year-old horse" then you should see that he is fed twice a day and has water. For his age, he is supposed to look this way! My husband takes very good care of his horses! This is a horse which was raised by his grandfather and we are not going to put him down because he is too old! When you are old and have a hard time getting around, I am sure your family is not going to take you out back and shoot you! Every person who knows my husband will let you know the last thing he would do is mistreat his horses! You need to pay a little closer attention and you will see my husband every morning feeding his horse! Every afternoon my husband, my kids, or I are feeding and paying attention to this horse! For a 28 year old he is not going to get much prettier! Those who know horses know he is better off turned out where he is than stuck in a little pen! If you are going to keep calling the police and reporting us for neglect, you'd better get your facts straight first!

A very angry horse owner, Kim Lewis

Senior Center News

Oct. 4 - Bingo after lunch!

Oct. 5 - Exercise with video! Sign up now! Oct. 6 - Finish Halloween crafts after lunch!

Oct. 8 - AARP Driving Quiz. Noon. By staff.

Senior Center Menu Oct. 4 - Baked chicken, augratin potatoes, Italian vegetables,

roll, chocolate pudding, milk.

- Ground beef with vermicelli, pinto beans, flour tortillas, tossed salad, mixed fruit cup, milk.

Oct. 6 - Baked ham, green beans, sweet potatoes, roll, juice, peanut butter cookie, milk.

Oct. 7 - Roast beef, mashed potatoes, Brussel sprouts,

wheat roll, carrot sticks, apple sauce, milk.

Oct. 8 - Catfish, tartar sauce, spinach, pinto beans, coleslaw cornbread, lemon pudding, milk. **NEW HOURS**

Mon. - Fri 7:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

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.*

Obituaries

Sgt. Timothy Shane Folmar

Sgt. Timothy "Shane" Folmar, 21, of Sonora, Texas, died in action serving his country in Al-Anbar Province, Iraq, on September 24, 2004. Services will be held Saturday, October 2, 2004 at 10:00 a.m. in the Sonora Bronco Football Stadium. Burial will follow at the Sonora Cemetery. Reverend Wayne Maxwell of the San Angelo Church of Pentecost and Reverend Lewis Allen of The Church of the Good Shepherd will officiate.

Shane was born August 14, 1983, in Kermit, Texas and was a 2003 graduate of Sonora High School. Shane joined the Marine Corps on October 27, 2003 and was a rifleman assigned to 2nd Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Marine Division, Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendleton, California.

Shane is survived by his father and stepmother, Wendell and Ann Folmar of Sonora, Texas; mother, Callie Smith Folmar, of Sonora, Texas, one brother, Brandon Folmar, one stepsister Mrs. Raven Brown and one stepbrother Jacob

Spivey, all of Sonora, Texas; grandmother, Linda Folmar of Kermit, Texas; uncle, Terry Folmar of Odessa, Texas; uncle, Tracey Folmar of McKinney, Texas; aunt, Tina Eppler of Ozark, Missouri; aunt, Carrie Guadarrama of Celina, Texas; uncle, Charles Spivey of Artesia, New Mexico; aunt, Brigette Dolph of Denver, Colorado; uncle, Rocky Smith, Jr., of Denver, Colorado; very special "aunt and uncle" Danny and Tammy Tidwell; cousins, Chris Smith, Breawna Smith, and Bailey Smith of Denver, Colorado; several more cousins and countless friends who love and will miss him dearly. Shane was preceded in death by his grandfather Henry Folmar of Kermit and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Rocky Smith.

Honorary pallbearers will be Josh Tidwell, Joseph Tidwell, Wylie Wagoner, Austin Wagoner, David Cook, Tom "Trapper" Valliant, Dustin "Trapper" Valliant, Dustin Martin, Chris Martin, Joseph Percifull, Shane Benson, Westley Lipham, C.D. Lipham, Lipham, Jacob Tyler Edmondson, Tyrell Homra, Rowdy Buell.

Elma Urias DelaGarza

Elma Urias DelaGarza, 77, of Sonora died Friday, September 24, in the Schleicher County Nursing Home.

Funeral services were held Sunday, September 26, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. at the Primera Iglesia Bautista Church. Burial followed in Sonora Cemetery. Reverend Saragoza Esquivel and Brother Don Longoria officiated. Arrangements were by Kerbow Funeral Home.

She was born June 25, 1927 to Jesus and Leocadia Urias in Sonora. She married Flavio DelaGarza July 9, 1949. He preceded her in death on November 12, 1981. Also preceding her are four sons, Flavio Jr., Manuel, Abraham and Benjamin. She was a homemaker and a member of the Baptist

She is survived by her daughter, Rosario Fay and husband Adam, brother, Leova Urias and wife Anita of Ft. Worth, sisters, Irene Gonzales and husband Billy and Vita

Galindo and husband Braulio both of San Antonio, two granddaughters, Sara and Noemi Fay both of Sonora and numerous nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were Mark Gonzales, Albert Losoya, Raymond Galindo, all of San Antonio, Texas, Robert Galindo of Ft. Worth, Texas, Sam David Hernandez of Sonora, Texas and Arnold DelaGarza of Midland, Texas.

The family would like to thank the following: Dr. Charles Pajestka and staff, Dr. Lucas, Hospice of San Angelo and Laura, Eldorado Nursing Home and staff, Columbia Hospital and staff, Sandra Luz, Emma Luna, The Bank & Trust, Bruce Kerbow and the residents of Sonora.
The family requests memo-

rials be made to Hospice of San Angelo or a favorite charity.

A special thanks to Primera Bautista Church Lighthouse Community Church. University in 1920

Ross D. Latta

Ross D. Latta (of Sonora) 73, died September 25, 2004 after months of exemplary care at Kerrville Veterans Hospital.

Ross was born August 15, 1931 in Del Rio to John and Ruby Latta. In 1951, he married Joan Lee Hardison in Marietta, Georgia. Service in the Air Force took them both to Arizona England, and California. After the military, he farmed alfalfa and worked construction in California. In 1972, the family returned to Texas where he drove trucks

and worked in the oil patch until retirement. Ross is survived by daugh-

ter Linda, in Oklahoma, and sons Steve Latta of Kerrville, and John Latta (Mimi) of Richland, Washington; grandchildren Troy Latta (Stephanie) of Denver, Colorado and Alison Carroll of Brackettville; and great-grandson Sean Latta, of Denver. Ross will be interred at the

Latta family plot at the Red Creek Cemetery near London. The date is not yet set.

School Lunch Menu • Oct. 4 - 8, 2004

Breakfast

Mon. - Toast with peanut butter, assorted juice. Tues. - Hot oatmeal, assorted juice.

Wed. - Cinnamon toast, assorted juice.

Thurs.- Biscuits & sausage, assorted juice. Fri.- Egg & ham burrito, assorted juice.

Milk and cereal offered with all breakfasts. Lunch

Mon.- Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, gravy, mixed fruit, hot Tues.- Corn dog, mustard, baked beans, carrot/celery sticks,

brownie. Wed.- Soft beef taco, cheese, Spanish rice, vegetable salad, pudding with topping.
- Baked ham, macaroni & cheese, green beans, fruit salad,

Fri. - Hamburger, lettuce, tomatoes, tater tots, ketchup, chocolate

Community Calendar

Oct. 2

Sutton County Health Foundation Benefit Golf Scramble 8:00 a.m.

Oct. 5 P.T.O. Open House Sonora Elementary • 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. S.H.S. Math Dept. Parent Night 7:00 p.m.

Al-Anon Family Meetings Every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. • Hospital Dining Room Call 387–2521 ext. 170

The Community Calendar

Member FDIC

Story Time at the Sutton County Library 10:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Oct. 11

County Commissioners Meeting 9:00 a.m. • Sutton County Annex Oct. 19 City Council Meeting 2:00 p.m. • City Hall

Bronco Booster Meetings Every Monday at 6:30 p.m. SHS Commons Area

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Ask the Historical Society

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Harris-McNeill Tragedy Part 2

Mr. Harris Tells the News Man Some Incidents: My daughter left home Friday to spend the day with a girl friend in Waco. When she did not return that day we phoned to Waco and the girl there said she had not seen her. I went to Waco to enquire and at the......Hotel I found that Nelson McNeill of Valley Mills had registered but stayed only long enough to wash up and the hotel had made no charge for its accommodation. I found that at another hotel a couple had registered and were assigned adjoining rooms, if they were my daughter and McNeill they had used other names. I went home thinking to hear some thing in a day or two. Monday we got a telegram from Dallas saying that she was well and writing that day. I went to Dallas and found that it was a telegram sent to a friend in Dallas requesting that the message be sent to us. I could not find where the message came from but decided it was from San Antonio. I enquired in Dallas and McLennan counties if a marriage license had been issued for my daughter and McNeill but none had been.

My son came over from Caddo and Friday morning May 20 we started for Del Rio, knowing that McNeill made frequent trips this way. I objected to my daughter associating with McNeill because of his character and her mother had many arguments with her about him. She would reply that he was not as bad as they said he was and that the girls of the best families in Valley Mills went with him. When she was gone and McNeill was also away I believed they had gone together and my hope then was that they had married. My daughter was very fond of her mother and when a student at the Baylor University in 1920 would come home for the weekend.

Following the car which left town till it broke down on the hill, you know the distance from here, continued Mr. Harris, McNeill and my daughter jumped from their car and McNeill fired a shot at me. I called to my daughter to come back or lay down or she would be killed. Mrs. Harris was calling to her too, and my son was

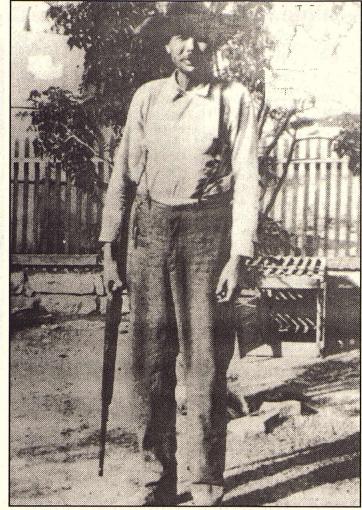
making toward them from the

My daughter hesitated a moment and turned to go toward her mother, when McNeill took her by the wrist, turned her around and keeping her between me and him, backed behind some bushes. Instantly my son yelled, "He's shooting her. He's shooting her," and he did. Then he turned the gun on himself. I did not see this but my son did. Mr. Harris said he did not care to talk about what happened after he and his son closed in on McNeill.

H. S. Harris who was present when the elder Harris was talking to the News reporter, said after reaching the bodies of his sister and McNeill, he prevented his father from finishing off McNeill. He told his father that enough had been done and the law would attend to the rest. He disarmed his father, took McNeill's pistol and searched him for other arms, and taking the guns left his father there to guard McNeill while he came to town for the officers.

Find Body of McNeill

Nelson McNeill's lifeless body was found on the edge of a small thicket, in the E.E. Steen pasture, about eight miles from the scene of the tragedy, and only a short distance from the road, by the posse headed by Deputy Sheriff Cook, Claude Keene and J. D. Wallace who struck the trail at the Holman road, about three miles from the place of the killing and followed it by the foot print to the Steen gate. The trailing was slow and at night and whenever the footprints left the road the posse cautiously searched the wayside and when they got to the Steen pasture and the trail was lost in the grass, the posse waited nearby until daylight when the body was found. The Coroner was sent for and the Doctor examined the wounds. The slash or stab in the neck severed the right carotid artery and was inflicted by a small pen knife which was found beside the body near the right hand. McNeill had been dead about three hours when found by the posse. The body was cold but the blood still flowed. The second finger of the right hand was almost severed at the first joint by a bullet. There were severe bruises in the front and back of the head, but the skull was not thought to be fractured. There were bruises and scratches on the arms and other parts of the body. The verdict of the Justice of the Peace Balch, acting coroner, was that death was due to the wound in the



Sam Merck - Deputy Sheriff

neck and was self inflicted. The body was taken to San Angelo Sunday evening, embalmed and prepared for shipment to his home in Valley Mills.

Harris and Son Give Bond

At the request of Justice Balch, District Attorney N. W. Graham came over from Ozona Sunday afternoon and at 7:30 Sunday evening a complaint was made by Deputy Sheriff Merck charging Dick Harris and H. S. Harris with assault with intent to murder Nelson McNeill. The defendant waived examination. Justice H. B. Balch set the bail at \$1,000 each and this was agreed to by District Attorney Graham and L. W. Elliott of the law firm of Wardlaw & Elliott attorneys for the defendants Harris. The Harrises did not appear before the Justice and the bond was made in a few minutes by W. L. Aldwell, L. R. Thorp, Ed Glasscock, Mat Karnes, H. P. Alison and T. J. Jarrett as

Sheriff Escorts Harrises concerning Sutton County to Schleicher County Line

Monday morning, about ten to the o'clock, escorted Schleicher County line by Sheriff Hutcherson, where they were met by Sheriff Luedecke of Schleicher County, who would

and Bonnie Lou Campbell

Mrs. Elmer Wilson - from

Charles and Beverly Howard

In memory of Mr. and

escort them through that county and the Sheriff of Tom Green County would escort them to San Angelo. This precaution was taken to prevent further bloodshed because friends and relatives of Nelson McNeill were known to be on the way to

Sheriff Hutcherson was unavoidably absent from Sonora Saturday and returned from Menard Sunday morning. Everyone regrets the absence of Sheriff Hutcherson at this time.

District Judge James Cornell arrived from Brackettville Monday morning, but in view of the action taken decided not to call the Grand Jury in special session. The Fall session of District Court will be convened on October 31st.

Relatives of McNeill who visited Sonora intimated there would be no private prosecution. The father is in poor health and the State of Texas is in charge. (Part III next week)

If you have any questions

History send them to "Ask the Mr. and Mrs. Dick Harris Historical Society," P.O. Box and H. S. Harris left Sonora 885, Sonora, TX, 76950-0885 or e-mail them schs@sonoratx.net. You may call the office on Monday, Friday and Saturday mornings at 325-387-5084 or call me at home at 325-387-2855.

Routh graduates from Academy

Matthew Wayne Routh graduated from the Concho Valley Regional Law Enforcement Academy on August 19, 2004, along with 13 other cadets in class number 48. Matt was a 1999 graduate of Sonora High School and is an employee of the Sutton County Sheriff's Department. He is the husband of Japha Routh and the son of Officer Mike Routh and Beverly and H.A. Baity of San Angelo.

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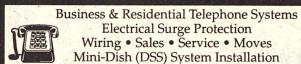
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Austin grand jury indicts Republican officials

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Madrid - from Barbara

By Mike Cox

Shurley Madrid

AUSTIN - Allegations of turning "soft" money donated by corporations to political committees into "hard" money given directly to political candidates could result in hard time for three Republican political operatives indicted last week by a Travis County grand jury.

The Austin-based grand jury returned indictments on 44 felony counts against Jim Ellis, John Colyandro and Warren Robold and eight corporations based outside Texas. The allegations range from money laundering (with a maximum 99year sentence) to unlawful acceptance of corporate politi-

cal contributions. Since 1907, it has been against the law in Texas for corporations to contribute directly to political candidates. It is only legal for corporate donations to be used for administrative purposes in campaigns, not for things such as advertising or

polling. Ellis, 47, is head of Americans for a Republican Majority, U.S. House Majority Leader Tom Delay's national fund-raising committee. The 40-

year-old Colyandro is the organization's former executive director.

Robold, 48, is a pastor in Frederick, MD., who was a contract fund raiser. The indictments came near-

ly two years into an investigation spearheaded by Travis County District Attorney Ronnie Earle, a Democrat. He said last week a new grand jury in November will continue to look into political contributions made by corporations.

New statue invokes simpler times...

These days, Texas politicians fight their partisan battles with words - in speeches, debates, the news media, paid ads and Web sites.

Back in 1842, a difference of opinion between Republic of Texas President Sam Houston and the Texas Congress got settled by force of arms. Houston, disliking a capital city not named after him, ordered the removal of the republic's official papers from then-tiny Austin to Houston, a city only slightly bigger.

Most members Congress, and virtually every Austinite, did not want to see the papers leave town. They rightfully understood that the documents removing amounted to removing the seat of government.

When a party of soldiers arrived in Austin to spirit away the papers in the early morning hours, a feisty lady named Angelina Eberly touched off the town's cannon to warn the men

An armed delegation of Austin residents intercepted the wagon train containing the papers and saw - at gunpoint that the archives came back to

Last Sunday, on Congress Avenue between Sixth and Seventh streets, city officials dedicated a 7-foot tall, 2,200pound bronze statue memorializing Eberly.

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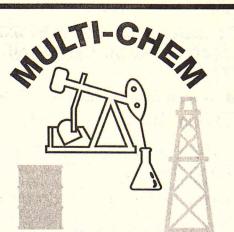
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and women, but do we do their memories justice? In our hearts.

do we live the life of freedom

these young men and women

have fought and died for? One

of the best tributes that I can

think of for these young people,

is to embrace and appreciate our freedoms. We are free to pray

the way we choose and say what

we think. It is my hope that we

will all pray in our own way for

these families to be given the

peace and courage to deal with

the awful things that they are

faced with. It is also my hope that those who love to speak out

on such subjects will take into

consideration how the military

families feel. They are after all

the ones who are making the

Charniser of Commence

by Ruthie Bounds, Sonora

Commerce Chamber **Executive Director** I had been doing some research and compiling the information that I was given at

the Texas Tourism summit so that I could inform all of you about things currently going on in Texas Tourism. But now with the news of the death of Shane Folmar, in Iraq, as he served our country, everything else seems inconsequential. The community mourns the loss of one of our young people.

I have said before, the sacrifices that military families make have always kept me in awe, and I will say this again and again. The people of the United States of America are so blessed. Men and women fight every day for the freedoms that we often take for granted. There have been so many from the

We have seen neighboring communities struggle with military losses, and we have prayed for them as I'm sure they will pray for our community now. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family and loved ones of the American of Shane Folmar. His memory Revolution to the present that will live on in our hearts that are have served our great country. bursting with pain, pride and We know in our minds that we

Band Boosters planning fund raiser for Fall Festival

submitted

The Sonora Band Booster Club (SBBC), met on Tuesday, September 21, 2004, at 5:30 p.m. in the Commons Area of the high school.

President Brister called the meeting to order. Officers present were Lesa Galindo, Juanita Estrada, Tammy Favila, and Sherry Ingham. Members present were Starla Williams, Laurie Smith, Rosa Sanchez, Bonnie Lou Campbell, Becky Allison, Robin Downing, M Rodriguez and Susie Kresta. Mrs.

Brister began the meeting with the discussion of the concession stand during homecoming. Since a huge crowd was expected, it was decided that we would open the visitors' concessions stand. Downing, Galindo, Brister and Favila cleaned out the visitors concession stand. Thank you to these ladies.

The question of "Do band members get free drinks?" was

answered, "yes!" Band members do get one free drink and they will be located in the stands where the band is seated.

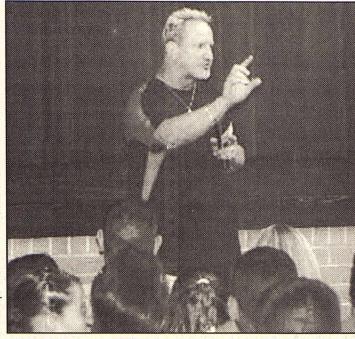
Fall Festival was the next item to be discussed. Members discussed various ideas for the festival. A decision on what we should do will be discussed at the next official meeting.

A motion was made by Ingham to have future SBBC meetings on the first Monday of the month in the high school library at 5:30 p.m. Estrada seconded the motion and it was approved by all members, pending authorization from Mr. Chavarria.

Favila expressed her sincere gratitude to all the 7th grade moms and daughters and extra parents who helped her during the Alpine game. We greatly appreciate parents who support our SBBC

The next SBBC meeting will be Monday, October 4, at

Ken Freeman talks to students about choices



Ken Freeman got students attention as he spoke about making choices

by Storie Sharp

The Sonora Middle School and High School students attended special assembly last week, with guest speaker Ken Freeman of San Antonio. Abused and neglected, Ken grew up in a fatherless home with an alcoholic mother. As a child, he knew nine different stepfathers and attended 24 different schools. Eventually, a nightmarish home life drove him to the streets. It wasn't until he fell to the deepest depths that he found Christ and decided to build a better life for himself.

"You can take a mess, and make a message," said Freeman, speaking to the young teens. He started the presentation with humor, making jokes about teenage life, and life in general, that had the crowd rolling. He broke the ice, making sure the students were listening to him before he broke into his very serious message. It is the choices that are made at this point in their lives which can decide their fates later.

Freeman gave some very serious, tough details to the battered life he had as a child because of the choices his mother made, to drink and do drugs. In contrast to his horror-filled childhood, Ken Freeman's adult home life is a miracle from God. He found Christ at 16 and began ministering to youth soon after. He and his wife Debbie have been married for over 30 years. They have two sons and five grandchildren.

The assembly was put together for the students to stress the importance of not drinking and to think before doing drugs or making other unwise decisions. The Sonora I.S.D. is working diligently to educate the students, teachers and staff on drug and alcohol abuse and this is just the beginning of many assemblies and learning

Mary Lou Hudman Qualifies for **Leading Producer Qualifier Award**

(Arlington, VA) - The Leading Producers Round Table (LRPT) of the National Health Association

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The National Association of Health Underwriters represents 20,000 professional health insurance agents and brokers who provide insurance for mil-

lions of Americans. Mary Lou also received the Distinguished Service Award at the National Association of Health Underwriter's Annual Convention in Baltimore, MD. The Distinguished Service Award honors NAHU members who have performed special service at the local, state or

national level over an extended period of time. "The judges felt that Mary

Lou clearly demonstrated the leadership and dedication that this award was designed to recognize," said Donna McCright, President of the Dallas Association of Health Underwriters, which currently has 363 members. "Mary Lou has proved her commitment to and passion for this industry during her 6 years of membership in the Dallas Association of Health Underwriters (DAHU). Her leadership has included Membership Chair on the DAHU board for two years, Member of the DAHU Executive Board serving as Secretary for two years and currently serving as President-Elect. Mary Lou is also serving as the NAHU Region VI Membership Retention Chair, which includes Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Texas, for the third year and is currently the Texas (TAHU) Membership Chair. She has also been actively involved with the DAHU Annual Golf tournament for 5 years. She was a clear winner

for this award." Mary Lou specializes in group employee health benefits, as well as individual health, life, Medicare supplements, and long-term care. She first began her insurance career at Sam Dillard's State Farm in Sonora 14 years ago.

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10:00 a.m. - 5:00p.m. West Texas Rehab Rest & Water Station 12:00 - 3:00 p.m.

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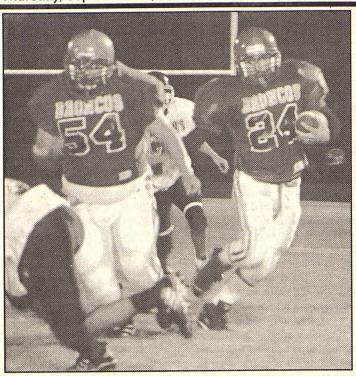


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Alonzo Peña makes a move to get the ball down the line.

Bronco JV White victorious

By Nancy Glasscock

The Sonora freshman JV team started out a little rough in last Thursday's home game versus the freshman Ozona Lions. The Lions kicked off with a short kick that landed near the 40-yard line. No Bronco player attempted to cover it, and the Lions recovered in great field position. However, the Bronco defense stopped the Lions, and the Broncos took over.

Victor Vaquera scored the first touchdown halfway through the first quarter. He and the Peña brothers had moved the ball down the field with tough running behind great blocking by the offensive line. Aaron Gaytan kicked the PAT and Sonora led 7 - 0.

During the first drive, Vaquera had thrown a quick lateral to Nick Peña for a nice gain. As the Broncos were moving down the field for another score, an Ozona defensive back made a pick that looked as if he had been in the huddle with the Broncos. The Lion defender intercepted the lateral at full speed between Vaquera and Nick Peña and raced untouched for a Lion touchdown. Nick Peña broke through the Ozona line and blocked the PAT attempt... Sonora still led 7 to 6.

The next Bronco series was destroyed by penalties. On first down, a tripping penalty forced the Broncos into first and 25. Then a holding penalty made it first and 35. Finally on third and 45, a Lion tipped a Sonora pass that was intercept-The Lions were able to score a touchdown and a two point conversion to take a 14 to

From this point on, the

The 8th Grade Colts battled

the Reagan County Owls to a 14

- 14 tie last Thursday in Bronco

stadium. The Colts received the

opening kickoff. On the first

play from scrimmage, Derrick

Van Winkle's hand-off was fum-

bled by the Colt running back.

The Reagan County Owls took

advantage of the turnover. After

several plays, they scored their

first touchdown at 4:22 left in

the first quarter. They also made

the two point conversion for an

through the second quarter.

Jordan McGuffin bull rushed the

Owl quarterback. As he was

throwing him to ground, the

Owl quarterback tried to throw

it away to avoid the loss. Mario

Lira intercepted and ran in for

the Colt touchdown. The Colts

tied the game with a successful

two point conversion on a run by

right before the half. The Colts

stopped their two point conver-

sion attempt making the score

The Owls took the lead

The Colts scored midway

8 to 0 lead.

McGuffin.

By Nancy Glasscock

game belonged to the Broncos. In the second quarter alone, Vaquera rushed for fifty-eight yards including a thirty-five touchdown run. Riley Sanchez, the holder, picked up the ball and ran it in for the two point conversion. The score at halftime was 15 to 14 in Sonora's favor. This was a lead the JV White team would not

During the final two quarters of the game, the Broncos took advantage of the freshmen Lions continually shooting themselves in their "paws" with penalties and turnovers. Hunter Lawson, Morgan Martinez, Zadrian McGee, Gaytan, Vaquera, and Sanchez hit hard and often to keep the Lions on their heels. Vaquera scored another of his four touchdowns in the third quarter on a seventeen yard sprint behind the right side of his offensive line.

The last Bronco scoring drive started at midfield. The Lions had been trying to punt when Gaytan rushed the punter. The Lion pulled the ball down and tried to get away from Gaytan. Gaytan would have no part of this and ran him down for a big loss. Vaquera had another long run which had an additional 15 yards added to it by a face mask penalty on the Lions. Vaquera scored his last touchdown on a three yard run. The final score was 27 to 14. The JV White team is now 3 and 2 for the season.

This week the JV White team plays Rocksprings at 5:00 in Sonora, and the Red JV team plays Eldorado at 7:00 in Sonora. Come out to Bronco seconds remaining, Parker tied Stadium to watch these fine ath-

Eighth grade Colts tie Reagan County

Bronco JV Red battle Reagan County Owls to tie

By Mark Rousselot

As the ole' coach once said about tie games, "It's like kissin' your sister. Neither one of them like it very much." But that is what happened last Thursday when the JV Red team battled the Big Lake Owls to a 6-6 tie at Reagan County Stadium. The game was a hard fought battle that featured big plays and good defense from both teams.

The first quarter was marred by penalties and turnovers. Midway through the quarter, a shanked punt by the Broncos gave the Fighting Owls the ball at the Sonora 20 yard line. Big Lake moved the ball to the five yard line but a stiff Bronco defense led by Galindo, Draper, Wallace and Company held the Owls on fourth down when their fake field goal attempt failed. The Mighty Broncos, aided by quarterback Cullen Parker's 36 yard pass to Evan Gulley, proceeded to march the ball to the Owl nine yard line before the 1st quarter ended 0-0.

Dressed typically in their blue-and-gold, the Owl defense rose to the occasion as the Bronco defense did earlier. The Owls also made a goal line stand as the Red offense could not punch it in for a score. From their own one yard line, the Owls got "out of a hole" by moving the ball to their own 21 yard line. But a big tackle by Jose Rodriquez on an Owl 3rd down play forced them to punt; however, the Owls recovered a Bronco fumbled punt at the Sonora 45 yard line. After what appeared to be another great Bronco defensive stop when Brandon Munn sacked the Owl quarterback, the Owls converted a 3rd and 22 for a first down. The next play proved costly as the Blue-and-Gold scored on a 17 yard touchdown pass. The conversion failed and the Broncos found themselves behind 6-0 at the 2:44 mark before halftime.

The Broncos were not to be outdone. After a nice kickoff return by Justin Zuniga to the Bronco 46, Evan Gulley, doing his Randy Moss 'I'll out jump you any day" impression, caught a 43 yard pass on a 4th down play to set up shop at the Owl five yard line. With 35 the game on a quarterback sneak from the one. Abraham

Rivera ended the first half with a Bronco interception with the score tied 6-6.

The Broncos kicked off to start the second half. The Owl offense was driving the ball, but Evan Rousselot made a spectacular interception at the Bronco 15 yard line to thwart a bid by the Owls to find paydirt. From that point, neither the Broncos nor Owls could muster any offense. One could say it was great defense by both clubs. Even with JJ Galindo and Aric McGee sidelined with injuries, the Bronco defense remained steadfast.

The fourth quarter began with Big Lake owning the ball at their 25 yard line. The Owls' mounted a 10 play drive, but ended on the old "bend but don't break" rule of defense when Gulley intercepted an Owl pass at the Bronco 15 yard line with 5:44 to play in the game. What happened next was the most PIVOTAL play of the game! On first down, Martin Gonzalez took the handoff, slashed through right tackle, zigged-and-zagged through defenders and did his best impression of the "rumble, stumble" to the Owl end zone. After some great blocks by his teammates, Gonzalez's 75 yard run ended at the Owl five yard line, but HOLD ON! A questionable offensive penalty was called on the play which brought the ball back to the Bronco 14 yard line. After three unsuccessful plays and with time running out, the Broncos fourth down pass was intercepted by the Owls at the 50 yard line. Once again, the stout Bronco defense, led by Travis Valliant, Justin Isenhour and Marc Hernandez, held the Owls on four plays. Unfortunately, there were only 23 seconds remaining in this exciting game, and with the Owls playing a prevent defense, the Broncos fell short in finding the end zone. FINAL SCORE, Bronco JV Red 6, Big Lake JV 6.

The Mighty Red JV's next game is September 30 at 7:00 p.m. against its arch nemesis the Eldorado JV Eagles. Come help support these hard working young men to victory! And remember, "the great thing in this world is not so much where we are, but in what direction we are moving".

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September 30

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Student of the Week

Alisha Diane Covey

with only one good arm, he

managed a quarterback sack and

broke up an Owl pass with his

left arm to stop the Owl's

rematch with the Eldorado

Eagles this Thursday in

Eldorado. The 8th Grade Colts

also play in Eldorado this

Thursday. Come out and sup-

The 7th Grade Colts have a

attempt to win the game.

port the Colts.

#63 Alberto Tovar and #17 Jordan McGuffin work to bring

In the fourth quarter, the anyway. While he was playing

down a Reagan County Owl on Thursday.

Colts drove the field. McGuffin

scored the touchdown with a

tough run up the middle. The

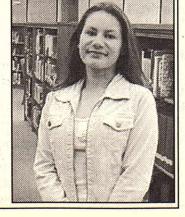
Owls stopped the PAT causing

half, McGuffin broke his collar

Somewhere in the second

Alisha Diane Covey is a junior at Sonora High School. Her hobbies and interests are Tennis, Softball, Spirit Crew, and Football. Her favorite subjects are Chemistry, Spanish, Health

After graduation Alisha plans to attend college and study forensics or chemistry



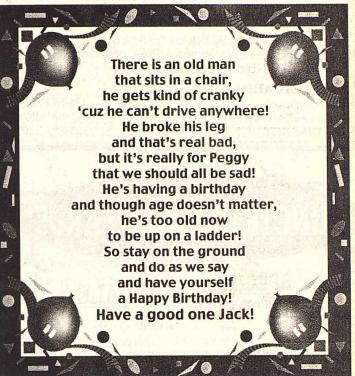
Bronco Football Preview: Eldorado Eagles

By Nancy Glasscock

Up next for the 3 - 1, 1 - 0 Sonora Broncos Friday are the Eldorado Eagles 3 - 1 , 0 - 1. The game will be played in Eldorado @ 7:30 PM. Eldorado easily defeated Menard. Christoval, and Forsan during non-district play. In their first 2-2A district game, Grape Creek defeated Eldorado 34 to 14.

The Eagles' head coach is Gary Grubbs. Like Sonora, he has the Eagles running the spread offense. Wide receiver Terrell Boysaw, running back Andy Mejiia, and quarterback Ryan Cathey are the offensive leaders for the Eagles. Boysaw, a senior, is on the receiving end of most of the Eagle quarterback's passes. In the Grape Creek game, Boysaw scored all of Eldorado's points.

On the defensive side of the ball, linebacker Jorge Bustos, defensive linemen Manuel Arispe and Frank Wipff are three of the leading tacklers. After three good showings against non-district opponents, the Eagle defense gave up more than 330 yards to Grape Creek.







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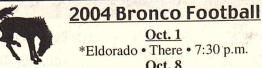
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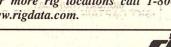
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Texas Wintergrass



Pascual Hernandez Sutton County Extension Agent-Ag

Due to the unusually wet year we have experienced, we are seeing some plants in greater expression than in recent time. It has been true for the Texas bluebonnet and probably for Texas wintergrass as well. So let's talk about Texas wintergrass a bit.

Texas wintergrass is a common wintertime grass in our region, but is adapted to a variety of soils. It is also known as spear grass because of the close resemblance the awns have to a spear (the seeds, which are very stiff, have long, bent and twisted awns). After the seeds have fallen, papery white bracts (that resemble oats) remain. Texas wintergrass is a hardy, coolseason, and weakly perennial, native bunchgrass. Its leaves feel like sandpaper when pulled between your fingers from top to bottom due to numerous, short stiff hairs.

Texas Wintergrass starts growth in the fall and continues to grow throughout the winter, hence the name wintergrass. This cool-season species generally goes dormant or semi-dormant by early to mid-summer depending on weather conditions. It flowers between March and June.

Texas wintergrass is an important cool-season grass for livestock. It provides palatable winter forage production, and is most productive in early spring. It can produce 1000-2000 lbs. per acre and responds to moderate disturbance such as heavy grazing. However, its palatability and quality rapidly decline with maturity.

As with most things, its beauty is in the eye of the beholder. Sheep and goat raisers are wary as seedheads in spring can injure sheep and goats as well as contaminate wool and mohair. By some accounts, puncture wounds caused by penetrating calluses of Texas wintergrass (and not wounds from marking lambs or shearing cuts) were credited as the number one cause of fly strike in Texas sheep and goats before eradication of screw-worm. However, as cattle seem not to be as affected, northern Texas cattlemen like Texas wintergrass for the winter grazing it offers.

Heavy, late winter grazing may reduce the number of seedheads produced. Otherwise the only practical management is to remove animals when "spears" are shedding. Texas wintergrass can be a fair forage for livestock and wildlife.

HUNTER EDCUCATION COURSE for youth and adults this Saturday and Sunday. Call the Extension Office at 387-3101 to register.

What are deer really worth?

by Steve Byrns,

SAN SABA - What is the value of deer hunting to Central Texas? That question will be answered during the "Economic Impact Of Deer Seminar" conducted by Texas Cooperative Extension at 10 a.m. Oct. 5 in San Saba's Rylander Memorial Library.

Neal Alexander, Extension agent in San Saba County and the meeting's coordinator, said few realize how important deer are to local economies.

'San Saba's Extension Executive Board believes we, as a community, need to know the region,"Alexander said. "We've all heard that 'hunting is impor-

tant to our economy,' but how many of us realize how very important it really is?

"We've asked Dr. Jason Johnson, Extension economist at San Angelo, to fill us in on the particulars. Chris Wilson, San Saba-based Texas Parks and Wildlife Department game warden, will also be on the program to give an update on the game laws and regulations hunters and land owners need to be aware of this season."

The program is free and open to the public. Adjournment is set for noon.

For more information contrue value of deer hunting to our tact Alexander at (325) 372-

Managing Diabetes through good measurements



By Kelly L Thorp Texas Cooperative Extension County Extension Agent-Family & Consumer Sciences

Eating the right foods at the right times is vital for good diabetes management, but don't forget the foods must also be eaten in the right quantities. That's why carefully measuring serving size is so important.

Portion size in the key to good blood glucose management, as is selecting foods wisely and then eating them in the right amounts throughout the

According to the USDA Food Guide Pyramid, a healthy daily diet contains six or more servings of breads, cereals, rice and pasta; three to five servings of vegetables and two or four servings of fruits; two or three servings of meat, poultry, fish, beans, eggs or nuts; and small amounts of fats, oils and sweets.

A popular meal plan, uses exchange lists, where foods are given a certain value-starch exchange, milk exchange and so on-which can be mixed into a healthy daily menu. exchange is a single serving, and can be substituted for other exchanges in a healthy manner. These easy to use substitutions can help people with diabetes count calories, maintain blood sugar levels and obtain nutrients. More information is avail-

able from the American Diabetes Association and the American Dietetic Association.

Knowing what each exchange contains is important. For example, one starch exchange-bread, cereal, croutons, rolls, pasta, tortillas, etc.has 15 grams of carbohydrate sand 60 calories, while one milk exchange provides 12 grams of carbohydrates, eight grams of protein and differing amounts of fats and calories.

Counting carbohydrates is also a popular method of building healthy menu plans. This method provides several choices of carbohydrates for each meal and each snack. Each choice provides 15 grams of carbohydrates, which might be a starch, a fruit or a serving of

But whichever meal plan you and your health care provider choose for you, portions must be monitored by measuring. A small scale designed for food portions can be helpful with this process. When food portions are measured in ounces, a scale can provide the most accurate portion control. Once you are more familiar with what these portions look like, you will be better able to guesstimate them without a scale.

For more information on living with diabetes, plan to attend the Do Well, Be Well with Diabetes program on Tuesday evenings at the Civic Center. To register call Kelly L. Thorp, Texas Cooperative Extension Agent, at 387-3604.

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Homecoming from page 1



Caleb Ramos busts out of the pack. Photo by Patti Strauch

Cearley after the Owls were

able to stop the Broncos. At this

point, the Broncos led 30 to 0.

night featured all three Bronco

and Justin Northcott moved the

ball steadily toward the goal

line. After Ramos got the ball to first and goal, Smith and the

goal line offense had two tries at

making the touchdown. After

the Owls stopped Smith twice,

the Broncos returned to their

spread with Cearley as the quar-

terback. Cearley kept the ball

and ran into the end zone for the

last Bronco touchdown.

Cearley finished the scoring

Smith, Diego Cardona, Laramie

Hall, Dustin and Steve Duhon,

Austin Wagoner, Mason

Martinez, Will Crittendon,

Brian Payton, JR and Roland

Solis, and Garrett Watkins, was

just too much for the rebuilding

Owls. The defense turned in

sacks, several tackles for a loss,

an interception by Chris Perez,

and a blocked punt by Wagoner.

The Owls were able to record

only seven first downs and 140

combined for 174 yards and one

touchdown on 8 of 9 passing.

This accomplishment would not

be possible without the out-

standing pass protection of the

teams were told about the death

Broncos as the Bronco band

played the Sonora school song

in his honor. Then the Broncos

joined the Owls as the Owl band

their school song. This was a

classy ending to a great high

school football game.

At the end of game, both

The Owls joined the

The Bronco quarterbacks

yards of total offense.

Bronco offensive line.

of Shane Folmar.

The Bronco defense, led by

with a perfect kick.

quarterbacks.

The last Bronco drive of the

Ramos, McDaniel, Perez,

back on a holding penalty. After came on a 22-yard field goal by that penalty, the Owls never were able to move against the Bronco defense.

The next Bronco series appeared to be on track for the third score. A long pass to Longoria could only be stopped by the Owl defender grabbing

The resulting pass interference penalty gave the Broncos great field position. The drive ended when an Owl was able to strip the ball from Ramos.

The Broncos got the ball back with less than two minutes in the first half with 57 yards to go for a touchdown. It only took the Broncos two plays to get the score. Cearley threw deep to Longoria for 31 yards. Then, Perez finished the drive with a 26-yard run to the end zone. Cearley's kick was good and the score at halftime was 21 to 0 for the Broncos.

The Owls opened the second half on offense. However, the Bronco defense quickly stopped them. On a third down, McDaniel used his basketball skills to knock down an Owl pass. The Owls punted to Sonora, and Cameron Cox had a nice punt return. This drive featured Ramos and McDaniel running the ball.

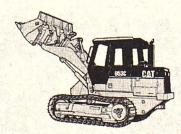
McDaniel had a super run for about 40 yards only to have most of it called back on a clip by one of his blockers. Ramos hit Steven Duhon with a quick pass and the All-State linebacker showed he can catch and run. His catch and run set up first and goal for the Broncos. The Broncos sent in Embre Smith. who plays tackle on defense, as quarterback on short yardage situations. From the wishbone, Hilton Bloodworth scored on the sweep. This time the Owls stopped McDaniel short of the goal line and the Broncos led 27 to 0.

The Broncos' next score



2004 Homecoming Court: Kayla Fields, Chelsea Seaton, Tara Green, Erika McClintock, Sara Bagget, Julie Villanueva, and Kaci Chavarria Photo by Storie Sharp

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F.Y.I.

The Sonora High School Math Dept. is having Parent Night on Tuesday, October 5 at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium. The topic of discussion will be "Calculator tips to improve test scores," parents and students from grades 9 - 11 are encouraged to attend. Refreshments will be served and door prizes will be award-

Storytime at the Sutton County Library will begin on Wednesday, October 6, 2004, from 10:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. for children ages 3 through Pre-K. FMI call 387-2111.

Do well, Be well with Diabetes classes, sponsored by Texas Cooperative Extension. For more information and to register call Kelly Thorp at 325-387-3604.

Sutton County Health Foundation Benefit Golf Scramble; October 2, 2004; 8:00 a.m.; 4-person scramble, \$100 per team. to enter call Glen Fisher at 387-3242 or Anita Hudson at 387-6115.

The 7th grade class will be taking care of the concession stand on Friday, October 22, and November 5. Parent Representatives will be contacting all 7th grade band parents very soon. Please support our band!

Bronco Booster Club meets every Monday evening at 6:30 p.m. in the Commons Area of the Sonora High School, Join Today!

When you can't find a ride or Mom is just too busy, call Thunderbird Transit. We will be glad to take you where you need to go. That's what we do best! Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday - Friday. Students fare \$1.00 round-trip. Adults fare \$1.50 round-trip. Senior Citizens - donations, 387-2509.

Hand made items sell big at Lions Club Auction



Bill Stewart and Lucy Ward battled over the hand knitted Bronco winter set made by Jo Ann Palmer at the annual Lions Club Auction.

by Ann Kay

The Sonora Downtown Lions Club Auction roared with success on Tuesday, September 24, 2004. The annual fund raiser was kicked off with the ringing of the Lion's bell by President Ann Kay, who led the Pledge of Allegiance and the singing of "My Country 'Tis of Thee." A blessing was given and the fun began.

The Sutton County Steakhouse prepared a scrumptious dinner for all the shoppers-to-be, and donated the meal to the Sonora Downtown Lions Club. The Lions would like to say a big "thank-you" to Preston and Linda Love and all the staff at the Steakhouse for a job well done and another tasty meal. The Lions are successful because of people like you.

The Master of Ceremony and auctioneer, Preston Faris, was assisted this year by the Sonora Bronco Cheerleaders, including the Downtown Lions Club Courtney Queen, Caruthers. There were 17 goats donated this year, all selling at top dollar to help support the Lion's programs. This year's auction also sold baskets, the infamous "silent" hair cut from Ronda Hall, barbershop hair cuts, meals from local restaurants, door plates, an antique goat bell, antique coins, motor oil, oil changes, teeth cleaning, cases of sodas, a bottle of Wild Turkey, homemade bread, pecan pies, a case of coffee, homemade tamales, homemade candy, hot sauce, and so many more wonderful items donated by local citizens and businesses.

The annual Lions Mystery Box was sold to Tryon and Cindy Fields for \$650.

The top selling item this year was a beautiful hand knitted hat, mittens and scarf in Bronco colors, made by Jo Ann Palmer. This special item was fought over in a bidding war, between Lucy Ward and Bill Stewart, with Stewart coming out the winner with a final bid over \$1,000! A sincere thankyou goes to Jo Ann for taking the time to make these special items and donating them to our event. This was a very special

act of love to share with our community and the Lions.

The Sonora Downtown Lions Club would also like to express their sincere appreciation to Carl and Melissa Teaff also, for being strong supporters of the Lions and the auction. This year Melissa made extra loaves of homemade bread and a chocolate cake for door prizes. The Teaff's also developed a \$500 scholarship to be auctioned. The names of all of the 2003-2004 Lions Club "Outstanding Students of the Month" were placed in a hat to be drawn for the scholarship. The first Annual Sonora Downtown Lions Auction Scholarship was awarded to Dustin Creek.

The remaining proceeds from the auction will go to help support the Sonora Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, The Concho Valley Home for Girls, Firemen Training School, Eye Exams and Glasses, The Game Dinner, Lions Club International Foundation, Sonora Speech Meet, Sutton County Senior Center, The Child Welfare Board, Sutton County Days Queen Contest, Sonora City League Project, Texas Lions Foundation, Eye Glass Recycling Center, the Acuña Eye Clinic, FFA & 4-H Livestock Show and the Texas Lions Camp.

67th Sonora The Downtown Lion's Club Auction would like to say thank you to everyone who supports the Lions and their programs. We would like to make a special note of appreciation to Lion Jim Garrett who organized the auction, Lion Lewis Allen, Lion Robert Duran, Past District Governor Lion Virgil Polocek, Lion Clay Berra, Secretary Lion Shelly Hughes and all the Lions who went out to gather up all the donations from our generous businesses in Sonora, Texas. We also would like to say thank you to our auctioneer, Preston Faris and the Sonora Cheerleaders for giving their time and talents to the Lions' Auction. Everything was successful because of spe-

cial people like you.