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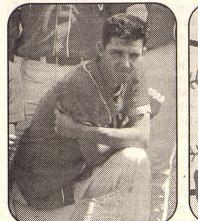


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# SONORA, TEXAS

Thursday, July 21, 2005



**Clint** Cearley



**Anthony Longoria** 

## Bronco baseball boys chosen for **All-District and All-West Texas**

Clint Cearley and Anthony Longoria were selected to the 2005 All-West Texas Baseball Team. This team is selected by sports writers and encompasses all players of all classifications, 5A through 1A, in Southwest Texas. Congratulations to these two young men as well as the other members of the Sonora Baseball Team for their recognition.

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#### **All-West Texas** baseball team

INF - Anthony Longoria, Jr.

This first-team all-district selection batted .396 with four triples, five doubles, four home runs and 15 RBIs during the season and .500 in the playoffs while stealing 24 bases in 25 attempts. P - Clint Cearley, Sr.

Two time All-West Texas selection. Voted District 2-2A's best pitcher, he was 7-2 with a 2.09 ERA. Offensively, he batted .494 with 14 RBIs for the season and .500 in the playoffs. Also served as the team's catcher throwing out seventy-nine

percent of runners attempting to steal. **All-District Baseball Team** 

**All-District 2-2A** Pitcher of the Year- Clint Cearley Coach of the Year- Fred Buchanan, Sonora First-Team All-District

Infield - Anthony Longoria, junior, Roland Solis, junior, Chris Perez, junior, Embre Smith, junior Outfield - Diego Cordona, senior; Steven Duhon, junior, Utility - Martin Gonzalez, soph-

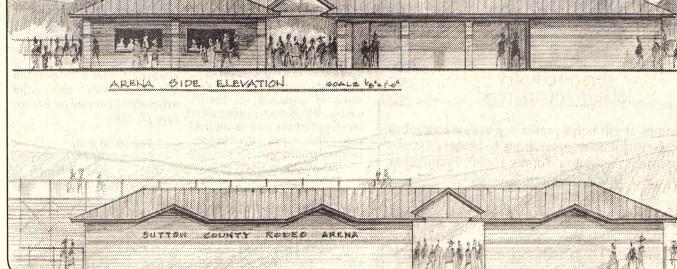
omore Second-Team All-District Pitchers - Dustin Creek, senior; Cullen Parker, junior Infield - Lito Trevino, sophomore

> **Honorable Mention** All-District

Outfield - Brian Payton, senior Academic All-District Seniors: Dustin Creek; Brian

Payton Juniors: Anthony Longoria; Cullen Parker; Chris Perez; Embre Smith; Roland Solis; Nash Traylor

# S.H.S. Cheerleaders named "Camp Champs"



Arena Improvement Committee announces master plan

#### submitted

After much deliberation, research and thought, the Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo and Sutton County Days Association have formed an Arena Improvement Committee to work on plans to rebuild much of the facilities at the Sutton County Park Complex. The committee consists of concerned citizens from Sutton County who want to see a quality facility built to better fit the needs of Sonora and Sutton County. The existing facilities are deteriorating and need upgrading. It was decided to work jointly with the community to obtain these much needed improvements.

A severe wind storm several years ago damaged the existing main grandstand that was located on the west side of the rodeo arena, making them unsafe for use. After a year of making-do, new stands were erected, but because of ADA requirements and fund limitations, the new stands were smaller and lower to the ground than the previous set. This caused many problems for the annual Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo, as there was less seating availability, the

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sponsor box seats were gone and there were visual restrictions because of fencing and seating. After fielding many complaints and concerns, the rodeo committee and county judge decided to research possible improvements. An architect was contacted and preliminary design ideas began. After some changes, additions and more discussion of future usage, it was decided to form a committee just for the planning and decision making for these improvements. The committee has begun meeting and blue prints have been drawn up. The planned arena improvements will consist of new restroom and concession facilities, raising and covering the existing grandstand and box seating, new lighting and a new sound system.

A detailed plan of the improvements will be on display at the main ticket gate entrance during the Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo, August 12-13, 2005. Look for more plans and information in future issues of The Devil's River News.

# **Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers'** honor two Sutton County leaders

The Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers Association (TSGRA) presented awards to some of agriculture's movers and shakers at the 90th Annual Convention in Kerrville Friday, July 16, 2005.

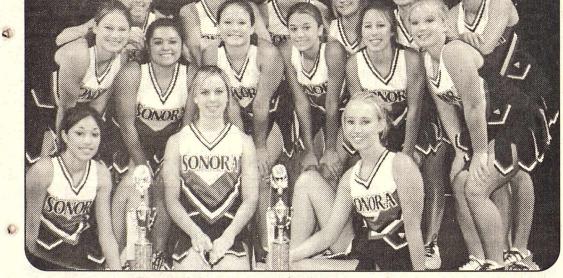
The TSGRA, established in 1915 to combat livestock theft, is the oldest and largest sheep and goat producer organization in the U.S.

won first at district as high school Juniors in 2004, and this Achievement Award was preyear, they won first at district sented to Marvin Shurley of and represented District 10 at the State 4-H Roundup. The team placed second in the entire state!

Kelly has helped at Fort Concho Frontier Days and has rancher in the Edwards Plateau also done cooking demonstra- area of Texas, where his family

The final Special Sonora for his work on the state and national level as liason with the various meat goat organizations and TSGRA.

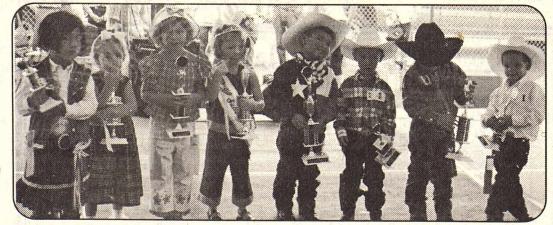
Shurley is a 4th generation



The Sonora High school Cheerleaders attended the UCA Summer Camp at San Angelo State University from July 11-14 where they received the award for being the Superior Squad of the week. The young ladies also received the "Camp Champ Extreme Routine Award" which is the top performance award. Amanda Berry, Kayla Fields & Mackenzie Perez made the All-Star Squad. All of the girls have worked extremely hard to show that cheerleading is a sport and we are very proud of their efforts.

2005-2006 Bronco Cheerleaders are: (L to R) Bottom: Kristina Hernandez, Lauren Smith, Jillian Gulley; Middle: Stephani Morriss, Mackenzie Perez, Laura Martin, Kimble Luna, Kelsey Watkins, Heather Hughes; Top: Emily Earwood, Meghan Krieg, Savannah Leonard, Casey Chavarria, Kayla Fields, Amanda Berry.

# **Sutton County looking for Little Miss and Mr. contestants**



2004 Little Miss, Felicia Farley (center) and Little Mr. Sutton County, Alex Castilleja (center) and their court. A new Little Miss and Mr. will be chosen Aug. 13, 2005 during Sutton Co. Days.

time for all those proud parents out there to start ed.Contestants must have turned three (3) years of thinking about entering their little Sutton County Stars in the 2005 Little Miss and Mr. Sutton County contest. This favorite for Sutton County Days visi-tors will take the main stage at 10:15 a.m. on Saturday, August 13, 2005.

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Entries are now being taken at The Devil's River News Office. A \$5 entry fee and photo is required. Completed pre-entry forms MUST be mation, contact Storie Sharp at the Devil's River returned by August 1, 2005 to the DRN office.

Sutton County Days is almost here and it's There will be no late or last-minute entries acceptage and must not have turned six (6), prior to August 13, 2005. He or she must be a resident of Sutton County OR be eligible to attend Sonora Schools. If the contestant wishes to sing, he or she may not have recorded accompaniment, but may play an instrument themselves.

To pick up an entry form or for more infor-News, 387-2507.

Each year the organization honors individuals who have worked hard to ensure the continued success, promotion and education of the sheep and goat market, as well as agriculture as a whole. In addition to the awards ceremony, the three-day convention allows members to meet with other sheep, goat and livestock owners, with special sessions to keep updated and educated on the changing industry of agriculture.

Sutton County was represented well this year, with two of our own being honored for their efforts.

The 2005 winner of the Outstanding County Extension Agent/Family & Consumer Sciences was Kelly Thorp.

Kelly grew up in Mart, Texas in dairy and cattle country. She received her Bachelor of Science degree in Home Economics from Southwest Texas State University and has been employed by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service as County Extension Agent -Family and Consumer Sciences in Sutton County since 1992.

Her ranching education started immediately when she asked a local rancher where all the "Mos" were that produced Mohair. After he stopped laughing, he explained that Mohair comes from Angora goats, not "Mos." The next lesson had to do with bump gates and cute little sports cars. She found the bump gates always win!

Involved in many Ag Field Days, she learned a great deal about both wool and mohair as well as the animals themselves.

In 2005, she celebrated her 12th year in helping with the Edwin Sawyer Sixth Grade Field Day. She also wanted to get the 4-H kids more involved in public speaking opportunities. So working with a group of kids who were very knowledgeable about sheep and goats and very good public speakers, they put together a method demonstration on Mohair. The team

tions using both lamb and goat meat at the Sonora Wool and Mohair Show and at the Sutton Co. Junior Livestock Show. She has also done several 4-H summer tours, introducing 4-Hers ages 8-13 to the fashion and design industry through educational activities that emphasize the natural fibers produced in West Texas.

She is married to Sutton County native Steve Thorp and is a candidate to receive her Masters Degree in Agricultural Education from Texas A&M University in Kingsville in December of 2005.

has been involved in ranching for over 90 years. His greatgrandfather began ranching in Sutton County in 1893, and Marvin was raised in a commercial ranching environment. He has been a livestock owner since age 14, when his grandfather gave him some Angus cattle. He has been involved in meat goat production as his primary ranch enterprise since 1990.

He is recognized as one of the current leaders in the U.S. goat industry, both nationally and abroad, and he currently

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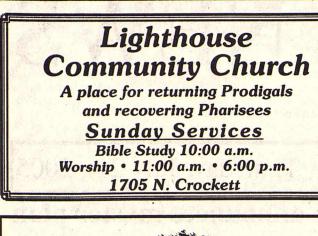


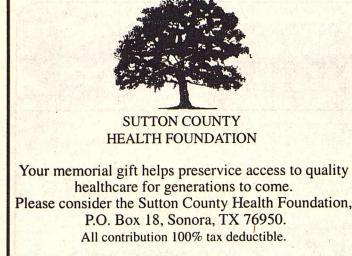
Kelly Thorp, joined by her husband, Steve (rt), proudly accepts her award for Outstanding County Extension Agent/Family & Photo by Stephen Salmon **Consumer Sciences.** 



Marvin Shurley (lt.) receives a plaque as he is honored with the Special Achievement award at the TSGRA Convention. Photo by Stephen Salmon

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#### Lightning—The Underrated Killer

Bright flashes cutting slashes across the night sky have become a common sight for Sutton County residents recently. Although the natural light show can be facinating to watch, it is important to be aware of the dangers lightning can bring with it.

In the U.S., there are an estimated 25 million cloud-toground lightning flashes each year. During the past 30 years, lightning killed an average of 67 people per year in the U.S. based on documented cases. This is more than the average of 65 deaths per year caused by tornadoes and the average of 16 deaths per year caused by hurricanes. However, because lightning usually claims only one or two victims at a time, and because it does not cause the mass destruction left in the wake of tornadoes or hurricanes, lightning generally receives much less attention than the more destructive weather-related killers.

**Education is Key** 

Few people really understand the dangers of lightning. Many people don't act promptly to protect their lives, property and the lives of others because y don't understand all the ngers associated with thunrstorms and lightning. The st step in solving this problem to educate people so that they come aware of the behavior at puts them at risk of being ruck by lightning, and to let em know what they can do to duce that risk. Coaches and her adults who make decisions ecting the safety of children ist understand the dangers of htning.

Watch for Developing understorms

Thunderstorms are most ely to develop on warm sumr days and go through varistages of growth, developnt and dissipation. On a nny day, as the sun heats the pockets of warmer air start rise in the atmosphere. When s air reaches a certain level in atmosphere, cumulus clouds rt to form. Continued heating cause these clouds to grow tically upward in the atmosere into "towering cumulus" uds. These towering cumulus y be one of the first indicans of a developing thunder-

The Lightning Discharge: n't Be a Part of It

During a thunderstorm, ch flash of cloud-to-ground htning is a potential killer. The Devil's River News • Thursday, July 21, 2005

### Letter to the Editor

#### Dear Devil's River News Readers,

I could not help but notice an article in the Devil's River News recently regarding the Cinco de Mayo and"Annual Car Show". It is not known as or advertised as "The Annual Car Show," but is the Sutton County Car Expo. This year, 2005, was the Second Annual Sutton County Car Expo.

I think it is wonderful for Sonora to be represented at an event that is basing recognition on "Bridging Cultures and History: Celebrating Downtowns in Motion." There is something I don't understand. Why are the people that did most of the work to pro- n duce the Sutton County Car Expo not invited to attend this event?

Lino and Pat Villanueva of Lino's Custom Stereo are the people that did all the work and donated not only their time, but money too. Lino and Pat lined up all the sponsors for the Car Expo, paid for the band for the dance, helped pay for security, the electrical work, and just about everything else that happened that weekend. They were also sponsors for the Cinco de Mayo queen contestants. Not to take anything away from Ms. Hernandez, she is the youth leader for St. Ann's Catholic Church and provided lots of volunteers to help set up the booths and rides, but basically the whole event was underwritten by Lino's Custom Stereo and the sponsors they arranged to help with the event.

The Sutton County Car Expo is a great event and having it at the same time as the Cinco de Mayo Celebration make both events better. It has very little to do with downtown, only the parade starts downtown, everything else takes place at the park. Please tell me that Lino & Pat Villanueva will be asked to attend and help with this presentation. They know more about what was going on at the event than anyone, except maybe the people at the Chamber. I just wanted people to know that there is a lot of work involved in producing this event, and Lino & Pat are the ones who came up with the event and made it work for Sonora.

Lynn Simpler

## Notes of Appreciation

Our sincere thanks to the Sutton County Fire Department, and Sonora Contractors for their help in putting out the fire on Arroyo Grande Ranch the first week of July. Without their help we would have lost a great deal more ranch land to fire.

Thanks again, we greatly appreciate it.

We would like to thank everyone who helped fight the grass fires last week on our Stuart Ranch. We want to extend our deepest appreciation to the Sonora Volunteer Fire Department, our wonderful neighbors, and our family for their help. To all of you who were there to help us - We Thank You!

Jerry Don and Mary Adele Balch

Keith, Anita, John Duke and Word Hudson

#### **Senior Center News**

July 25 - Bingo

July 26 - Kooking with Kelly - Nutrition education - noon July 27- Birthday party for July babies - noon. July 29 - Blood pressure checks w/ Interpid Home Health Service - noon.

#### **Senior Center Menu**

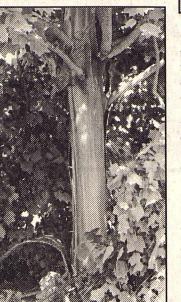
July 25 - Baked chicken, scalloped potatoes, sliced beets, rolls, bread pudding w/ raisins, milk

July 26 - Hot Dog w/chili/cheese, baked French fries, pineapple waldorf salad, brownie w/nuts, milk

July 27 - Oven fried chicken, w/gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed greens, wheat bread, Jell-O w/fruit, milk

July 28 - Beef tips, w/gravy, rice, mixed veggies, tossed salad, rolls, banana pudding, milk

July 29 - Tacos w/cheese, tossed salad, pinto beans, corn w/



This tree in the backyard of T.Wayne Price's home on Deerwood was split and stripped by lightning on Friday, July 15, 2005.

The 30-30 Rule

Use the 30-30 rule where visibilty is good and there is nothing obstructing your view of the thunderstorm. When you see lightning, count the time until you hear thunder. If that time is 30 seconds or less, the thunderstorm is within 6 miles of you and is dangerous. Seek shelter immediately. The threat of lightning continues for much longer period than most people realize. Wait at least 30 minutes after the last clap of thunder before leaving shelter. Don't be fooled by sunshine or blue sky!

If it is cloudy or objects are obscuring your vision, get inside immediately. It is always safer to take precautions than to wait.

Outdoor **Activities:** Minimize the Risk of Being Struck

Most lightning deaths and injuries in the United States occur during the summer months. During the summer, people take advantage of the warm weather to enjoy a multitude of outdoor recreational activities. Unfortunately, those activities can put them at greater risk of being struck by lightning. People involved in outdoor activities need to take the appropriate actions in a timely manner when thunderstorms approach. Where organized sports activities take place, coaches, umpires, referees, or camp counselors must protect the safety of the participants by stopping the activities sooner, so that the participants and spectators can get to a safe



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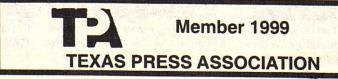
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The determining factor on whether a particular flash could be deadly depends on whether a person is in the path of the lightning discharge. In addition to the visible flash that travels through the air, the current associated with the lightning discharge travels along the ground. Although some victims are struck directly by the main lightning stroke, many victims are struck as the current moves in and along the ground. While virtually all people take some protective actions during the most dangerous part of thunderstorms, many leave themselves vulnerable as thunderstorms approach, depart, or are nearby.

An Approaching Thunderstorm: When to Seek Safe Shelter

Lightning can strike as far as 10 miles away from the rain area in a thunderstorm. That's about the distance you can hear thunder.

IF YOU CAN HEAR THUNDER, YOU ARE WITHIN STRIKING DIS-TANCE. SEEK SAFE SHEL-**TER IMMEDIATELY!** 

The first stroke of lightning is just as deadly as the last. If the sky looks threatening, take shelter before hearing thunder.

July 23

Dorothy Baker's Birthday Party

St. John's Parish Hall

4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

July 25

**Commishioners** Court

Annex • 9:00 a.m

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place before the lightning threat becomes significant.

**Indoor Activities: Things** to Avoid

Inside homes, people must also avoid activities which put their lives at risk from a possible lightning strike. As with the outdoor activities, these activities should be avoided before, during, and after storms. In particular, people should stay away from windows and doors and avoid contact with anything that conducts electricity. People may also want to take certain actions well before the storm to protect property within their homes, such as electronic equipment.

Helping a Lightning **Strike Victim** 

If a person is struck by lightning, medical care may be needed immediately to save the person's life. Cardiac arrest and irregularities, burns, and nerve damage are common in cases where people are struck by lightning. However, with proper treatment, including CPR if 儀 necessary, most victims survive a lightning strike, although the long-term effects on their lives and the lives of family members can be devastating.

green peppers, mixed fruit cup, milk

Mon. - Fri 8:30 A.M. - 4:30 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.\*



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Happy Birthday Love you, Kil Joy · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

# **Community Calendar**

July 25 Special called School Board Meeting 5:30 p.m. Admn. Bldg.

July 29 Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo Mutton Bustin Arena Park Complex - 7:00 p.m. Sign up Early!.

The Community Calendar is made possible by :

July 30 **Outlaw Pro Rodeo** Team Roping Challenge Arena Park Complex 11:00 a.m.



Letters To The Editor Policy

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#### Ask the Historical Society

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

Society Memorial Contributions

Gil Allison in Memory of Delia Duran Esquivel Class of 1964

Gil Allison in Memory of George S. & Anita Schwiening Betty & Mr. & Mrs. Dale T. Painhardt in Memory of L. P.

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Campbell in Memory of James Alexander

Donations Bonnie Lou & Curry

Campbell

Sutton County Steak House Inc.

We would like to thank everyone who has paid their dues these past few weeks and remind those who haven't that it is that time of year again. If you didn't receive a notice just send a check for \$10 for each member who wishes to join to P.O. Box 885, Sonora, TX 76950-0885. Please show your support for our new officers: Rose Mary Whitehead Jones, President: Marvin Shurley, Vice President JoAnn Hernandez, and Treasurer. I am really excited about having such a great group of people to work with this term.

**Q.** When did television come to Sutton County?

A. Some people were very lucky and lived on the hills or high ground around Sonora and were able to pick up the earliest stations in our area by antenna. Most in town and those who lived in low areas couldn't get any reception on their TV sets.

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Devil's River News, December 3, 1954 - States that there is a strong possibility of perfect TV reception in Sonora all of the time after receiving surveys that had been sent out to residents of the town.

A local TV reception system would consist of one 440 foot receiving tower, and wires would run from this tower to homes of subscribers. The individual owner would not need an expensive model TV set, nor would he need his own tower and aerial.

Similar systems are now in operation in Brady and Ozona, although the Ozona system is not completely hooked up yet. Reception of San Angelo in Ozona is excellent at this time.

If installed in Sonora the system will guarantee excellent reception of San Angelo all of the time and reception part of the time of two other stations, probably San Antonio and Midland.

Plans at present are to charge a tie-on fee of \$150 and a rental fee of \$6 per month. Tie-on fee and cost of TV set will be financed locally.

About the cheapest TV set available sells for \$150, so total cost of hooking on to the system would be \$300 plus monthly rental. Sponsors of the system plan to employ a repairman to service both system and sets.

December 31, 1954-Television reception for Sonora came a step closer this week when Edwin Sawyer and Jack Mackey, sponsors of the project, signed a contract with W. A. Miers, Sonora ranchman, for the use of property north of town for erection of the 400foot receiving tower.

The tower will be erected on a hill adjoining property owned by Dr. Charles F. Browne and Wesley C. Young. About four acres will be required for tower site and guy wires and rental is to be \$25 per acre per year.

At the base of the tower a small building will house a TV set for testing and the public will be invited to watch programs. Total investment of the owners will be about \$50,000.

February 4, 1955- Sonora's new 440-foot television receiving tower was erected last week and owners Edwin Sawyer and Jack Mackey expect to have a TV set installed in a small building near the tower for a

#### Lawmakers give raise to themselves but not teachers

#### State Capital Highlights Texas Press Association

By Ed Sterling

AUSTIN - Despite House and Senate musters over the July 16-17 weekend, legislation to (1) bring property tax relief and (2) fund public education remained unresolved.

Conference committees

ing about allowing Texans to get Internet access not just through fiber optics cable, satellite dishes and telephone lines - but much more cheaply via ordinary household wall sockets. They call it Broadband Over

Powerline. • An amended version of the Senate's eminent domain bill passed through the House. Now the Senate must concur with the House version or send the bill to a conformer committee

governor's race."

ply on their ranches.

Sen. Steve Ogden of College Station said it's wrong to do something just to do something.

Freshman shares view of session

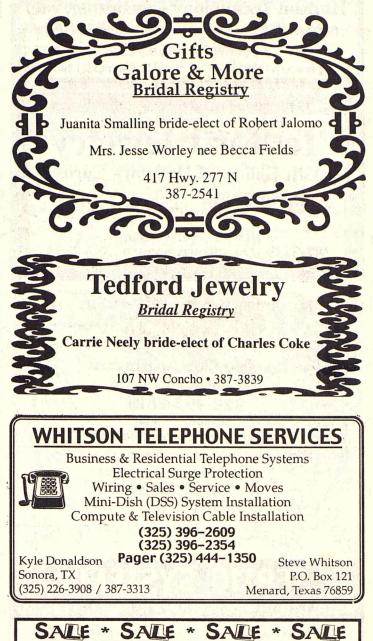
Neither the House nor the Senate version of the school finance bill satisfy state District Judge John Dietz's court order to fairly and equitably fund Texas public schools, said Abel cleaners, electric stoves, irons, mixers, etc. if you don't have any electricity. The people of 1954 were not couch potatoes with TV controls clenched in their hands. They went to dances and socials, played cards in the evening and visited, in person, with their neighbors. They didn't have cell phones stuck to their ears all day and they didn't have all the fast food restaurants we have today. They lived a much slower and simpler life, a gentler life with much less stress.

Every once in a while I think I might like to go back to those times but then I remember my electric wheelchair, my electric seat-lift chair, electric bed and all my household appliances and this computer and my airconditioner. I might be able to live without many of these using the old push and pull models but not the air-conditioning.

We plan on having a booth at Sutton County Days and will have articles on display and our latest books for sale. Be sure to stop by and say howdy, and see all our new note paper we are offering for sale.

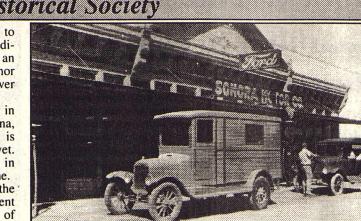
If you have any questions concerning Sutton County history send them to "Ask the Historical Society," P.O. Box 885, Sonora, TX 76950-0885 or e-mail them to schs@sonoratx.net. You may call us at 325-387-5084 on Monday, Friday and Saturday mornings. Our office and archival storage area, and museum, are open on the same mornings. We won't be open the Friday and Saturday of Sutton County Days. Remember the S. C. Historical Society can only be as good as the support given to it by local citizens, so please pay your dues or send a donation. Thanks!





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Ford House - you could buy a vehicle, get service, fill up with gas, water and air all at one stop on Concho St.

month's testing, during which

time the public is invited to

watch the program. Most of the

program will come from San

Angelo, although attempts to

receive San Antonio and

After the testing period wiring to subscribers' homes

will begin and is expected to be

completed by summer. The city

commission granted the compa-

ny a franchise to use city light

poles for its cable. Estimated

cost to the subscriber is expect-

ed to run about \$300 including

cost of a TV set, plus about \$6 a

asked me what did people do

healthier life style! They lis-

tened to the radio while they did

work around the house and they

played piano and other instru-

ments and would entertain

themselves. Most young people

didn't have cars to drive to

school and many parents

wouldn't let the young people

drive their cars. So there was a

lot of walking and bike riding in

Sutton County in the early days.

Some people still rode horses

into town and would bring their

wagons in to load up with sup-

plies. It might have been 1954

but many people had not been

exposed to all the modern tech-

nology and still lived quite sim-

television, radios, vacuum

Remember you can't have

Q. One young student

A. They lived a much

month rental (line use).

with no TV?

Midland will also be made.

met again and again in efforts to solve both issues, but at press time, it was not clear if Gov. Rick Perry had succeeded in herding the House and Senate toward compromise on the main purposes he recalled lawmakers to Austin.

As if those two issues weren't time-consuming enough, Perry added judicial pay, telecommunications deregulation and eminent domain to the call:

 Having made it through both houses, the judicial pay
 increase is likely to get the governor's signature (1) because judges have not had a pay increase in seven years and (2) because lawmakers' compensation is tied to it. However, if anyone is to get a raise, stirring speeches on the House floor made it clear that some lawmakers regard a teacher pay increase as much more warranted and many feel more than a twinge of guilt over raising their own pay.

 No matter how much time lawmakers spent on tangled telecommunications and utility
 deregulation during the regular session that ended in May, neither issue can be wrapped up in a day or two. So-called content providers don't sit quietly when, say, utility companies start talk-

a conference committee.

Eminent domain sparks a squabble pitting property rights advocates against real estate developers and the highway lobby - who are sometimes the same people. Who is going to win that one?

In either case, Reps. Harold Dutton of Houston, Frank Corte of San Antonio and others want Texans who get kicked off their property because of eminent domain to get a home and yard somewhere else, instead of a check for fair market value that might not be enough to pay for a van down by the river.

Big-Issue Solutions Take Time

House members and senators in the property tax conference committee seemed to agree that whatever plan comes of their efforts to overhaul the state's tax system, it would only be a move toward a solution fair to most Texans. "not the finish line."

Mutterings of the conferees suggested that if no bill emerges, trouble spots could be worked out between now and the next regular session, which convenes in 2007.

Sen. Ken Armbrister of Victoria said "it's not about getting reelected and not about the

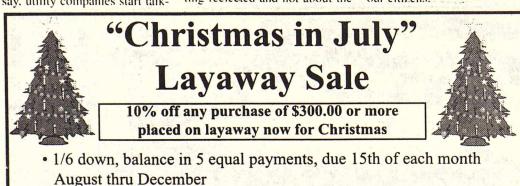
Herrero of Robstown, who is serving his first term as state representative.

And, House Bill 3 (property tax reform) shifts more of the tax burden to small, local, capital-intensive businesses while asking 90 percent of Texans those earning less than \$140,000 a year - to bear an even greater burden, he said.

With so little time left in the special session, Herrero said, "we should focus on getting more money into classrooms and to raise teacher pay by a minimum of \$3,000 so Texas teacher pay would increase to the national average." Herrero added, "I don't think we have to run at a deficit to do the right thing."

**Other Highlights** 

After meeting with Mexican officials in Mexico City, Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott, the state's top law enforcement officer, said his office would cooperate in efforts to stem the recent wave of drug-related violence along the Texas-Mexico border, saying, "If we fight crime only on one side of the border, the criminals simply shift to the other side. Texas and Mexico must work together for the good of all our citizens."



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# Chamber Chatter

# **Chamber prepares for Sutton County Days**



by Ruthie Bounds, COC Executive Director

Things are really hopping at the Sonora Chamber of Commerce Office and Welcome Center as we prepare for Sutton County Days and the Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo. First of all we would like to apologize for the Sutton County Days & Outlaw Pro Rodeo Street Banners not being hung yet. We are at the mercy of the schedule of our local American Electric Power workers, since these banners hang on AEP poles. They have been extremely busy, but we hope to have those banners in place this week. The dates for the Outlaw Pro Rodeo are August 10th through the 13th and advance tickets are on sale now from any of the Sutton County Queen Contestants. For information on the Sutton County Queen Contestants you may call Kim Lewis at 325/387-5382 or 325/450-4716. Kim has also reminded me that the Sutton County Days Queen Style Show will be held on Sunday August 7th at the Sutton County Civic Center at 12 noon and the Queen Contestants have tickets for that event, also.

Sutton County Days will be a two-day event this year with all our booths opening at 2:00 p.m. on Friday August 12th, and many of them staying open through the rodeo and dance on Friday night as well as the regular all day event on Saturday August 13th. Sutton County Days is sponsored by many different businesses and individuals, but is mainly brought to you this year by The Health & Wellness Center at Lillian M Hudspeth Memorial Hospital and the Sonora Chamber of Commerce. Most of the local businesses will be furnished

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programs of events for the activities which will take place during Sutton County Days and the Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo. Visit you local merchants to pick up a program of events and time schedule for all events.

The Little Mr. & Miss Sutton County Days will be held at 10:00 a.m. on August 13th under the entertainment tent at Sutton County Days. Entry forms to enter your little angel in the Little Mr. & Miss Sutton County contest may be picked up at the Sonora Chamber of Commerce Office and Welcome Center or at The Devil's River News. All entries will require a picture of the contestant, a \$5.00 entry fee, and the signature of a parent or guardian. Entry forms need to be turned in at the Devil's River News Office by August 1st. Please bring the entry fee and a picture of the contestant or be prepared to have the staff at Devil's River News take a photograph of the contestant. There will be no late entries in the Little Mr. & Miss Sutton County Contest this year. All entries must be turned in by the August 1st deadline.

The Kid's Mutton Bustin' Contest will be held at the Sutton County Arena at 7:00 p.m. on Friday July 29th. You may enter at the Sonora Chamber of Commerce Office & Welcome Center. The Mutton Bustin' requires a \$10.00 entry fee and a signature of parent or guardian as well as a witness for the parent's signature. Entries will be taken at the Sonora Chamber of Commerce Office & Welcome Center up until 5:00 p.m. Friday July 29th, and from 5:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. at the Rodeo Office at the Sutton The Kid's County Arena. Mutton Bustin' is open to any child between the ages of 4 and 7, weighing 55 pounds or less. The top 6 contestants will return for the finals in the Friday night Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo performance.

The Outlaw Pro Rodeo Jackpot & County Team Roping will be held on Saturday July 30th at the Sutton County Arena. The Jackpot roping is open to #9 & #13 and the ropings will be run together with separate fast backs. The entry fee is \$50.00 per team with a limit of 5 entries per roper in each roping. The Open Draw Pot County Roping is open to all residents of Sutton County and adjoining counties and any Outlaw Pro Rodeo Sponsors. The entry fee is \$100.00 per roper, and you can enter twice. You will draw 4 for each entry. For more information visit the calendar of events on the Sonora Chamber of Commerce website at www.sonoratx-chamber.com. The top 12 teams will rope during the Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo. Six teams will rope in the Thursday evening Slack August 11th at 5:00 p.m., 3 more teams in the Friday Night Performance at 7:30 p.m. and the other 3 teams in the Saturday Night Performance at 7:30 p.m. For information on any of the events that will take place in conjunction with Sutton County Days & the Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo, please contact Sonora Chamber of Commerce at 325/387-2880 or email us at: soncoc@sonoratx.net.

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Crowd participation helps make the Sutton County Library magic show more fun for all.

# Kids go WILD at Sutton County Library magic show

Go Wild...READ! was the theme of this year's summer reading program at the Sutton County Public Library. Children of all ages have visited the library this year, taking part in the special program that helps encourage young readers.

A special program, sponsored by the Sonora Woman's Club was presented on Wednesday, July 12.

The children, as well as adults, were entertained by magician, Harlin Rhoades, a professional children's entertainer and motivational speaker. Rhoades entices children to read by using his magic to take them on adventurous journeys with books that can be found in the library.

## Main Street Traffic

## Dr. Johnson family to tie up yellow ribbon for James Prescott Carter Johnson

The Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program, Sutton County, Devil's River News, Chamber of Commerce, KHOS Radio, and City of Sonora invite you to join them as they tie a yellow ribbon on the Old Oak Tree for James Prescott Carter Johnson, the son of Dr. Greg and Becky Johnson.

The Yellow Ribbon Ceremony will be held at the Sutton County Courthouse lawn, on July 27, 2005, at 8:30 a.m. We encourage everyone to show their support for the safe return of Johnson. We are very proud of our military personnel and pray that they all will return home soon. We appreciate all that they have given to our freedom and our country.

## Main Street Program announces plans for honoring Outstanding Western Heritage Family 2005

by: Ann Kay

The Board of Directors of Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program is stepping out on a new program that will be awarded at Sutton County Days each year. We are looking for an outstanding family who has supported Sonora with their talent and time. It is time to pay back the outstanding families in our community by saying "thank-you" for all the times they have helped the



Parent/guardian must sign release for entry to be accepted

Top 6 riders will qualify to compete during the Sonora Outlaw Rodeo Performance, Friday, August 12, 2005 at 7:30 p.m.

For more information, or to enter, contact the Sonora Chamber of Commerce @ 325-387-2880



community grow and preserved the rich western heritage for our tourists to enjoy when they visit our community.

If you know of a family that needs to be recognized, write a short letter explaining why you feel they should receive this honor. If you need more information contact the Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Office at 232 Main Street in historical downtown Sonora, or call us at 325-387-2248. The board will look at the "Western Heritage Outstanding Family" nomination letters on August 3, 2005, so please let us know your choice. The mailing address for the Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program is P.O. Box 233, Sonora, TX, 76950.

## **Bank & Trust provides display** case for Main Street Program

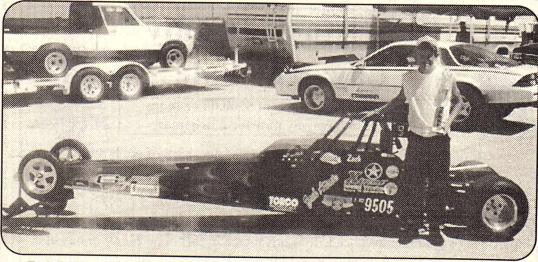
#### by Heather Hughes

The Bank & Trust has made available to Friends of Historic Sonora, a new locked and lighted display case in the bank's recently remodeled lobby. The program can now securely show collectibles that are both interesting and educational.

Currently on display are 19th and 20th century examples from four great crystal makers of the world, including Waterford (Irish), Lalique (French), Swarovski (Austrian), and Bohemian glass (Czech/Slovak). A short history of each designer accompanies the exhibit. Pieces are on loan from the personal collection of John and Dell Tedford.

The display will change approximately every six weeks, and could include such items as antique clocks, jewelry, or handguns. If you have an idea for a collection we should display, let us know. We greatly appreciate the Bank & Trust's participation.

# Zach Baddeaux races to winner's circle



Zach Baddeaux is back on the racing circuit this year, adding more wins to his already long list of racing accomplishments. At only 12 years old, Baddeaux is currently leading in points for the season in the circuit he competes in. He has compteted in and won races at the San Angelo Dragway, Abilene, Lufkin and San Antonio. Reaching speeds up to 72 m.p.h., Baddeaux is working toward the overall championship at the end of the summer racing season.

His proud parents, Suzanne and Michael support Zach, hauling him to the races and cheering him on all the way.

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2005 School Supply List Prekindergarten 5th Grade I large box tissues (Kleenex) Pointed Fiscar Scissors 2 medium bottles of glue Glue sticks 1-Pkg. Map Colors 2 sets – jumbo crayons (8 count box) Notebook Paper (wide rules) 2 pocket-portfolio folders 2-Spiral Notebooks pair Fiscar safety scissors 3-Pocket Folders with brads 1 box of large gallon-sized stor-Yellow (Sci.), Red(L.A.), Blue age bags (Ziploc or other) (S.S.) 1-Pkg, of #2 pencils (non-1 box of small quart-sized storage bags (Ziploc or other) full-size backpack or school Blue or black pens, red grading pens 2-Large boxes of Kleenex towel or blanket (for naptime) change of clothes (for any type of accident) 1-Ruler (centimeters and inchbox of "wipes' es) \$5 per semester for snacks Trapper Keeper & 1 pencil bag spiral notebook 6th Grade jumbo pencils Trapper Keeper/Notebook set of water colors Notebook Paper Kindergarten 2 - Highlighters 2 - 8oz. Bottles Elmer's School 2 - Red Pens/Pencils 6 - Blue or Black Pens 2 - 8 ct. boxes Crayola brand 6 - #2 Pencils crayons (Crayola brand only) Glue Stick 8 - #2 lead pencils (regular size) - 3 Ring Binder (at least 1" 1 - pair Blunt-end scissors (FISsize) CAR only) 5-Pocket Folders with brads 1 - large box KLEENEX 1-12 inch/cm ruler 2 - pocket- folders - NO brads 4-Spirals - pkg. Construction paper 1-Large box Kleenex (size 9" x 12") Map colors 1 - backpack Scissors 1 - Zipper Pencil Pouch (zipper 1-small bottle of rubber cement type only) Read 180 -1 folder, 1-Spiral & - Kinder nap mat (Only - no 2 - #2 pencils towels or pillows) 7th Grade 1 - watercolor paint set - box classic CRAYOLA Highlighters (at least two colors) markers (Box should have print-Washable marker set (Crayola) int at the top "Draw fine lines & Map Colors Detailed Designs") #2 Pencils 1- box freezer ZIPLOC bags Black or blue ballpoint pens 4-Spiral Notebooks as follows: (any size) - box colored pencils 2-two subject; 1-five subject; 1-1 - water bottle with lid three subject large eraser groomed 6-Pocket Folders with brads as 1 - highlighter follows: (1-blue, 1-red, 1-green, 1 - Composition Notebook \$5 for MOOSE Notebook sup-1-purple & 1-yellow) - 500 count ream/package plies white copy paper for Mr. **First Grade** 1 - box for supplies [No larger Morgan 1-Glue stick than 6" x 9"] 2-pkgs. white notebook paper (or 3-hole wireless neatbook) 1 - box 24 count CRAYOLA crayons 12 - #2 lead pencils [regular 1-Large box Kleenex I-package of 4/AAA batteries size] Red grading pens I - pair metal scissors [FISCAR 1-3 ring binder (at least a 1' only] size) 1 – large eraser classic colors washable Scissors 1 pkg. - Dividers CRAYOLA markers 2 – large bottles ELMERS glue **Read 180 - 1** Folder, 1-Spiral 1 – watercolor set [CRAYOLA & 2-#2 pencils or PRANG] 8th Grade 1 – set of 24 CRAYOLA col- Map Colors - pencil type ored pencils 5-Pocket folders with brads ored pencils I – MEAD Composition book Pens-blue or black followed. 1-Red pen [hardcover] I - large box KLEENEX #2 Pencils 1 - box ziplock type bags - any 2-Highlighters (different colors) 1-12" Ruler 1 - Backpack 1-Large box Kleenex al setting. Second Grade 1-Large spiral notebook 1-box of Crayons (16 count or Wide-ruled notebook paper over) Read 180-1 Folder, 1-Spiral & I – package of pencils 2-#2 Pencils 1 ream printer paper for Martha Martin/History 2 - erasers 1 - pair of Fiscar scissors ointed <u>HEALTH</u> - package of assorted markers 1-Pocket Folder 6th Grade Technology Applications 1-pocket folder 1-500 count ream/package 

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1-Pocket Folder 1 - pencil sharpener <u>Spanis</u> 1 - package of Quart size 1-Spiral Notebook Spanish 1-Folder with pockets package of Gallon size Map colors Scissors ideals 5th, 6th, 7th & 8th Grade PHYSICAL EDUCATION **CLASS** Soap, deodorant, shampoo, towel. \*SMS P.E. Workout Clothes P.E. students will need a lock for their locker room basket. SMS will provide a combination lock. If you choose to use of one of building your own, you must provide the Coach with an extra key or combination. \* P.E. clothes will be purchased from: Team Graphics @ 208 position. East Main in downtown Sonora. Girls: \*\*Be sure to put student's name on every item, including lunch bags, coats, jackets, P.E. clothes, towels, backpacks, etc.

## Sonora High School 2005-2006 Registration

Seniors: Monday, August 8 • 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Juniors: Tuesday, August 9 • 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Sophomores: Wednesday, August 10 • 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Freshmen: Thursday, August 11 • 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon New Students: Thursday, August 11 • 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**Sonora High School** 2005-2006 Dress Code DRESS AND GROOMING

The District's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, prevent disruption, and minimize safety hazards. Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the following guidelines:

We expect students to come to school in clothes that are clean and neat, and we expect students to exhibit basic cleanliness and grooming that will not be a health or safety threat to themselves or to other students or staff. While we respect students' desire to express themselves in their clothing and grooming styles, we do not permit students to wear clothing with pictures, emblems, or writing that is lewd, offensive, vulgar, or obscene or that advertises or depicts tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, drugs, or any other substance that students are prohibited from having or using at school. The principal makes decisions about dress and grooming violations.

**General Guidelines:** · Be neat, clean, and well

· All pants and shorts must be worn at the waist

• All clothing will be the proper size for the student and must be gender appropriate

· Hemmed shorts are permitted and may not be shorter than fingertip length in a normal standing position.

· Shirt tails which extend beyond the palm of the hand while in a normal standing position must be tucked in.

 Special dress days may occasionally be declared with the principal's prior permission. When such days are held, rules that pertain to decency, modesty, and decorum must still be

 Hair styles must be neat/well groomed and should not distract from the education-

· Body piercing of any kind is prohibited, with the exception of traditional girl's earrings.

· Tattoos must not be visi

· Skirts or dresses may not be shorter than fingertip length in a normal standing position

· Strapless clothing or clothing with spaghetti straps may not be worn. All straps must be at least two inches in width (the width of a standard credit card.)

**Boys:** 

· Facial hair is not permitted and sideburns will not extend below the earlobe

· Earrings are not permitted · Hair may be no longer than 2 inches above the bottom of the ear lobe, not below the collar, and when combed forward will not extend into the eyes.

· No artificial hair coloring is allowed (frosting, streaking, highlights, etc.).

 Pony tails, braids, shaggy or un-kept hair will not be worn.

If your child comes to school wearing clothes that violate the dress code or in any other way violates our dress and grooming standards, s/he will be suspended from school until s/he is in compliance. We will make efforts to notify you as soon as possible, and if the student changes clothes or otherwise comes into compliance with the dress and grooming standards, s/he will return to regular classes immediately. Repeated infractions will result in other disciplinary measures as prescribed by the Sonora ISD Student Code of Conduct. The dress code will be

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lettering, drawings, or advertisements of alcohol, tobacco, etc. including pictures or symbols of groups or individuals representing deviant or evil

· Athletic garments issued by school sports programs may not be worn to school.

• Muscle shirts, tank tops, or similar T-shirts. Plain white T-shirts may not be worn

 Overly baggy pants · Caps or hats inside of the

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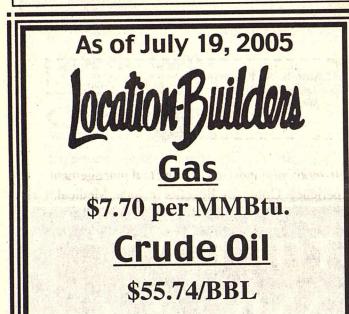
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# **TSGRA's coveted Earwood** Award goes to Susan Combs

KERRVILLE - Susan Combs, Commissioner of the Texas Department of Agriculture, was named as the 2005 recipient of the Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers' Association's most prestigious award, the Fred T. Earwood Memorial Award, at the organization's 90th annual membership convention in Kerrville, July 15, 2005.

Combs graduated from Vassar College in 1966 and received her Doctor of Jurisprudence from the University of Texas School of Law. She served as Assistant District Attorney in Dallas and was elected to the Texas House of Representatives in 1992, where she served two terms and authored the landmark Texas Private Property Rights legislation. She is a strong advocate for rural Texas and Texas agriculture.

Susan was elected as Commissioner of the Texas Department of Agriculture in 1999, an agency with a \$2 billion biennial budget. as been the moving force behind the GO TEXAN and TEXAS YES programs, which promote products made or raised in Texas. In 2002, she was named Progressive Farmer Magazine's "Leader of the Year in Texas Agriculture." Late in 2004 she was inducted into the Texas Women's Hall of Fame. "Those are the facts about Susan Combs' public life," said A. H. Denis, III, TSGRA President. "Those who know her best, know that she is a strong advocate for rural Texas and Texas agriculture. Despite her heavy workload, Susan is one of the most approachable, well-liked people in Texas today. Her strong work ethic and her well-earned reputation for being a straight shooter have earned her many friends across our great state. Fred Earwood would have been proud to know her as a friend." The Earwood Award was established by the family and friends of the late Fred T. Earwood of Sonora in 1969 to honor persons whose loyalty and dedication to the sheep and goat industry, its people, its values and its reverence for the land and livestock exemplify that of the late Mr. Earwood. The award is a lovely bronze by the late sculptor Don Bowen called, "The Money Makers."

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# **Oil & Agribusiness Time To Think About 4-H Livestock Projects**



by Pascual Hernandez, Sutton County Extension Agent - Ag

Considering 4-H for the upcoming school year? It's not too early ... especially if you are interested in livestock projects. It's time to start searching for lamb & goat prospects. With that in mind, let's consider market lambs as a 4-H project (and we'll devote time to goats in a subsequent edition).

The 4-H market lamb project makes an ideal 4-H animal project. Some strong advantages for the market lamb project include: low initial cost as it can be a short term project (3 to 5 months); the market lamb project is usually very safe for young children and little equipment is needed. In addition, much can be learned about the livestock industry and animal agriculture.

Why a lamb project? The primary aim of the 4-H sheep project is not to make shepherds out of participants. Rather, it is the same as any other 4-H project: to develop youth into responsible adults. Patience, commitment, self-discipline, responsibility, sportsmanship, time management skills and communication skills can be acquired through participation. Furthermore, the lamb project can help educate kids and parents in the subjects of nutrition, health, meat science, marketing,

economics, genetics and numerous other scientific topics. The objectives of the project are to help youth develop self-confidence through competition, develop personal leadership skills and abilities, develop technical and management skills, acquire understanding of vocational opportunities and to learn the value of the sheep and wool industry to the economy.

It is important to be aware of the large numbers of activities the 4-H sheep project offers. In addition to showing lambs at jackpots, county or major shows, 4-H'ers can participate in record book competitions, public speaking, illustrated talks, method demonstrations, wool shows, shearing competitions and develop breeding sheep projects. The 4-H sheep project, because of this flexibility, has much to offer.

There ARE things to consider before acquiring lambs: facilities, cost, how/where to find & select lambs, shows to attend, learning opportunities, etc. Your county Extension agent will provide assistance and answers to many of these questions. There are also project leaders who help provide learning opportunities through clinics and workshops. So, if you are interested in becoming involved in a lamb project, contact County Extension Agent, Pascual Hernandez, at 387-3101. We look forward to hearing from you!

## Angora production sale honors Earwoods, Pflugers and Gardner

The 18th Annual Haby, Lockhart, Ross, Speck Angora Production Sale was held on Saturday, July 16, 2005, at the Hill Country Youth Exhibit Center in Kerrville, Texas at 2:00 p.m. The Habys did not consign goats to the sale.

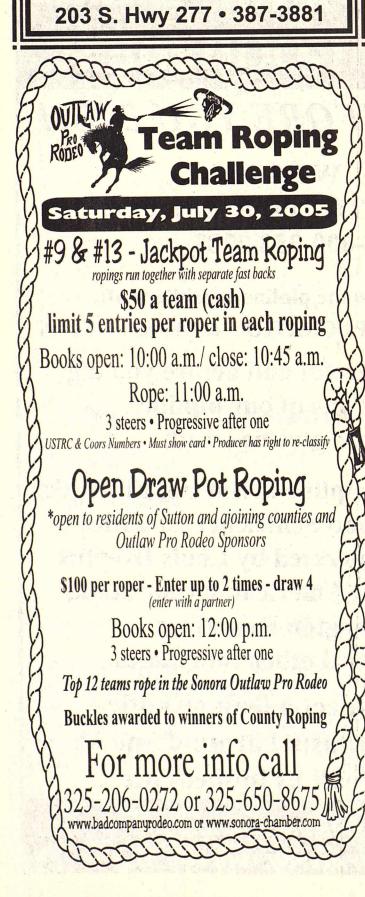
Ninety-five lots of yearling bucks and does grossed \$50,675 for an overall average of \$533.42. Twenty-one does averaged \$408.33 and 74 bucks averaged \$568.92.

Edward Earwood of Sonora bought the high selling doe for \$1500. Stephanie Ayers of Uvalde paid \$2600 for the high selling buck and \$550 for the second high selling doe. Laura Martin of Sonora paid \$2000 for the second high selling buck.

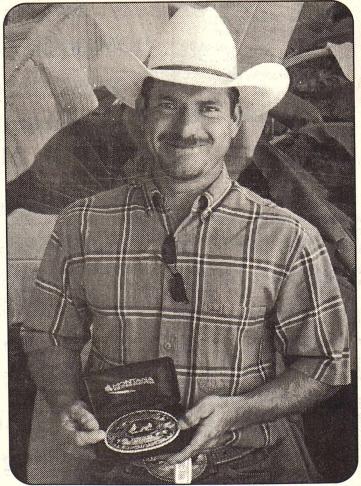
Volume buyers were Balch Ranch of Sonora - 18 head for \$10,150, the James Powell family - 8 head of \$5850, Cal and Pam Hengst of Wall - 5 head for \$4,325 and Stephanie Ayers of Uvalde - 5 head for \$4,150.

The sale was dedicated to the Earwood family of Sonora and Edwards County, the Charles Ray Pflugher family of Eldorado and the memory of Jo Ann Gardner of Rocksprings.

Five generations of Earwoods have been intensively involved in the Angora goat and mohair industry. They are still raising, judging and showing champions. G.C. Earwood was a pioneer Sutton County goat breeder. Armer's father and mother - Fred and Mary membered as long time leaders in the sheep and goat industry, the Sonora Wool and Mohair Warehouses and the Sonora community. Mrs. Earwood's family - the Reids - were well known Angora goat breeders from New Mexico. Armer is still active at the ranch and continues to serve as president of the Sonora "Woolhouse". He has served as president of the Sonora school board, the Episcopal Church vestry, AAGBA, TSGRA, and as a director of the MCA, the Co-op, and the First National Bank. Barbara was raised in the northeast when the textile industry was booming in the Boston area. Together they have entertained numerous international mohair guests. Barbara has developed quite a reputation and won several awards for her artistic watercolor skills. Many of the paintings illustrate sheep, goats and the pioneer ranch life. Armer and Barbara have three children, Elsie, Melinda and Edward, all of whom are involved in ranching and the continued support of agriculture. Charles Ray and Pat Pfluger are well known West Texas commercial Angora goat breeders. Not many ranchers can say that they have raised 130% Angora goat kid crops the last two years in the pasture, for years have received the top prices for their kids and older does and can be seen out in leased land spraying hoarhound in the heat of the day - taking care of the land as if it was their own. Charles Ray and Pat have attended many International Mohair, MCA and TSGRA meetings. Charles has served on the MCA executive committee and as a director of TSGRA. Both have worked several years on the school board at Rocksprings and in their churches wherever they have ranched. Charles Ray and Pat were raised in Eden and Menard, but their major adult impact has been in Rocksprings, Sonora and Eldorado. They have worked together as a team to have accomplished all this and more, with their real pride being the raising and working with their daughters and grandchildren to carry on the family tradition of ranching, teaching and serving as volunteer community leaders with their husbands - Sharon and Jimmy Holman; Diane and Scott Jacoby; Claire and John Powell and Lisa and Lowry Craven. JoAnn Gardner will be missed greatly by all involved with the TAGRA, the MCA and the performance test. She could always be depended upon to take charge of the TAGRA ballot committee and act as an active member of the organization.



## Hernandez ropes for buckle



Juan Hernandez added to his wardrobe and his wallet on July 2005, winning this Montana Silver trophy buckle in the Del Rio County Team Roping. Originally from Del Rio, Juan and his family reside in Sutton County most of the time, where he is employed by Doug and Suzanne Huddleston at the Consuelo Ranch. Juan heads and heels, depending on who he enters with.

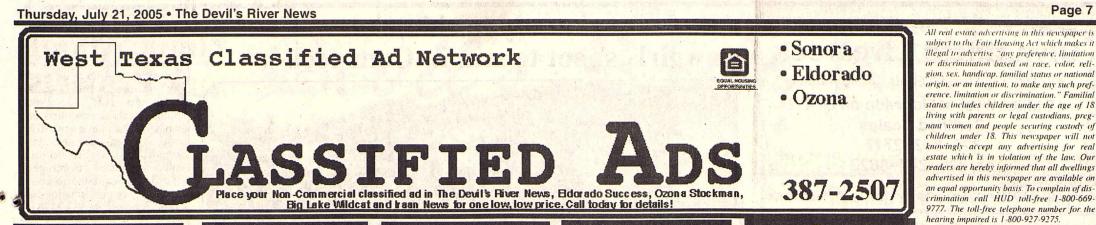
Look for Juan and other local ropers at the Outlaw Pro Rodeo Team Roping Challenge on July, 30.

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serves at Goat American Meat Association and as vice-chairman of the Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers, Association's Meat Goat Committee. He is a member of the American Boer Goat Association and sits on the Livestock Advisory Committee for the State Fair of Texas, as well as numerous other goat industry related committees. He is involved in ongoing efforts to develop better inter-association relationships between the various goat breed associations and registries and has worked for years toward guiding legislative affairs affecting the U.S. goat industry. He is a pro-active supporter of cooperative efforts

president of the between all goat associations and the American Sheep industry and its representative organizations.

Marvin Shurley gives freely of his time and resources to help the sheep and goat industry, and he stays abreast of things most people don't take the time to do. His work benefits the sheep and goat industry as a whole on many levels. His feelings toward American agriculture can best be summed up by a quote Benjamin Franklin made at the signing of the Declaration of Independence, "We must all hang together or, most assuredly, we shall all hang separately.'



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#### motice of Application for **Commerical Oil and Gas Disposal Well**

PJO Partnership, 206 East Main Street, Sonora, Texas 76950, is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to dispose of produced salt water or other oil and gas waste by well injection into porous formation not productive of oil or gas.

The applicant proposes to dipose of oil and gas waste into the limestone formation Espy Lease Well Number 1. The proposed disposal well is located 12 miles east of Sonora in the Wildcat Field, in Sutton County, Texas. The waste water will be injected into strasta in the subsurface depth interval from 5930 feet to 6040 feet. LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas. Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, the ' to Services Environmental Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512-463-6792).

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Lariat Services, Inc. is seeking an experienced Air Driller. Wage ranges between \$20.00 to \$24.00 an hour depending on experience. Will pay \$30.00 per diem and mileage reimbursement. Benefits include 401K Plan and Dental Plan and company paid Medical Insurance. Fax resume to 325-336-9339 or contact the Fort Stockton Office at 325-336-7821.

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DQ of Sonora now accepting applications for Maintenance Worker. Non-smoking, drug free environment. Drug test required. Apply in person today with Manager, Patti Lindaur.

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DQ of Sonora is looking for day and night help. Full and part time positions available. Nonsmoking, drug free environment. Drug test required. Apply in person today with Manager, Patti Lindaur.

Help Wanted: Full time and part time. Weekends & Holidays. Apply in person or call The Caverns of Sonora at 325-387-3105 FMI.

The City of Sonora is now accepying applications for fullworkers. outside time Applications may be picked up at City Hall, 201 E. Main, Sonora, Texas 76950, and should be returned to the City Secretary's Office. Additional information on grade level, job summary, essential duties and qualifications (required skills and abilities) are available upon request. The City of Sonora is an equal opportunity employer.

**CNA Needed Immediately:** Crockett County Care Center is in desperate need of a Certified Nursing Aide. Candidate must be certified in State of Texas with reliable transportation. Hourly wage with outside of Ozona driving mileage reimbursement. CCCC is an EOE. Contact Vicki, Benny or Valerie for details at 325-392-2671.

Help Wanted: Alco is now accepting applications for full and part-time positions. Apply at 307 Hwy 277 N. Equal

#### Employment RN's & LVN's Needed

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#### Land For Sale

Land for sale: 693 Acres on Loop 467, 1 mile SE from Sonora. Call 387-2461

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Horseshoe Service: Hot and Cold Shoeing, Contact Jay Pool at 325-226--2837 or 325-884-1230

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#### For Sale

FORECLOSURE SALE 611 S. Crockett in Sonora, TX Public Sale on August 2, 2005 -1:00 p.m. - Sutton County Courthouse in Sonora, TX on the front (south side - facing Water Street) steps of the courthouse. Property sold "AS IS" Bidders welcome to inspect all reports prior to bidding. Call Brady Johnson at 325-387-2593 for information.

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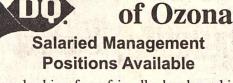
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Help Wanted: Full time and part time. Apply at Mr. D's, 216 Hwy 277 N. from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday.

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# Loaded and ready to ride, Sutton County cowgirls shoot to win in Comstock



Sutton County was shining at the Comstock Rodeo on July 9, 2005, with some of our best young ladies riding in and taking top honors in most of the events. In the girls 12 and under, results were: pole bending -- Alex Lang 1st, Zella Powers 2nd, Stella Ingham 4th, and Macie Friess 5th barrel race -- Zella Powers 1st, Stella Ingham 3rd, Macie Friess 4th flag race -- Alex Lang 1st, Macie Friess 2nd, Stella Ingham 4th

goat tying -- Macie Friess 1st, Stella Ingham 2nd, Alex Lang 3rd, Maddie Lang 7th

The girls 13-19 didn't stand a chance when Steely Ingham rode into the arena, taking the All-Around Cowgirl title with a 2nd in the barrels and flag races, 5th in the pole bending and 1st in the break away roping.

Congratulations to all these young ladies and thank you for making Sonora look good.

### YFZ ranch may soon have unwelcome guests

The Eldorado Success recently reported (June 30) that the FLDS observers have long maintained that Warren Jeffs Texas - first by misleading local citizens about his intentions for the YFZ Ranch and then by failing to understand Texas environmental regulations.

Now, as word comes that an oil well has been completed on the Ronnie Kerr place, bordering the western edge of the YFZ, it is learned that YFZ officials who purchased the Schleicher County property, failed to buy up the mineral rights to the ranch. With oil topping \$60 per barrel and natural gas prices approaching an alltime high, it appears very likely that a drilling rig will soon be sinking a well bore on the YFZ Ranch.

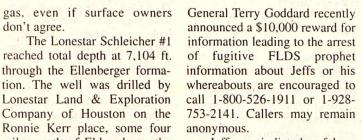
Texas law provides the owners of mineral rights to have access to their property, including the right to drill for oil &

don't agree.

The Lonestar Schleicher #1 reached total depth at 7,104 ft. through the Ellenberger formation. The well was drilled by Lonestar Land & Exploration Company of Houston on the Ronnie Kerr place, some four miles north of Eldorado on the Old San Angelo Highway. The prospect was developed by Eastern Shelf Production Company of Ft, Worth. When it is put into production, the well will be operated by J.W. Mulloy & Associates, Inc. of Midland.

It is unknown exactly how soon exploration might begin on the YFZ Ranch, but one thing is for sure, the men and women who live in seclusion on the property aren't likely to welcome the intrusion of men and machine on land they deem to be holy.

In other news of the FLDS Arizona Attorney group,



Jeffs was indicted on felony charges in Arizona and stands accused of Sexual Conduct with a Minor and Conspiracy to Commit Sexual Conduct with a Minor. The charges stem from his role in arranging marriages and performing marriage ceremonies between underage girls and older men who were already married.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation is also joining the hunt for the elusive prophet. It was announced earlier this month that a U.S. Magistrate in Flagstaff, AZ issued a federal arrest warrant for Jeffs on June 27 on charges of Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution.

Since the FBI is not restricted to one state of local jurisdiction, its entry into the case - cou-

The Devil's River News • Thursday, July 21, 2005

Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo committee will have a "work day" at the Sutton County Arena on July 23, 2005. Painting, welding, cleaning and general maintenance work to be done to prepare for the 2005 Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo. Volunteers are encouraged, invited and requested to come help. For more information call Curry Campbell at 387-3174 or Storie Sharp 387-2507.

FYI

Paisano Baptist General Encampment opens the eighty-fifth consecutive session of family camp on Sunday evening, July 24, beginning with dinner in the cook shed at six p.m. The first worship service begins on Sunday, July 24, at 8 p.m. in the massive Tabernacle at the center of the camp. For more information, to see if any housing or RV spots available, contact the camp at 432-837-3074. E-mail camp manager, Dan Dunagan, a danbdunagan@yahoo.com.

Outlaw Pro Rodeo Kid's Mutton Bustin - Friday, July 29, 2005 - 7:00 p.m. FMI call Storie at 387-2507 or 387-3925.

Outlaw Pro Rodeo Team Roping Challenge, Saturday, July 30, 2005 - Jackpot Team Roping, For more information call 325-206-0272 or 650-8675.

Stop by the Friends of Historic Main Street office to purchase a chance to win a lim-\$5 donation buys a chance at this bag, equipped with a waterproof cover and embroidered signatures of celebrity golfers which include Ernie Els, Adam Scott, and Davis Love III. The drawing will be held at the Four-Man Shot Tournament at the Sonora Golf Club on August 7, 2005. This drawing is sponsored by the Friends of Historic Sonora, The Bank & Trust, and the First National Bank of Sonora.

Texas Junior Bull Riders Open Bull Riding for ages 4-19; July 23, 2005, Rankin, TX; Rankin Arena

Books Open at 4:30 p.m. Close at 6:30 p.m. Performance Starts at 7:00 p.m.

\$400 ADDED MONEY Entrey Fees: 6 & Under Mutton Bustin \$20; 8 & Under Calf Riding \$25; 10 & Under Jr. Steer Riding \$30; 12 & Under Sr. Steer Riding \$30;



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pled with the offering of the reward in Arizona - significantly raises the ante in the search for Jeffs. The agency will be able to devote considerable resources to pursing the fugitive prophet between his enclaves in Arizona, Utah and Schleicher County, where Jeffs is building a community, complete with massive temple, on the YFZ Ranch.

The increasing pressure on Warren Jeffs comes even as Arizona authorities continue to pursue his followers, arresting one of them on Friday, July 8, 2005 at his home in Colorado City, AZ. Seven other FLDS members surrendered to authorities on Monday, July 11th. All eight of them, David Romaine Bateman, Rodney Hans Holm, Donald Robert Barlow, Vergel Bryce Jessop, Terry Darger Barlow, Dale Evans Barlow, Randolph Joseph Barlow and Kelly Fischer, had been indicted by the same grand jury that handed up the charges against

For complete coverage of the ongoing happenings of Warren Jeffs and the YFZ ranch you

Eldorado Success webpage at www.myeldorado.net.



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Would you like to know more about the hiring process? Learn how to recruit, interview and do background checks at the Basic Human Resource Issues seminar given by the Angelo State University - Small Business Development Center. Presenter is Mr. Dave Erickson. This seminar is FREE on Thursday, July 28th, from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Rassman Conference Room. Please call the Small Business Development Center at 325/942-2098 to register.

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Wesson July 23 Shelbi Johnson, Blas Solis, Anthony Renfro, Prissy Samaniego, Armer Earwood,: Lee Bloodworth, Jason Vitela: II, Brandon West, Shane Keller, Jack Sykes, David

Baker, Felicia Castillo, Becky: Covington,