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Broncos Varsity Golf Finish on Top

Pictured above: Bottom Row L-R, John Duke Hudson, Mason Martinez, Trent Reiner, Cullin Parker, (not pictured Embre Smith) Top Row L-R, Erin Newton, Kaci Chavarria, Candise Martin, Kayla McBride, Allyse Edmondson. See Bronco Golf page 5.

Transportation Committee Holds First Meeting

submitted by M.E. Howorth
March 29, 2006

Present: Cindy Allen, Janice Caruthers, Milton Cavaness, John Friess, Max Howorth, Brady Johnson, Bruce Kerbow, Jim Polonis, Grete Ramsdell, John Tedford
Absent: Lance Castro
Ex-Officio Members Present: Paul Ramsdell, Hilario Rodarte, Storie Sharp
Visitors: Lee Bloodworth

The Transportation Committee of Sonora and Sutton County held its first meeting on March 29, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. in the boardroom of The Bank and Trust. Committee member John Friess was first on the agenda and he welcomed the newly appointed committee members and offered a benediction. Mr. Friess then provided a high-level summary of the Committee purpose and structure and some background on how the committee came into being. He made special mention of the fact that the Committee has been formally sanctioned by both the City Council and Commissioners' Court and includes appointed representatives of both those governing bodies. He suggested that a sense of urgency exists for the Committee to get on with the work of planning area transportation development because of the continuing progress of the north-south and east-west highway projects, and also because the aggressive drilling program currently being conducted by gas producers in our area is systematically complicating all decisions concerning transportation routes.

Mr. Friess then called for nominations of officers and the following individuals were elected by acclamation: Chairperson - John Friess, Vice-Chairperson - Brady Johnson, Secretary - Max Howorth

Chairman Friess then recog-

nized John Tedford who led a discussion of the Rules of Order to be followed by the Committee. The Committee agreed by voice vote to the following meeting processes:

- Follow Roberts' Rules of Order with the Chair able to make motions and vote.
- Require speakers to be recognized by the Chair.

- Although not subject to the requirements of the Texas Open Meeting Act, meetings of the Committee will be open to the public. It is recognized that in discharging its responsibilities, the Committee may, from time to time, call an Executive Session to discuss matters of extraordinary economic or personal sensitivity.

- Regular meetings will be held on the first Thursday of each month at 4:00 p.m. in the boardroom of The Bank & Trust, beginning in May 2006. Additional meetings will be dictated by necessity.

The Chair then recognized Max Howorth who discussed a proposal for the formalized statements of Purpose and Major Goals of the Committee. A copy of the handout Howorth used was attached and made a part of these Minutes. The Committee agreed that the Purpose statement Goals were acceptable as written; however, some members felt the need for an additional goal statement dealing with increasing traveler utilization of the existing Interstate 10 highway and Sonora's commercial opportunities related thereto. Howorth agreed to draft a new goal statement and submit it to the Committee for approval.

The Committee then discussed 'Next Steps' and agreed that some educational presentations to bring Committee members up-to-date were desired. It was agreed that at the next regular meeting of the

Committee, the following reviews be presented:

- Ports-to-Plains project by Max Howorth and/or representatives of the PTP Coalition.

- Potential Sonora Reliever Route by Hilario Rodarte and/or representatives of TxDOT.

Other suggested topics concerning sub-committee working mechanics, pipeline rights-of-way and hazardous cargos were deferred to a future meeting. The Committee regrettably accepted the resignation of Storie Sharp as the Ex-Officio Media representative, and the Chairman agreed to pursue a replacement. With the agenda accomplished and no further discussion required, the Committee adjourned.

Coming Soon

by Mallory Rousselot

Soon, looming over Sonora, will be a freshly painted city water tower sporting a brand new 16 foot tall Bronco logo. Thanks to the persistent endeavors and funding by the Bronco Booster Club, coupled with a generous donation from the John & Mildred Cauthorn Charitable Trust, Sonora will join the ranks of other area towns that proudly display their School logo.

It all started when booster club member Ray Glasscock mentioned painting the logo at last year's meeting. "It was a terrific idea but how to make it happen, it just took the right circumstances" stated Mallory Rousselot. Lauri Smith agreed "We just think it's a great way to honor all the Broncos and we really think the kids will appreciate it."

So remember to attend your Bronco Booster Club meetings, your idea may be the next idea seen all around town!

What's Wrong With Our Water Infrastructure? How about 60 years of use . . .

by Jim Polonis, Sonora, City Manager

With a freshwater and wastewater distribution system over 60 years old, it's time for replacement. The fact is parts of the water distribution and wastewater collection system in Sonora have been in place since the late 1930's. Some pipeline extensions were made in the 60's and 70's, and the last additions were made in the mid-80's.

Fresh Water Distribution System

The City currently has a water loss percentage on average of 22%, and, according to standards, the loss should be no higher than 15%.

The piping system consists of cast iron, steel, and concrete pipe, and the City has experienced an increased number of water loss problems due to the old pipes breaking. Several instances of breakage were: The large distribution pipe (8") beneath Hwy 277 near Alco last April 2005. The 6" pipe in the draw in the SE quadrant of the city in June 2005. A 6" line at Main and Crockett in September 2005. An 8" pipe near Main and Concho in October 2005. A 10" main line burst in January 2006 at the end of Plum St.

There is one water line with six repair clamps within a length of two city blocks. A number of the water lines are substandard, inadequately sized.

Currently, the daily water demand for Sonora is 823,000 gallons or 300.4 million gallons (MG) per year. On a per day basis a 15% loss is 123,500 gallons. With another 7%, for a total of 22%, on top of that is nearly 58,000 gallons more of lost water resources per day. There are months as noted above with greater water losses.

Waste Water Infrastructure

A new sewer system needs to be designed for Sonora that is compliant with TCEQ rules and regula-

cut and disposed of. The openings in the end of the pipes will be filled with concrete.

New technologies, such as high-density polyethylene (HDPE) pipe which is flexible and has a long service life, are being considered. In addition to the long service life, it is possible to replace an existing line with it and not excavate the old line. This is done by attaching the HDPE to a steel shuttle, which looks like the head of a torpedo, with the pipe at the blunt end and a cable connected to the shaped end. The cable is threaded through the existing sewer line and, when all is ready, a truck with a large spool on it begins to reel in the cable. As this occurs, the existing sewer line is burst or broken up by the torpedo, and the new line follows behind replacing the old.

Where it is feasible, manholes that are substandard, to be included in the new system will be brought up to code by rehabilitation; others will have to be replaced. Lift station walls and support structures will be rehabilitated as needed. This will eliminate infiltration/inflow during flood conditions. Infiltration/inflow is a condition when, during rain events, rainwater flows through the sewer system and causes an overflow at the sewer plant. This can cause untreated sewage to flow out of the plant causing pollution of the stream below the plant. If this were to occur the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) would investigate and fine the city based on the severity of the overflow.

Where sewer systems are routed through the draws the manhole standoffs and covers will be watertight. This will eliminate infiltration/inflow of storm water that overwhelms a sewer system during flood conditions. There are areas of

increases, and interest payment incentives.

Low interest loans from the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB). The City has submitted to the TWDB its intended use plans (IUP's) for clean water systems (sewer lines) and drinking water system (water distribution). These documents are being reviewed by the TWDB now. If Sonora, TX is one of the cities selected, we will be notified in late August early September 2006. Then, the City has until late November 2006 to submit its formal applications for financing these system improvements. In January/February of 2007, the City will be notified if it is awarded the loans. At this time, the City has two years to utilize these funds.

Low interest loans from USDA Rural Development (RUS). Likewise, the City has submitted an engineering preapplication to the RUS. This was sent in at the same time the IUP's were submitted to the TWDB. The engineering pre-app is now being reviewed at the Texas State headquarters for the RUS in Temple, TX. If approved, Sonora will qualify for low interest loans from the Federal Government. There is a long approval process and the loans must be paid back over a 40-year period.

Other possible sources are the Texas Community Development Fund (TCDF) and Texas Capital Fund.

These sources of funds can take up to two or more years to approve funding.

Sonora's financial condition is excellent and very sound. It has assets in the bank making it possible to borrow limited amounts of money. For example, 1 to 2 million could easily be obtained on a 20-25 year payback.

Reconstruction could be start-



This section of pipe, located near G&L Tool, contains more than 5 clamps to repair the leaks

the sewer system that do not have slope, relatively flat, other places required larger pipes, or rerouting.

Proposed Plan

Replacement of all clay sewer pipes (over 90% of Sonora's sewer system is comprised of this material). The remainder is concrete/asbestos, cast iron, or PVC. Some of the lines can be abandoned in place. Those areas where cast iron pipe is exposed traversing draws will be

ed in phases; for example, with the business district initiating the plan described here:

Raise water and sewer base rates.

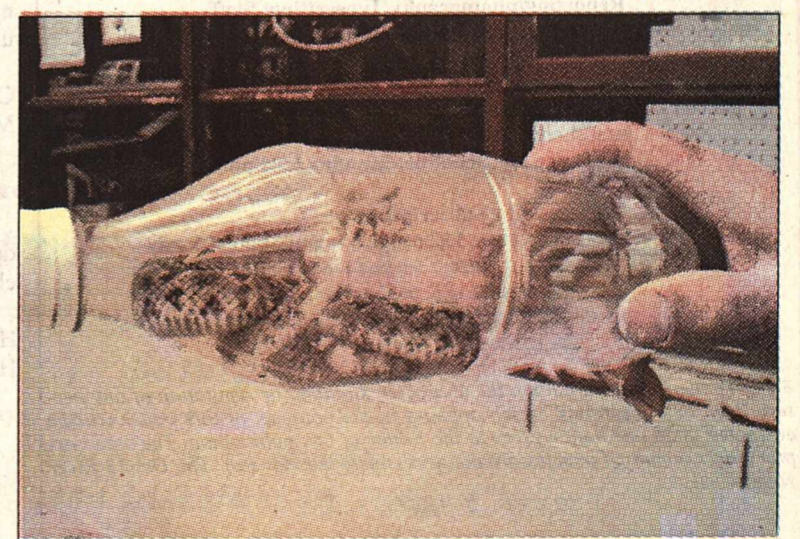
Initiate revenue bonds for \$2 million. This will be applied to water distribution and to wastewater collection within the business district.

Other methods of financing an initial phase are being investigated.

Be Careful Visiting Loved Ones At the Cemetery

Spring is one of the most beautiful times of the year, but it can also be a time for caution. Gilbert Vara, grounds keeper for the Sonora Cemetery, brought this young rattlesnake in Monday. Gilbert said he has killed several snakes in the past 10 days, obviously coming out to sun themselves. Rattlesnakes lie dormant during the cold fall and winter months and awaken from hibernation in the warm months of March and April.

Generally active from April through September, the rattlesnake may emerge earlier and range later in warm weather. During the spring, the snake prowls in the morning and late afternoon. During summer, the snake alternately basks and seeks shade. During the hottest months, the snake becomes nocturnal, seeking mice, gophers, and even cotton-

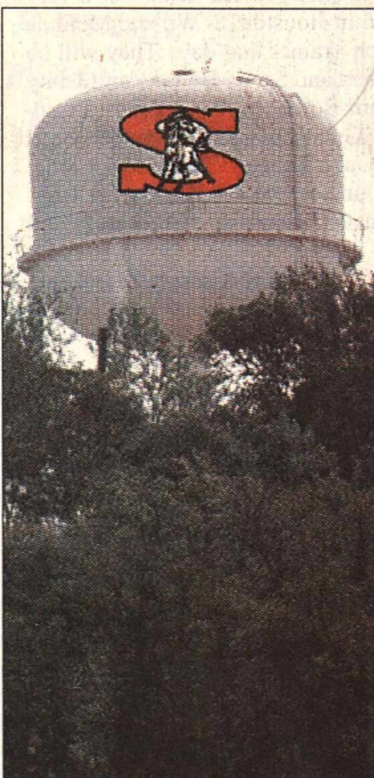


tail rabbits. They mate in the spring and bear young anytime from August through October. Baby rattlesnakes are just as poisonous as adult

snakes. If you are bitten, remember to remain calm. Then drive yourself over the Hudspeth and let the nurses take care of you.



Mike Hale, President, First National Bank, presents Milton Black, President of the Sonora Ministerial Alliance the popcorn donation of \$150.00. For the past eight years, the First National Bank of Sonora has donated over \$14,000 to the community from popcorn sales and donations.



The water tower may soon look something like this

Lighthouse Community Church

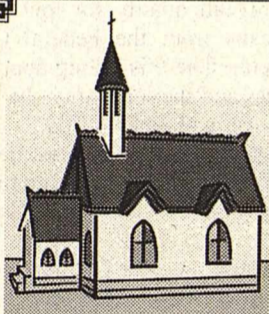
A place for returning Prodigals
and recovering Pharisees
Sunday Services
Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Worship 11:00 a.m. • 6:00 p.m.
1705 N. Crockett

Senior Center Activities

Fri. April 14 - Good Friday, Center will be closed. Happy Birthday Tulis Valadez
Mon. April 17 - BINGO--after lunch!
Tues. April 18 - City Council 4 P.M. @ City Hall
Wed. April 19 - Van to San Angelo - Call Lilia at 387-3941... Medicals come first!
Thurs. April 20 - Crafts - need new ideas and volunteers!

Senior Center Menu

Fri. April 14 - Good Friday, Center will be closed!
Happy Easter
Mon. April 17 - Chicken salad sandwich, tomato soup, salad, potato chips, fresh banana, milk
Tues. April 18 - Meatloaf, blackeyed peas, green beans, coleslaw, fresh fruit cup, milk
Wed. April 19 - Steak fingers w/gravy, mashed potatoes, sliced tomatoes, biscuits, heavenly hash cake, milk
Thurs. April 20 - Pork chops w/gravy, cooked cabbage, sweet potatoes w/apples, rolls, pudding, milk
Participants in the senior nutrition program must be 60 or older. Meals are served Monday - Friday at 12:00 p.m. Donations are accepted (suggested donation for Seniors is \$1.50; \$4.00 for under 60 and all other meals-to-go)



Sonora Church Directory

Primera Iglesia Bautista 504 Santa Clara 387-2035	Church of Christ 304 N. Water 387-3190
The Church of the Good Shepherd Presbyterian 319 E. Mulberry 387-2616	First Baptist Church 111 E. Oak 387-2951
Lighthouse Community Church 1705 N. Crockett 387-9100	St. John's Episcopal Church 404 E Poplar 387-2955
Pentecostal Calvary Temple United 509 Amistad 387-5266	First United Methodist Church 201 N. Water 387-2466
St. Ann's Catholic Church 229 W. Plum 387-2278	Templo Jerusalem Asamblea De Dios 306 W. 4th St. 387-5713
Jehovah's Witness 310 St. Ann's St. 387-5658/387-5518	Hope Lutheran Church 417 E. 2nd St. 387-5366

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Amity Overall, granddaughter of Mallie and Jeanette Turner, and her husband Jonathan.

The ceremony must go on!

Just nine days before being married last June, Amity Overall was pulled from her crumpled car after a wreck on a Houston freeway. The next few months were a true testament to her rock-solid bond with Jonathan Laib. Despite her broken neck and leg, Amity and Jonathan still wanted to marry on June 18, 2005. With the help of the Memorial Hermann Hospital staff, they exchanged vows in the hospital chapel. "They had flowers, pew markers, a cake," says Amity, now 27. "They went above and beyond to make this really special."
Pre-wedding nightmare:
Amity was leaving a meeting when a driver clipped the back of her SUV. She spun out of control on Loop 610 near the Galleria. "I don't remember any of it, but the EMS guys said I talked the whole time, saying 'I'm getting married next week. Get me out of this car.'" After Jonathan got the news, he ran from Rice University, where he's working on his doctorate in chemistry, to the hospital.

In sickness and health:
Jonathan rarely left Amity's side, sleeping wherever he could find a spot, including the floor. Amity had neck and leg surgery within days. And doctors were confident she would walk again.

In good times and bad:
Once Amity went home July 5, her mom moved in, and Jonathan juggled his school schedule, going to campus at night. "Sleep was a precious commodity," says Jonathan. Amity noted that "he just took it in stride," getting up with her in the middle of the night when needed and putting antibiotics in her IV. "I couldn't have made it through without him."

How they met:
Amity and Jonathan were introduced by a mutual friend at Austin College in Sherman in August 1998. She was a sophomore from San Marcos. He was freshman from South Grand Prairie High. "We just really hit it off immediately," says Jonathan. "She's beautiful, easygoing, everything. We were just fast friends from the start." Although Amity was dating someone else until that October, she and Jonathan struck up a lasting friendship. "We would go to each other's dorm rooms and talk for hours for several months before we started dating. It was natural."

Out of sight, on her mind:
When Jonathan went to New York for a week-long Model United Nations conference in late March, Amity "missed him so much that I would skip lunch and wait for the phone to ring. When he got back, I realized we were a lot more than friends. All my girlfriends knew that I loved him before I even had a clue. It was that obvious."

Parting ways:
After Amity graduated in 2001, she took a one-year job in Springfield, Ill., leaving Jonathan on campus to finish his degree the next spring. He then moved to Houston for grad school. She went to Austin for another job. Calling cards and frequent-flier miles became their saving grace. "We knew early on that we wanted to marry, but when the timing would work out was a different story," says Jonathan, now 25. Amity moved to Houston in the fall of 2003.

The proposal:
Easter Sunday, April 11, 2004. Amity was up to her ears in studying for her grad-school finals at the University of Houston, and when she asked Jonathan to set up her computer in her living room, she wasn't expecting a surprise. "There was a little white box on my laptop," says Amity, who is regional ombudsman for the Houston-Galveston Area Council's Area Agency on Aging. "I was just in so much shock that I kind of had my mouth open and tears in my eyes. I was just overjoyed. I couldn't think, basically. I spent all day calling people and not studying at all." Jonathan, too, was surprised by her response. "It was a really weird response at first," he says. "And then it seemed like a sugar high for the next week or so." The real wedding: Even though Jonathan and Amity had to cancel their planned wedding at the Star Hill Ranch outside Austin last June, all of the involved vendors agreed to reschedule for New Year's Eve 2005. They renewed their vows and had a full-blown party. They'll mark one year since the accident by finally taking their Caribbean honeymoon in June.

By Kathleen Green-Special Contributor
Dallas Morning News

Obituary

Gant Mitchell and Grady Lee Trainer

Gant Mitchell and Grady Lee Trainer shone in our hearts for a very short time. They were born April 9, 2006 in Houston, to Wil and Melinda Trainer. They joined their "Poppy" Mitch Trainer that day. They will be missed by their parents, grandparents Robert and Sandy Bohnert and Jenny Sue Trainer, Great-Grandparents Hildegard Borah, Milbie Bohnert, Peggy Trainer, and Jim and Nelva Martin and Great-Great-Grandmother Pearl Bolt, and Godparents Suzy Johnson and Jake Trainer. They have a large extended family of aunts; Jody Trainer, uncles; Jake Trainer, Chet Bohnert, Troy Bohnert and Tony Bohnert, cousins, friends and Great aunts and uncles.

A graveside service will be held on Wednesday at 11 a.m. at Brookside Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made at any Washington Mutual, Account # 3060718879.

Alfred H. "Buddy" Hodges

Alfred H. "Buddy" Hodges, 74, died Sunday, April 9, 2006, at his residence. Services were at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday at the Kerbow Funeral Home chapel with burial in Sonora Cemetery.

Survivors include his sons, Alex Blocker, Matthew Hodges and Clay Hodges, all of Lubbock and daughters Phyllis Berryman and Marsha Hodges, both of Midland and Cheryl McClure of Austin.

Caregiving: Putting Together a Care Team

By: Kelly L Thorp, MS
CEA-FCS-Sutton County
Texas Cooperative Extension



As caregiving is such a monumental task, no one person can be expected to handle the situation alone. Truly, it takes a team of individuals, both professional and non-professional, to provide the support needed to care for another person. Putting together this "care team" is not as easy as it may sound. The following information will help you decide whom you need on your care team.

Health professionals should be key members of your care team. This means involving more than just a physician; health professionals include nurses, pharmacists, dentists, therapists and nutritionists, among others. With your care recipient's permission, you should feel free to discuss health concerns with these professionals. Health professionals may want to have insight into the life and health of your care recipient, so you should be prepared to answer questions. Also, remember to ask questions. The health of your care recipient will be best served if discussions with health professionals are "active" conversations - both parties discussing issues.

Here are some tips to help you before, during and after your appointment with a health professional:

- Make a list of concerns. This will help you remember to address all issues.
- Update the health professional on any changes since the last visit. Make notes between visits so that you are sure to remember everything and take them with you to your visit.
- Be honest and stick to the point. Your health professional is only as good as the information he or she is provided.
- Share your point of view and ask questions. Remember that health professionals do not know everything.
- Take notes and/or ask for a written copy of recommendations.

A part of your healthcare team should also be someone who represents social services, such as home care, home delivered meals and financial support, among others. These professionals may help identify resources to aid in implementing the recommendations of your health professionals. A social services professional may also be able to help you locate other members of the community who should be included on your care team. An excellent place to start looking for help in the social services arena is your local Area Agency on Aging (AAA). In Texas, you may find the nearest AAA by calling 800.252.9240 or http://www.tdoa.state.tx.us/Services/AAALocatorMap.htm on the internet. Some AAAs in Texas have caregiver specialists who may best assist you with your questions - be sure to ask when you call if your AAA employs such a person.

While it is important to include professionals in your caregiving, you should not overlook the value of using other family members to help you. Service professionals certainly have a deep interest in your care recipient but it often pales in comparison to the interest that a family member may have. You and your family should discuss the strengths, weaknesses and individual ability of each other concerning the care of your loved one. A plan should then be devised to best approach the caregiving situation, taking into consideration what contributions may be made by the group in addition to those that may be made individually. If the group of caregivers plans an approach to the caregiving situation in advance where tasks and responsibilities are pre-assigned, there is less likelihood that strife will emerge later. If other family members are unable or reluctant to be a part of your care team, you may choose to request financial support in lieu of hands-on help.

Always remember that there is a job for everyone - you do not need to do it all. You should be ever searching for someone or some group who may help you provide the best care possible for your care recipient in addition to helping provide for your self-care. Your role as a caregiver will also include being a coordinator of services and team leader for your care team.

For more information on putting together your care team or general care giving issues please contact your County Extension Agent at 325-387-3604 Source: Andrew B. Crocker, Gerontology Specialists-Texas Cooperative Extension

Thank You Notes

I would like to thank everyone for the prayers, cards, phone calls, flowers and gifts after the birth of my son Crispin Caden. I would especially like to thank Dr. Cravy and the nursing staff at Community Medical Center and Dr. Howard and Dr. Nangelo and nursing staff at Harris Methodist Hospital in Ft. Worth, who are now taking excellent care of my precious miracle. Crispin is doing so well and we hope he will be home soon. We are truly blessed to live in such a great town with such supportive people.
God Bless You all,
Felicia Castillo

I would like to thank everybody that helped me make and sell for food for Cinco de Mayo. I would also like to thank everyone that supported me by purchasing food and raffle tickets.
Thank You,
Julian Gallardo, Cinco de Mayo Prince contestant

Congratulations and thank you to David Wallace for all his hard work and efforts in organizing and hosting the 2nd Annual Fiesta de Guajalote. This year's event was well-attended by spring turkey hunters and ranchers alike.

It is no secret that our community's economic benefit from the growing numbers of spring turkey hunters is significant. They travel out-of-state from Mississippi, Alabama, Tennessee, Florida, Kentucky, Louisiana and Georgia (just to name a few) to spend their time and money in Sonora and Sutton County. They all spend dollars in our community because of their desire to bag Rio Grande turkeys; however, most are repeat hunters here not just because of past hunting successes but because folks like David go out of their way to showcase Sonora's brand of West Texas hospitality.

On behalf of all the ranchers and businesses that continue to benefit from the spring turkey hunters, "thank you" for making this wonderful event happen.

Sincerely,
Brady M. Johnson
Regional President
The Bank & Trust

St. Ann's Parish would like to thank the community for a successful Cinco de Mayo fundraising during the past 3 years. St. Ann's Catholic Church will participate with the Cinco de Mayo Queen, Princess and Prince Contestants and we hope that the community will continue to support the Annual Sutton County Car Expo, under the guidance of Lino and Pat Villanueva and the Cinco de Mayo parade which is sponsored by The Bank and Trust.

Thank You,
St. Ann's Parish

Dear Sonora, and Sutton County Rodeo Association,

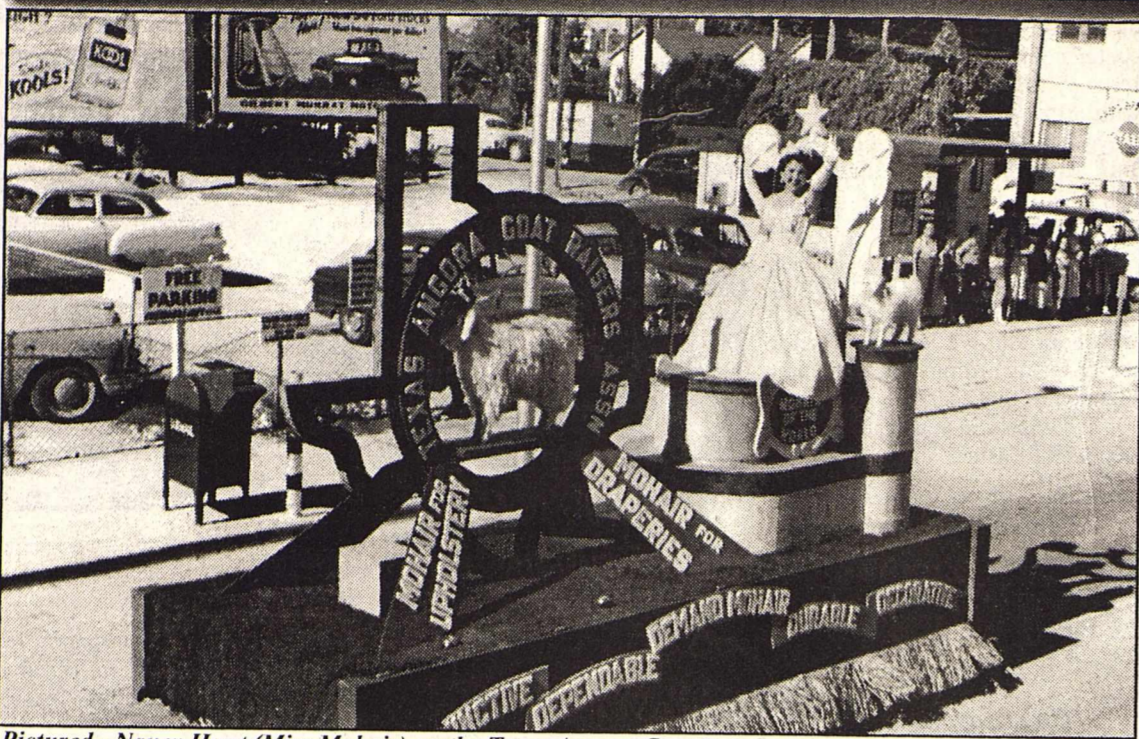
Just want to thank you for a stop over place. We have stayed here for a few days throughout different years and it is so nice to be able to keep the horses at the arena, ride and stay right here in town. We've found the feed store, the tire store, good eating and the church and library.
Thanks for your hospitality.

Sincerely,
Shelly Anzeck and Maria Gee
Stamford, Montana

Letter to the Editor

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Historical Society



Pictured - Nancy Hunt (Miss Mohair) on the Texas Angora Goat Raisers Association float

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

Do you have any information on J. M. Puckett and his wife?

J. M. Puckett and his wife Sally Payne Puckett had three children, M. C. Puckett, Winifred Puckett Martin and Dow Puckett. We have the following article on their family on file:

"The Devil's River News," April 10, 1920: At the Baptist parsonage Sunday, April 4, 1920, Rev. Hathorn performed the ceremony that united in marriage Miss Winifred Sudie Puckett and John Louis Martin. The wedding was a surprise to the many friends of the young people. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Puckett and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Martin. The bride is prominent in young peoples church and social circles and the groom is a capable tradesman and served his country as a volunteer in the Navy.

"The Devil's River News," July 10, 1936: Announcement was made the latter part of last week of the sale of the 5,786 acre ranch owned by J. M. Puckett and his son, Dow to Shurley Brothers, Sutton ranchmen, for \$15 per acre.

Possession was given July 3rd. The place is located fifteen miles southwest of Sonora. It has been owned by Mr. Puckett since September 1916, when he bought it from S. H. Stokes, pioneer Sutton

county resident.

The Shurley Brothers group, made up of Merton, Edgar, Ira and Collier, also acquired 3,500 head of sheep which they bought from Mr. Puckett at \$5 for the ewes and \$2.50 for the lambs. Three saddle ponies were also sold them by Mr. Puckett.

The ranch has three wells each with mill and stone tank. The ranch house is a 1 1/2 story home with six rooms and bathroom. The Puckett family is moving to help restore the health of Mrs. Puckett.

"The Devil's River News," December 25, 1936: A ranchman in Sutton County from September 1916, until last summer, J. M. Puckett, sixty-two years old, died in a San Antonio hospital Saturday afternoon after an illness of about a week. He had spent some time in San Diego, California after leaving here and recently moved to San Antonio.

An active worker in the Lions Club while he was living here, Mr. Puckett was well known for his welfare work for the organization. He was in charge of the club's hot luncheons work. For the benefit of school children, attended to a number of cases of poor eyesight on behalf of the club and was usually looked to by the club to handle a great deal of its charitable work of several types.

A Methodist in religious faith, Mr. Puckett was one of the trustees of the Sonora church of that

denomination. He was also one of the Sutton County Welfare Board group and as such found an outlet for his interest in humanitarian work in the county in which he made his home until shortly before his death.

Mr. Puckett was a native of Karnes County. His grandfather, who came from Indiana, was a surveyor and is credited with laying out much of the townsite of Austin. The father of Mr. Puckett was an early "trail driver." Mr. Puckett's mother was a Mississippian by birth.

When J. M. was only 11 his family moved from Williamson County to Ben Ficklin where the elder Puckett was in the ranching business, specializing in the raising of cattle. J. M. had told many friends of the time when he drove an ox team from Abilene to San Angelo with materials for building the first Tom Green County Courthouse. His work of hauling the courthouse stone was as a part of his "freighting" between Abilene and San Angelo, a business he followed for some time when he was a young man.

In 1893 Mr. Puckett married Miss Sally Payne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Payne of Ozona. He served as a school trustee in Ozona for a year and a half, until his health failed, was postmaster there. In 1907 he and the late Robert Massie of San Angelo went into the sheep business, which en-

gaged his attention until 1914. He then went into the ranching business for himself buying from Sam H. Stokes a Sutton County ranch in September of 1916 fifteen miles southwest of Sonora.

Mr. Puckett was survived by Mrs. Sally Payne Puckett, two sons and a daughter—M.C., former Sonora resident who lives in San Angelo and operates a large Pecos County ranch; Dow, also a Pecos Co. ranchman; Mrs. John L. Martin of Ozona. There were a number of grandchildren.

Mr. Puckett was buried in the Fairmount Cemetery in San Angelo his pallbearers were: Joe Berger, Pat Cooper, W. C. Gilmore, Vernon Hamilton, of Sonora; Joe North and Wayne West of Ozona; Carrol Bates and Louis Hall of San Angelo.

"The Devil's River News," January 3, 1967 states that Mrs. J. M. Puckett, 95, mother of a Fort Stockton bank president and member of a pioneer Tom Green Co. family died at 5 p.m. Monday in Methodist Manor in San Antonio.

Mrs. Puckett, was born Sally Payne, daughter of Mrs. and Mrs. S. E. Payne on November 2, 1871 in Weimer. She had lived in San Angelo a number of years before moving to San Antonio.

Survivors include two sons, M. C., president of Pecos County State Bank in Fort Stockton and Dow Puckett, also of Fort Stockton; one daughter Mrs. Wynna Martin of California and several grandchildren.

Milton Clayton Puckett lived to 73 years of age and died in San Angelo on May 13, 1968. He had been born in Ozona on October 31, 1894 and was married to Thelma Johnson in 1922. He was Past Master of the Sonora, Dee-Ora Masonic Lodge. He was survived by a daughter Mrs. Glenna Robbins and a son Gerald Clay Puckett.

Winna (Winifred) has her name spelled several different ways in articles over the years. Puckett Martin died October 8, 1974 in California and was buried October 11 in Gate of Heaven Cemetery in Los Altos, California. She was survived by two daughters, Margery M. Gant and Mrs. Doris M. Kessel and eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Note: M Clayton Puckett was born October 31, 1894 in Ozona and married Thelma Johnson on October 22, 1911 in Brownwood. They had two children Gerald and Glenna. Mrs. Robert (Mary) Massie was a sister of Mrs. J. M. Puckett.

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 the office at 307 Oak St., Tuesday and Thursdays from 9-12:30 and Saturdays from 8-12, at 387-5084 with your questions or to rent the John & Mildred Cauthorn Memorial Building (Old Depot). Volunteers are needed to do work for the society.



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Sonora will be having the 3rd Annual Sutton County Car Expo with a dance on Saturday night. Saturday & Sunday will be two days of fun with arts & craft booths, children's rides, live entertainment, and lots of delicious food.

Please mark your calendar and complete the entry form below. Entry deadline is Friday April 21, 2006.

Name _____			
Address _____		City _____	State _____ Zip _____
Telephone # _____		Fax # _____	
_____ Float _____		_____ # of horses _____	
_____ Walking Group _____		_____ Vehicle _____	
Other _____			

Entries may be mailed to Cinco de Mayo Committee @ The Bank and Trust, P. O. Box 895 or faxed to 325-387-5256

The Sutton County Car Expo, The Bank and Trust or the City of Sonora cannot be held responsible for loss or damage of property, injury or death of the participants or any of their animals.

State Capital Highlights

Texas Press Association

Groups take sides on Sharp-Perry tax plan before special session

By Ed Sterling

Gov. Rick Perry produced a list of 23 state trade associations and other groups signaling support for the tax law rewrite he produced with the help of former comptroller John Sharp over the last few months. The Texas Legislature will consider the rewrite in the special session convening April 17. Perry and the Legislature are under a state Supreme Court order to put a fair taxing system into law by June 1.

Perry's list of tax-plan supporters:

American Forest and Paper Association, Automotive Parts and Service Association, Association of Chemical Industry of Texas, Greater Houston Partnership, Hispanics for Opportunity, and Progress and Education.

Also, Non Profits for Tax Fairness - Texas, Texas Airline Association, Texas Apartment Association, Texas Association of Builders, Texas Association of Manufacturers, Texas Association of Realtors, Texas Credit Union League, Texas Chemical Council, Texas Forest Industries Council, Texas Industrial Areas Foundation Network and Texas Motor Transportation Association.

And, Texas Oil & Gas Association, Texas Restaurant Association, Texas School Alliance, Texas State Association of Firefighters, Texas Taxpayers and Research Association, Texas Trial Lawyers Association, and Wholesale Beer Distributors of Texas.

Perry said their support shows "a clear consensus is emerging, momentum for our plan is growing, and vic-

tory for taxpayers and schoolchildren is on the near horizon." He said the entities represent 3 million Texans.

House Speaker Tom Craddick and Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst have not come out in support of the plan.

Rep. Bill Keffer, R-Dallas, expressed concern that the proposed bill language for the tax plan leaves room for tax rates to creep higher. Keffer and other House members have said they would like to see the state's \$4.3 billion budget surplus used to offset a like amount of property taxes until the 2007 regular session of the Legislature convenes.

DeLay pulls out of House race
Tom DeLay, R-Sugar Land, on April 4 ended his re-election bid for the District 22 congressional seat and said he would resign from public office in June.

DeLay's decision came with a pending U.S. Supreme Court ruling regarding the Texas redistricting plan he spearheaded in 2003, and as federal ethics investigators continued to scrutinize DeLay's activities and those of certain of his associates.

Travis County District Attorney Ronnie Earle said DeLay's decision

to withdraw from the race and resign from office would not affect the state's prosecution of the former U.S. House majority leader on state felony charges of money laundering and conspiracy in connection with the redistricting.

Gov. Perry said he would not call a special election to replace DeLay on the November ballot. The Republican district executive committee will field a replacement candidate.

The Houston Chronicle reported DeLay will be eligible to receive a federal pension of nearly \$67,000 per year in retirement.

Salaries to count toward 65%
Education Commissioner Shirley Neeley said librarians' salaries will count toward the total funds school districts must devote to classroom instruction under the "65 percent rule" imposed by Gov. Perry last year.

School districts have three years to comply with the rule, which phases in increasingly higher portions of the budget that must be spent on classroom instruction.

Church of the Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church

Lewis Allen, Pastor

Join us for regular worship on Sundays.

Sunday School - 10:00 A.M.

Worship Service - 11:00 A.M.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 13

6:00 P.M.

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Wed.- Sausage & biscuits

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Mon.- Pigs in a blanket, baked chips, pinto beans, pineapple Mandarin salad
Tues.- Bean & cheese burrito, Spanish rice, salad, rosie applesauce
Wed.- Chicken fried steak, roll, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, cookie
Thurs.- Fish nuggets/ketchup, tossed salad, roll, macaroni & cheese, fruit
Fri.- Hamburger, lettuce, tomato & pickle, fries, carrot sticks, pudding



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CHAMBER NEWS



by Greta Ramsdell, Sutton County Chamber Director

Preparations for the upcoming Chamber of Commerce banquet, entitled Star Spangled Celebration are keeping us very busy! This is such a fun time of the year as we have the opportunity to talk to many of our members while planning a night of great food and camaraderie. The banquet will be held Thursday, April 20th and will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Sutton County Civic Center, where we will be serving a wonderful array of Americana food (be ready for lots of apple and cherry pie). The Bronco Jazz Band will entertain us and we will announce the winners of our outstanding citizen awards. Be thinking about red, white and blue table decorations as we will be holding the table decorating contest again this year. The Civic Center will be open at noon so you can begin decorating early—this is an easy way to win a free breakfast for your staff! Call 387-2880 or stop by the office at 205 Highway 277 North to reserve your spot as tables will be filling up early.

The Keep Sonora Beautiful Arbor Day Sale is in full swing and we are hopeful Sonora will soon be covered in beautiful, new trees! Live oak, Eldarica pine, Texas red oak, Texas redbud, Chinquapin oak and dessert willow trees are available and special orders are being accepted. The deadline for ordering trees is Friday, April 14th and the trees will be delivered to the Clint Langford Building on April 28th, which is Arbor Day. If you don't need a tree for your home or business, think about donating to your church or to the community prayer garden. Call Mallory Rousset at 387-2950 to order trees or for more information.

The 5th grade at Sonora Elementary recently participated in

the National Arbor Day Foundation poster contest and the winner was Jessica Lopez. Her poster, along with all of the others, will be displayed at the First National Bank until April 28th. The 5th graders will receive t-shirts screen-printed with Jessica's poster and they will plant trees for Arbor Day. These students are receiving early initiation for becoming model citizens in Sonora and we look forward to someday awarding one of them "Citizen of the Year"!

We wish you and your family a wonderful Easter!

CHAMBER EVENTS CALENDAR

Thursday, April 13:

Chamber of Commerce Monthly Meeting, noon, Chamber office

Friday, April 14:

Keep Sonora Beautiful Tree Sale Deadline, forms available at Chamber office

Thursday, April 20:

Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet, 6:30 p.m., Civic Center

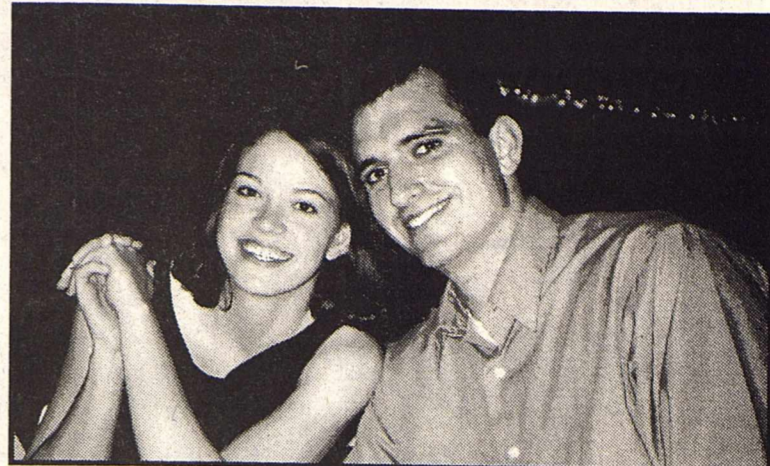
Thursday, May 4:

Sutton County Transportation Committee Meeting, 4:00 p.m., Bank & Trust

Saturday & Sunday, May 6 & 7:

Cinco de Mayo Celebration and Sutton Co. Car Expo, Sutton County Park

Engagements



**Elizabeth Erin Hatla
&
James Russell Dempsey**

Beth Hatla of Amarillo, Texas, and Claudia Dempsey of Sonora, Texas are honored to announce the engagement of their children, Elizabeth Erin Hatla and James Russell Dempsey, both of College Station, Texas. A July 22 wedding in College Station is planned.

Miss Hatla is a 2001 graduate of Sanford-Fritch High School in Fritch, Texas, and earned her B.A. in English from Texas A&M University in December of 2005. Mr. Dempsey is a 2000 graduate of Sonora High School and will receive a B.S. in Wildlife & Fishery Sciences from Texas A&M in May of 2007.

A special thanks to John and Dell Tedford for hosting the engagement celebration this past weekend, and to the family and friends who took part in this joyous event.



**Mallory Linette Carta
&
Daniel Ferrell Haile**

Mr. and Mrs. James Kelly Carta of Weatherford, Texas, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Mallory Linette Carta, to Mr. Daniel Ferrell Haile, Son of Mr. and Mrs. Ferrell Haile of Gallatin, Tennessee.

Mallory Carta is a 2002 graduate of Weatherford High School and a 2005 graduate of Harding University in Searcy, Arkansas. She graduated with a Bachelor of Science in psychology.

Daniel Haile is a 2001 graduate of Gallatin High School. He will graduate in May with a Bachelor of Art in youth and family ministry at Harding University.

The couple will wed May 27, 2006 at the Annabelle Mansion on Sunset Ranch in Burleson, Texas. They both plan to attend graduate school at Abilene Christian University in the fall.

Mallory Carta is the granddaughter of Mrs. Linda Carta Hallmark and the late Mr. Edward Clay Carta of Llano, Texas. She is also the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Draper of Sonora, Texas, and is great granddaughter of Gladys Behrns of Tow, Texas.

Choosing A Sitter

submitted

Having someone look after your children for an afternoon or evening is an important event for them and for you. Here are some tips to help you choose the right person.

A sitter should be responsible, ompetent and mature enough to

make the right decision in an emergency. It is also important that the sitter likes children.

Get to know the sitter. Find out how much experience a potential sitter has. Ask questions like "Can you change a diaper?" "Can you make a peanut butter and jelly sandwich?" "What would you do if there was a fire?"

Check a potential sitter's references. Talk to other parents who have hired the sitter.

Ask questions like "How did the sitter talk to your children?" "Did the sitter follow your rules?" "Was the sitter reliable, polite, honest, friendly?"

Visit the sitter's home. If the sitter is a teen, talk to the parents. People often care for children the way they have been cared for, so talking to the sitter's parents can give you a good idea of what the sitter will be like.

You and the sitter should establish a clear understanding of what form of discipline is acceptable.

Ask yourself the following questions:

Is this person old enough to care for my children? (Newborns and toddlers generally require older teens with more experience)

Am I comfortable with this person?

Are my children comfortable with this person?

If there is concern in any of these areas, you may wish to reconsider using the sitter.

Sitter's Checklist (Post a list with this information near your telephone).

Your name, address, and telephone number Where you can be reached, including telephone number Telephone numbers of police department, fire department, ambulance, doctor, neighbor and relatives People who may be let into the house.

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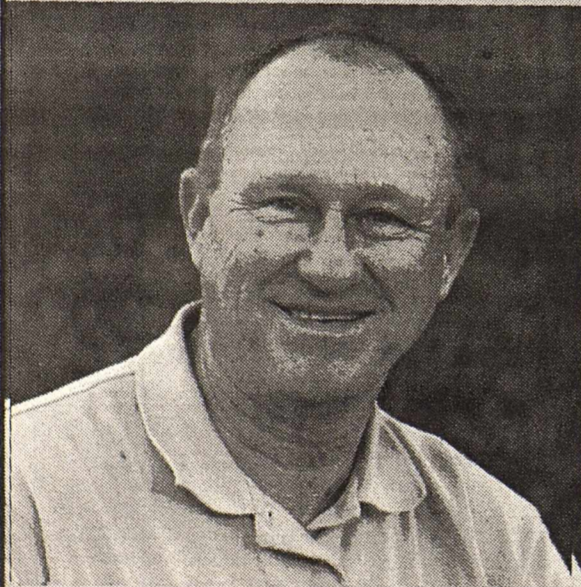
Beautiful

by Susan Hall

Hellen Keller once said, "Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much".

There was a final total of 39 people that came together Saturday, April 1, 2006 to Trash-Off Sonora. We worked together and picked up over 118 garbage bags full of litter, plus some tires, pipe, and a few large boards. James Freeman even found a small snake sunning in a plastic bottle (this went home with him to be turned loose). We cannot thank the Lions Club enough for cooking lunch for these tired workers. It helped bring us back to life. T & C Village donated the produce and we would like to thank them also. Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital donated the surgical gloves and many of us REALLY appreciated those. We are proud of the job that was accomplished and hope it can stay litter free for some time. Keep Sonora Beautiful would like various community organizations or businesses to adopt an area that they can keep litter free. We are going to do our part and hope that together we will Keep Sonora Beautiful.

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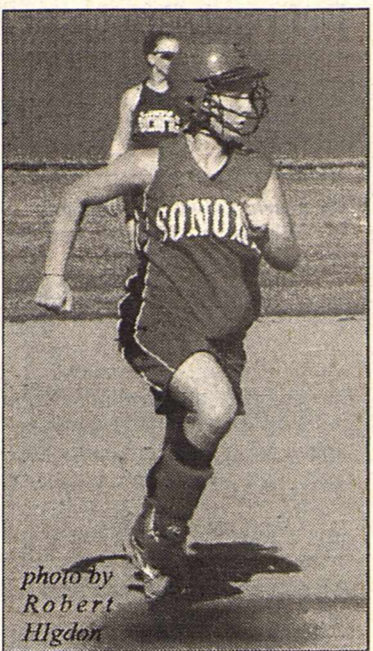
LADY BRONCOS ROLL ON

Submitted by Tryon Fields

Last week the Lady Bronco softball team scored 34 runs to their opponents' 0. Playing Reagan County on Tuesday and Ozona on Friday, Sonora cruised behind the pitching of Meghan Krieg and Heather Hughes. Krieg recorded both wins; however, Hughes, coming off of an injury, showed that she is pretty much back to last year's form. Krieg, in the two games, faced 13 batters giving up 1 hit, walking 1, and striking out 10 batters. Hughes also faced 13 batters. She did not give up a hit, walked 1, and struck-out 9 batters. Of the 18 hits pounded out by the Lady Broncos in the two games, Meghan Krieg led the team with five hits. Krieg had 2 singles, a double, a triple, and blasted her fourth home run of the season over the right center field fence against Ozona. Kimble Luna had five hits (4 singles and a double). Brandy Neff, Heather Hughes, Azeneth Villanueva each had two hits apiece, while Jamie Duran and Steely Ingham each had a hit. Defensively, Sonora only had to handle four balls put into play by Reagan County and Ozona. Heather Hughes at first, Jamie Duran at second, and Azeneth Villanueva at catcher would be the only Sonora fielders involved with these batted balls. Sonora 21 - Reagan County 0
Ozona 0 - Sonora 13

This week Sonora, the Number 10 ranked team in the state, will play Grape Creek on Tuesday and Wall on Friday. If you have not gotten to see the Lady Broncos in action, make plans now to attend on Friday. Game time is at 12:00 p.m. at the Sutton County Baseball Complex. This game should prove to be an excellent ball game to watch.

GOOD LUCK LADY BRONCOS!!!!
THINK DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP!!!!



Heather Hughes To Third

7th Grade Lady Colts Win District Track Meet

Submitted

Last Thursday, the 7th Grade Lady Colts traveled to Reagan County with an undefeated, district championship as their goal. They easily met their goal scoring 187 points. Wall came in a distant second with 131 points.

Pole Vault
2nd - Chelsey Lou Campbell 7' 0"
3rd - Kallie Humphrey 6' 3"
6th - Rose Karnes 5' 6"
Long Jump
2nd - Morgan Smith 13' 10 3/4"
3rd - Maci Zuniga 13' 7 1/4"
4th - Karina Trevino 12' 9"

Triple Jump
3rd - Morgan Smith 29' 1/2"
4th - Karina Trevino 27' 2"
5th - Chelby Ramos 26' 2 1/2"

High Jump
5th - Maci Zuniga 4' 4 1/4"

Shot Put
1st - Leandra Castaneda 33' 3"
3rd - Kash McGee 28' 8 1/2"

Discus
1st - Leandra Castaneda 79' 7"
2nd - Kash McGee 63' 11"

2400 M Run
1st - Daniela Cano 10:21.04

Sprint Relay
1st - Karina Trevino, Maci Zuniga, Nicole Lipham, Morgan Smith
800 Run
1st - Chelby Ramos 2:39.67
4th - Dulce Acosta 2:52.36

100 Hurdles
Chelsey Lou Campbell 18.8
Daniela Cano 19.56
100 M Dash
3rd - Morgan Smith 14.39
4th - Marilee Reyna 15.55

800 M Relay
1st - Kash McGee, Nicole Lipham, Karina Trevino, Maci Zuniga 2:02.59

400 M Dash
4th - Valeria Buitron 1:12.65
5th - Crystal Hidalgo 1:14.39
6th - Crystal Coronado 1:17.28

300 Hurdles
3rd - Chelsey Lou Campbell 55.86
Serena Allison 1:03.19
Morgan Vvylecka 1:06.61

200 M Dash
2nd - Karina Trevino 29.86
5th - Maci Zuniga 30.31
Gabby Ibanez 31.8

1600 M Run
1st - Chelby Ramos 6:06.59
2nd - Daniela Cano 6:28.46

1 Mile Relay
4th - Dulce Acosta, Morgan Smith, Chelsey Lou Campbell, Chelby Ramos 4:46.79

7th Grade Colts Undefeated District Track Champions

Submitted

Not to be outdone by the Ladies, the 7th Grade Colts also dominated their district opponents. Sonora scored 167 points to complete an undefeated season.

Overall Scores
Sonora - 167 points
Wall - 115.5 points
Grape Creek - 87 points
Ozona - 75 points
Mason - 65 points
Junction - 46 points
Eldorado - 35 points
Reagan County - 29.5 points

Pole Vault
1. Morris, Ethan
2. Ozuna, A.J.
3. Rivera, Rigo

Long Jump
1. Morris, Ethan
2. Ozuna, A.J.

Triple Jump
5. Patlan, Shane

High Jump
5. Ozuna, A.J.

4 X 100 Meter Relay
1. Guerrero, Gaytan, Sanchez, Morris

800 Meter Run
1. Rivera, Julio

110 Meter Hurdles
3. Dunn, Will

100 Meter Dash
2. Morris, Ethan

4 X 200 Meter Relay
3. Patlan, Dermody, Garmon, Gaytan

400 Meter Dash
1. Rivera, Julio

300 Meter Hurdles
3. Sanchez, Fuji

200 Meter Dash
4. Garcia, Esteban

4 X 400 Meter Relay
1. Guerrero, Sanchez, J. Rivera, Morris

Varsity Girls Track

submitted

The Varsity Girls traveled to Ozona this week for the last warmup before the district track meet which will be this week in Sonora.

Shot Put
4th - Chelsea Martinez 28' 11 1/2"

Discus
5th - Chantel Arispe 89' 5 1/2"
6th - Chelsea Martinez 81'

High Jump
5th - Savannah Leonard 4' 6"
6th - Danielle Matthews 4' 4"

Long Jump
2nd - Amanda Berry 16' 4 3/4"

Triple Jump
1st - Amanda Berry 34' 7 3/4"
6th - Emily Earwood 32' 1 3/4"

Pole Vault
6th - Mandy Brister 6' 6"

4 x 100 m Relay
3rd - Kelsey Watkins 51.7
Amanda Berry
Jessica Snyder
Kyla Turney

800 M Run
4th - Candace Chandler-2:37.3
5th - Lexie Ortiz-2:38.1

100 M Dash
2nd - Jessica Snyder 13.02
4th - Amanda Berry-13.07

400 M Dash
4th - Savannah Leonard 1:06.22

200 M Dash
6th - Danielle Matthews 28.8

1600 M Run
3rd - Lexie Ortiz 5:56.63
5th - Candace Chandler 6:15.98

800 Relay
1st - Jessica Snyder 1:51.06
Amanda Berry
Kelsey Watkins
Kyla Turney



Daniella Cano races towards the finish in the 2400 meter run to place first in district.

8th Grade Girls Finish Second in District at Big Lake

submitted

Sonora finished the middle school track season by placing second at the district meet. The team scored 138 points trailing only the Wall team at 212 points. This was the first meet that the girls did not win.

Pole Vault
2. Earwood, M.

Long Jump
1. Berry, B. - 14'7"
3. Trevino, B. - 14'4"
8. Dunn, M. - 12'9"

Triple Jump
1. Berry, B. - 32'0"
5. Hernandez, A. - 28'4"

Shot Put
1. Lopez, J. - 33'2 3/4"
7. Favila, A. - 27'3"

Discus
2. Valdez, G. - 76'4"

2400m Run
3. Taylor, K. - 10:15.11

4x100m Relay
1. Sonora
Berry, B.
Hernandez, B.
Trevino, B.
Morales, R. - 56.4

800m Run
5. Sanchez, M. - 3:04.32

100m Hurdles
3. Dunn, M. - 17.53
6. Earwood, M. - 18.58

100m Dash
1. Berry, B. - 13.6
6. Valdez, G. - 14.45

4x200m Relay
2. Sonora
Berry, B.
Hernandez, B.
Trevino, B.
Morales, R. - 2:02.61

400m Dash
7. Hernandez, A. - 1:14.18

300m Hurdles
6. Earwood, M.

1600m Dash
2. Taylor, K. - 6:09.6

4x400m Relay
3. Sonora
Hernandez, A.
Earwood, M.
Trevino, B.
Morales, R.

2006 Sonora Golf Club Schedule

April 29
9th Annual College Scholarship Tournament
3 person team-\$100-4 person team-\$150
5 person team-\$200
Tee time: 1:00 p.m.

May 13
Chili Pepper Chip-In; 2 Lady Select Shot
\$90.00 per team/mulligans included
Tee time: 9:00 a.m.
First 22 paid teams

June 10 & 11
2 Man Select Shot/Low Ball
\$200 per team/pre-flighted
Saturday-Select Shot
Sunday-Low Ball
Tee Times: 7:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

July 8
One Person Scramble-18 holes
Tee Time: 9:00 a.m.
\$50.00 per entry-limited to 55 entries

July 22
4 Lady Select Shot
18 holes-First 12 paid teams
Tee Time: 9:00 a.m.
\$180.00 per team/mulligans included

August 19
S.L.G.A. Adult-Child Tournament
\$20.00 per team
Tee Time: 9:00 a.m.

August 5 & 6
4 Man Select Shot
\$400.00 per team/pre-flighted
Tee Times: 7:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m./40 team limit
2 day pay out

September 16 & 17
S.L.G.A. Couples Select Shot
\$180.00 per team/mulligans included
Pre-flighted-first 44 paid teams
2 day payout
Tee Times: 8:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.

Golf Teams Advance to Regional

submitted by Anita Hudson

After three rounds of District golf competition, both the Sonora High School Lady Broncos and Broncos will be advancing to the Regional Tournament to be held at the Shady Oaks Golf Course in Baird, Texas on April 24th and 25th. The three district rounds were held in Sonora, Ozona and Big Lake. The Lady Broncos shot 405, 386, and 351 for a total of 1142 to finish 2nd behind Wall who had a 3 round tournament total of 1062. Leading the Lady Broncos was Kayla McBride, who was awarded third place medalist in a very tough high school girls district, firing rounds of 82, 79 and 75 for a total of 236. Kendra Whitley of Wall won district with a 223 total followed by her sister Kyla Whitley with a 234 total score. Other scores from Sonora Lady Golfers were as follows: Candise Martin 103, 94, 88 for a total score of 285, Allyse Edmondson 111, 102, 91 for a total score of 304, Erin Newton 109, 117, 97 with a total score of 323 and Kaci Chavarria 120, 111, 99 for a total score of 330. The girls JV team also participating in District golf had the following total scores: Kaija Valkonen 322, Karley Frasier 342, Emily Newton 356, Christy Perez 365 and Johnell Casparis 366.

The Bronco golf team, shooting rounds of 305, 301 and 301 for a total of 907, were the District Champions. They won by a large margin of 141 strokes over the second place team of Big Lake who shot a team total of 1048. Sonora's Trent Reiner won 1st place medalist with a score of 70, 72, and 76 for a total of 218. Cullen Parker won a playoff for 2nd place medalist against Cash Lane of Eldorado. Cullen shot a 73, 77, and 76 for a total score of 226. Cash Lane was 3rd place medalist also firing a 226 total score. Other scores from the Sonora Boys Varsity team were as follows: John Duke Hudson 82, 73, and 72 for a total score of 227, Mason Martinez 80, 83, 77 for a total score of 240, and Embre Smith with an 83, 79, and 83 for a total score of 245. The JV boys who participated in the District Tournaments scored as follows: Morgan Martinez 260, Swade Draper 260, and Tyler Edmondson 283.

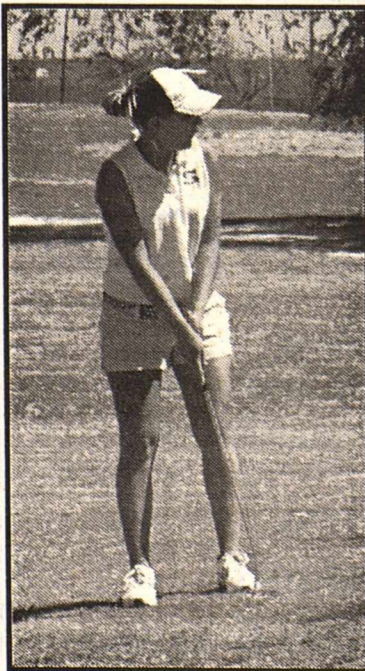
The Varsity golfers will be traveling to Abilene next Monday for a regional qualifiers tournament at Fairway Oaks. Good Luck to our Varsity!

Lady Broncos Place Second



Varsity Baseball Standings

TEAM	WINS	LOSSES
Wall	6	2
Grape Creek	5	3
Sonora	5	3
Junction	5	3
Ozona	4	4
Eldorado	4	4
Big Lake	2	6
Mason	1	7



Allyse Edmondson Chips On...

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Varsity

April 21 Mason There 5:00 p.m.
April 22 Eldorado Here 7:00 p.m.
April 25 Wall There 5:00 p.m.

Junior Varsity

April 17 Junction Here 5:00 p.m.

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Sonora Lady Broncos Softball 2006

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
4/14	*Wall	Sonora	12:00 p.m.
4/21	*Junction	Junction	5:00 p.m.

*district games

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Many people have done a lot of bad things, doing badly in the way of life of sin. So a person needs to pray to God, confessing sins to him in repenting from that way of life. Even though you will make small mistakes afterwards, the goal is to stay as clean as possible. It's a total change of life, a new one. So since we have all sinned there had to be something WORTHY to make up for all of it. Jesus Christ's blood did just that. Like Jesus used to ask before healing someone; do you believe? If they believed, then He healed them. You must believe! Grace comes through the redemption found in Jesus through His blood that cleans you of your sins. And to God it is as if you never sinned at all. There is no other way to gain life, a person has to be baptized to be born again and contact Jesus' blood. There is the only way to abide in God's love. There are sufferings of the cross all those who become Christians have to bear. Conflicts from the Resister and the Liar the Devil. Prayer is important to get through these things each day, and Christ has promised happiness, but it will not be without trouble. This will move us then to be better people, trying to obey Christ's commands, and always desiring to please God, the Father; which is also a necessity to receive the gift of eternal, immortal life. To be given access to that city called New Jerusalem, that will come down from heaven from God Almighty, in harmony with the new earth God will create, after this old earth is burned away with fire. And the Almighty will create a new heaven as well. To be among those who run the race for immortality, and fight the fight of the faith, those who never give up, those who endure to the end. A city whose streets are paved with pure gold, like unto transparent glass, and many, many mansions. And pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, coming from the Throne of God and The Lamb. Our being like the angels in the resurrection, the soul of each of God's people being given a beautiful new body that is filled with affection and minds of perfect wisdom, and the love and praise of God in your hearts always. Blessed children of God to live forever. Reading the Bible daily will help you immensely every day. If not reading daily, how can you have it fresh on your mind and written on your heart to tell others? God's command is to carry on the testimony of His Son Jesus, yes, speak of it, but first you have to learn about it. You cannot if you do not read it daily, read the whole Bible. Do not leave it to the preachers in the church to read it for you, because everyone who presses to get into the Kingdom must know and understand the Word of God. Some of you choose not to go to church; very well, this is for you, too. Many false teachers have gone out into the world. They are deceived themselves and have the work of deceiving others. Do not become a victim Jesus said, "The road to life is narrow and strait and few are the ones who find it."

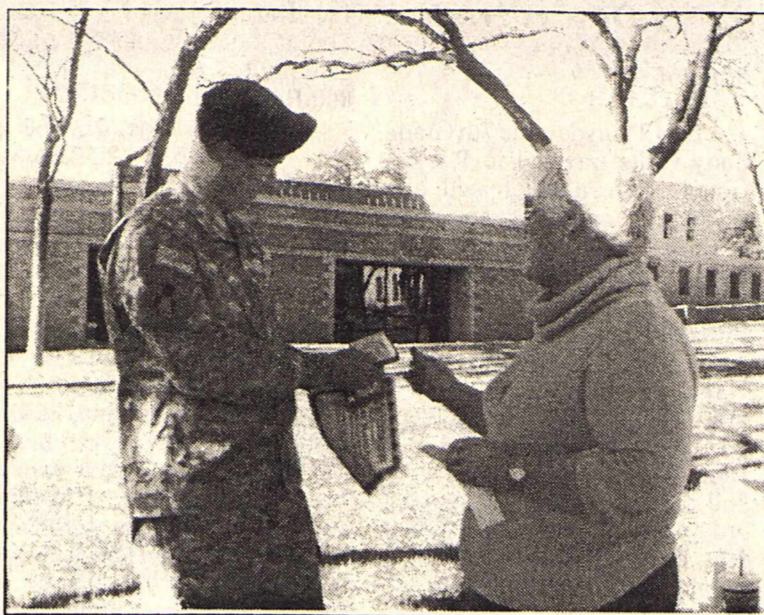
Additional Conclusion: As Jesus Christ himself said, "If any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there, believe it not. For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall show great signs and wonders; inasmuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect. Behold, I have told you before. Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth; behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not. For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of Man be. The sign of the Son of Man shall appear in heaven: And all the tribes of the earth shall see the Son of Man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. For many shall come in my name, saying they are Christ; and shall deceive many. And ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars; see that ye be not troubled; for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet." Read Matthew Chapter 24. Words spoken by Jesus Christ himself. It is a good feeling being forgiven for your sins. Pray always, asking everything of God The Father in the name of Jesus Christ. All will be like the angels in the resurrection, read I Corinthians 15:35-58.

Read Daniel Chapter 11 and Daniel Chapter 12 and I Peter 5:6-10. And Matthew 22:30.

*Be baptized to be born again by water and spirit.
Please read Revelation Chapter 21 and Chapter 22 about Gods city of heaven.
Written by friend of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

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Welcome Home!



March 21, 2006, Sonora welcomed home from Iraq, 1st Lieutenant Allen Robbins. For almost a year and a half, Lt. Robbins was stationed with the 983rd Engineering A Company at Camp Steicher and in Al Taquddum. Lt. Robbins is now a Freshman Science teacher at Sonora High School.

8th Grade Boys Track Team District Champions!!

Submitted

The Sonora Colts 8th grade track team finished off an amazing track season by winning the district meet in Big Lake on Thursday, April 6th. This wrapped up the year for the boys in which they were **district champs in football, basketball and track**. One year earlier, as 7th graders, this class competed successfully yet fell just short of being district champions in all three sports. Hard work and determination led this class of 8th graders above all competition this year. Congratulations to all who competed and we look forward to seeing this class continue their excellence next year at the high school level.

Pole Vault

1st - Will Anderson 8'6"
2nd - Dustin Neff 8'
3rd --Manny Peredes 8'

Long Jump

3rd - Angel Aguayo 16' 1/2"

High Jump

1st - A.K. Williams 5'4"
4th - Cash Jennings 5'2"
6th - Kris Aguero 5'

Shot Put

5th - Tyler Creek 38'10"

4x100 Relay

2nd - Harvey Santana
A.K. Williams
Will Anderson
Kris Aguero 48.65

800 M Run

2nd - Angel Aguayo 2:27.34
5th - Paul Faz 2:34.36

110 Hurdles

2nd - Tyler Creek 18.78

100 M Dash

2nd - Will Anderson

4x200 Relay

2nd - Harvey Santana
Angel Aguayo
A.K. Williams
Kris Aguero 1:43.93

400 M Dash

5th - Irving Fuentes 1:03.45
6th - Caleb Gonzales 1:03.85

300 M Hurdles

1st - Tyler Creek 47.12

200 M Dash

6th - Will Anderson 26.86

4x400 Relay

1st - Angel Aguayo
Cash Jennings
A.K. Williams
Kris Aguero 3:58.72

Point Totals:

Sonora 145
Wall 142
Ozona 89
Eldorado 87
Mason 63
Reagan County 46
Grape Creek 44
Junction 4

Go Broncos

Beloved Queen or Despised DICTATOR



Flylady & The Dinner Diva



By Marla Cilley, the FlyLady

Which are you? Beloved Queen or Despised DICTATOR! The tone of your voice says it all!

Why do we torture our family with hurtful words? I can tell you why! You are so stressed out and feeling like a martyr! This has got to stop! We can help you get rid of the stress, but it is up to you to curb those angry words. Follow our directions for your routines, getting dressed to shoes, hair and face, and read our essays.

It is up to you to change your attitude toward your family! Once you change your martyred outlook to one of blessing your family and giving teaching moments, you will see a change in them. I know that you don't believe me, but you can only change yourself. It is by your example that your family will begin to help and support your efforts to secure a peaceful home.

What does your wicked tongue do to your children and your spouse and you.

1. It doesn't tell them you love them.
2. It makes them feel less than, it hurts their self-worth.
3. They feel that they have no say in things.
4. It makes your husband feel that he is married to his mother! I don't even want to go there.
5. They feel like servants; instead of Family members.
6. Harsh words are worse than a whipping.
7. You cut your family out of the conversational loop. The family is thinking mean thoughts and you can't and won't hear them for fear of retribution from you.
8. Home life is based on the fear of not making mother mad.
9. Family members hide from you.
10. They become afraid to tell you when something happens.
11. After those words have come from your lips, just how do you feel then? Laden with guilt or do you not even realize you are barking nasty remarks their way. Oblivious to the torture you have inflicted upon your loved ones.

There is absolutely no excuse for this. I don't want to hear that this is the only way I can get my family to do anything. This is the lie that you tell yourself to not feel guilty.

Your tongue can criticize or it can encourage. The choice is all yours. If you have not changed your attitude, then how can you expect to see a change in them? It has to come from the heart. If not they will see right through you. They may not even believe it at first, because you will not be sounding like the mother that have been used to all your life. The children may think the aliens have taken their real mother away. Prove to them and their Father that you have changed. Sprinkle your words of love, encouragement and teaching, all over your home. Apologize for your tongue. Don't play the martyr game anymore. No one loves a martyr. Not even you!

I want you to FLY without the guilt of harsh words holding you down.

For more help getting rid of your CHAOS; check out her website and join her free mentoring group at www.FlyLady.net or her book, Sink Reflections published by Bantam and her new book, Body Clutter. Copyright 2006 Marla Cilley Used by permission in this publication.



Sonora Golf Club is currently having a New Membership Drive for the Month of April

The normal \$100 initiation fee will be waived during this period. Regular dues are \$40 per month plus \$10 per month with cart shed rental.

Sonora Golf Club

For more details call 387-3680 or come by the Clubhouse at 108 Golf Course Rd.

Proclamation

WHEREAS, nearly 200,000 children in Texas are reported as abused or neglected every year; and

WHEREAS, 75 children were reported as victims of child abuse or neglect in FY 2005 in Sutton County; and

WHEREAS, child abuse prevention is a community responsibility and finding solutions depends on involvement among all people; and

WHEREAS, communities must make every effort to promote programs that benefit children and their families; and

WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships among agencies, schools, religious organizations, law enforcement agencies, local business and individuals; and

WHEREAS, everyone in the community should become more aware of child abuse prevention and consider helping parents to raise their children in a safe, nurturing environment;

NOW, THEREFORE, we the Sutton County Commissioners' Court, do hereby proclaim the month of April, 2006, as **Child Abuse Prevention Month** in Sutton County, and urge all citizens to work together to help reduce child abuse and neglect significantly this year, and in the years to come.



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Texas Brigades Rendezvous

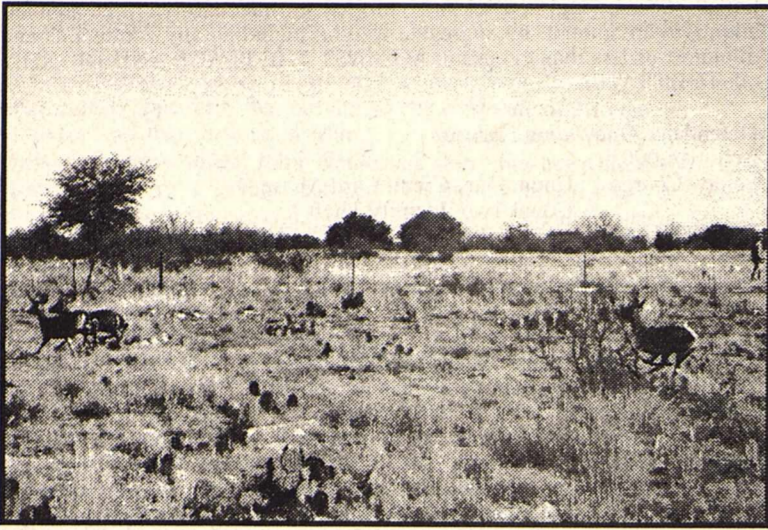


Photo by Dale Rollins, Texas Cooperative Extension, Whitetail deer fleeing the line during the deer count

submitted

Fun, fellowship and fauna, were the focus of the first Texas Brigades Rendezvous held recently at the Sonora Experiment Station. The rendezvous gave 45 brigade cadets from across the state time to renew friendships, learn leadership skills, and test their knowledge of wildlife and hunting.

"Our goals for this event were two-fold," said Dr. Dale Rollins, Texas Cooperative Extension wildlife specialist at San Angelo and founder of the Brigades. "First, we wanted to keep the cadets engaged in continuing education about wildlife management, and second, we tried to make this a time for them to relax and enjoy an opportunity to rekindle last summer's acquaintances." We hope to make this an annual event.

The Texas brigades is a wildlife-focused leadership development program for high school youth (ages 13-17). There are four different camps: Bobwhite Brigade, Buckskin Brigade, Feathered Forces and Bass Brigade. Cadets study habitat management, hone their communication skills, and develop a land ethic. Top wildlife professionals and resource managers serve as instructors and mentors. Each camp is four and a half days long.

Sonora residents Micky and Judy Phillips, are long-time Brigade supporters. They've been everything from "herd leaders" to cooks.

Garden Management Seminar Set for April 17



Pascual Hernandez, County Extension Agent-Ag-Sutton County

There are lots of things that go into cultivating a successful vegetable garden. The "green thumbs" have learned through observation and experience the practices that can result in a bountiful garden.

First of all there's site selection and soil preparation. The soil must be of good quality (high in organic matter). Also, most plants need a minimum of 8 hours of direct sunlight. It is sometimes beneficial to change the planting location for certain vegetables. There is also variety selection. We want something that will not only be able to produce good yields, but be adapted to our climate. There are many varieties to choose from, so which are the best ones?

What else affects the success of a garden? Fertilization is a major factor. Not just providing vital nutrients, but timing proper applications. There is also irrigation. We need to supply adequate moisture while sustaining suitable drainage.

Managing pests is likewise important. Disease can attack the fruit or the plant itself. Insects can reduce the productivity of our plants. Gardeners must learn to recognize and control these problems.

To help us improve gardening skills, Horticulturist, John Begnaud, will be here to present a Garden Management Seminar on April 17th at the Sutton County Civic Center. It will begin at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Begnaud will address soil preparation, variety selection, irrigation and fertility, as well as disease and insect management. Whether you have already planted or are just now tilling, you will find useful information at the program. Call the Extension Office at 387-3101 to register. There is no cost to attend.

A little know-how will help us keep a garden that provides fresh vegetables to enjoy all summer.

"It's an opportunity to work with kids that are the cream of the crop," said Micky Phillips. "These kids are hand-picked from around the country and it's a great program to be involved in."

A highlight of the Rendezvous was a deer count or census conducted across seven of the station's pastures. The cadets walked abreast, plowing through heavy brush at times, to get an accurate count.

Rollins said it was important for the cadets to take their jobs seriously.

"The Experiment Station needs accurate data on how the deer herds are responding to whole cottonseed supplementation. When we know the actual number of deer in a particular pasture, we can calculate intake rates of cottonseed. Drive counts like this are really the only way to accurately census a deer herd."

The brigade camps are held on private ranches and at environmental camps in different areas of the state. Cadets learn valuable leadership skills while studying animal anatomy and behavior, botany, nutrition, habitat management, and population dynamics. Cadets write news releases, practice public speaking and practice being interviewed. Through these activities they develop valuable life skills that will help them no matter what their future goals are.

To learn more about the brigades go to <http://www.texasbrigades.org/>

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Goats:

- Baby Tooth Angora Stocker Nannies -80-1.00
- Solid Mouth Angora Stocker Nannies - .55-.65
- Stocker Angora Muttons - .65-.75
- Angora Kids - 1.40-1.50
- Angora Kids Shorn 1.20-1.35
- Weighing Angoras-Shorn (Thin) .30-40
- Weighing Angoras-Shorn (Fat) Nannies - .40-.55
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Oil & Agribusiness

Decision on animal registration delayed

By Claire Osborn, American-Statesman Staff

The public so disliked the idea of requiring owners to register their animals with the government that a state commission has delayed any decision on the plan until 2007.

The commission, acting on a bill passed by the Legislature, was going to require livestock owners to register their "premises," which would include listing the kinds of animals they have, though not the number.

The proposal is part of a U.S. Department of Agriculture plan to tag animals so they can be tracked to prevent the rapid spread of disease.

Board members delayed their decision at a February meeting and planned to take it up again in May. They decided this week to postpone it again until this winter or next spring.

Hundreds attended the board's February meeting to protest the

idea, and the commission received 600 to 700 letters from the public, Windham said. Even some legislators who originally supported the bill changed their minds, he said.

"There were some representatives and senators not very pleased with the issue when they found out what it was, even though they had voted to pass it," Windham said.

The USDA announced Thursday that it wanted 100 percent compliance on animal premise registration by 2009. Compliance would be voluntary, said Dore Mobley, a spokeswoman for the agency's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

The state commission was going to require livestock owners to pay a \$20 registration fee every two years beginning July 1, with penalties up to \$1,000 for noncompliance. People who owned even only one animal — including a chicken, a horse, a cow, a goat or a pig — would have been required to register.

Rig Locations as of April, 13

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New 1 Dominion Ok Tx E&P 9250' Duke Wilson -173- #15 Dw Patterson Drilling/a 704 04/11/06 Assigned
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4 Dominion Ok Tx E&P 8900' Duke Wilson #178-4 Dw Patterson Drilling/a 704 04/03/06 5 Drlg Ahead
New 5 Dominion Ok Tx E&P 8875' Mayer -3b- #10x Dw Patterson Drilling/a 122 04/14/06 Assigned
New 6 Dominion Ok Tx E&P 8800' Mayfield -41- #12 Dw Patterson Drilling/a 120 04/11/06 Assigned
7 Dominion Ok Tx E&P 8700' Mayfield -45- #18 Dw Patterson Drilling/a 120 04/04/06 4 Drlg Ahead
8 Dominion Ok Tx E&P 8650' Mayfield -46- #23 Dw Patterson Drilling/a 122 04/05/06 3 Drlg Ahead
9 Dominion Ok Tx E&P 8400' Simmons Ranch #103 Dw Patterson Drilling/a 105 04/01/06 7 Drlg Ahead
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Crockett
1 Gruy Petroleum 15500' Blakeney-krueger #4 Dw Grey Wolf Drilling/m 514 02/28/06 39 Drlg Ahead
2 J. Cleo Thompson/dal 9500' Meadows -15n- #1 Dw Patterson Drilling/a 42 03/26/06 13 Drlg Ahead
New 3 Approach Operating 9000' Approach Bailey #206 Dw Nabors Drilling (O) 347 04/01/06 7 Drlg Ahead
New 4 Approach Operating 9000' Cinco Terry -a- #901 Dw Nabors Drilling (O) 353 04/03/06 5 Drlg Ahead
New 5 Approach Operating 9000' Childress -b- #503 Dw Patterson Drilling/a 710 04/02/06 6 Drlg Ahead
6 Anadarko E & P 8900' Davidson -5- #12 Dw Patterson Drilling/a 38 03/29/06 10 Drlg Ahead
7 Bluegrass Energy 7000' Simpson Canyon -5027- Unit #1 Dw Adobe Drilling Mustan 03/26/06 13 Drlg Ahead 4353'
New 8 Fiml Natural Res 5500' Rowland -a- #9-80b Dw Patterson Drilling/a 721 04/02/06 6 Drlg Ahead
9 Primero Operating 4500' Shannon Estates #1 Ft United Drilling 11 03/23/06 16 At T.d. 4515'

Schleicher
1 Pogo Producing Co 6900' Keeney -77- #5 Dw Heart Land Drilling 2 03/22/06 17 Drlg Ahead 6682'

Terrell
1 Newfield Exploration 15000' Poulter #3401 Dw Patterson Drilling/a 118 02/20/06 47 Drlg Ahead
New 2 Encana O & G/Dallas 12100' Acu -48- #7 Dw Nabors Drilling (O) 57 04/08/06 Rigging Up
3 Bp America Prod/Mid 11300' Poulter #2702 Dw Helmerich & Payne(A) 214 02/26/06 41 Drlg Ahead
4 Riata Energy Inc 8000' Kotman #9301 Dw Lariat Services/ode 1 03/02/06 37 Drlg Ahead 4806'

Val Verde
1 Devon Energy/houston 16000' Jarrett-farmer -4- #1 Dw Nabors Drilling (O) 56 09/01/05 219 Drlg Ahead
2 Willo Oil & Gas Exp 15200' Mills -16- #1 Dw Patterson Drilling/a 169 03/16/06 23 Drlg Ahead
3 Patterson Petrol/sny 15000' Redd State #1 Dw Patterson Drilling/h 19 11/27/05 132 Drlg Ahead 13765'
New 4 Echo Production 13000' Bledsoe Unit -c- #1 Dw Patterson Drilling/a 109 04/02/06 6 Drlg Ahead
5 Conocophillips/odes 11100' Cauthorn -f- #5 Dw Patterson Uti/lv 481 04/10/06 Moving On

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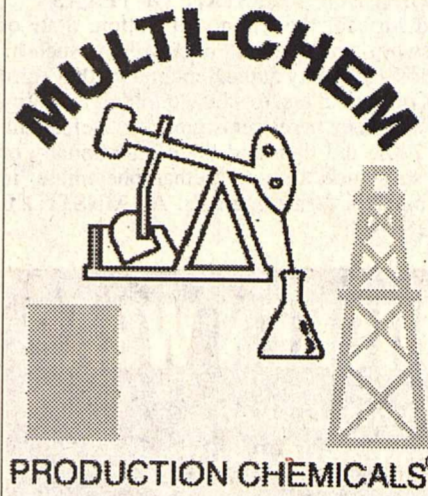
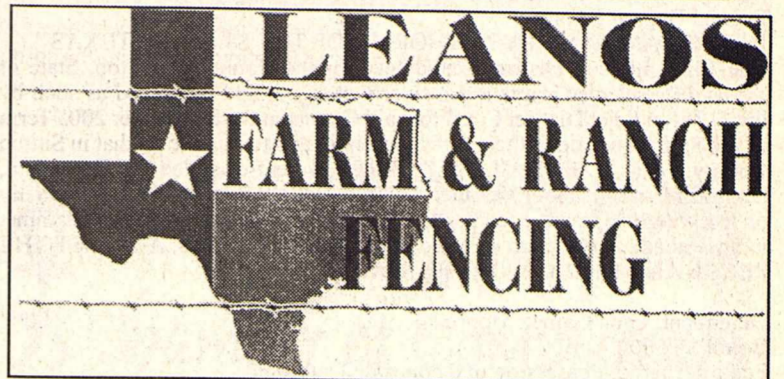
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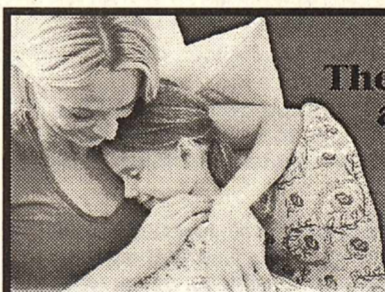
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Grand Jury Indictments District Court of Sutton County, Texas 112th Judicial District

Defendant: Lucina Lopez Perez
Bond: \$20,000
Felony Charge: Possession of a controlled substance
Third Degree Felony
IN THE NAME AND BY AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS
The 112th Judicial District Grand Jury for the County of Sutton, State of Texas duly selected, impaneled, sworn, charged, and organized as such by the 112th Judicial District Court for said County at the September 2005 Term of the Said Court, upon their oaths present in and to said Court that in Sutton County, Texas, LUCINA LOPEZ PEREZ, hereafter styled the Defendant, heretofore, on or about October 8, 2005, did then and there intentionally or knowingly possess a controlled substance, namely, methamphetamine, in an amount of (1) gram or more but less than (4) grams; AGAINST THE PEACE AND DIGNITY OF THE STATE.

Defendant: Gina Gamez Moore
Bond: \$7,500
Felony Charge: Possession of a controlled substance
Third Degree Felony
IN THE NAME AND BY AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS
The 112th Judicial District Grand Jury for the County of Sutton, State of Texas duly selected, impaneled, sworn, charged, and organized as such by the 112th Judicial District Court for said County at the September 2005 Term of the Said Court, upon their oaths present in and to said Court that in Sutton County, Texas, GINA GAMEZ MOORE, hereafter styled the Defendant, heretofore, on or about July 29, 2005, did then and there intentionally or knowingly possess a controlled substance, to-wit: Methamphetamine, in an amount of (1) gram or more but less than (4) grams; AGAINST THE PEACE AND DIGNITY OF THE STATE.

Defendant: James Gregory Monk
Bond: \$6,000
Felony Charge: Felony Driving While Intoxicated
Third Degree Felony
IN THE NAME AND BY AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS
The 112th Judicial District Grand Jury for the County of Sutton, State of Texas duly selected, impaneled, sworn, charged, and organized as such by the 112th Judicial District Court for said County at the September 2005 Term of the Said Court, upon their oaths present in and to said Court that in Sutton County, Texas, JAMES GREGGORY MONK, hereafter styled the Defendant, heretofore, on or about October 15, 2005, did then and there operate a motor vehicle in a public place while the said defendant was intoxicated by not having the normal use of mental or physical faculties by reason of the introduction of alcohol into the body; And it is further presented in and to said Court that, prior to the commission of the aforesaid offense, on August 23, 1993, in cause number 376398 in the County Court at Law #3, Travis County, Texas the defendant was convicted of an offense relating to the operating of a motor vehicle while intoxicated; and on September 6, 2002, in cause number 589626 in the County Court at Law #3, Travis County, Texas, the defendant was convicted of an offense relating to the operation of a motor vehicle while intoxicated; AGAINST THE PEACE AND DIGNITY OF THE STATE.

Defendant: Rojelio Borrego Luna
Bond: \$10,000
Felony Charge: Felony Driving While Intoxicated
Third Degree Felony
IN THE NAME AND BY AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS
The 112th Judicial District Grand Jury for the County of Sutton, State of Texas duly selected, impaneled, sworn, charged, and organized as such by the 112th Judicial District Court for said County at the September 2005 Term of the Said Court, upon their oaths present in and to said Court that in Sutton County, Texas, ROJELIO BORREGO LUNA, hereafter styled the Defendant, heretofore, on or about October 31, 2005, did then and there operate a motor vehicle in a public place while the said defendant was intoxicated by not having the normal use of mental or physical faculties by reason of the introduction of alcohol into the body; And it is further presented in and to said Court that, prior to the commission of the aforesaid offense, on November 10, 1997, in cause number 7821 in the County Court of Sutton County, Texas the defendant was convicted of an offense relating to the operating of a motor vehicle while intoxicated; and on January 10, 2005, in cause number 9520 in the County Court of Sutton County, Texas, the defendant was convicted of an offense relating to the operation of a motor vehicle while intoxicated; AGAINST THE PEACE AND DIGNITY OF THE STATE.

Defendant: Jose Ruiz Velasco Larrainzar
Bond: \$20,000
Felony Charge: Possession of a controlled substance
Second Degree Felony
IN THE NAME AND BY AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS
The 112th Judicial District Grand Jury for the County of Sutton, State of Texas duly selected, impaneled, sworn, charged, and organized as such by the 112th Judicial District Court for said County at the September 2005 Term of the Said Court, upon their oaths present in and to said Court that in Sutton County, Texas, JOSE RUIZ VELASCO LARRAINZAR, hereafter styled the Defendant, heretofore, on or about October 8, 2005, did then and there intentionally or knowingly possess a controlled substance, to-wit: Methamphetamine, in an amount of (1) gram or more but less than (4) grams; AGAINST THE PEACE AND DIGNITY OF THE STATE.

Defendant: Taland Cole Johnson
Bond: \$6,000
Felony Charge: Evading Arrest or Detention w/Vehicle
IN THE NAME AND BY AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS
The 112th Judicial District Grand Jury for the County of Sutton, State of Texas duly selected, impaneled, sworn, charged, and organized as such by the 112th Judicial District Court for said County at the September 2005 Term of the Said Court, upon their oaths present in and to said Court that in Sutton County, Texas, TALAND COLE JOHNSON, hereafter styled the Defendant, heretofore, on or about December 2, 2005, did then and there, while using a vehicle, intentionally flee from Lance Dalton, a person the defendant knew was a peace officer who was attempting lawfully to arrest or detain the defendant; AGAINST THE PEACE AND DIGNITY OF THE STATE.

Defendant: Taland Cole Johnson
Bond: \$20,000
Felony Charge: Aggravated Assault w/Deadly Weapon
IN THE NAME AND BY AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS
The 112th Judicial District Grand Jury for the County of Sutton, State of Texas duly selected, impaneled, sworn, charged, and organized as such by the 112th Judicial District Court for said County at the September 2005 Term of the Said Court, upon their oaths present in and to said Court that in Sutton County, Texas, TALAND COLE JOHNSON, hereafter styled the Defendant, heretofore, on or about December 2, 2005, did then and there, while using a vehicle, intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly cause bodily injury to Mike Routh by running his vehicle into the victim's patrol car, and the defendant did then and there use or exhibit a deadly weapon, to-wit: a motor vehicle during the commission of said assault, and defendant did and there know what the said Mike Routh was then and there a public servant, to-wit: a Sonora City Police Officer, and that the said Mike Routh was then and there lawfully discharging an official duty, to-wit: investigating criminal activity; AGAINST THE PEACE AND DIGNITY OF THE STATE.

Defendant: Charles William Johnson
Bond: \$6,000
Felony Charge: Possession of a controlled substance
IN THE NAME AND BY AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS
The 112th Judicial District Grand Jury for the County of Sutton, State of Texas duly selected, impaneled, sworn, charged, and organized as such by the 112th Judicial District Court for said County at the September 2005 Term of

the Said Court, upon their oaths present in and to said Court that in Sutton County, Texas, CHARLES WILLIAM JOHNSON, hereafter styled the Defendant, heretofore, on or about October 15, 2005, did then and there intentionally or knowingly possess a controlled substance to-wit: methamphetamine, in an amount, by aggregate weight, including any adulterants and diluents, of less than (1) gram; AGAINST THE PEACE AND DIGNITY OF THE STATE.

Defendant: Tracy Lynn Harrison
Bond: \$6,000
Felony Charge: Count One: Credit Card Abuse
Count Two: Identity Theft
IN THE NAME AND BY AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS
The 112th Judicial District Grand Jury for the County of Sutton, State of Texas duly selected, impaneled, sworn, charged, and organized as such by the 112th Judicial District Court for said County at the September 2005 Term of the Said Court, upon their oaths present in and to said Court that in Sutton County, Texas, TRACY LYNN HARRISON, hereafter styled the Defendant, heretofore, on or about December 23, 2005, Count One: did then and there with intent to use a credit card, namely a Nordstrom Visa card and not being the cardholder, possess said card, without the effective consent of Francesca Garlatta, the card holder; Count Two: did then and there, intent to harm or defraud another, and without the consent of Francesca Garlatta, possess identifying information of Francesca Garlatta, to-wit: a Nordstrom Visa credit card; AGAINST THE PEACE AND DIGNITY OF THE STATE.

Defendant: Michael Anthony Clark
Bond: \$2,000
Felony Charge: Felony Driving While Intoxicated
Third Degree Felony
IN THE NAME AND BY AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS
The 112th Judicial District Grand Jury for the County of Sutton, State of Texas duly selected, impaneled, sworn, charged, and organized as such by the 112th Judicial District Court for said County at the September 2005 Term of the Said Court, upon their oaths present in and to said Court that in Sutton County, Texas, MICHAEL ANTHONY CLARK, hereafter styled the Defendant, heretofore, on or about January 1, 2006, did then and there operate a motor vehicle in a public place while the said defendant was intoxicated by not having the normal use of mental or physical faculties by reason of the introduction of alcohol into the body; And it is further presented in and to said Court that, prior to the commission of the aforesaid offense, on January 28, 1993, in cause number CR920822 in the County Court at Law of Kerr County, Texas the defendant was convicted of an offense relating to the operating of a motor vehicle while intoxicated; and on August 24, 1994, in cause number CC94-086 in the County Court at Law of Waller County, Texas, the defendant was convicted of an offense relating to the operation of a motor vehicle while intoxicated; AGAINST THE PEACE AND DIGNITY OF THE STATE.

Defendant: Alfredo Murillo Chavez
Bond: \$30,000
Felony Charge: Retaliation
Third Degree Felony
IN THE NAME AND BY AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS
The 112th Judicial District Grand Jury for the County of Sutton, State of Texas duly selected, impaneled, sworn, charged, and organized as such by the 112th Judicial District Court for said County at the September 2005 Term of the Said Court, upon their oaths present in and to said Court that in Sutton County, Texas, ALFREDO MURILLO CHAVEZ, hereafter styled the Defendant, heretofore, on or about February 14, 2006, did then and there, intentionally or knowingly threaten to harm another, to-wit: Joseph VanGundy, by an unlawful act, to-wit: physical assault to Joseph VanGundy, or words to that effect, in retaliation for or on account of the status of Joseph VanGundy as public servant, to-wit: a Trooper with the Texas Department of Public Safety; AGAINST THE PEACE AND DIGNITY OF THE STATE.

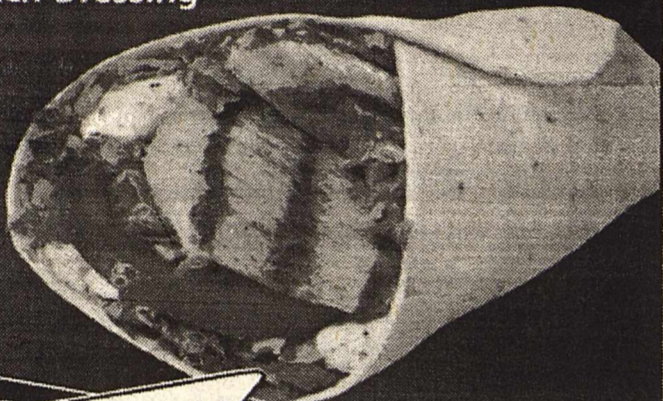
Defendant: Alfredo Murillo Chavez
Bond: \$70,000
Felony Charge: Burglary of a Habitation
First Degree Felony (enhanced)
IN THE NAME AND BY AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS
The 112th Judicial District Grand Jury for the County of Sutton, State of Texas duly selected, impaneled, sworn, charged, and organized as such by the 112th Judicial District Court for said County at the September 2005 Term of the Said Court, upon their oaths present in and to said Court that in Sutton County, Texas, ALFREDO MURILLO CHAVEZ, hereafter styled the Defendant, heretofore, on or about February 14, 2006, did then and there, with intent to commit theft, enter a habitation, without the effective consent of Mary Adele Balch, the owner thereof; And it is further presented in and to said Court that, prior to the commission of the aforesaid offense, on the 4th day of December, 2003 in cause number 1773 in the 112th District Court of Sutton County, Texas the defendant was convicted of the felony offense of Evading Arrest; AGAINST THE PEACE AND DIGNITY OF THE STATE.

Defendant: Alfredo Murillo Chavez
Bond: \$30,000
Felony Charge: Aggravated Assault w/Deadly Weapon
Second Degree Felony
IN THE NAME AND BY AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS
The 112th Judicial District Grand Jury for the County of Sutton, State of Texas duly selected, impaneled, sworn, charged, and organized as such by the 112th Judicial District Court for said County at the September 2005 Term of the Said Court, upon their oaths present in and to said Court that in Sutton County, Texas, ALFREDO MURILLO CHAVEZ, hereafter styled the Defendant, heretofore, on or about January 22, 2006, did then and there intentionally or knowingly threaten Salvador Solis with imminent bodily injury and did then and there use or exhibit a deadly weapon, to-wit: an automobile, during the commission of said assault; AGAINST THE PEACE AND DIGNITY OF THE STATE.

Defendant: Daryl Craig Brunson
Bond: \$8,000
Felony Charge: Felony Driving While Intoxicated, Third Degree Felony
IN THE NAME AND BY AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS
The 112th Judicial District Grand Jury for the County of Sutton, State of Texas duly selected, impaneled, sworn, charged, and organized as such by the 112th Judicial District Court for said County at the September 2005 Term of the Said Court, upon their oaths present in and to said Court that in Sutton County, Texas, DARYL CRAIG BRUNSON, hereafter styled the Defendant, heretofore, on or about June 25, 2005, did then and there operate a motor vehicle in a public place while the said defendant was intoxicated by not having the normal use of mental or physical faculties by reason of the introduction of alcohol into the body; And it is further presented in and to said Court that, prior to the commission of the aforesaid offense, on June 18, 1993, in cause number 660542 in the 208th District Court of Harris County, Texas the defendant was convicted of an offense relating to the operating of a motor vehicle while intoxicated; and on October 26, 2001, in cause number 890132 in the 179th District Court of Harris County, Texas, the defendant was convicted of an offense relating to the operation of a motor vehicle while intoxicated; AGAINST THE PEACE AND DIGNITY OF THE STATE.

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County Commissioners Discuss Unplanned Expenses

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The Sutton County Commissioners met on Monday, April 10th in the Courthouse Annex. The commissioners approved the previous minutes and then discussed March bills. Commissioner John Wade questioned why a seven year old pickup that is used by the county employee who maintains the cemetery needed to have the engine replaced. Roads and Bridges superintendent, Oscar Jimenez responded that the pickup's oil had been changed only twice since the county purchased it. He stated it is the drivers' responsibility to maintain the vehicle. Wade said the employee had previously 'torn up' one or two lawn mowers and other equipment. He has been written up and counseled prior to the newest problem with the pickup truck. Commissioner Belia Castenada asked why there were no maintenance logs in the vehicles or records maintained by the county's mechanic. Commissioner Milton Caveness asked how the employee continues to do these things as a senior employee. Wade requested that Jimenez was to bring the employee to the next Commissioners' meeting on April 24th.

Wade then asked for an explanation of the \$4,100 bill from Lillian Hudspeth Hospital submitted by the Sheriff's department. Sheriff Fincher replied that an inmate was taken to the hospital at 1 AM and was not released by the hospital until 4 PM.

He stated the bill was actually one-half of the billed amount. Caveness asked if the county has any recourse to be reimbursed. Judge Garner stated that some Texas counties make the inmate or his or her family pay the hospital or physician's bills if the inmate received medical attention while incarcerated. Sutton County does not have this policy.

Sheriff Fincher reported during the month of March, the county jail had a total of 41 inmates for 31 days of the month. This generated \$5,899 in fees.

During the Road and Bridge report, Jimenez reported he had been asked to place barrels at the County's Wilderness Park near the river. Several commissioners stated that people don't bother placing their trash in the barrels. When questioned about the Civic Center roof repair, Jimenez responded that the contracted company was behind in completing the repairs due to county court that was held in the building. Due to a recent emergency at the center during a dance, Jimenez reported the entrance to the build-

ing has been striped and marked No Parking. He also reported that he instructed county cemetery employee, Gilbert Vara, to trim all the trees on the west side of the cemetery.

Judge Garner reported that Erica Berry has been hired and trained for the vacant 911 position. County Attorney David Wallace reported \$923.55 recovered last month in Hot Checks. Keep Sonora Beautiful president, Susan Hall reported 39 volunteers worked the recent Trash-Off Day on April 1st. She requested permission to fly the Keep Sonora Beautiful flag beneath the American flag on the courthouse lawn. The commissioners agreed that it was a fine idea. She reported the students studying Arbor Day and trees would like to plant ten Bald Cypress trees behind the fence at the baseball field.

Judge Garner mentioned that there are ongoing talks with Joe David Ross concerning an exchange between him and the county of some land near the Rodeo Arena and the baseball fields. Jimenez asked if some of the trees could be planted at cemetery along the eastern boundary next to the Deerwood Drive subdivision. Since there were questions about the county park area land, it was decided to plant the trees at the cemetery.

The commissioners then discussed the increased cost of materials for the summer's planned paving projects. Hotmix has increased from 94 cents to \$1.65. Gravel has increased from \$18.29 to \$26.29 this year. A Caveness motion to pave five miles of Glasscock Road due to the heavy use by drilling trucks passed unanimously. The commissioners voted to continue the county wide Burn Ban due to the minimal precipitation that's been received in the last three months.

The final issue on the commis-

sioners court agenda concerned the courthouse renovation completion date being overdue. After discussions with county attorney David Wallace, the commissioners agreed to present the contractor with approximately \$40,000 of overdue fees. The monies will go back into the courthouse budget line. The courthouse grand opening will be in the May or June timeframe. There are plans to have an evening ceremony if the state historical commission agrees.

The commissioners court will meet again on Monday April 24th at 9 AM in the Annex Building.

Treasure & Egg Hunt

submitted by Jennifer Esparza

On Saturday, April the 15th we will be having an Easter Egg Hunt on the Courthouse lawn and a Treasure Hunt on Eaton Hill. The Easter Bunny will be here to entertain the kids and we will be giving away so many PRIZES!

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56th annual Easter Pageant to be April 15

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Tourism Board provides a generous donation each year for advertising expenses. The Kimble County Chamber of Commerce provides information to anyone planning to visit the Junction area. There is no charge for admission. However,

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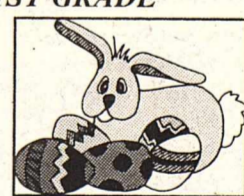
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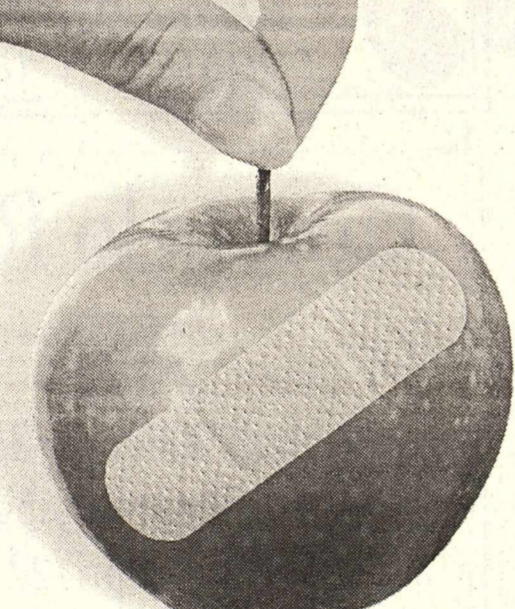
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The Brain's Response to Methamphetamine

Source: Sara Bellum, National Institute on Drug Abuse, National Institutes of Health

Speed, meth, chalk, crystal, ice, glass. These are all names for the drug methamphetamine. Methamphetamine comes in many different forms and is snorted, swallowed, injected, or smoked. The smokable form is known as "ice" or "crystal," due to its appearance.

Methamphetamine is a powerful drug. It acts by changing how the brain works. It also speeds up many functions in the body. Methamphetamine can cause lots of harmful things, including inability to sleep, paranoia, aggressiveness, and hallucinations.

How Does Methamphetamine Cause Its Effects?

No matter how methamphetamine is used, it eventually ends up in the bloodstream where it is circulated throughout the brain. The brain cells that methamphetamine affects the most are the ones that contain a chemical called dopamine. The reason for this is that the shape, size, and chemical structure of methamphetamine and dopamine are similar. Before I tell you more about dopamine and methamphetamine, I'd better tell you how nerves cells work.

Your brain is made up of billions of nerve cells (or neurons). Neurons come in all shapes and sizes, and are located very close to each other, but they don't actually touch. Therefore, to communicate with each other they use chemical messengers known as neurotransmitters. When one neuron wants to send a message to another neuron it releases a neurotransmitter into the small space that separates the two neurons. This space is called a synapse. The neurotransmitter crosses the synapse and attaches to specific places on the neighboring neuron called receptors. Once the neurotransmitter has relayed its message, it is either destroyed or taken back up into the first neuron where it is recycled for use again.

There are many different neurotransmitters, but the one that is most affected by methamphetamine is dopamine. Dopamine is sometimes called the pleasure neurotransmitter because it helps you feel good from something like playing soccer, eating a big piece of chocolate cake, or riding a roller coaster. When something pleasurable happens, certain neurons release lots of dopamine. The dopamine attaches to receptors on neighboring neurons and passes on the pleasure message. This process is stopped when dopamine is pumped back into the neuron that released it where it is stored for later use.

Methamphetamine has lots of other effects:

Because it is similar to dopamine, methamphetamine can change the function of any neuron that contains dopamine. And if that weren't enough, methamphetamine can also affect neurons that contain two other neurotransmitters called serotonin and norepinephrine. All of this means that methamphetamine can change how lots of things in the brain and the body work. Even small amounts of methamphetamine can cause a person to be more awake and active, lose their appetite, and become irritable and aggressive. Methamphetamine also causes a person's blood pressure to increase and their heart to beat faster.

Methamphetamine Changes the Brain

Usually neurons recycle dopamine. But methamphetamine is able to fool neurons into taking it up just like they would dopamine. Once inside a neuron, methamphetamine causes that neuron to release lots of dopamine. All this dopamine causes the person to feel an extra sense of pleasure that can last all day. But eventually these pleasurable effects stop. They are followed by unpleasant feelings called a "crash" that often lead a person to use more of the drug. If a person continues to use methamphetamine, they will have a difficult time feeling pleasure from anything. Imagine no longer enjoying your favorite food or an afternoon with your friends. *Note: "Both animal and human studies have shown the loss of dopamine transporters and receptors in multiple brain areas after even minimal exposures to methamphetamine. And the effect is not just temporary. Across multiple species, including humans, methamphetamine causes long lasting (permanent) dopamine depletion with no incremental recovery over six days, or even six month periods, as would be seen if the effect were a temporary pharmacologic effect. It doesn't just wear off. Something structural and permanent is going on here." Mary F. Hioley MD. "Crystal Meth, They call it Ice"*

What happens if a person uses methamphetamine for a long time?

Scientists studying the brains of human methamphetamine users have discovered that even three years after long-time methamphetamine users had quit using the drug, their dopamine neurons were still damaged. Scientists don't know yet whether this damage is permanent, but this research show that changes in the brain from methamphetamine use can last a long time. Research with animals has shown that the drug methamphetamine can also damage neurons that contain serotonin. This damage also continues

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long after the drug use is stopped.

These changes in dopamine and serotonin neurons may explain some of the effects of methamphetamine. If a person uses methamphetamine for a long time, they may become paranoid. They may also hear and see things that aren't there. These are called hallucinations. Because methamphetamine causes big increases in blood pressure, someone using it for a long time may also have permanent damage to blood vessels in the brain. This can lead to strokes caused by bleeding in the brain.

The Search Continues

Researchers are only beginning to understand how methamphetamine acts in the brain and body. When they learn more about how methamphetamine causes its effects, they may be able to develop treatments that prevent or reverse the damage this drug can cause.

To play the interactive website game and learn more about drug abuse you can go to www.sarasquest.org

Public Hearing For Expending Section 4b Tax Proceeds

The City Council will hold a public hearing concerning the Sonora Industrial Development Corporation expending Section 4B sales tax funds for the following project:

Project to expend \$85,000 to Sutton County Days Association for improvements to the Sutton County arena.

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ALBERT COCHRAN
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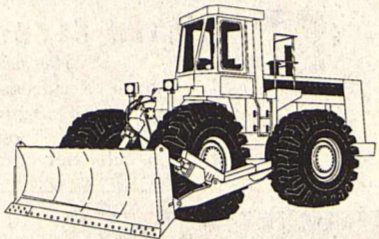
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Elderly or Disabled Homeowners May Defer Property Taxes

submitted by Rex Ann Friess, Chief Appraiser, Sutton County Appraisal District

Texans aged 65 or older or who are disabled may postpone paying delinquent and current property taxes on their homes. They may take advantage of a tax option called "tax deferral" by signing an affidavit at the Sutton

County Appraisal District office.

"If the affidavit is on file, an older homeowner or one who is disabled cannot lose a homestead because of delinquent property taxes," Friess said.

This special form of tax relief also halts a lawsuit filed to collect delinquent property taxes on an older or

disabled Texan's home, according to Rex Ann Friess, chief appraiser of the Sutton County Appraisal District. "To stop a delinquent tax suit," Friess said, "the age 65 and older or disabled homeowner files the deferral affidavit with the court in which the suit is pending."

Once a homeowner files a tax deferral affidavit with the appraisal district, no taxing unit can start or continue a lawsuit for delinquent taxes as long as that person owns and lives in that home.

The law also allows an age 65 and older or disabled homeowner to halt a pending sale to foreclose on the homestead's tax lien. And, the law extends the tax deferral to the surviving spouse of an individual who deferred the taxes on the homestead if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age when the deceased spouse died.

Friess stressed that the tax deferral only postpones paying taxes on the home; it does not cancel them. During the deferral time, taxes and interest of 8 percent per year continue to add up. She said, "When the qualified homeowner or qualified surviving spouse no longer owns and lives in the home, the taxes become due. If the taxes are not paid, taxing units can then sue to collect all the deferred taxes

and interest."

There is no penalty on the taxes during the deferral time. However, filing the deferral affidavit will not forgive penalties that were already due. Also, if the taxes remain delinquent after the deferral ends, a taxing unit may charge an added penalty if the account goes to a delinquent tax attorney beginning on the 181st day after the deferral ends.

Tax deferral forms are available at the appraisal district office. "The homeowner should fill out the form and have the signature witnessed by a notary public," Friess said. For more information, taxpayers may contact the Sutton County Appraisal District, 325-387-2809.

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Dominion E & P is raffling a Toshiba Satellite Laptop this year to raise money for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life event on May 19th and 20th. The laptop is on display in the receptionist office at Dominion and there are flyers posted around town. Tickets are \$1.00/ticket or 6 tickets/\$5.00. For more information or to buy your tickets, contact Brandi Kuykendall or Christi Gayanich at 325-387-3588.

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Angora Goat Display by Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program at the Bank and Trust you can find the exhibit of the real west Texas living. There are pictures and wool blankets and yarn. This will be displayed for the month of March.

WANTED: Cancer Survivors
If you would like to participate in the 2006 Relay For Life Survivors' Celebration, which will be held on May 19th, please call: Noemi Samaniego @ 387-2558 x 301 or 387-3029.

First National Bank is still collecting cell phones and ink jet cartridges as a Relay For Life fundraiser. Collection boxes are located at the First National Bank, Devil's River News, Stirrup Trouble Salon and the Chamber of Commerce.

Days Inn/Steakhouse/Comfort Inn Relay for Life Team is selling purple ribbon car magnets to raise money for Cancer Awareness/Relay. Large = \$5 and Small \$3. Come by any of the locations to pick one up and show your support!

9th Annual College Scholarship Tournament - April 29th - Sonora Golf Course - 3 person team - \$100.00; 4 person team - \$150.00; 5 person team - \$200.00 - Tee time: 1:00 p.m.

Al-Anon Meetings - 7:00 p.m. Tuesdays - L.M. Hudspeth (old part) cafeteria.

Sonora High School Yearbook Staff needs JV Basketball photos. If there is anyone in the community who would like to share the pictures with the Yearbook Staff, please contact Eric Craig at 206-1568 or email eric.craig@sonoraids.net

Dominion E & P's 1st Annual Volleyball Tournament benefiting The American Cancer Society's Relay for Life co-ed teams of 4-8 people needed (no entry fee) games will start at 10:00 pm Friday, May 19th, run all night through Saturday, May 20th during the event. deadline will be at the start of 1st game Contact Brandi Kuykendall @ 325-387-3588 x. 7310 or Christi Gayanich @ 325-387-3588 x. 7221

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