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Breg Hughes Wounded in Iraq By Ray Glasscock

First Lieutenant Breg Hughes was standing by his cot when three mortar shells hit his company compound in Hit, Iraq. He told his father, Brad Hughes, that he felt a burning in his leg after the second explosion. When he looked down he saw that his leg was bleeding. 1Lt. Hughes was air evac'd to an Army hospital for X-rays and treatment. He called his father from the hospital and told him that the shrapnel went completely through his leg without hit-ting an artery, a vein, or the bone. He should be able to return to duty in a few days.

Breg is a graduate of Sonora High School. He became an officer in the United States Army by completing Army ROTC at Sam Houston State University. He is serving with the 1st Armor Division Alpha 16.

Our Mission - Water

By Greta Ramsdell

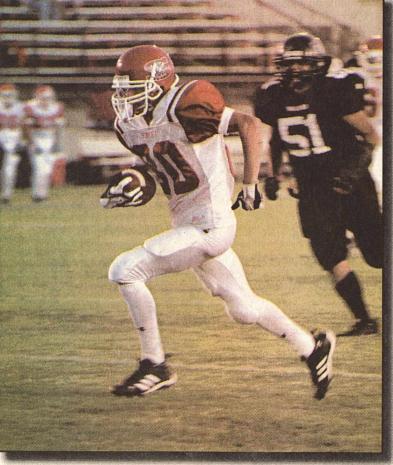
The mission of the Sutton County Underground Water Conservation District is to protect the purity of our water and to ensure that water is available for all current and future users. As the new manager of the District, I have begun the process of learning the numerous state laws regarding water and also the existing rules of the Sutton County UWCD. My position is responsible for monitor-ing all water well drilling in the county and issuing permits, when required, and that entails coordination with landowners, well drillers and pump installers. Our office is available for assistance in the acquisition of permits, and we will gladly visit proposed sites to provide guidance for well locations. We assist landowners with the proper process for well drilling and maintenance and work with the well drillers and pump installers to assure compliance with state laws.

Our district provides an in-house lab for testing water for alkalinity, hardness, chloride, specific conductivity total dissolved solids, fluoride, iron, nitrite, sulfate and pH levels. These tests are done at no charge to landowners, and the resulting reports compare the analysis to National Drinking Water Standards. Water quality is continually evaluated across the county by a series of monitor wells. These wells are utilized to evaluate water quality over a period of years and also provide information in the case of contamination.

The District monitors water levels to track changes in water tables and promotes conservation measures to assure water remains available for all users. District rules prohibit the wasting of water. We participate in rainfall enhancement programs with other districts to promote recharge of the aquifer. The District participates with other water entities on statewide planning, water policies and legislative issues involving groundwater. I look forward to working with the Region F Regional Water Planning Group which includes Sutton County and compiles water plans and strategies for the entire region. I am also excited about working with the City of Sonora on continued monitoring of their water supply and conservation methods to ensure the citizens of the city never see their water supply interrupted.

Please stop by 301 S. Crockett or call 325/387-2369 if I or Virgil Polocek can provide any assistance in water matters.

Becky Covington Takes the Reins at Sonora Chamber of



Evan Rousselot Scores First Bronco Touchdown

Annual Lions Club Auction

By Lewis Allen

The Sonora Downtown Lions Club is holding its annual auction on Tuesday, September 26 at the Civic Center, Activities begin at 6:00 p.m. with a free supper catered by and donated by The Sutton County Steak house. The auction will follow at about 7:00 p.m..

Local businesses and individuals have donated a varied mixture of items to be auctioned, from a gallon of homemade hot sauce to a color TV to a freshly baked pecan pie.

The Lions Club auction is a tradition of long standing in Sonora, and is the primary fundraiser for the Downtown Lions Club. Through the funds raised, The Lions Club charters the Sonora Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops and pays for utilities and maintenance of the Scout buildings; provides supper for Sonora Sonora Speech Meet participants each years.

February; and provides lunch, trophies and ribbons for Sonora Wool Show participants each June.

Additionally, The auction enables the Lions Club to provide a hamburger supper each August for all faculty, administrators and staff of Sonora ISD; provide vision check-ups and eye wear for Sonora residents in need; provide funding for numerous Sonora Youths to attend special academic and musical workshops, or athletic competitions; and to contribute charitable efforts of Lions Club International, most notably the Children's Camp in Kerrville for diabetic children and children with disabilities.

The Lions Club would like to invite every citizen of Sonora to attend the auction and help out in support of a worthy cause, as Sonorans have done for over 50

Broncos Eradicate the Wolves 28 to 0

By Ray Glasscock

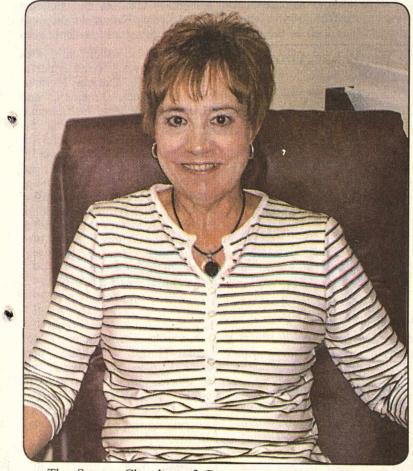
The Wolves kicked off to start the game, and Victor Vaquera returned it to the 30 yard line. On the first play, Justin Northcott gained 15 yards on a run to the left side of the offensive line. Caleb Ramos ran for another 15 yards on the keeper. The initial drive continued for another 15 plays. During the drive, Lito Trevino kept it going with a big run for a first down. Evan Gulley caught a pass from Ramos and was tackled at the one yard line. The Wolves stopped the drive when the Broncos fumbled.

The Wolves responded with two first downs - one of which came on a Bronco penalty for a facemask. Then on first down, Northcott blitzed and tackled their runner for a 15 yard loss. Two plays later, Travis Valliant recovered a Wolf fumble, and the Broncos took over with good field position at the Wolf 35 yard line. The Broncos could not take advantage of the turnover as Ramos threw a very rare interception.

Colorado City made one first down, and then the Bronco defense forced them to punt. The Broncos started their third drive from their 40 yard line. The first quarter ended with no score. Two nice runs by Northcott moved the ball to the Wolf 45 yard line. On third and long, Trevino scampered for about 20 yards and a Bronco first down at the Wolf 24 yard line. Gulley moved the chains after catching a quick pass from Ramos. From the 13 yard line, Ramos hit Evan Rousselot on a quick slant for the first Bronco touchdown. Jesus Limon kicked it true, and the Broncos led by 7 to 0 with 9:11 left in the second quarter.

The Broncos held the Wolves to a three and out. Their punt rolled dead at the Bronco 25 yard line. On first down, Ramos fired a bullet to Gulley who added yardage after the catch. He was tackled at the Wolf 48 yard line after a 27 yard gain. After two nice runs by Ramos and Northcott, the Broncos fumbled and the Wolves took over at their 23 yard line. On their first run, they fumbled and Gulley recovered for the Broncos. After a short catch by Gulley, Ramos rolled to right away from a blitz and threw back left to Northcott who evaded tacklers until he was tackled at the one yard line. Trevino got the touchdown on a trap play. Limon made the score 14 to 0 with 2:57 left in the half. (Continued on page 5.)

Commerce



The Sonora Chamber of Commerce announced that Becky Covington has been hired as the new Executive Director of the Chamber. Becky has more than 20 years experience in city gov-ernment. At the City of Sonora, Becky was City Secretary for 20 years. Also, she held the positions of Interim City Manager, City Clerk, Deputy Court Clerk, and Administrative Assistant.

Becky is married to Jim who is employed with Energy Transfer Company. Their children are Duane and Kim Jones and granddaughters, Kaitlyn and Kera and Jason and Beth Donaldson and their son, Jaxon. They have lived in Sonora since 1980.

Becky has always been involved with the public and served on numerous boards, including the Sonora Industrial Development Board, Chamber of Commerce and Keep Sonora Beautiful.

In accepting her new responsibilities, Becky stated, "I am excited about the challenge and starting a new phase in my career. The work of the Chamber is service to its members and community. Every effort will be made to continue to provide the following:

To serve as a primary source of information to existing and potential businesses and the community.

To foster economic development through the expansion of existing businesses as well as the location of new businesses.

To actively retain existing members and recruit new members.

To help bring the community together through events that will make the community a more enjoyable place in which to live.

Support effort locally, regionally and nationally that promote a healthy community that are essential to prosperous businesses."

Yari and Gary **Crime Fighting Team**

By Ray Glasscock

Sonora is lucky to have an outstanding crime fighting team. One team member has a real nose for sniffing out crime. The other one trained with the best in the world - The United States Marines.

Gary Harwell served his country as a Marine with a combat tour in Iraq. He was a security policeman who was trained to be a K-9 attack dog handler. During his tour in Iraq, he traveled from camp to camp showing the commanders the capabilities of the U. S. Marines K-9 Corps. When Gary was promoted to his



Gary Harwell and Yari

next rank, he knew that he would no longer be handling dogs. This, combined with the time away from his family, caused him to not re-enlist. "I was driving through Texas looking for a place to live when I stopped in Sonora. I liked Sonora, so I decided to stay," said Gary.

Yari is a Belgian Malinois. The Belgian Malinois is a medium size dog of exceptional beauty and working ability used for many purposes, including herding, tracking, agility, obedience, and police work. To the inexperienced eye, they may seem to resemble remembrance.



Jody Harris Keeping Yari Trained

a female. "When I saw what she could do, I knew that Yari was the one to buy," commented Harwell. Yari cost \$13,000. She has already recouped her cost. She was called to assist in Kimble County where she alerted on some drug money and uncovered \$74,000. Here in Sutton County, she assisted in recovering \$19,000.

Gary, Thanks For Stopping And **Choosing Sonora!**

8th Graders Commemorates **Constitution Day**

Sonora Middle School

Photo and story by Kel Thomas

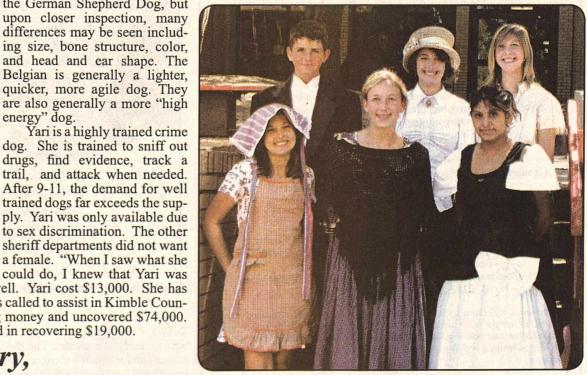
"We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America"

With these words, the founding fathers set forth the spirit and conviction of one of our most precious and honored documents - The Constitution of the United States.

Signing of this historic document took place in Philadelphia, PA prior to its presentation before Congress for final ratification. The date was September 17, 1787.

Each year, schools across the United States commemorate the date as Constitution Day. The United States Department of Education mandates implementation of Constitution Day for educational institutions receiving federal funding. If September 17 falls on a Satur-day or Sunday, as it did this year, the commemoration is to be during either the preceding or following week.

This year, on September 18, several 8th grade students from Sonora Middle School donned historic period clothing, and made available to other students copies of the Constitution, as part of the



Front row left to right are: Christina Robins, Morgan Smith, and Crystal Coronado Back row left to right are: Justin Crittenden, Alex Galindo, and Nichole Lipham

the German Shepherd Dog, but upon closer inspection, many differences may be seen including size, bone structure, color, and head and ear shape. The Belgian is generally a lighter, quicker, more agile dog. They are also generally a more "high energy" dog.

Yari is a highly trained crime

trail, and attack when needed.

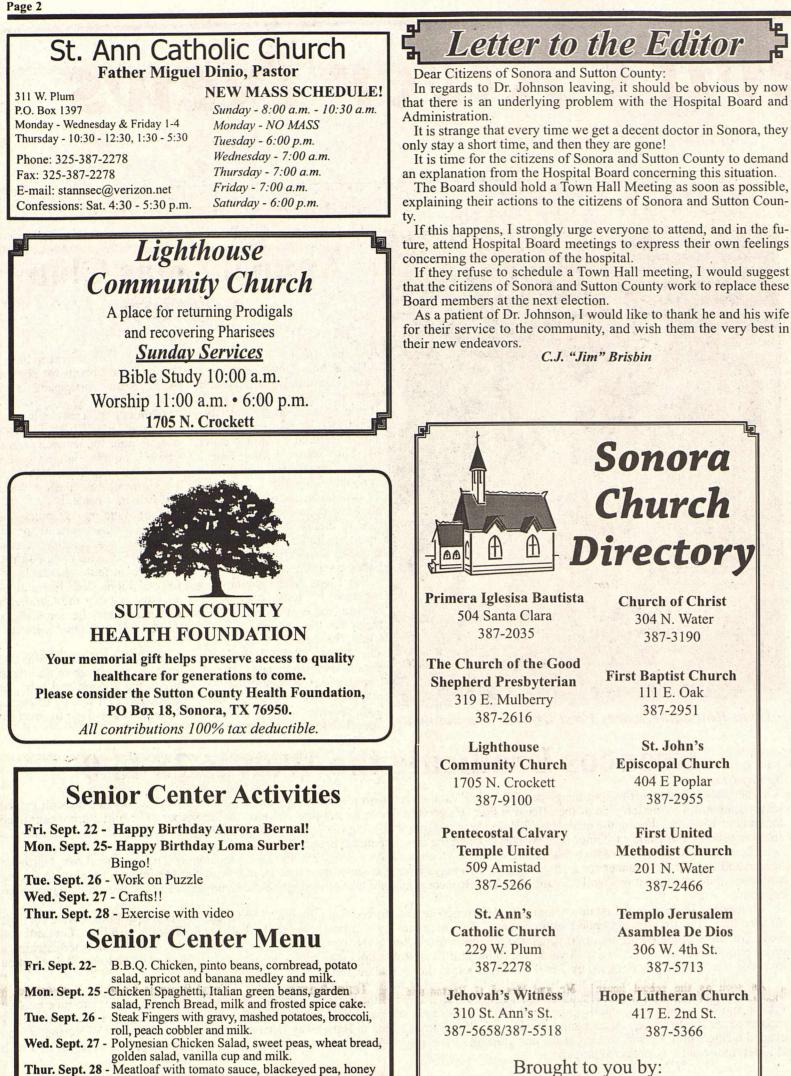
After 9-11, the demand for well

trained dogs far exceeds the sup-

ply. Yari was only available due

to sex discrimination. The other

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If they refuse to schedule a Town Hall meeting, I would suggest that the citizens of Sonora and Sutton County work to replace these Board members at the next election. As a patient of Dr. Johnson, I would like to thank he and his wife for their service to the community, and wish them the very best in C.J. "Jim" Brisbin Sonora

Frank Wamble and Curry Campbell, on behalf of Dee Ora Masonic Lodge, accept the Popcorn Fund Donation of \$150.00 from Shanna Petty of The First National Bank of Sonora.

Wedding Announcement



Rachel Lira and Juan Carlos Meraz

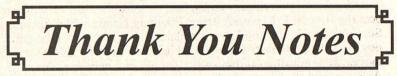
Mr. and Mrs. Narciso Lira Jr. would like to announce the engagement of their daughter Rachel Lira to Juan Carlos Meraz son of Mr. and Mrs. Emilio Perez of San Angelo, TX.

Rachel is a 1998 graduate of Sonora High School. She is at-tending Angelo State University and will be receiving her bachelors of Science in Education in May of 2007. She is currently employed at La Esperanza lic Church in Sonora, TX.

Health and Dental Center.

Juan is a 1998 graduate of San Angelo Central High School. He proudly served in the United States Marine Corps. from 1998-2002. Juan is currently attending college to receive a degree in Computer Networking. He is employed by the Tom Green County's Sherriff's Office.

The wedding will held October 28, 2006 at St. Ann's Catho-



I want to thank all my supporters, JMC Transport, Southwest Treating Products and First National Bank, in my candidacy for Miss Sutton County.

Also, I want to thank all the people in Sonora who bought tickets or gave donations. I enjoyed meeting new people and those I have known. Thank you also to my church family, friends, grandparents, and my Mom and Dad who played a big roll and believed in me. I would also like to thank Hillary and Kim for inspiring me. Thank you Sonora. Sincerely, Kaija Valkonen

Church Directory **Church of Christ** 304 N. Water

387-3190

Shepherd Presbyterian 319 E. Mulberry

111 E. Oak 387-2951

Pentecostal Calvary Temple United

Catholic Church

Jehovah's Witness 310 St. Ann's St. 387-5658/387-5518

Hope Lutheran Church 417 E. 2nd St.

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387-2266

St. John's **Episcopal Church** 404 E Poplar 387-2955

First Baptist Church

First United Methodist Church 201 N. Water 387-2466

Templo Jerusalem Asamblea De Dios 306 W. 4th St. 387-5713

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)

Participants in the senior nutrition program must be 60 or older. Meals

glazed carrots, cornbread, melon salad and milk.

Schleicher County Medical Center invites you to celebrate life with a tour of our loving home in beautiful Eldorado, Texas. We have remodeled our bathing area, complete with a relaxing whirlpool and shower facilities. Take a nature stroll, through our beautiful garden area, featuring a fish pond and rock water fall. Sit under a tree and watch the birds, butterflies and squirrels at play. We offer something for everyone; vegetable gardens to work in, flower beds to tend, and birds to watch. If you or your loved one is in need of a little extra loving care, let Schleicher County Medical Center be your Home.

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Accident Ever feel that way? You simply exist. A random series of events with no real purpose? Is that you? Guess what? You're not alone. You just feel like you are.

The truth is-you were born for a reason. Like all mankind, you have a purpose. More important, there is a God, and He has a plan for you.

Life doesn't have to be empty. It can be full, with meaning.

Join us Sunday, and we'll talk about it!

Templo Jerusalen 306 NW 4th St. Sonora, Texas 76950 325-387-5713 Services: 9:45 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

The Sonora Middle School 6th grade teachers and students want to thank all of you who purchased Krispy Kreme donuts from our class as well as the parents of all the 6th grade students who

"Life, What About It?"

Has God been talking to you or trying to? You've felt something tugging at you're heart and don't really know what or who it is. You lack purpose and direction in your life, and are just going along with the crowd to fit in.

You lay in bed at night and ponder at the thought of ... what life holds for you. You see the sun rise....and you see the sun set you can figure out the sun's

purpose on earth. A table's purpose is to put things on it and hold them there. A salt shaker's purpose is to hold salt. A plate's purpose is to hold food...that's elementary. But what are you for? That's the real question! God has real answers to real questions that people face everyday.

You are invited to attend this Evangelistic Community Outreach On Saturday, September 23, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. We will have free food from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. We will also have live music and D-7 Drama team from Emmanuel Worship Center in Lubbock, TX will be ministering. Everybody Welcome.

Letter to the Editor

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worked to help their child with this fundraiser. Tressa Esparza, Amy Sykes, Patricia Hernandez, Kathleen Freeman, and Lynn Onofre were instrumental in helping us distributing the donuts. We all are thankful for their volunteering to help out on a very warm afternoon. We appreciate the community's support in this project that will allow us to put on a pumpkin lab, learn about local history at Ft. Concho, present the Culture Fair, and take some great class trips plus several Young Buck trips.

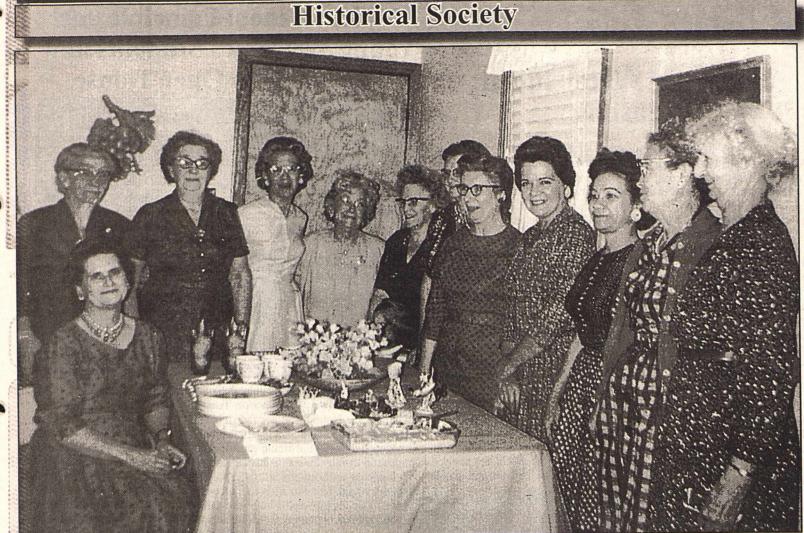
Thank you! Shelly Shannon

I would like to thank Chief Mike House, ambulance personnel Leslie Thorp and Jackie Smith for quickly responding to a 911 call. Also thanks to Dr. Pajesta, Diana, and the ER staff for everything they did when I was in need.

Thanks and God Bless, **Brenda** Neff

We are deeply humbled by all of the acts of kindness shown to us during the last 2 months. To say a simple "thank you" just doesn't seem kike enough. We want everyone to know how very much we appreciate the cards, food, thoughts, and most importantly the power of prayer. We are truly blessed to live in such a wonderful Christian community. Thank you all from the bottom of our hearts. Virgil & Linda

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Helen Parks Baptist Circle -1st Baptist Church Sonora If you recognize any of these members please contact Jo Ann Palmer

ASK THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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

Q. I think someone painting your street signs made a mistake, they spelled Taylor, Tayloe. Which is correct?

A. Tayloe is the correct spelling. In "The Devil's River News of March 28, 1891," we find the following: S.G. Tayloe, a clever young attorney of Cleburne arrived in Sonora Friday prospecting for a location. Mr. Tayloe is a talented and agreeable gentleman and will probably hang out his shingle in the trading center of the Stockman's Paradise.

S.G. Tayloe first took over the bookkeeping dept. at the Sonora Supply Co., then he was an attorney for many years in Sonora then moved on to a higher court in San Antonio. He died and was buried in San Antonio. While he lived here, his sister Nellie, was born in St. Louis in 1876, Missouri, and later a teacher in Omaha, Nebraska, spent quite a bit of time visiting her brother, Samuel Tayloe and his family in Sonora.

Nellie Tayloe married William

Sutton County area?

A. In August of 1942 all kinds of scrap metals were added to the list of vital items needed by the government for the war effort. County boards had been collecting scrap metals for some time but this was the official request for the much needed materials that were needed for America's steel mills and much needed scrap rubber. People all over Sutton County donated scrap metals for the project. Old Cars, old pots and pans, cans, old metal signs, kerosene lamps, table ware, kitchen utensils were all given to the drive. Boy Scouts scoured the town looking for items to be turned in for the war effort. Piles of junk disappeared for yards. Things didn't get saved to be used another time when the metal was needed for bullets to help our boys win the war. For a small county, Sutton County gave a great deal of used metals to the war effort. Not only metals, the women of the county saved their used grease, which had glycerine that was used in shell manufacture. They saved silk stockings, which were used to make parachutes in the days before nylon. They recycled clothing so that there would be material to make uniforms and they knit ban-

Teach your children to use a most precious resource, water, wisely or there might not be enough for their children. If everyone would try a little harder Sonora than would look a lot better and our natural resources could last much longer. Learn from history and recycle and ration.

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. The offices of the society and Miers Home Museum are open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday mornings. You may rent the Old Depot/John & Mildred Cauthorn Trust Memorial Building by calling either Jo-Ann Palmer

As soon as the school house

nora School the most attractive them.

in the western part of the state.

at the office or JoAnn Hernandez at The Bank & Trust. I will be out of town at doctor appointments in October and JoAnn has kindly volunteered to book rentals when I am not around. Don't forget we could still use some help with lawn mowing and keeping the Miers Home clean and doing tours of same. If you would like to volunteer, call the office at 325-387-5084 when we are

open. Don't forget to Thank God for all the wonderful rain we have been getting. Saying thank you is just as important as saying please.

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Bradford Ross, a native of Tennessee, in 1902 and quit teaching in Omaha and went to Wyoming, her new husband's place of residence. Her husband was a very popular and well respected gentleman and was elected governor in the general election of 1922 and took office on January 1, 1923. He died while in office on October 2, 1924. One month before the general election of 1924, the Democratic nomination was accepted by Nellie Tayloe Ross to fill her husband's unexpired term. She was then elected over the Republican candidate and took office formally on January 25, 1925. Nellie Tayloe Ross got 42,932 votes to Republican E. J. Sullivan's 35,666. In 1926 Republican Frank Emerson had 35,651 votes to Nellie's 34,286 and she lost by 1,365 votes.

Mrs. Ross was a woman of understanding and charm and personality. Her term was conducted with dignity and poise and dispelled any illusions that a woman wasn't suited to hold high executive office. She was active after her time in office as National Vice Chairwoman of the Democratic Party.

In the Devil's River News of May 5, 1933 there is the following article: Mrs. Nellie Tayloe Ross, former woman governor of Wyoming and a girlhood resident of Sonora, Wednesday was sworn in as director of the United States Mint, one of he most important posts in the U.S. Treasury Department. She was reappointed director by President Roosevelt in March of 1938. She was highly respected through all her years in public office.

So our street signs are correct and now you know the history of the Tayloe name in Sonora.

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Now to set the record straight, once and for all, on who the first duly elected female governor, elected to a full term of office was: Miriam A. "Ma" Ferguson was inaugurated governor of Texas on January 20, 1925. On January 4, 1925, sixteen days prior to the inauguration of Mrs. Ferguson, Nellie Tayloe Ross was inaugurated as the Governor of Wyoming.

Q. Why is it so hard to find good metal antique pieces in the

dages, hats, gloves and sweaters for the war effort. Barns were cleaned out and everything not used was given to help our boys win the war.

Today we throw away so many things that could be recycled and reused by other people. We are clogging our dumps with materials that could go into making new items through recycling and cause less pollution in our atmosphere. Plastics, glass, cans, bottles, computers, oil, old lawnmowers, etc. all can be recycled. There are so many items that we might not have a use for that someone else might really need, yet we just throw them all out in the dumpster. America wastes more than any other nation. Which is probably why we have so many problems with clogged landfills, backed up sewer lines loaded with grease, and waste thrown along our highways.

If you look back into history you will find that many of your ancestors really cared about cleaning up Sonora. "The Woman's Club of Sonora" was a pioneer in cleaning up our streets and beautifying our town. Children were taught not to throw out trash on the streets. (Take a look at how many soda cans are thrown out of vehicles leaving the schools and how much trash from local eateries is thrown onto the highway on the way back to school.) They were shown how to wrap up their gum in paper and throw it into the proper trash container, not just dump it in the parking lot of a store or in front of church or school where unsuspecting people get it all over their shoes and track it into buildings. Grownups wouldn't sity. think of walking out of a store in the old days and throwing their paper or plastic bag, for the item they just bought onto the ground, and hopping into their vehicle and driving off. They wouldn't be so inconsiderate as to change a diaper on their child and be too lazy to take it to a trash container and just throw it under their vehicle or out the window. We would strongly suggest you follow the example of your ancestors and help keep Sonora clean. Mow your lawns, recycle, get rid of trash in your yards that draws snakes, mosquitos and other varmints.

The board has figured how the Mrs. M. M. Parkerson and improvements may be done and daughter, Miss Pearl, have gone everything else is under way. Get to San Marcos for the school sesbusy now and make Sonora your sioon. Miss Pearl is studying to home.

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bonds are sold, the present board children left Sunday for San An-

of trustees intend to make a park tonio on a few weeks visit to Mr.

of the grounds, Plant trees, fence |Barton's mother and family. Miss

the property, equip with water Earl Martin, daughter of Mr. and

and in other ways make the So- Mrs. Sid Martin, accompanied

-43-Thomas Bond was in town Tuesday to meet Miss Willie Mae James of Ballinger, who has accepted a position as governess. Miss James filled a similar position at the Bond ranch a few years proved by a donation from Mrs. ago but last year took a law James Hagerlund of a cross and course at the Texas University.

-43-Mrs. Joe Turney and daughter Miss Bertha, visited in San Angelo this week where Miss Bertha was treated for her eyes.

Miss Mattie, daughter of Mr and Mrs. R. H. Martin, has gone to San Angelo to attend the Convent School.

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Tuesday from a pleasure trip to T. B. Adams being in attendance. Plainview and Pecos. -13-

Misses Ruth and Ray Davis, and approved. daughters of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davis, left last week for schools in other towns.

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See the dry land exhibits at the First National Bank and add yours thereto. The exhibits at the First National Bank cannot be excelled and the suggestion has been made that the Sonora Country make an exhibit at the San Angelo fair.

Amor Whitehead left last Saturday for .Chicago where he will take a law course at the Univer-

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Aldwell expect to leave Monday for Boston where Mr. Aldwell will attend the American Banker's Convention. After which they will visit Washington where Mr. Aldwell will present the needs of the developers of West Texas for postal service. Mr. and Mrs. Aldwell will also visit their daughter, Mrs. John Lee Nisbet, in Davenport, Iowa, and friends in other points. They will be gone about three weeks.

be a school teacher and Mrs. Parkerson will be with her during that time.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Barton and

Rev. Richard Mercer will hold services at the Episcopal Church Sunday. The Church has been imthe donation of Mrs. W. L. Aldwell of an altar. -43-

The Honorable Commissioners Court of Sutton County, met in special session at the Court House. in Sonora, Monday, September 22, 1913, County Judge E. S. Briant presiding; Commissioners J. W. Fields, W. A. Miers and E. L. Martin of Precincts 1, 2, and 4 respectively being present, County Mrs. Josie McDonald returned Clerk' J. D. Lowrey and Sheriff The rolls of Tax Assessor, George J. Trainer were examined The petition of 94 land owners

asking for an election to determine the question of fever tick eradication was granted and the election was ordered held on Saturday, November 1, 1913. The petition asking for the closing of the street bordering on

the west side of the school house grounds was general. -13-



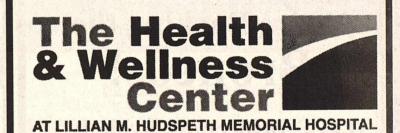
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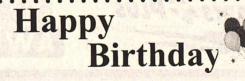
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Mission Impossible	16	2.67
Piggy Bank	12	2.4
Fat Busters	8	1.6
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Drinking Water in All Seasons

by The Dinner Diva, Leanne Ely soda leeches calcium from the

bones), obesity (an extra 300 calories a day—2 sodas-- will result in as much as a 30 pound

So there you have it, a quick

education on sodas. Diet sodas

aren't any better, btw. Here's a

paragraph from another Food

for Thought so we don't have to

Health Science Center in San

Antonio ran an eight year study to study the effects of soft drink

use. Sharon P. Fowler, MPH, who

ran the study, had this shocking

statement to say, "What didn't

surprise us was that total soft

drink use was linked to over-

weight and obesity. What was

surprising was when we looked

at people only drinking diet soft

drinks, their risk of obesity was

sumed, a person's risk of obesity

For each can of diet soda con-

Listen, Americans drink over

13 BILLION gallons of soda

each year. Don't you think it's

help take a million or so gallons

of this stuff off the market so we

can get healthier, leaner, stron-

"The University of Texas

a year weight gain!).

rerun it:

even higher."

habit.

mine a water!

went up 41%!!!"

As the weather starts to change, so can the habit of drinking our water. We think as the weather cools, we need less hydration. We start to think having a soda or two in place of our usual water won't hurt-it's not that hot out now. Well, you've had me harp on the water drinking before and yes, I'm going to do it again. Every time I turn around, there is a new study, new article or new information about how rotten these soft drinks are and how detrimental they are to your health. (I guess the people at Pepsi won't be calling me to be their spokesperson anytime soon!).

Did you know that soda consumption among American children has increased by 500% in the last 50 years? It's the biggest single source of sugar in the diet today. And after the age of 10, sodas are the most consumed beverage drunk daily-over water, milk or juice.

One 12 ounce can of soda contains 9 teaspoons of sugar. That is equal to about 1/4 cup of sugar and the average American drinks about 2 cans a day, equally 1/2 cup of sugar and 300 calories of negative nutrition. Get out your measuring cups and put 1/2 cup of sugar in it. Would you give this to anyone you love to eat??

The soda habit could push you a little closer to tooth decay (with all that sugar, you bet!), diabetes (ditto again on the sugar), osteoporosis (the phosphorus in

Keep

By Susan Hall

The Mighty Bronco Band and Keep Sonora Beautiful (KSB) are working together.

Blue recycle receptacles have been placed all around the SISD Bronco Stadium and at the dif-o ferent campuses. After the aluminum cans have been accumulated they will then be sorted by the band students, and then taken to be turned into cash, with all the funds benefiting the Mighty Bronco Band is helping band department.

the garbage containers. KSB also has more containers for our communities businesses to put to use in thier break rooms.

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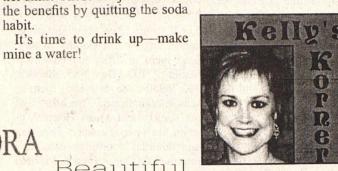
Middle School Principle Joe Young Welcomes Students and Parents with Open House



Sonora Middle School held their annual Open House with the theme of Parents as Partners on Tuesday, September 12, 2006. Principal Joe Young and his faculty/staff invited all parents, guardians and family members to attend. Mr. Young said that "We want as many parents, guardians, grandparents and other people that are interested in our student's education to attend our Open House. We feel that without parental support we cannot provide all of the necessary tools for our kids to succeed after they complete middle school. The faculty and I have the attitude that great things are going on up here at Sonora Middle School and we want to show them off to everyone in the community"

Parents as Partners consisted of parents/guardians walking to each of the student's classrooms and meeting with their student's teachers, and seeing first hand some of the work the students at the upon middle school are doing. Afterwards students and parents enjoyed time we quit the soda habit and a pot luck supper.

Texas Cooperative Extension Encourages Citizens to be Prepared ger, have better teeth and pret-tier skin? Those are just some of *Submitted by: Kelly L Thorp County Extension Agent-FCS Texas Cooperative Extension-Sutton County*



natural forces or terrorism. The fifth anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, the anniversary of hurricanes Katrina and Rita, and recent

wildfires all make this year's National Preparedness Month more meaningful for many Texans, said Janie Harris, Ex-

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tension officials will spend September

trying to help people statewide focus on being prepared for disaster – whether by

tension housing and environment specialist.

Extension will host numerous events around the state and offer a variety of instructional materials as part of the preparedness cam-paign, which is sponsored by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and the American Red Cross.

The Extension Disaster Education Network Web site at http://tex-sit ashelp.tamu.edu/ has information on topics from avian bird flu to no wildfires, much of it in English and Spanish.

Being disaster prepared is more than just knowing what to do indy case of a tornado or a fire - it's about preparing to be self-sufficient for at least 72 hours after a disaster," Harris said.

Extension materials can help families put together a 72-hour disaster supply kit for the home, office and car, she said, and provide/ information on developing and practicing a family emergency plan.

The site also teaches about community warning systems and evacuation routes, and provides information on getting involved and

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supporting community emergency preparedness, Harris said.

Preparation and plans need to be made in homes, businesses, schools, and on farms and ranches, said Kyle Smith, Extension associate director of county programs in Texas.

"In order for a family and a community to be prepared for a disaster, everyone needs to take the necessary steps to become disasterready," Smith said. "Get informed. Get prepared. Get involved."

Extension agents in each county will conduct programs throughout National Preparedness Week, Sept. 10-16, in conjunction with other emergency management officials, county judges and commissioners, and various volunteer organizations, Smith said.

In addition, Extension agriculture agents are working with county officials to establish a County Animal Issue Committee, Smith said.

Patriotism through Preparedness is an Extension youth curriculum for fourth-grade-level students and their families, Harris said. This curriculum is available in both English and Spanish on the Texas EDEN Web site.

The agency also offers free programs that teach life skills, basic money management and health and nutrition, all skills that may be needed on the road to recovery, she said.

Extension is in a unique position to respond quickly, because it has employees and volunteer programs in every county, Smith said.

Whether providing food for victims of the hurricanes or helping producers after wildfires this spring, Extension has been a part of many recovery efforts, he said.

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Bronco JV Red Shuts Out Colorado City Wolves

By Ray Glasscock

The Wolves kicked off to the Broncos. Relying totally on the run, it took eight plays to go 70 yards for the first touchdown of the game. Jordan McGuffin and Domingo Reynosa took turns ripping off long runs. McGuffin got the first touchdown as he carried a Wolf into the end zone and then just dropped him. The PAT kick failed due to a mishandled snap. The Broncos led 6 to 0 with 5:25 left in the first quarter.

defense and quickly tried to punt. The snap sailed over the punter's head and the Broncos had a short field. Reynosa got the second touchdown on a sweep to the left. Once again the PAT failed and the score was 12 to 0 with 3:29 left in the first quarter.

they tried to punt, the snap was once again high and the punter was tackled for a loss. McGuffin gained 15 yards on the belly G, and Reynosa got the TD on the pitch to the left. When the PAT failed, the score was 18 to 0 with 1:49 left in the first quarter.

The next Wolf possession faired little better. Mark Holman, Rudy Charo, and Isaac Quiroz snuffed out the Wolf runners. Just to prove that the third time is charmed false, the Wolf center once again sailed the ball over the punter's head.

Marcus Perez got his first carries of the game and he gained ood yardage. Colton Moore got the touchdown on the counter play. When the snap for the extra point was mishandled, Pecos Roberts just rammed his way into the end zone to complete a two point conversion. The score was 26 to 0 with 7:16 left in the third quarter.

After one first down, the Wolves were able to punt successfully. After several good runs by Perez, the Wolves were able to stop the Broncos when Van Winkle had the ball stripped from his hands. Mario Lira and Andy Galindo stuffed the Wolves and they were able to punt successfully once again. A score by McGuffin was called back on a Bronco penalty. The Wolf defense stepped up and stopped the Broncos when Van Winkle was sacked on fourth down.

On the first play of the fourth quarter, the Wolves fumbled and Galindo recovered. Five running plays later, Perez got the last touchdown on a two yard run. The PAT failed and the final score was 32 to 0.

The Wolf fans had something to cheer about as the Wolves were able to move the chains for three first downs. Reynaldo Gaytan ended the last Wolf drive with an interception.

8th Grade Colts **Power Over the C-City Wolves**

By Dean Dermody

The Wolves struck first by returning the opening kickoff with a 75 yard run by #5, JC Johnson. The Colts scored their first points with 1:30 left in the first quarter on a 15 yard scamper by #11, Shane Patlan. The first quarter ended with a score of 6-6.

At 3:26 of the second quarter, # 5, JC Johnson went 40 yards to score. Point after failed. The Colts came back with a 25 yard TD run by # 11, Shane Patlan. Point after failed, bringing the halftime score to 12-12

The Colts took charge in the 2nd half, controlling the ball for the majority of the 3rd quarter. With 1:10 left, #10, Ethan Morris scored on a 16 yard run after 2 touchdowns were called back on penalties. Patlan increased the Colt lead by scoring the 2 point conversion which put Sonora ahead 20-12. With: 22 remaining, C-City scored on a 40 yard run by Johnson. Sonora rebounded with a kickoff return of 75 yards by Morris, bringing the 3rd quarter to an end with Sonora in the lead, 26-18.

With 1:40 left in the game, the Colts closed out the scoring with a 5 yard TD run by Morris. The 2 point conversion was made by Refugio Sanchez, # 27; bring the final score to Colts 34, Wolves 18. The Colts have a record of 2-0 this season.

Broncos Remain Undefeated

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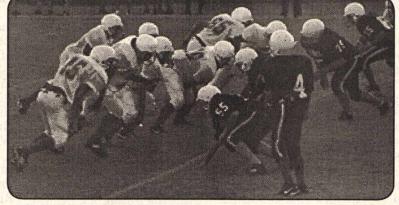
After the Bronco kickoff, Steven Lozano stuffed their first run. Two plays later, they punted back to the Broncos. Ramos quickly passed to Trevino who gained 40 yards to the Wolf 23 yard line. Pedro Gloria appeared to score on the next play as he ran around the right end of the Bronco line. A holding penalty on the Broncos took the points off the board. A pass to Gulley recovered the penalty JV-White team defeats Grape yardage plus enough to make it first and goal. Trevino rushed to the five, but another 15 yard penalty wiped it out. The Broncos were The under sized Wolves got their first taste of swarming Bronco not to be denied as Ramos hit Northcott on a middle screen and he leaped over two defenders for the score. Limon added one to make the score 21 to 0 at the half.

The Broncos kicked off to start the second half. The Bronco defense led by Craig Leonard and Michael Jenkins quickly forced the The third Wolf possession ended the same as the first. When Wolves to punt. The first Bronco series failed to make a first down, back Kris Aguero, bringing the and the Wolves started another offensive series. Dustin Duhon sacked their quarterback on first down. They lost yardage on the nities in the form of turnovers next two plays as Northcott and Agustine Vaquera each had tackles for loss. After an incompletion, they punted.

After one first down, the Broncos went back to punt. A high snap over the punter's head led to great field position for the Wolves. They still could not move against the Bronco defense as Leonard knocked down a fourth down pass in the end zone.

On the second play of the fourth quarter, Trevino broke free for another long gain. Jose Casillas added five more on a run up the middle. Ramos quick pitched the ball to Northcott who took it to the five yard line. Victor Vaquero got the touchdown on the counter. Limon finished a perfect night four for four and the final score of the game was 28 to 0.

This week the Broncos travel to Odessa Ratliff Stadium to play the Marfa Shorthorns. The game starts at 6:00 p.m. SATURDAY.



The Sonora 8th Grade Colts offense catches the Cororado City Wolves defense asleep and back on their heels as the Colts roll to a 34-18 victory. Photo courtesy of Louise Dermody

Sonora Filly Volleyball News

By Chap Traylor

The Fillies travelled to Tree of Life in San Angelo and get their game back on track.

Both JV and Varsity played with enthusiasm and intensity. Both teams exchanged the lead with Tree of Life throughout the matches. The Fillies straightened out their game from the service line eliminating points lost due to missed serves.

The Fillies challenged Tree of Life's offense, being able to dig and return spikes. The Fillies also mounted their own offense able to get the ball to the setters, providing the setters the opportunity to place the ball in position for spikes to Tree of Life.

Both the Filly JV and Varsity team succumbed to the maturity and experience of Tree of Life, but demonstrated what we have to look forward to as our girls gain those same qualities.

Sonora 7th Grade Colts Lose a Heartbreaker

Bronco JV-White Blanks Grape Creek

By Kel Thomas

For the second time in as many weeks, the Sonora Bronco Creek by a final score of 22-0. Both teams were held score-

less in the first quarter, as both Sonora and Grape Creek made outstanding defensive efforts.

The second quarter featured a touchdown by Bronco quarterscore to 6-0. Missed opportuplagued the Broncos, in the form of a fumble and an interception being thrown.

At the end of the first half of play, the Broncos were ahead 6-

The second half opened with both teams trading possessions before Dustin Neff scored bringing the score to 12-0. The two point conversion was good,

making the score 14-0.

A twenty yard touchdown scamper by quarterback Kris Aguero brought the score to 20-0, with the two point conversion successful the score was now 22-0.

Defensively, the Broncos rose to every occasion. Stopping the Grape Creek squad at every turn, forcing Grape Creek into long yardage situations time and time again.

The 2-0 Bronco JV-White will host Irion County, Thursday Sept.21 at 5:00 in Bronco Stadium. This is a good opportunity to see future varsity players in action, and watch the progression and growth of these fine young men.

A special thanks to Santiago Faz for providing a digital play by play account of the game.

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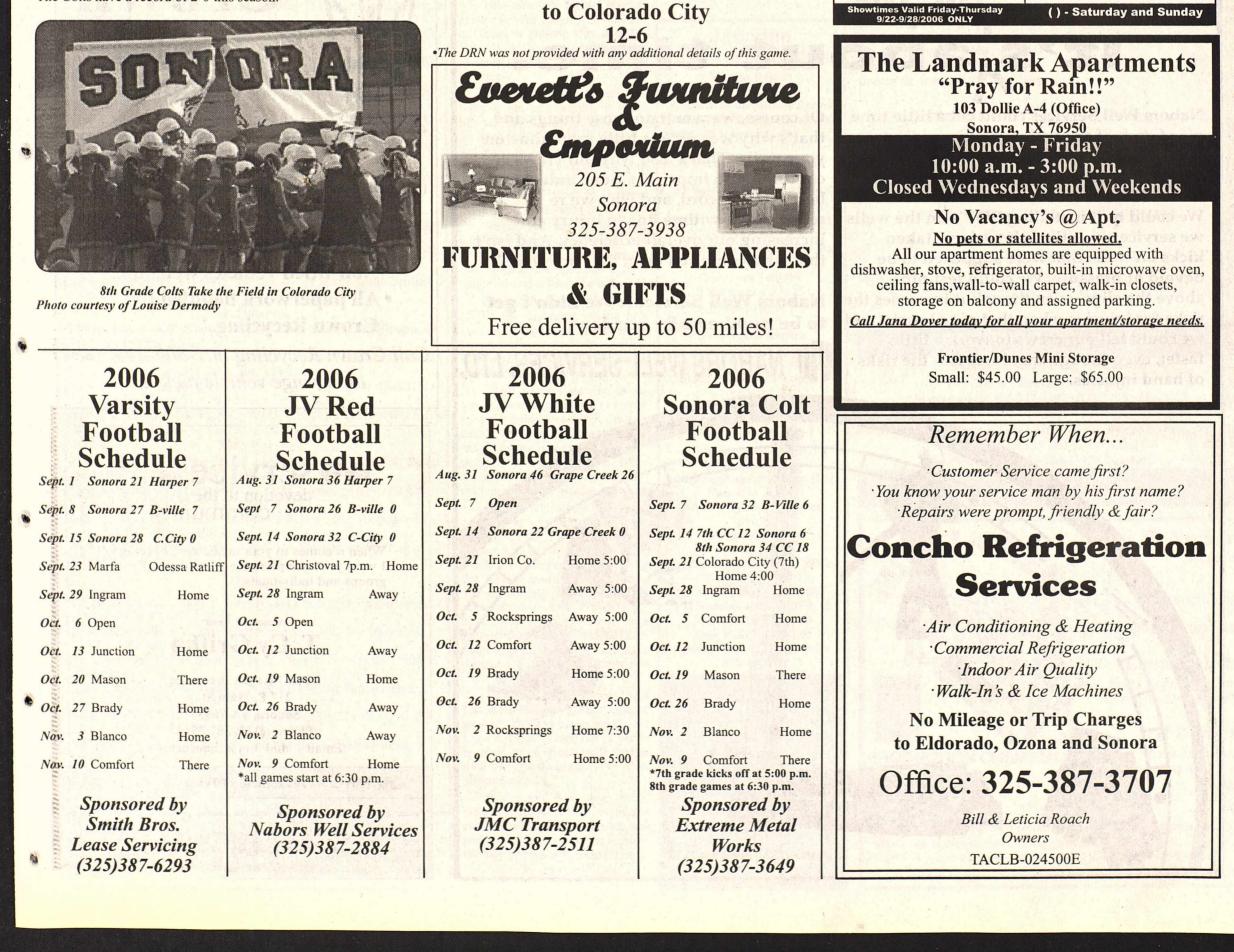
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Introducing the Devil's River News Opinion Page Where Sonorans Can Talk

Be Prepared to Vote

By Smith Neal

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With the November general elections just around the corner, voters need to be aware of some of the devices politicians use to persuade voters to vote for them and their proposals.

One of the often used devices is the "band wagon" device. Politicians often get community leaders to let them use their names in a list of voters who are supporting them. The propagandist who uses the "band wagon" device wants the readers to believe that everybody who is anybody is voting for this particular candidate. What he doesn't tell you is that one could compile a list of other influential people who are not voting for this candidate. Some people who value the secret ballot are hesitant to allow their names to be used in an advertisement supporting a certain candidate.

the time he went to vote just before the polls closed. When he went in, the election judge said: "Arch, we didn't think anyone else was coming to vote, so we have just finished counting the ballots." To which my dad said, "Then I will not vote." (A few ballots are supposed to be left in the ballot box until after the polls are closed). My dad's reaction showed how seriously he took the right to a secret ballot.

Another device the propagandist used is the "name calling" device. For example, a candidate may be called "a warmonthe reader to believe this candidate needlessly will get us into a war and keep us in a war.

A candidate may be called a propagandist wants his readers to believe all this candidate wants to do if elected is raise taxes and spent the county into debt. Inflation and upkeep on learn the candidates and what government to the extent that an we can cast an intelligent ballot.

increase in taxes and fees may be absolutely necessary.

The voter should not just close his eyes and shift his mind into neutral, but he should think about the methods the propagandist is using to persuade him to vote for a certain candidate.

Other propaganda devices that the propagandist used are as follows: The "glittering generalities" device, the "transfer" device, the "testimonial" device, and "plain forks" device, and the "card stacking" device.

Just because a candidate is a Democrat doesn't mean he is all bad or all good. There was a time (not so long ago) in Texas that a Democrats controlled all public offices. That has changed in Texas. We are now a two-party state. There are obviously good and bad candidates in both par-

My dad always voted a I recall hearing my dad tell of straight Democratic ticket. Others always voted a straight Republican ticket.

In the past, in Texas, if one wanted to have a voice in local elections, one had to vote in the Democratic Primary. Now that we have a two-party state, party affication may mean more than it did in the past.

A voter should think seriously about why he is voting for a certain candidate: but more importantly a voter should vote. Voting a secret ballot is a right we have in the U.S., and we should take this right, this duty, seriously. We should vote in every elecger." The propagandist wants tion. We should vote for whom we want to vote and not just vote for whom our friends vote.

I always like to get a sample ballot before I go to vote so that "tax and spent" candidate. The I can know who the candidates are and know before election day how I am going to mark my ballot.

We should make the effort to facilities has affected the cost of they would do if elected. Then

Selling America Piece by Piece

By Lawrence L. Swanberg

As our Federal Government moves us closer to bankruptcy, Americans would be shocked to learn that foreign organizations are buy- By Kel Thomas ing our infrastructure at an alarming rate.

Recently a Spanish-Australian group paid \$3.8 billion for the fast approaching, maybe it's rights to lease an Indiana toll road. This vitally important asset built time to do a little research on the by U.S. taxpayer dollars will now be stuffing the coffers of foreign issues, instead of voting strictly interests. Indiana residents will be facing higher taxes to replace along party lines. As a long time this lost revenue. Most likely, this will come in the form of floating public bonds.

Other states have participated in selling off infrastructure, for example, an Australian company's lease of a Virginia highway, and a Spanish-American partnership leasing a Texas toll road from Austin to Seguin.

Americans were infuriated to learn of the Dubai ports deal, however, only six-months later congress allowed the Arab nation of Oman to operate U.S. ports. To learn more about this sellout of America visit www.thenewamerican.com and read the article "America For Sale" for more information on this dangerous practice.

We must immediately contact our representatives and demand they oppose this selling of infrastructure piece by piece.

Obituary

Today we mourn the passing of a beloved old friend, Common Sense, who has been with us for many years. No one knows for sure how old he was since his birth records were long ago lost in bureaucratic red tape.

He will be remembered as having cultivated such valuable lessons as knowing when to come in out of the rain, why the early bird gets the worm, life isn't always fair, and maybe it was my fault. Common Sense lived by simple, sound financial policies (don't spend more than you earn) and reliable parenting strategies (adults, not children, are in charge).

His health began to deteriorate rapidly when well intentioned but overbearing regulations were set in place. Reports of a six-yearold boy charged with sexual harassment for kissing a classmate; teens suspended from school for using mouthwash after lunch; and a teacher fired for reprimanding an unruly student, only worsened his condition.

Common Sense lost ground when parents attacked teachers for doing the job they themselves failed to do in disciplining their unruly children.

It declined even further when schools were required to get parental consent to administer Panadol, sun lotion or a Band Aid to a student - but could not inform the parents when a student became pregnant and wanted to have an abortion.

Common Sense lost the will to live as the Ten Commandments became contraband, churches became businesses, and criminals received better treatment than their victims.

Common Sense took a beating when you couldn't defend your- political flow of the state, he self from a burglar in your own home and the burglar can sue you for assault. (Not true in Texas!!!).

Common Sense finally gave up the will to live after a woman failed to realize that a steaming cup of coffee was hot. She spilled a little in her lap, and was promptly awarded a huge settlement.

Common Sense was preceded in death by his parents, Truth and Trust; his wife, Discretion; his daughter, Responsibility; and his son, Reason.

November General Election Will Be Here Before You **Know It**

With the November elections supporter of the Republican party in local, state and national races, this year I must look beyond party lines, especially in the race for Governor. *

As disillusioned as I currently am with the "top dog" in Austin, I'm almost to the point of anyone but Rick Perry. That will change as I get to know the other candidate's stands on the issues.

The one issue that has gotten me really hot is the Trans Texas Corridor project, that was railroaded through the Texas legislature.

For those who might argue that this is an I-35 and east Texas issue, it has ramifications for all of Texas.

The current head of the Texas Transportation Commission is Ric Williamson, an appointee and crony of Gov. Rick Perry. Here are a few quotes from Mr. Williamson.

1."in your lifetime most existing roads will have tolls"-Transportation Commissioner Ric Williamson (October 11, 2004)

2."It's either toll roads, slow roads or no roads"- Transportation Commissioner Ric Williamson (May 2004)

3."The Governor did ask us to move quickly and as I have personal relationship with the Governor, I can speak with [for] him in this regard. Once the Governor decided that this is where we needed to head, he wanted to remove it from the wanted it to become policy as opposed to politics, and that was one of the reasons he asked us to move so fast, and we've done an admirable job" - Chairman Ric Williamson, Texas Transportation Commission meeting (June 27, 2002).

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ity to create public debt. And this is a biggie,

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You may ask, what does this have to do with the November elections?

The answer is everything. There is so much public and political opposition to this plan, a change in Governor would basically kill this terrible project and require the appointment of a new chairman of the Transportation Commission.

Carol Keeton Strayhorn says she is opposed to the plan. She must have changed her mind, since the project was her idea in the beginning.

Kinky is certainly against it, as is the Democrat Chris Bell of Abilene, who is beginning to look like the most viable choice as Governor.

There are certainly the usual hot political topics such as stem cell research, abortion, immigration, energy, and so on, that are constant in any election year campaign.

If the corridor project is not enough for you, consider the complete and utter chaos our education system in Texas is currently experiencing, and the failure of the Perry administration to resolve even the most basic of these concerns.

Research the project. A good place to start is:

www.corridorwatch.org If you don't have access to a computer. go to the library or find someone who does, and find out for yourself.

Most of all, exercise your right and privilege to vote.

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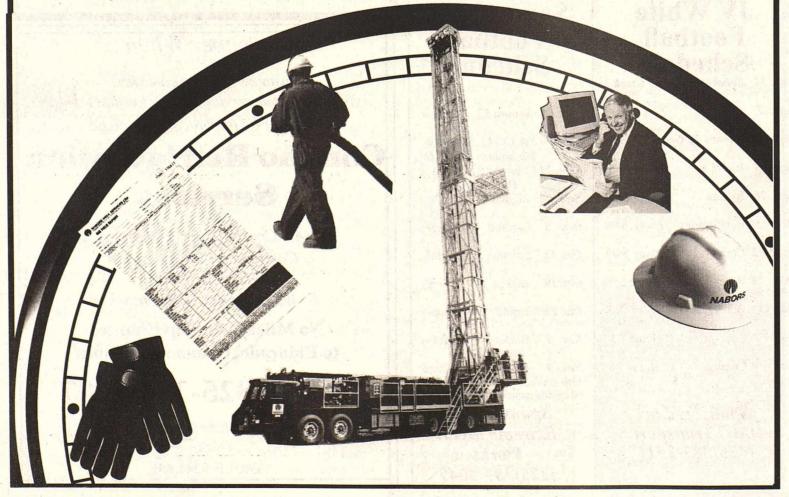
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Seminar on Pest Management By Pascual Hernandez Texas Cooperative Extension Agent-Ag Sutton County Dealing with insects is a constant struggle. They can affect technique will eventually fail. us everywhere- in lawns, trees,

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gardens, and even in our homes. During summer, we have to contend with grubs, borers, ants, and many non-insect pests such as ticks, spiders, and scorpions. This time of year, it's hickory score of others. Drought condisect activity this year. There has been little standing water and

few weeds. With the recent rain,

however, that should change. When considering insects, we use the term "pest management" rather than "pest control" because we know from experience that there is no way to totally be rid of unwanted pests. We can merely attempt to keep their numbers low and minimize their damage. When we use pest management there are two important principles to remember: 1. The mere presence of a pest is no reason to attempt control. 2. Reliance on a single control

We know that complete reliance on pesticides will not be effective. In order to manage pests and their damage, we need to use an integrated approach. To address our pest control options, Dr. Noel Troxclair, Extenshuckworm, army worms, and a sion Entomologist, will conduct a Pest Management Seminar at tions have likely suppressed in- the Sutton County Civic Center on September 25. He will offer information on managing the Angora goats exhibited for many various pests which affect us and discuss a fire ant control demonstration which was initiated at while popular, concentrate on our local golf course. Dr. Troxclair will also answer questions fiber production. regarding the various pest problems which you may have.

The program begins at 6:00 p.m. and offers 1 continuing education unit (C.E.U.) in the integrated pest management category for those with a pesti-Sutton County Extension Office meat animals. Goats are shown at 387-3101 to register.

Dead Deer Found in **Some West Central Texas** Counties

By Steve Byrns, 325-653-4576 sbyrns@tamu.edu Contact: Dr. Dale Rollins, 325-653-4576 drollins@tamu.edu

SAN ANGELO - With deer season just around the corner, deer experts are concerned about reports of an unusually high number of dead deer in several West Central Texas counties.

Dr. Dale Rollins, Texas Cooperative Extension wildlife specialist at San Angelo, said most of the calls he has received are from Schleicher County landowners who have found dead deer at water sources.

Angora Goat Futurity Adds Another Show Option for 4-H and FFA Youth Exhibitors

Writer: Steve Byrns, 325-653-4576 s-byrns@tamu.edu, Contact: Zane Willard, 325-655-3161 zane@mohairusa.

com. SAN ANGELO - Oct. 1 is the deadline to buy animals for the Junior Angora Wether Goat Futurity.

The show, originally spearheaded by the Mohair Council of America, has drawn much interest among the 4-H and FFA youth exhibitor crowd since it debuted at the San Angelo Stock Show last February, said Zane Willard, the council's executive director.

"This is a new way for the council and breeders to promote Angora goats as a market animal and not just as a fiber producer," Willard said. "There have been years, at San Angelo and other major shows, but those events, breeding stock suited mainly for

is a true market animal show, but actually learn something about with a twist. Within the space the business; about pricing and of a few hours, the animals are shown in full fleece, the top 10 animals from each class are animal objectively. They learn shorn onsite, and then shown what the industry is looking for cide applicator license. Call the again out of the fleece as market in one of three separate weight classes determined after the animal is weighed in at the show."

> score is calculated from the animal's meat-producing body conthe mohair fleece, Willard said.

10 animals in each class are weighed, micron tested for fineness, and analyzed objectively with scientific instruments to determine the characteristics and value of each fleece.," he said. "Each fleece is given a value and placing based on real market mohair prices on the day of the show. The idea is to exhibit an animal that can place high in both body conformation and fleece. The combined score determines the overall winner." Dr. Chris Lupton, animal fiber researcher with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station in San Angelo, oversees the fleece analysis.

fleeces and measuring samples for fineness with instruments permits us to make accurate estimates of the fleece value," Lupton said. "The program gives the young people a better appreciation for multiple facets of the Angora goat business, including maintenance and nutrition, fiber production, harvesting, mohair quality and marketing as well as the traits that are important for meat production.

"This new program for Angora wethers and the Ewe Lamb Futurity at San Angelo coordinated by Dr. Frank Craddock, are two of the most demanding and educational programs we offer at the San Angelo Stock Show," he said.

Craddock, state Texas Cooperative Extension sheep goat specialist at San and Angelo, said the futurities have much to offer.

"It's more than just buyproduction. The Angora Goat Futurity ing and showing an animal," Craddock said. "The youngsters management. We're teaching them how to identify that top in terms of the best meat and fiber producers. That's what makes this competition totally unique to anything that's out there. It's more 'real world' than Seventy percent of the total the other competitions if you

want to get right down to it." Several top Angora goat formation and 30 percent from breeders are now preparing reasonably priced animals for The fleeces from those top young people interested in competing in the futurity, Willard said

> "This takes a real commitment on the part of these breeders," Willard said. "These producers are in the breeding-goat business, but they have agreed to sell a few wethers from the ranks of animals they would normally sell as breeding stock. There is also some management involved because the goats must be shorn by a certain date, then fed and kept long enough for the young buyers to see the type of hair they will produce."

Joe David Ross of Sonora is one of those breeders.

"Weighing the freshly shorn and maybe make a little money over their expenses. It's a very unusual type of competition with a lot of educational qualities about it.

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"We as breeders are hoping we can promote a greater interest and awareness of the Angora goat through this program. I also hope we can use the show as a way to get some of the breeders to think more about reaching out and getting new people involved with raising Angora goats, and not just about fiber production."

Willard said prices for futurity animals are about \$100 per head.

"Prices for meat goat and lamb wethers can easily jump to hundreds of dollars, and in some cases can exceed \$1,000 per head," he said. "This futurity is not at that level, though our prize money at San Angelo this year was comparable to the other shows. The grand champion Angora goat wether earned \$1,000 and the reserve champion placing paid \$500. I think the grand champion meat goat brought \$2,000 this year at San Angelo, so we're in the ballpark. We're not in the premium sale yet with this show, but hopefully interest will continue to grow and that will come in time. Also, this is not a terminal show, which means the youngster is free to keep the animal."

The average Angora goat's temperment makes them ideal show animals for younger exhibitors, who can easily become intimidated by the more athletic and active meat goats and market lambs, Willard said. The show holds an appeal for veteran goat exhibitors because it gives them another chance to show a market animal, he added.

Willard said that to enter the futurity, that either an exhibitor's Extension agent or agricultural teacher must validate the goats were shorn on or after Aug.1, and that the animal was owned by the exhibitor on or before Oct. 1.

For more information on the futurity and breeders currently supporting the show, contact the Mohair Council of America at 325-655-3161.

For information on having "I think the futurity has a lot a futurity added to your show, of potential,"Ross said. "I hope contact Willard at 325-655-it will remain a less-expensive 3161, zane@mohairusa.com



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The affected region encompasses an area roughly from Eden to Ozona to Sterling City, said Dr. Don Davis, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station veterinary pathobiologist.

"While some level of deer mortality is not newsworthy, it looks like we have a hotspot developing for epizootic hemorrhagic disease," Rollins said. "Epizootic hemorrhagic disease is a viral disease very similar to bluetongue in sheep and cattle, but EHD tends to be most common in white-tailed deer.

"When you see an abnormal number of dead deer in August and September, and the mortalities are near water holes, epizootic hemorrhagic disease is often the culprit."

Davis agreed with Rollins that so far, the first-hand reports he's received are consistent with Bluetongue and/or epizootic hemorrhagic disease which cause hemorrhagic disease in white-tailed deer.

"Both diseases are viral in nature and both are vectored or spread by small biting flies called Culicoides." Davis said. "Epizootic hemorrhagic disease is seen clinically only in white-tailed deer while Bluetongue can affect other species, including sheep and exotics.

"To my knowledge, only one necropsy by a veterinarian has been made," he said "I have had conversations with wildlife biologists and ranchers with experience or training that have observed signs, symptoms and particularly the gross lesions consistent with both diseases. So, bottom line is, it appears to be a fairly widespread outbreak of Bluetongue or epizootic hemorrhagic disease. But we cannot entirely rule out other diseases."

Davis said Bluetongue Virus and epizootic hemorrhagic disease are not a threat to public health, but since a definite diagnosis is yet to be made, extreme caution should be used when handling dead deer in the affected area.

Rollins said deer deaths attributed to epizootic hemorrhagic disease are seasonally predictable, but unpredictable about where mortalities will crop up from year to year.

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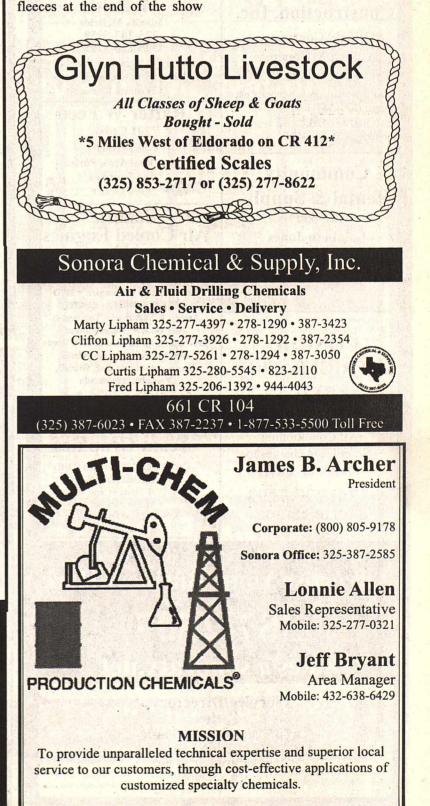
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way for young people to stay involved with show animals. As the prices stand today, the kids can sell their animals and their

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Arrest(s)

September 12, 2006

• 5:33 PM: Noe Anthony Rodriguez, 29 years old from San Angelo, Texas was arrested for an out of jurisdiction warrant from Tom Green County (San Angelo, Texas) for a probation violation.

September 14, 2006

• 4:30 PM: Alisa Desiree Carr, 40 years old from New Braunfels, Texas was arrested for Theft (Shoplifting) • 4:30 PM: Albert Jason Shelton, 30 years old was arrested for Theft (Shoplifting) • 8:15 PM: Christopher Gutierrez, 29 years old from Sonora, Texas was arrested for a Sutton County warrant for failure to appear for Possession of a Controlled Substance.

September 16, 2006

• 6:20 PM: Randal Ruiz, 20 years old from Menard, Texas was arrested for Possession of a Controlled Substance over 1 gram less than 4 grams. • 9:35 PM: Mary Jo White House, 24 years old from Sonora, Texas was arrested for traffic violations and Possession of a Controlled Substance over 4 grams less than 200 grams.

Incidents:

September 11, 2006

8:44 AM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded. • 2:52 PM: Caller requested to speak to an officer. Officer notified. • 6:40 PM: Caller reported an 18-wheeler blocking traffic. Officer responded. • 10:20 PM: Burglary alarm. Officer responded.

• 8:20 PM: Burglary alarm. Officer responded.

• 4:55 PM: Caller reported an

18-wheeler illegally parked at

a business. Officer responded.

September 13, 2006

September 12, 2006

• 2:39 PM: Caller reported suspicious vehicles. Officer responded. • 5:45 PM: Ambulance escort.

Officer responded. • 6:45 PM: Caller requested an officer at residence. Officer responded. • 8:00 PM: Caller requested

assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded. • 8:55 PM: Caller reported loud music. Officer responded.

September 14, 2006

• 1:15 PM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded. • 2:05 PM: Caller reported a skunk in animal trap. Animal Control Officer responded. • 2:27 PM: Caller reported a lost item. Officer notified. • 4:08 PM: Caller reported a theft from a business. Officer responded.

• 11:50 PM: Caller reported loud music. Officer responded.

September 15, 2006

• 5:55 PM: Caller reported vandalism on vehicles. Officer responded. • 8:55 PM: Caller requested an officer at business. Officer responded.

September 17, 2006

• 11:30 PM: Caller reported two suspicious vehicles. Officer responded.

Little Johnny

Little Johnny was attending his first day of school. The teacher advised the class to start the day with the pledge of allegiance, and instructed them to buttocks. "Little Johnny, I will put their right hands over their not continue until you put your hearts and repeat after him. He hand over your heart.'

allegiance to the flag "When his eyes fell upon Little Johnny, he noticed his

hand over the right cheek of his

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Of Duct Tape, Baling Wire and **WD-40**

By Julie Carter

There are some constants for the rodeo clown. survival that every country girl learns to utilize beyond feminine charm and tough grit.

In the years of hauling down the road - that's rodeo talk for paying entry fees, driving hundreds of miles to perform in the rodeo arena for a few seconds and then driving home - I often found a need for basics in emergency management.

Three items consistently required for crisis control were duct tape, baling wire and WD-40. With those items you could fix anything short of an amputated limb.

The duct tape covered an assortment of ills ranging from the horse's splint boot that wouldn't stay fastened to the pickup tail light lens that refused to stay in place.

Duct tape could cover a split in a radiator hose, mark the rented stall as "taken" or pad a spot that was poking somewhere or something it shouldn't. I was decades ahead of not-yet-invented Homeland Security in my use of duct tape to seal the ills of the world (road dust) out of the camper.

If the rodeo went badly, it also was an adequate "For Sale" sign placed prominently across the rear end of the horse you shouldn't have bought in the first place.

Baling wire is a generic term for any kind of wire of usable size to fix all those things you didn't get around to replacing, welding or repairing in a proper manner. Sometimes called the "poor man's welding rod," no self-respecting horse trailer or pickup truck should be without it for emergency repairs of the wiring kind.

It works well for vehicle mechanical repair (tying up the muffler that just fell off), horse equipment repair (the headstall that broke as your name is being called to compete) and tying the dog to the trailer hitch because she slipped her collar and bit

attempts to get Little Johnny to comes to visit, she picks me up, put his hand over his heart, the pats me here, and says, 'bless teacher asked, "Why do you your little heart,' and my Grand-Little Johnny replied, "It is think that is your heart?"

WD-40 literally stands for water displacement, 40th attempt. That is the name straight out of the lab book used by the chemist who developed WD-40 in 1953 when he was trying to concoct a formula to prevent corrosion. The result was a multi-purpose problem solver that has thousands of uses and even comes with a medical warning for those that spray it on their body joints to treat arthritis.

Life is easier with WD-40 around and in those times when the handyman jack wouldn't jack and the trailer hitch jack was immovable, nothing was more valuable than that yellow and blue can of magic.

Unless of course you were Barbara.

Barbara, my friend and hauling partner, didn't need emergency backup for anything. Barbara was beautiful, very feminine with a smile and figure that stopped traffic. Perfectly coiffed at all times, she had long nails, little need for makeup, and a natural charm that emanated like sonar.

While I was cussing and beating the lug nuts off a flat horse trailer tire with all the brute strength I could muster, Barbara would step to the front of the rig and wring her lovely hands in distress. In a nano-second four linebacker-sized cowboys would appear and with a cowboy drawl say, "Can we help you out there little lady?"

Shoving me out of the way like a pesky weed, they would bodily lift the trailer, fix the tire and leave for the rodeo dance with Barbara on their arm like a prize trophy.

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I'd simply watch in amazement and put the jack, WD-40 and duct tape back in the tack compartment.

A thousand times since I have wondered when I missed the "Hand Wringing 101" class.

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looked around the room as he started the recitation, "I pledge over my heart." After several cause every time my Grandma



Six Perils of Retirement

By David Corbett

You couldn't wait to retire. Now you've done it, and your life feels unhinged. Your calendar and email in-box are empty. Your spouse wants you to do anything that involves leaving the house. And you feel guilty for not being productive.

Welcome to retirement. Even those who work part-time after leaving a primary career, as most people now do, face major logistical and psychological challenges. Retirees who don't anticipate these landmines may learn about them the hard way. But you can prepare for them,

Here are six pockets of turbulence and suggestions for how to avoid them.

1. Where did the time go? Retired people often say they've never been so busy in their lives. But there's a difference between being busy, on the one hand, and on the other, being engaged in doing things that satisfy, help us grow as human beings, or enable us to help others. You may ask, "How did I get swept up in a bunch of activities that, to be honest, don't excite me all that much?" Certain activities, considered alone, may be good and worthwhile. But what about other demands on your time? Everyone has to strike a balance between commitments and keeping the flexibility that lets us remain in control of our time. A key rule is to reject demands on your time that don't fit your short- or long-term goals.

2. "I used to be . . ." People often make the mistake of allowing themselves to be defined by their careers. If they fail to diversify, they pay the price-unhappiness-when a career is pulled away. For a driven type person who was a top corporate executive, it might take a while to get over the social awkwardness of not defining oneself by one's career. In reality, you don't lose your identity when you quit a job. You lose that identity; and you shed one of your identities. But you who you fully are, inside, as a human being, is deeper. Look at your identity

as a work-in-progress that evolves with you. Ask questions you may have thought were answered once and for all. Who am I? Do I matter? What can I do? New answers yield new purposes when the old underpinnings are pulled away.

3. Loss of work-related social bonds. Even if you're making new friends, a key set of relationships with people in your life have changed. Not facing this reality and, as a result, not taking time for proper closure with these relationships, can leave you feeling rejected when former colleagues don't call you up. That isolation can prevent you from moving forward in your life. Build your new networks before you leave your job. Find new social circles. Turn to family and old friends for support-and to new friends and colleagues as well.

4. Loss of support systems. This one is hard for people who had secretaries, lots of high-tech office tools to keep them on track and assistants to whom they could delegate tasks. They may lack the discipline or support they need to get through the day seamlessly. Having to replace the ink cartridge in the printer or make their own travel arrangements can drive them crazy. Self-reliance is simply the cost of leaving your job. You have to develop these skills. Yes you have to think big and follow dreams-but you may need to change the toner cartridge, too.

5. Fractured households. Marital strain often follows retirement, which reshapes intimate relationships. When both spouses are "home alone" everyday, tensions often arise. Work keeps spouses apart for much of the week. But removing a job doesn't mean that the couple has to spend every minute together. Discuss this with your marital partner beforehand. Figure out how much time you need alone. Decide which activities will be done jointly and which individually. Sparks can also fly when one spouse is primed to de-emphasize work and the other

wants to keep putting in long hours. Most women who entered the workforce 1970 to 2000 did so after age thirty-five. Having begun careers later, they're not ready at the same chronological age as some men to dream new dreams-or cast off as camp cook in a big RV. By being open about your feelings and respectful of others you can minimize these strains. Recognize the need to amend preconceived plans and find some middle ground when choices conflict. If it seems tough, remember that we're dealing with essentially a new stage of the marital relationship.

6. Guilt. You may feel as though you are cheating your family out of money by not working. Instead of enjoying a movie during the afternoon, you may feel as though you should be at work. Among men, guilt may be linked to a socially conditioned premise that a man who is not productive is not a man. Remember, lots of terrible people have been very productive. And many poets, mystics and saints who left the world better than they found it appeared to do nothing. If you want to feel productive, give some full attention to your gifts, needs and goals, perhaps to the benefit of others. Examine your assumptions. Enjoy whatever you do.

People who have it toughest during the post-career phase of life generally did not anticipate, prepare or plan for it. Sadly, people are still deluded into thinking that rest, leisure, and recreation will be enough or that retirement will evolve by itself. They are at risk of being bored and without a purpose. Find a passion. Live that passion. It may add years to your life.

Finally, remember to introduce change bit by bit. Challenge so-called "facts" and be willing to change habits. See life as new each and every day. Be grateful for it. Find ways to stay energized and optimistic. The evidence shows that such an attitude can make a difference.

Sonora High School Students of the Week Sept. 18th

By Emily Newton

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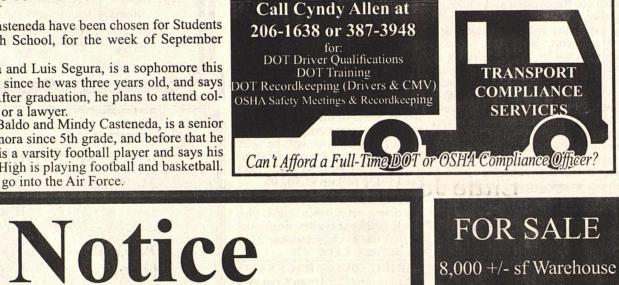
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Raul Segura and Austin Casteneda have been chosen for Students of the Week at Sonora High School, for the week of September 18th.

Raul Segura, son of Linda and Luis Segura, is a sophomore this year. He has lived in Sonora since he was three years old, and says he enjoys being in school. After graduation, he plans to attend college to be a diesel mechanic or a lawyer.

Austin Casteneda, son of Baldo and Mindy Casteneda, is a senior this year. He has lived in Sonora since 5th grade, and before that he lived in El Paso, Texas. He is a varsity football player and says his favorite thing about Sonora High is playing football and basketball. After graduation he plans to go into the Air Force.



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The Sonora City Council is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on September 26, 2006 at 5:00 PM at 201 E. MAIN.





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NOTICE is hereby given that Sutton

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is now accepting applications for a part-time janitorial position. Ap-

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CITY OF SONORA TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM The City of Sonora is giving notice of the City's intent to submit a Community Development Block Grant Fund application for a grant from the Texas Community Development Block Program. The grant application request is \$199,999.00 for city-wide sewer system improvements. The application is available for review at City Hall during regular business hours.

Public Notice

CITY OF SONORA City Council Regular Meeting 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 19, 2006 City Hall 201 E. Main Sonora, Texas 76950 All items are subject to action **ADDENDUM TO ITEMS** 1. Consider purchase of two (2) chassis for Fire Department 2. Consider donation of funds from Fire Department for reimbursement of (1) chassis

Public Notice

INVITATION FOR BIDS FOR **FUEL FROM A DISPENS-**ING CONTRACTOR FOR THE MUNICIPAL

FLEET NOTICE is hereby given that the City of Sonora will receive bids for fuel from a **Dispensing Contractor for** the Municipal Fleet that has a fuel security system operating within close vicinity of the city. Envelopes should be sealed and marked "FUEL BIDS" and shall be received in the office of the City Secretary, City Hall, 201 E. Main, Sonora, Texas 76950 no later than 2:00 p.m. on September 25, 2006, at which time bids shall be opened publicly and read aloud. Bid specifications are available by calling the City Secretary's Office at (325) 387-2558. The City Council has the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

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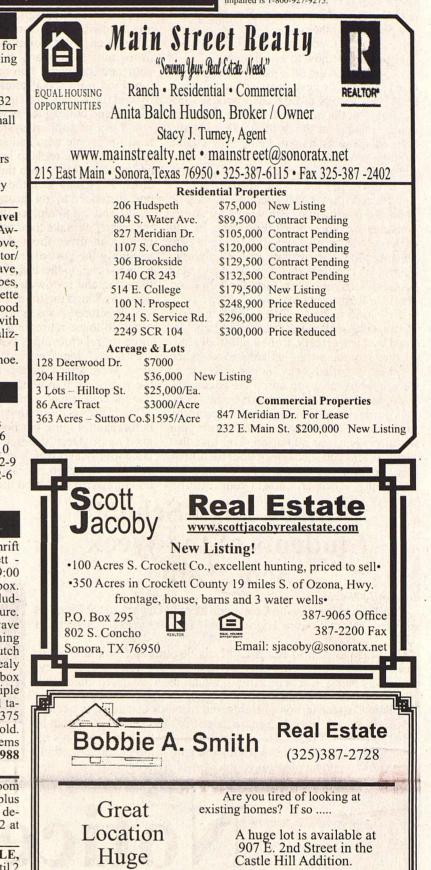
\$150 Beckham Hill 3/2.5 for 2-10 \$165 Beckham Cabin 4/2 sleeps 2-9 \$125 The Bare Bear 2/2 sleeps 2-6 Call 505-257-9171 or 505-257-7577

Garage Sale

Moving Sale at JuneDang's Thrift & Book Store, 305 S. Crockett -387-3525: Thursday - Saturday 9:00 5:00; some items sold by the box. All donated items \$1 - \$5 excluding some pictures/frames/furniture. Kitchen gas stove \$25; microwave \$15; convection oven \$25; Dining room table/8 chairs (\$800) & hutch (\$400) firm; king size bed Sealy Posturpedic frames/mattress/box springs \$100; bedroom set triple dresser, chest of drawers, 2 end tables & full/queen headboard \$375 (firm); Store fixtures will be sold. Left over donated & yard sale items will be given away at 4:00. 1988 Ford F-150 pickup \$1,600.00

5 Family Yard Sale, living room set, dining set, kitchen items, plus size to childrens clothes, linens, decor and lots more, September 22 at 719 St. Anns, 8 a.m. - ???

BIG! BIG! BIG! GARAGE SALE, Saturday, Sept. 23rd from 8 a.m. til 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 24th from 8 a.m. til 12 noon, 3 family sale, clothes,



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Teresa Caldwell

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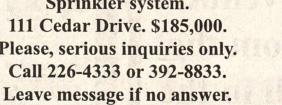
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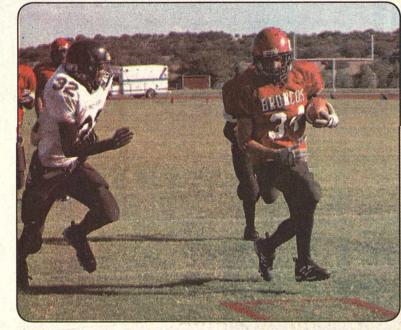
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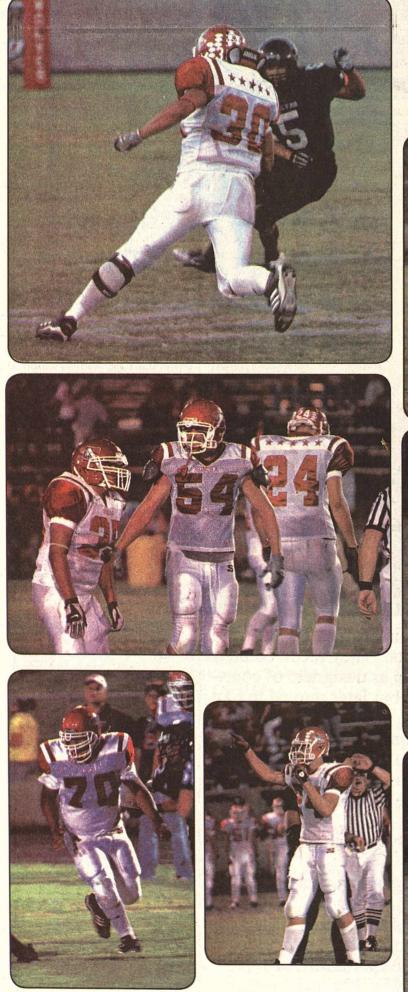
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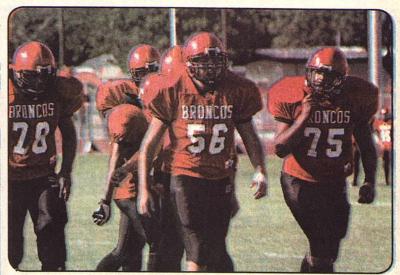


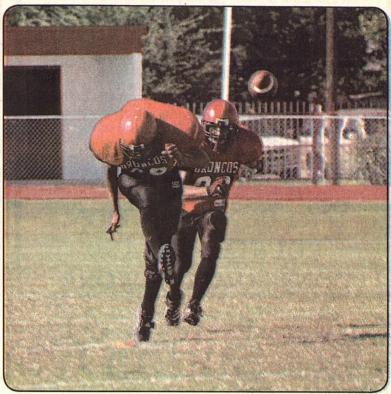


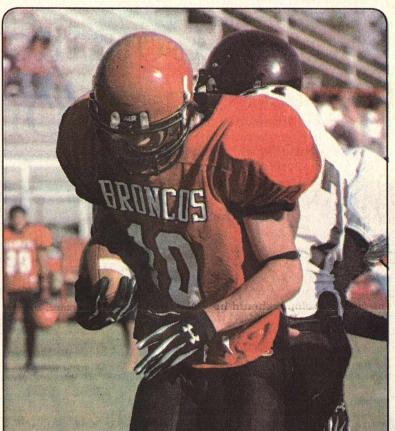


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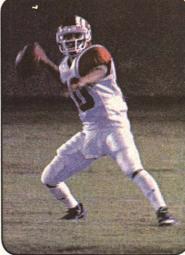




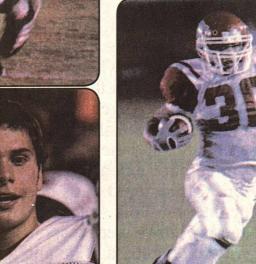




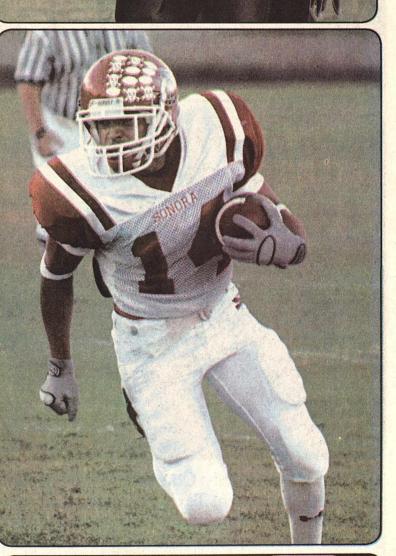












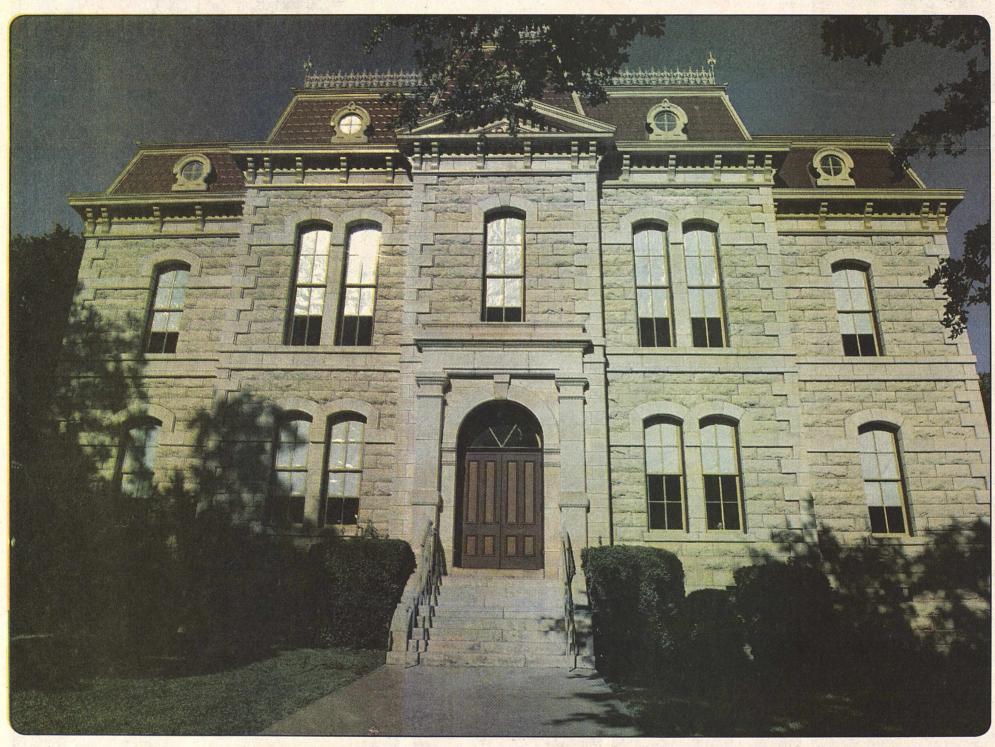


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Courthouse Restored To Its Original Beauty



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The Sutton County Courthouse was designed by Oscar Ruffini of San Angelo. Oscar and his brother, F.E. Ruffini were both prominent Texas architects. They were born in Cleveland, Ohio of immigrant parents. They received their architectural training while working in firms in Ohio and Indiana. They were both chiefly known as designers of courthouses. F.E. came to Texas in 1876 and opened an office in Austin. Oscar joined him in 1879, but later moved to San Angelo in 1884.

The brothers Ruffini were both prominent in Texas architecture during the later part of the nineteenth century. Born in Cleveland, Ohio, of immigrant parents, they received their architectural training in firms in Ohio and Indiana. In 1876, F.E. Ruffini opened an office in Austin, where two years later he was joined by his brother. Before becoming established in Austin, Oscar worked for a time in the firm of E.E. Myers of Detroit, Michigan, the architect of the Texas state capitol. In 1884, Oscar moved to San Angelo.

The Ruffini's developed the Mansard roof of the Second empire style for the Blanco County Courthouse in 1885, the Concho County Courthouse in 1886, and the Sutton County Courthouse in 1891.

Recently, our courthouse has undergone extensive renovation. The first phase was completed about a year and a half ago as the exterior and stone work was restored to its original condition at a cost of \$1.5 million.

The second phase restored the interior. Volz Associates did the research and drew up the plans and specifications for the renovation. J. T. Michael and his crews were responsible for following his plans. The second phase cost more at \$2.5 million. 85% of the cost was covered by a grant and a large part of our 15% came from the Cauthorn Trust.

The county is planning an open house of our beautiful courthouse sometime in November.

rights). If interested in representing your county, please call Ryon West 325-277-2156 for more information. ALL PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT ALYSSA COLLINS undergoing treatment for AML at Cook's Children's Hospital in Ft. Worth. Donations, can be made directly to First National Bank in Sonora.

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Over 100 representatives from Colleges and Universities, Technical Schools, and the

Armed Forces will be present to discuss YOUR future!

Benefit Team Roping for Alyssa Collins on October 7, 2006 at the Sutton County Arena in Sonora, Texas. A #2.5 Roping (1.5 cap) will start the day with books opening at 2:00 p.m., rope at 3:30 p.m. SHARP! 3 for \$40, progress-

Buckles to the average winners. An Open Draw Pot Roping will follow immediately after the 2.5 roping. \$100/man, enter once – draw tow, may enter up to three times. Buckles to the average winners. There will also be a County vs. County match roping for Sutton and all the surrounding counties (just for braggin'

sive after one.

You are invited to a dinner program and book signing with Western Author, Jane Pattie, Monday, Oct. 2 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. at the Ozona Civic Center. Tickets are \$12 and please RSVP by Monday, Sept. 25 at the Crockett Co. Public Library (387)392-3565

The Ladies Golf

Auxiliary will have their regular monthly meeting at the Sonora Golf Course Club House on Wednesday, September 27, at noon. A lunch will be provided. All interested in joining are encouraged to attend.

Sonora Bronco Booster Club members will began meeting Monday, October 2, at 7:00 p.m. to view the latest varsity game film. The location will be in the Sonora High School Commons.

