

# Happy Thanksgiving from *The Devil's River News*

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## Why is Thanksgiving Called Thanksgiving?

**Submitted**

There are lots of myths about why Thanksgiving is actually called Thanksgiving. And, to tell the truth, the common belief by most Americans about why we actually call this special day Thanksgiving might have been fudged somewhat. Regardless, the reason we believe to be the truth is just as good as some of the other claims out there so we will talk about Thanksgiving and why we call the fourth Thursday in November Thanksgiving.

In 1621, the Pilgrims had a good harvest and were thankful that they had made it to the New World and were actually surviving and prospering. So, in order to celebrate all of their gifts and good luck, the Pilgrims decided to have a harvest festival and a day of thanks. They celebrated with venison, fowl, fresh vegetables, and maybe some pumpkin desserts. Also, the day was made up of sports, conversing with friends, and simply resting after a long harvest. The Indians were invited to also share in the festival and many of them did. The original Thanksgiving was not as much of a religious day as it was a festival of thanksgiving. This day of thanks for all of their blessings resulted in the appropriate name for the holiday: Thanksgiving.

Of course, if you don't believe the old Pilgrim story and, many don't, then you may have your

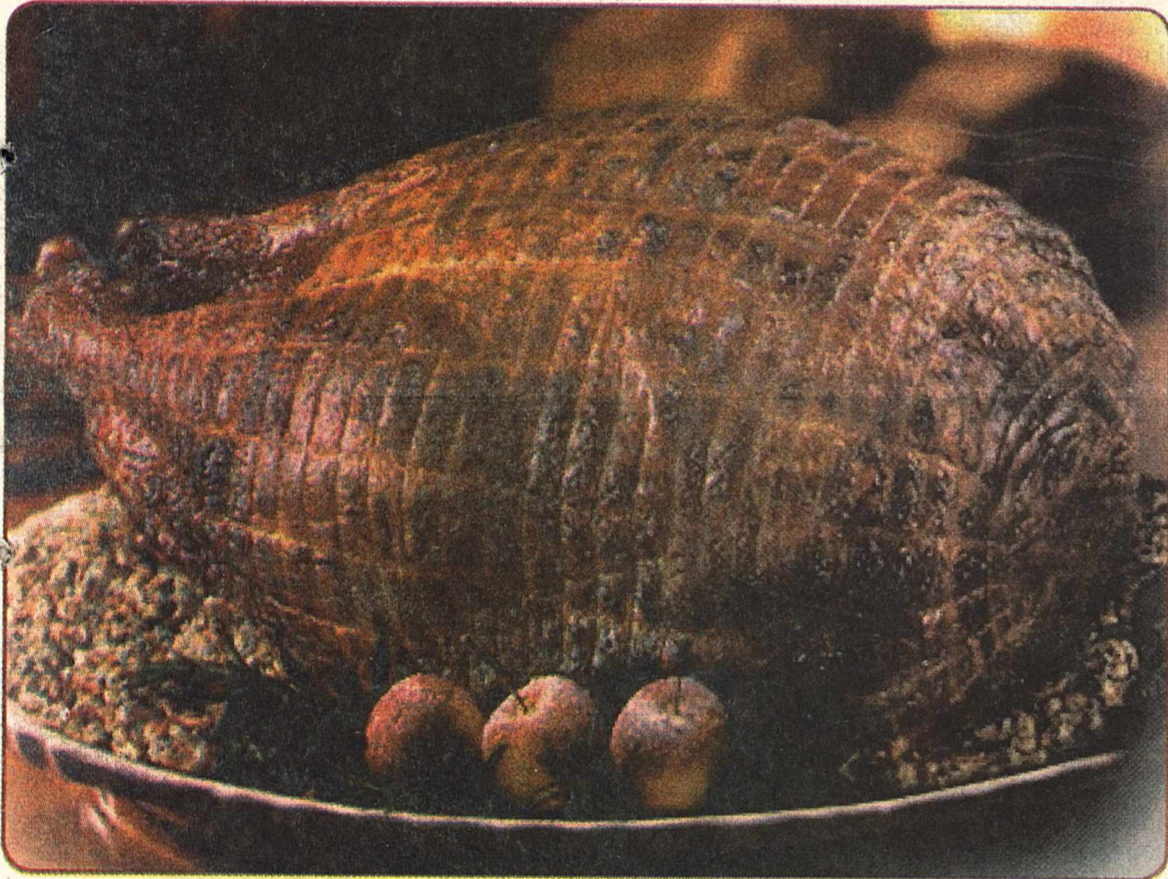
own opinion of why we call Thanksgiving what we do. However, today's holiday is based around giving thanks to God for our friends, family, homes, jobs, and all of our blessings. So, there really is no better name for this holiday than Thanksgiving i.e. giving thanks.

**What are You Thankful For?**

Today is Thanksgiving and lots of families enjoying each others company, traveling or alone, with memories of Thanksgiving pasts to look back upon.

Because of this it is easy to allow the holiday to become hectic and crazy and never really enjoy it. However, if you are going to celebrate Thanksgiving make sure you celebrate it with the real feeling that is behind the holiday. Focus on being thankful for all of your blessings. Give thanks to God, to your family, and friends for all of their help and for allowing you to prosper yet another year. Don't let yourself become upset over the rat race of celebrating with two sets of families and feeling rushed get you down. Instead, be thankful that you have another day to share with your families and extended family. Looking at Thanksgiving in this light will make it a lot easier for you to give thanks rather than focusing on the hustle and bustle going on around you.

Just remember what you are thankful for and Thanksgiving should be an enjoyable time.



## Taking the 'Thanks' Out of Thanksgiving

**By John W. Whitehead**

Some things have reached absurd proportions in this country. Increasingly, we are taking our rich, diverse cultural heritage—some of it dating back 300 years—and slowly eradicating it, all for the sake of not offending some individual or special-interest group. At no time is this more evident than in the weeks leading up to Thanksgiving.

Examples abound. A concerned parent recently wrote that whereas a year or two ago teachers in their school district were told not to mention Christmas, Easter or anything relating to God, they cannot even mention the word "Thanksgiving" this year because "the pilgrims offended the Indians" and "Thanksgiving was never intended to be thanks to God!"

Another parent with children in the public schools was upset and concerned when she received a letter from school officials directing classroom mothers not to use plates and napkins with Thanksgiving printed on them at their children's fall parties. As she recounted, "It seems like they are worried about offending just one person and are worried about law suits. In the past, this school has gone from 'winter' parties that banned red and green cupcakes and napkins, to banning any winter party in fear that it may be mistaken for Christmas."

Several years ago, it was reported that Maryland public school students were free to thank anyone they wanted while learning about the 17th century celebration of Thanksgiving. However, they were not allowed to thank God. Instead, Maryland students read stories about the Pilgrims and Native American Indians, simulated Mayflower voyages, held mock feasts and learned about the famous meal that temporarily allied two very different groups. But teachers did not mention that in addition to thanking the Native Americans for their peaceful three-day indulgence, the Pilgrims repeatedly thanked God.

Clearly, those who founded our country recognized the importance of God in the life of our nation. They also understood the rightness of thanking God for his blessings. For example, it was George Washington who, on October 3, 1789, issued the first Thanksgiving proclamation. In Washington's words, Americans were to set aside "a day of public thanksgiving and prayer to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many signal favors of Almighty God."

So how did we get to the point where the mere mention of God is enough to send some of our fellow citizens into a tailspin—to such an extent that they are now trying to take the "thanks" out of Thanksgiving?

Part of the answer lies in our politically correct society. We have allowed ourselves to become controlled by our fears. Rather than risk offending someone, we would sooner toss our rich history and traditions on the pyre of political correctness. But such an approach is destined for failure. Indeed, even if you breathe, you are sure to offend someone. What is the result? We gain nothing. We water down and suck the life out of what once gave meaning and direction to our lives. In the end, our children will be the ones who lose out, left with little clue as to where they came from or where they may be going in life.

We have also lost our sense of reverence. Too many Americans have little, if any, gratitude for the liberty and material comforts we enjoy—both of which were made possible through great sacrifice. Heedless of our many blessings, as a nation, we are tempting fate.

Indeed, the United States is now at the pinnacle of its power, not unlike England of 1897. At that point in time, England was riding high. But as professor Paul Woodruff recognizes in his book *Reverence*: "It would be less than twenty years before England began bleeding away its young men in Flanders, and the long slow irreversible march began to the loss of empire."

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## Annual Knights of Columbus Thanksgiving Dinner a Rousing Success



*A Thanksgiving feast after church awaited hungry guests.*

**Submitted**

The Sonora Knights of Columbus hosted the annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner at the Civic Center Sunday, November 19, 2006.

Over 300 guests enjoyed turkey and stuffing, giblet gravy, green beans, mashed potatoes and a vast array of dessert items.

The St. Ann's Youth Group and Confirmation class assisted in serving meals to the guests at their tables, providing a comfortable environment for visiting and fellowship without standing in a long line waiting to be served.

## Broncos End Season With Playoff Loss to Ozona

**By Ray Glasscock**

If it weren't for bad luck, we'd have no luck at all. This pretty much sums up how the last three games of the 2006 football played out. In the Blanco game, the Panthers started every drive in the second half DEEP in Bronco territory. The first 16 seconds of the second half of the Comfort game saw the Broncos go from a 14 to 7, "we're still in the game," to a 37 to 7 "did you get the number of that truck?"

When the Ozona Lions fumbled on their first play of the game and the Broncos recovered, it looked like our luck was changing. After that play, very few things went well for the Broncos. Lito Trevino and Justin Northcott tried running against the Lion defense and gained only two yards. Caleb Ramos, who threw for 199 yards on the night, completed a pass to Evan Rousselot who gained nearly 30 yards. The play was called back on a penalty. A long pass to Evan Guley was overthrown, and Dustin Neff punted.

Ozona took over at its own 25-yard line and got a 25-yard run by Jordan Long on first down to the 50. Ten plays later, Long threw a 5-yard touchdown pass to Caleb Mitchell to give the Lions a 7-0 lead after the PAT.

On Sonora's next possession, the Broncos drove to the Ozona 35-yard line, but Ramos' pass was incomplete on fourth-and-5.

Ozona punted on its next possession, and Sonora fumbled the ball away on its next one.

After the fumble, the Lions mounted a 11-play drive, but it ended with a missed field goal from 24 yards. Sonora took over, but was forced to punt. The Broncos' drive featured a double-reverse flea-flicker pass. Ramos had a wide open receiver for what would have been an easy score for the Broncos but he dropped the ball. Everyone in the press box commented on how well the play was timed and executed.



## Have a Safe and Happy Thanksgiving Day

From the staff of your Hometown Newspaper  
*The Devil's River News*

## St. Ann Catholic Church

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Thursday - 10:30 - 12:30, 1:30 - 5:30  
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Fax: 325-387-2278  
E-mail: stannsec@verizon.net  
Confessions: Sat. 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

### NEW MASS SCHEDULE!

Sunday - 8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.  
Monday - NO MASS  
Tuesday - 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday - 7:00 a.m.  
Thursday - 7:00 a.m.  
Friday - 7:00 a.m.  
Saturday - 6:00 p.m.

## Lighthouse Community Church

A place for returning Prodigals  
and recovering Pharisees

### Sunday Services

Bible Study 10:00 a.m.  
Worship 11:00 a.m. • 6:00 p.m.  
1705 N. Crockett

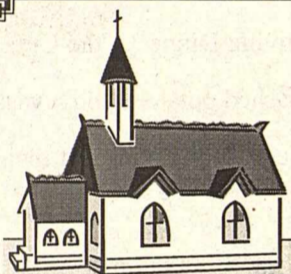
## Senior Center Activities

Fri. Nov. 24- Center Closed for Thanksgiving Holidays!  
Mon. Nov. 27-Bingo!  
Tue. Nov. 28 - Happy Birthday V.L. Chavez  
Wed. Nov. 29- Happy Birthday Rick Plamer!  
Happy Birthday Hilda May Smith!  
Thur. Nov. 30- Happy Birthday Carmen Abila!

## Senior Center Menu

Fri. Nov. 24 - Center Closed for Thanksgiving Holidays!  
Mon. Nov. 27 -Chicken Strips with gravy, pinto beans, mustard greens, cornbread, cherry cobbler, juice milk and fruit.  
Tue. Nov. 28 -Polish Sausage with peppers and onions, potato salad, peas, carrots, peach cobbler and milk.  
Wed. Nov. 29 - Fish nuggets, herb new potatoes, spinach, wheat bread, lemon pudding and milk.  
Thur. Nov. 30 -Soft tacos with cheese, toss salad, pinto beans, corn with peppers and fruit salad.

Participants in the senior nutrition program must be 60 or older. Meals are served Monday - Friday at 12:00 p.m. Donations are accepted (suggested donation for Seniors is \$1.50; \$4.00 for under 60 and all other meals-to-go)



## Sonora Church Directory

**Primera Iglesia Bautista**  
504 Santa Clara  
387-2035

**The Church of the Good Shepherd Presbyterian**  
319 E. Mulberry  
387-2616

**Lighthouse Community Church**  
1705 N. Crockett  
387-9100

**Pentecostal Calvary Temple United**  
509 Amistad  
387-5266

**St. Ann's Catholic Church**  
229 W. Plum  
387-2278

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

**Church of Christ**  
304 N. Water  
387-3190

**First Baptist Church**  
111 E. Oak  
387-2951

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

**First United Methodist Church**  
201 N. Water  
387-2466

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387-5713

**Hope Lutheran Church**  
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## Obituary

### Eva L. Emdy

Graveside services for Eva L. Emdy, 71, of Mills County were held November 19, 2006 at Sonora Cemetery.

She died Saturday, November 18, 2006 at Hillview Manor Nursing Home in Goldthwaite.

She was born December 20, 1933 in Sutton County to Frank Leslie "Mike" and Fay Lee Corder Moore. She was a member of Star Baptist Church and was a homemaker.

Survivors include a daughter, Darla Schmidt and husband

Heath of Goldthwaite; three sisters, Patsy and Earl Johnson of Sonora, Martha Hicks of Odessa, and Margaret and husband Leslie Walton of Castroville; two brothers, John D. Moore of Big Lake and Jack and wife Francis Moore of Sonora; two grandsons, and a number of nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents; two brothers, Billy Ray and Frank L. Moore Jr.; a brother-in-law, John Hicks; and a sister-in-law, Virginia Moore.

## Thank You Notes

I would like to give a very large heartfelt "Thank You" to the voters of Precinct 4.

Thank you for taking time out of your day to go to the polls and vote, entrusting me to be your next representative.

As your County Commissioner, I will use my best judgement in all things for the betterment of our entire community.

Thank you  
Fred Perez

The Sutton County Game Dinner Association wishes to express many, many thanks for all the unselfish volunteers working to make this 40th annual dinner a huge success.

To the many families and businesses donating door prizes, meat, support and other items, you are very appreciated.

To Jack Smith at Capital Phone Credit, we apologize for announcing the wrong name and door prize.

Game Dinner President  
Carl Johnson

### To the community of Sonora

To all those making donations for the Band Booster Club Fund-raiser, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

This year's fundraising champions were Sendia Martinez and Rudy Charo for the high school and Emilce Hernandez and Jansen McBride from the Middle School. Thanks again to one and all for this such a success.

Sonora Band Booster Fundraising Committee

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank the community for their participation in our annual Thanksgiving Dinner.

A special thanks to the ladies in the kitchen, the St. Ann's Youth Group, the St. Ann's Confirmation class and the other youth very willing to help. A BIG thanks for the donations of food and desserts from our parishioners. It was a big success.

Thanks again,  
Knights of Columbus  
St. Ann's Catholic Church

## "Empty Nest" Chance to Chase Forgotten Dreams

HOUSTON - Middle age woes are hard enough to deal with, but throw in empty nest syndrome and it is a recipe for potential depression.

Psychologists at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston say not to look at it as an ending, but as the beginning of a new stage in life with more time to travel, develop new hobbies, rediscover forgotten dreams and get to know your spouse all over again.

Empty nest syndrome can happen twice in an adult's life, once when the kids start kindergarten and again when they move out of the house. The more challenging of the two is when adolescents move out of the house to begin their adult lives.

"Parents have channeled all of their energy into their children for so long they may not know what to do with their time once they leave," says Dr. James Bray, associate professor of family and community medicine at BCM. "It is actually one of the high points when looking at the divorce rate scale. The numbers really tend to go up during middle age."

When people are unhappy in their marriage they usually have internal anxiety about something else, like not knowing what to do with the rest of their lives after the kids leave.

"It is natural to reevaluate your life every so often and even more natural during this stage in a parent's life," says Bray. "Don't just assume that if you leave your spouse you will make the unhappiness go away. Marriage takes time and energy, so make the effort to get reacquainted."

It is a good idea to talk with friends to reevaluate goals and take note of some lifelong dreams you haven't had time to accomplish, says Bray.

Now that the kids have moved out, there may be more time to take dance classes, travel, exercise or go back to college to retool skills.

Kids need to remember to stand up for themselves if parents become too needy or clingy. Setting a phone schedule can eliminate the out-of-control calling by some parents, while reassuring them can eliminate needless worry.

"Kids can also consult with counselors if they really have an issue with a clingy parent or one that is having a difficult time dealing with the separation," says Bray.

The empty nest transition usually lasts six months to a year, depending on how well parents can adjust to their newly found freedom.



## SUTTON COUNTY HEALTH FOUNDATION

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## Conquering Holiday Overeating

By Judith Matz, LCSW and Ellen Frankel, LCSW

As the holiday season approaches, we think of celebrations with family and friends, and of food! Whether it is turkey and stuffing, ham, pumpkin pies, potato latkes or Christmas cookies, food is an integral part of the holiday season. Yet for millions of Americans who worry about their weight, anticipating this myriad of delights creates great anxiety.

How can I go to all of those parties and not overeat?" or "Why do I get through the whole evening without cheating and then find myself overeating at home?" are two of the common concerns expressed by dieters. Here are five ways to enjoy eating this holiday season without worry:

### 1. End the deprivation:

When you tell yourself that you can't have certain foods because they are "too fattening," you set yourself up to overeat those very foods. Eliminating "forbidden" foods in order to lose weight for the holidays frequently leads to overeating at parties and gatherings. One bite of something "off limits" is often enough to trigger the feeling that, "Now that I've broken my diet, I might as well have everything. Or, you may control yourself at a party, only to feel you deserve a reward for your "good behavior" when you return home. Conversely, you may use the New Year as a time to resolve to diet. Therefore, there is a need to eat as much as possible prior to Jan 1 in anticipation of the deprivation that will soon occur. By incorporating all types of foods into your diet throughout the year, you can avoid the overeating and holiday weight gain that results from deprivation.

### 2. Become an attuned eater:

Attuned eaters use internal, physical cues to tell them when, what and how much to eat. This way of feeding yourself helps you to tune into hunger and satiation, rather than eating something just because it's there. Becoming an attuned eater allows you to feel in charge of your eating when you are at holiday parties and celebrations.

There are three steps to attuned eating. First, learn to recognize when you are physically hungry. This requires tuning into your stomach and noticing how it feels. Next, identify what your body craves in response to your physical hunger. In order to match your hunger with the food that will satisfy you, have a variety of foods available and withhold judgments about what you are supposed to eat. When you are at a party, try to pick the food(s) that comes closest to what your body craves. Finally, pay attention to your fullness in order to know how much to eat. If you begin with a sensation of physical hunger, you will be able to identify a feeling of satisfaction when you have eaten enough. Honoring your hunger will keep you eating the right amount for your body and prevent weight gain due to overeating.

### 3. Remind yourself that you can have it later:

Who says you can't make your sweet potato time any time you want? If you believe that you cannot have a special holiday food for another whole year, you are likely to have it whether you are really in the mood for it or not. Instead, promise yourself that you can make turkey and mashed potatoes any time of year, and that special desserts can be baked or bought

when you desire. Knowing that these foods can be available to you will reduce the need to eat something at a holiday celebration you don't really want at that moment.

Consider asking for the recipe or a doggie bag when you are at a holiday event. This strategy stops the worry that if you don't eat a special food immediately, such as the appetizing double chocolate caramel brownies that Grandma makes once a year, you won't be able to have it again until next year. When appropriate, you can say to your hostess, "the brisket looks delicious, but I'm not hungry right now. Would it be O.K. if I took some of the leftovers home for later?" Or, "This cake is fabulous. Can I have your recipe?" People are usually flattered by your desire for their food, and knowing you can eat that food later decreases the need to overeat something you are not hungry for.

### 4. Avoid becoming too hungry:

It can be tempting to "save up" your hunger for parties and special events. However, when you go without food for a long period of time, you become ravenous. At this stage of physical hunger, you are likely to eat anything and everything in sight, leading to that out of control feeling - and weight gain.

Instead, eat in accordance with your physical hunger throughout the day. If you want to ensure that you have a good appetite when you arrive at an event, try to eat enough to take the edge off your hunger before you leave home, without becoming too full. A piece of fruit, some crackers or cookies, or a slice of cheese can help you to respond to your hunger so that you do not walk into the party feeling desperate to eat. Then, you will truly be able to relax and to feed yourself exactly what you need!

### 5. Stay compassionate with yourself:

Just about everyone overeats sometime, especially during the holiday season. If you yell at yourself for your transgression, you are likely to create anxiety, which fuels overeating and weight gain. You are also likely to fall into the trap of telling yourself that you might as well eat whatever you want right now because as of tomorrow or next week or January 1. Instead, remain gentle with yourself. Attuned eaters notice when they feel too full, and then naturally wait for their next sign of physical hunger to eat again. Acknowledge the discomfort you feel from overeating, and promise yourself that you will do your best to wait for the next cue of internal hunger to let you know that it is time to eat again.

Focus on family and friends, rather than on food. Although food is an integral part of holiday events, the real purpose of getting together is to celebrate with people who are important to you. Eat for satiation and pleasure, and then turn your attention to connecting with others, rather than continuing to eat. By learning to feel in charge of your eating, you can break the diet/binge cycle and prevent weight gain from holiday overeating. Instead, as you greet the New Year, enjoy the sense of calm and hope that comes with this healthy attitude toward eating and weight.

Judith Matz, LCSW and Ellen Frankel, LCSW are sisters, therapists and co-authors of The Diet Survivor's Handbook: 60 Lessons in Eating, Acceptance and Self-Care.

## Eldorado Nursing Home Chit Chat

Submitted by Annie Arispe

Happy Thanksgiving to all our residents and families at the Schleicher County Nursing Home. We wish you a safe and enjoyable holiday.

We are developing a cook book. We need your recipes by December 15, 2006.

Buy a brick, build a memory... At Schleicher County Nursing Home, please join us in honoring your loved one or organization by placing a permanent reminder of their time with us. The engraved bricks will be placed in the patio area for all to enjoy. For more information contact Annie Arispe at (325) 853-2507 ext. 107.

### Letter to the Editor

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## Historical Society



**ASK THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY**  
by Jo-Ann E. Palmer, Secretary, Sutton County Historical Society

Q. Do you have any information on Otto Schwiening?

A. The Historical Encyclopedia of Texas, Revised Edition, had the following article on Otto

Schwiening, identified with the ranching outfit of Fred Schwiening and Sons in Kimble Co., Texas, is engaged in raising cattle, sheep and Angora goats on some 4,817 acres of land. The ranch is located about a mile west of Roosevelt. Mr. Schwiening was connected with ranching in early life. At the age of seventeen he joined the Navy, and

alternated between this branch of national service and ranching, until health compelled him to abandon the former and devote his career to stock raising. He has traveled widely, and has visited twenty-three of the United States as well as Cuba, Mexico, and other countries.

Otto Schwiening was born in Junction, Kimble Co., Texas, on March 29, 1903, to Fred and Agnes Schwiening. His father was a rancher and freighted in the early days between Roosevelt and Menard, Comfort and Brady, Texas. He followed the freighting line until 1916, then moved to Kerrville to give the children an education. Otto Schwiening was educated in schools of Kerrville and Fredericksburg. He walked three miles back and forth to school in Roosevelt, doing this for six years. Between 1918 and 1920 he was a student in Fredericksburg, Texas. On December 9, 1920 he was a student in Fredericksburg, Texas. On December 8, 1922 he joined the Navy, serving until December 8, 1924.

He then became an employee of the California Edison Company, later returning to Fredericksburg, where he ranched for his uncle and for Roy Murr at Roosevelt. His health failing, he re-enlisted in the Marine Corps on October 25, 1925, where he

was stationed in Paris Island, South Carolina, and trained in boot camp. He served in many parts of the world, among them Cuba. He then was located in Cincinnati, Ohio, on mail guard duty. Because of ill health he then spent some time in the Naval Hospital at Washington, D.C. Later he returned to Texas, where he took up ranching again, and he has continued in that line ever since.

Mr. Schwiening married Miss Myrtle Renfro at Junction on August 13, 1936. Mrs. Schwiening is the daughter of R. F. (Bob) Renfro, a trader, rancher and farmer, and Addie Renfro. Mr. Schwiening enjoys traveling and pursues the reading of fiction and photography as pastimes. He belongs to the Woodmen of the World; the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association; and the Registered Breeders' Association. He is a member of the Lutheran Church.

In "Peace In The Valley," a chronicle of Kimble County Cemeteries by Frederica Burt Wyatt under Junction City Cemetery, Section #3 page 63 and 64 we found Myrtle Renfro Schwiening born March 13, 1901 to August 6, 1981 and Otto Schwiening March 29, 1903 to March 12, 1985.

We know that his father Fred Schwiening Sr. died in Oct. of

1953 and was buried in Fredericksburg; his wife was Agnes Eichenloff; and that his parents were Fritz (Fred), and Sophia Schwiening. Fred was brother to Alfred Schwiening of Sonora, Mrs. Alma Brockman of Fredericksburg, Mrs. Sophie Thiers of Roosevelt and Mrs. Mary Long of San Antonio. He was a native of Kimble Co and ranched until 1942. He had married Agnes Eichenloff at Fredericksburg on June 13, 1901.

Otto had two brothers named William from Roosevelt and Fred from Ingram; and two sisters, Mrs. W. J. Lemoine of Laredo and Mrs. Joe Gentry of San Antonio. Which makes them related to a large share of the families in Sutton County.

Q. How many children did Alfred George Schwiening and Margaret Callie Allison have?

A. I have 7 in my records: Mary Alma born October 3, 1911 in Sonora and was married 3 times, Neil Wilson, Otis ? and Jan Ralph Jones. She died June 7, 1976 in Iowa.

Harold Alfred was born Dec 28, 1913 in Sonora and married Elise Kimble Martin on August 25, 1933 in Junction. He died January 19, 1975.

Curt Allison was born July 6, 1916 in Wentworth and married

Frieda Wilna Hamer on July 21, 1937. He died November 16, 1992. She lives at Camp Allison.

Alfred George Jr. was born November 19, 1919 and married Sara Katherine Artuberry and died in San Angelo on December 12, 1988.

Margaret Louise married several times, a Green, Barker, Cain and Kring, she died January 25, 1995.

George Sutton was born March 3, 1926 and married Anita Lee Storms on April 17, 1944 in San Angelo. He died December 7, 1985.

Kathleen will kill me if I put her birth date. She married Noah Joseph "Hut" Moore III in Lovington, New Mexico on August 25 year unknown and is living in Sutton County.

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@sonoratr.net. You may call us at 325-387-5084 on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday mornings or just stop by the offices at 307 Oak Street and peruse the files or use our computer with Ancestry.com.

## Local Cavers to Assist in Laser Technology Creating a 3-Dimensional Map of Devil's Sinkhole

Scientists Mapping Texas Cave With Lasers

AUSTIN, Texas -- State-of-the-art mapping equipment will be used at Devil's Sinkhole State Natural Area during the next two months to produce what is believed to be the most detailed map and pictures ever produced on an entire cave.

The remapping project at Devil's Sinkhole near Rocksprings, Texas, is being done by the Texas Cave Management Association, in cooperation with the Texas Bureau of Economic Geology and the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. Devil's Sinkhole is the third deepest cave in Texas, the largest single-chambered cavern in the state and home to more than 3 million Mexican free-tailed bats.

Two Sonora cavers, Jacqui and Kel Thomas, along with a team of approximately ten others will take part in the electronic mapping expedition.

The Thomas' have also recently been involved in a project

under the auspices of the Bureau of Land Management in eastern New Mexico in an attempt to discover, map and explore a potential cave system near the Lechuguilla Cave system. Lechuguilla recently has been surveyed to a length of over 120 miles with more being explored and mapped with each expedition.

The couple has also been involved in restorative efforts, under the direction of the National Park Service, inside the world renowned Carlsbad Caverns.

Scientists began mapping the Devil's Sinkhole using LiDAR (Light Detection and Ranging) mapping techniques Nov. 11-12. Mapping also will take place Dec. 2-3 and January 6-7.

The three-dimensional map produced by the LiDAR process will be used as an educational, as well as a management tool and will produce a map with centimeter accuracy. Unlike most maps, this LiDAR map will be linked to digital photographs

creating an unprecedented three-dimensional virtual view of the cave.

"Essentially the end result will give the most detailed 3D map of the interior of the Devil's Sinkhole ever, overlaid with color photographs to give anyone viewing the end data a realistic view of the sinkhole," said Randy Rosales, superintendent of Devil's Sinkhole State Natural Area. "The survey will provide us with a very effective educational tool, as well as a tool for helping study the geology of the cave and its inhabitants."

Rosales said the LiDAR image will present help the public understand the size and significance of the Devil's Sinkhole without having to enter the cave, which is possible only through rappelling. The map will also provide TPWD personnel with the ability to measure areas of the bat roosts and calculate the bat population; determine the volume of the cave and the level of the water table; and to per-

form detailed geologic analyses.

Devil's Sinkhole was formed from the collapse of an immense natural chamber located within the Edwards limestone in Edwards County. The collapse formed a large vertical shaft 145 feet deep and approximately 40 by 60 feet in diameter at the surface. The bottom of the shaft intersects the top of a large rock debris cone.

The cone extends to a total depth of 350 feet beneath the surface. From the surface, only the top of the debris pile is clearly visible and the large chamber is hidden from view by overhanging rock ledges.

For more information about this project, please contact Geary Schindel with the Texas Cave Management Association at (210) 326-1576 or Mike Knezek or Randy Rosales with Texas Parks and Wildlife Department at (830) 563-2342 or (830) 563-5807.

full Moon is called the Long Night Moon and the Moon Before Yule.

\* 6 Wed. morning: Saturn approaches Leo's brightest star Regulus before retreating westward in retrograde motion.

**Naked-eye Planets:** (The Sun, Moon and planets rise in the east and set in the west due to Earth's west-to-east rotation.) No naked-eye planets are out in the evening. Mercury is near

the eastern horizon at dawn with Saturn high in the south. Venus, Mars and Jupiter are now near the Sun.

**Astro Milestones:** Nov. 20 is the 117th birthday of Edwin Hubble (1889-1953), American astronomer for whom the Hubble Space Telescope is named.

Stargazer appears every other week. Paul Derrick is an amateur astronomer living in Waco.

## STARGAZER for the week of Nov. 20-25, 2006

From Astrology to Astronomy

By Paul Derrick

Just as chemistry evolved from the quasi-magical practice of alchemy, astronomy grew out of prescientific astrology. And for a time the distinction between astronomy and astrology was blurred.

In the early 1600s, when modern science was in its infancy, our world view was turned upside-down by the Copernicus revolution which removed Earth from the center of the cosmos. The two best known revolutionaries were Nicolas Copernicus who proposed the new view, and Galileo Galilei who used the newly-invented telescope to obtain supporting observational evidence.

But no less important was the contribution of Johannes Kepler whose discovery of elliptical orbits was the key that made the Copernican system work. So Kepler was a major player in one of history's most profound scientific revolutions.

Yet the astronomer-mathematician Kepler supplemented his income as an astrologer casting horoscopes. It's not clear whether he really believed in astrology or just cashed in on his knowledge of the heavens. Had he applied his meticulous and analytical mind to a critical study of astrology, he surely would have discovered some fundamental problems with the ancient system.

Traditional astrology identifies 12 constellations (the zodiac) through which the Sun passes, as it did long ago when astrology was born. It is the constellation

the Sun was "in" at one's birth that determines one's astrological sign. For example, someone born when the Sun was in Taurus presumably received certain traits which would be different had he or she been born a Gemini or Aries.

But Earth's long-term wobble (called precession) has changed things. The Sun now passes through 13 constellations, the new one being Ophiuchus, and the dates for determining one's sign have shifted considerably.

Although the traditional dates are used in modern horoscopes, here are the actual dates for each sign for our era: Oct.30-Nov.22: Libra; Nov.23-Nov.28: Scorpius; Nov.29-Dec.17: Ophiuchus; Dec.18-Jan.18: Sagittarius; Jan.19-Feb.15: Capricornus; Feb.16-Mar.10: Aquarius; Mar.11-Apr.17: Pisces; Apr.18-May 13: Aries; May 14-Jun.20: Taurus; Jun.21-Jul.19: Gemini; Jul.20-Aug. 9: Cancer; Aug.10-Sep.15: Leo; Sep.16-Oct.29: Virgo.

So, if you believe in astrology, you've got to reconsider your sign. I was born Aug. 27, thus horoscopes tell me I'm a Virgo when really I'm a Leo. Although I'm not into astrology, I'd certainly rather think of myself as a lion than a virgin. So what's your sign?

**Sky Calendar:**

\* Nov. 20 Mon.: The Moon is new.

\* 28 Tue.: The Moon is at 1st quarter.

\* 25 Sat. morning: Mercury is at greatest elongation west of the morning Sun, the farthest it will get from the Sun this apparition.

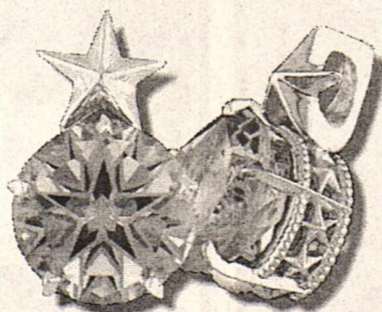
\* Dec. 4 Mon.: December's

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November 24

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November 25

Lester Rainer, Ty Love, Collin James Humphrey, Armandina Morales, Katie Chavez, Zachary Mata

November 26

Patti Rainer, Julia Pope, Deann Trevino, Rito Renteria, Kayla Webb, Hector Vedoy, Carmen Castillo, Tracy Kyzer

November 27

Stacie Phillips, Derek Van Winkle, Jimmy Holman, Kendra Holms, J.T. Herd, Buck Bonner

November 28

Chasady Garcia, Fela Perez, Stevie Pacheco, Stetson Hall, J.R. Howard, Monte Dillard, Cady Taylor, Brandon Wood, Drew Dempsey, Norm Rousselot

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High School Auditorium

**December 1**  
"More the Merrier" Christmas Bazaar  
9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Civic Center

**December 13**  
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**December 18-January 3**  
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Kati Chavez  
Tyler Creek  
Meredith Earwood  
Alyssa Favila  
Cecilia Garcia  
Erica Granados  
Amy Hernandez  
Brittany Hernandez  
Sarah Hernandez  
Cash Jennings  
Cassie Krieg  
Sterling Love

### All A's

Mario Oliden  
Pedro Ramirez  
Monica Sanchez  
Michael Stephens

### Sophomores

Kaitlyn Henderson  
John Duke Hudson  
Steely Ingham  
Loren Isenhour  
Savannah Leonard  
Senida Martinez  
Steven Pacheco  
Ricardo Rodriguez  
Yolanda Sanchez

Eneida Silva  
Monica Traylor  
Azeneth Villanueva

### Juniors

Zenon Acosta  
Sarah Blakely  
Kaci Chavarria  
Zadrian McGee  
Marcus Perez  
Lauren Schaefer

### Seniors

Emily Butler  
Marc Hernandez

## A/B Honor Roll

### Freshman

Angel Aguayo  
Rayonna Blackman  
Hillary Borrego  
Victoria Castillo  
Stephanie Coronado  
Beau Dickens  
Jessica Dominguez  
Brittani Dover  
Maraya Dunn  
Paul Faz  
Sara Gillit  
Caleb Gonzales  
Andrea Guerrero  
Shainah Johnson  
Alicia Lowe  
Cody Pena  
Zac Rodriguez  
Bianca Trevino  
Alyssa Vela  
AK Williams

### Sophomores

Tanya Adams  
Nohemi Buitron  
Rudy Charo  
Ivan Chavez  
Karley Frasier  
Reggie Hernandez  
Clint Hudson

Sharee Johnson  
Maria Moreno  
Stephani Morriss  
Dalila Ozuna  
Mikael Samaniego-  
Lira  
Michel Sanchez  
Jessica Snyder  
Derek VanWinkle

### Juniors

Johnell Casparis  
Juan Dominguez  
JT Downing  
Dalton Dover  
Emily Earwood  
Nicky Escalante  
Edward Garcia  
Paige Harwell  
Tanner James  
Michael Jenkins  
Shaylynn Kresta  
Kimble Luna  
Laura Martin  
Chelsea Martinez  
Morgan Martinez  
Kari Nicholas  
Alonzo Pena  
Nick Pena  
Danielle Rodriguez  
Elbe Samaniego

Heather Smith  
Jacob Spivey  
Kyla Turney  
Kelsey Watkins  
Yaneth Zapata  
Paula Zaragosa

### Seniors

Jose Casillas  
Chealsey Daniels  
Jaimee Duran  
Allysa Edmondson  
Kayla Fields  
Chasady Garcia  
Jennifer Gonzales  
Evan Gully  
Erica Hernandez  
Madeline Higdon  
Jacob Ibarra  
Jordan Isenhour  
Craig Leonard  
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## Chamber Chatter

Submitted by:  
Becky Covington

Last week the Chamber of Commerce and Friends of Historic Sonora attended the Texas Downtown Association and Texas Main Street Program in San Angelo. Sonora was spotlighted with a display booth in the Exhibition Hall at the Convention Center that made a direct, powerful reflection of what Sonora is about. A luncheon was held at Historic Fort Concho and was sponsored by the First National Bank, The Bank and Trust, Sutton County Steakhouse, Texas Forts Trail and Fort Concho. The Sutton County Steakhouse catered a delicious Texas meal of chicken fried steak with all the trimmings. Dan Brown, Jimmy Cahill, Delyse Jaeger and Ann Kay presented an educational session on "Building on your Assets...Naturally". It was great to see so many folks from Sonora at the conference promoting our community.

The holidays are fast approaching and the Chamber is busier than ever working on The More-the-Merrier Christmas Bazaar and the Downtown Christmas Program. Thank you, Lance and Mariah Castro and Donna for taking a part of your

Sunday afternoon to decorate the tree art at the Courthouse. Also, thanks to Tony Torres for hanging the Christmas Banner in a timely manner.

As Thanksgiving Day will soon be upon us, the Sonora Chamber of Commerce would like to extend our sincerest gratitude to all of our members who continue to be supportive of our organization. We are blessed to have a warm and generous group of members and volunteers throughout the year who unselfishly contribute their energy and spirit to the success of the Chamber in many different avenues, and we THANK YOU.

While our country faces some daunting challenges and harsh partisan battles, Thanksgiving gives us a chance to express our thanks for those things that are truly important: our families, our faith, our nation, fellowship and, of course, good food. Special thanks should also go out to our troops overseas who can't be with their families this Thanksgiving. So, as we all gather with our families this holiday let's not forget the true meaning of the day and take the time to be thankful for what we all have.

God bless and Happy Thanksgiving.

## Main Street Traffic

By Mary Ann Kay

## Texas Main Street Cities Receive National Recognition

SAN ANGELO, Texas —

The Texas Historical Commission (THC) and the National Trust for Historic Preservation recently recognized Sonora as one of the 52 National Main Street Cities in Texas. Other 2007 National Main Street Cities include: Amarillo, Beaumont, Beeville, Bowie, Brenham, Canton, Carthage, Clarksville, Clinton, Colorado City, Comanche, Corsicana, Denison, Denton, Electra, Elgin, Fairfield, Farmersville, Freeport, Georgetown, Goliad, Gonzales, Grand Saline, Greenville, Harlingen, Henderson, Irving, Kerrville, La Grange, LaPorte, Levelland, Livingston, Llano, Lufkin, Luling, Marlin, McKinney, Mineola, Mount Vernon, Nacogdoches, New Braunfels, Odessa, Paris, Pecos, Pharr, Plainview, Rio Grande City, San Marcos, Seguin, Taylor and Waxahachie.

"A lot of hard work goes into achieving this recognition. Just as importantly, the recognition honors the many people, including Main Street managers and volunteers, who put in countless hours to make their Main Street programs work. The result is an

active and successful downtown revitalization effort that benefits not only the Main Street district but also the entire community," said Debra Farst, state coordinator of the Texas Main Street Program. The cities were honored at the recent Texas Downtown Association/Texas Main Street Conference in San Angelo. The National Trust for Historic Preservation's National Main Street Center will honor these cities at the 2007 National Main Street Conference to be held in Seattle in March.

Cities chosen as National Main Street Cities must show above average performance in 10 categories. The selection criteria focus on planning, staff and volunteers, preservation ethic, training and program assessment. For additional information, visit the National Main Street website at [www.mainstreet.org](http://www.mainstreet.org) and the National Trust for Historic Preservation web site at [www.nationaltrust.org](http://www.nationaltrust.org).

For more information on the Texas Historical Commission's Main Street program visit [www.thc.state.tx.us](http://www.thc.state.tx.us).

## NOTICE

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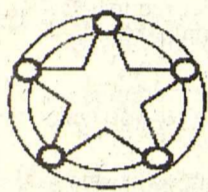
## High Weeds and Trash

By Randy Ricker  
Code Enforcement Officer for  
the City of Sonora

The basic reason for enforcing litter and weeds abatement is based on the police power to protect the health, safety and welfare of citizens. Violations of the litter ordinance can occur in many ways, but the most prominent ways are accumulation of litter on premises and illegal dumping. Old tires, open containers, and improper drainage can breed mosquitoes. Refrigerators can become an attractive nuisance to children, leading to suffocation. Piles of rubbish and tree limbs can harbor rodents. High weeds can also harbor rodents and can become a fire hazard if the vegetation becomes dry. By causing the abatement of situations such as these, we protect the health, safety and welfare of our citizens.

## Lady Broncos Basketball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site	JVG	VG
Nov 28	Christoval	Home	5:00	6:30
Nov 30 - Dec 2	Robert Lee JV Tournament	Robert Lee	TBA	
Nov 30 - Dec 2	Ballinger Varsity Tournament	Ballinger		TBA
Dec 5	Irion County	Away	5:00	6:30
Dec 7-9	Ozona Varsity Tournament	Ozona		TBA
Dec 12	Ingram	Home	5:00	6:30
Dec 14, 16	Eldorado JV Tournament	Eldorado	TBA	
Dec 28-30	Big Lake Varsity Tournament	Big Lake		TBA
Jan 2	TBA			
Jan 5	Blanco*	Away	5:00	6:30
Jan 6	Comfort*	Home	5:00	6:30
Jan 12	Junction*	Home	5:00	6:30
Jan 16	Mason*	Away	5:00	6:30
Jan 19	Brady*	Home	5:00	6:30
Jan 23	Blanco*	Home	5:00	6:30
Jan 26	Comfort*	Away	5:00	6:30
Jan 30	Junction*	Away	5:00	6:30
Feb 2	Mason*	Home	5:00	6:30



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## A Look Ahead for the Cross Country Team

Submitted by  
**Coch Maggie Taylor**

The Sonora Cross Country team made a strong showing at the Region I-2A Cross Country meet in Lubbock on November 4th.

The Lady Broncos, led by Alexie Ortiz, finished 17th in a field of 24 teams.

The weekend race proved to

be a great experience for the young team graduating only two varsity runners.

Returning next year for the Lady Broncos will be Alyssa Faviola, Brittany Hernandez, Keeli Taylor, Andrea Guerrero and Jessica Chavez.

Good luck to seniors Candy Chandler, Alexie Ortiz and Emily Butler.

## Time to Winterize Your Boat

By Hank Parker

For many anglers and boat owners, the onset of winter means an end to the boating season. As temperatures continue to drop around the country, it is now time to start thinking about the final preparations that will guarantee your next season starts off on the right track. The time and energy that you spend now protecting your boat will not only enhance your boat's performance, but it will save you both time and money next season.

The first step to winterizing a boat, as when you are preparing for a departure, is to make a checklist of all the tasks that are needed to be accomplished. The owner's manual for both your boat and motor are great resources to help ensure that no task is left off your list. Once your checklist is complete, remember to store it in a safe place so that it can be used again next year. If you are a new boat owner or if you have questions, ask an experienced friend for assistance or call a professional.

The following is a list of protective measures that should be incorporated into your checklist. First, fill the fuel tanks and add the appropriate amount of stabilizer. Remember to run the engine long enough to get the treated gas into the fuel line and engine. If the fuel tanks are left untreated over the winter, the gasoline will deteriorate into the varnish and gum, making starting difficult. Next, it is time to flush the enclosed cooling systems. You can purchase a flushing kit from your local boat dealer. Also, remove the block plugs and drain all the water from the inboard/outboard engines. This will clean out any rust flakes and sediment that has accumulated. Then, pump in anti-freeze to avoid trapped ice pockets and be sure to use an environmentally safe product.

Now, it is time to fog the engine with oil in order to prevent rust. Follow the instructions that come with the product, making sure to spray some of the oil into the cylinders through the sparkplug holes once the engine has cooled down. Remember to

check the spark plugs and replace them as necessary. Next, replace the oil and oil filter on the four-cycle engines. Once complete, change the lower unit gear case lubricant on the engine to prevent water that is trapped in the gear case from freezing. Another helpful tip is to disconnect the battery cables and then remove the battery from the boat. Clean the terminal ends of the battery and store the battery in a cool dry place. Another good idea is to check your prop for nicks and damage. If left unchecked, blade damage can cause vibrations that could ruin other engine parts and the drive system.

Other items on your checklist should include: draining water from the bilges and leaving the transom drain unplugged, examining trailer tires, greasing wheel bearings on trailer and replacing as needed, checking bulbs and electrical contacts on the trailer. Now is also a good time to inspect and store electronic equipment. First, unplug power cords and remove the fish finders from the boat. They should be stored inside away from the extreme winter cold. These products work just as good in January as they did in August, but prolonged storage in cold is not recommended. Apply anti-oxidants to terminal connections to reduce oxidation potential and inspect components looking for cracks in transducer or cables.

Once you have fully serviced, inspected and cleaned your boat, it is now time to cover and store the boat for the winter.

It may sound like a lot of work, but all of these steps are crucial in order to keep your boat at its best condition. Whether you decide to do it yourself or request the services of a marina, winterizing your boat is the best thing you can do to assure a successful new season. By following these steps, you will be ready to hit the water like the pros instead of being stranded on land like a rookie.

A two-time champion of the Bassmaster Classic, Ranger Pro Hank Parker is the host of "Hank Parker's Outdoor Magazine."

## 7th and 8th Grade Girls Basketball Team Destroy Comfort

In 7th grade girls basketball action, Sonora comfortably defeated Comfort 34-12.

Sarah Carrillo poured in 10 points to lead all scorers, followed by Liz Chavarria and Evelyn Solis with 6 points each. Hunter Jennings and Delilah Aguero combined for 8 points with 4 each. Sandra Hernandez and Emily Gonzales contributed to the winning effort with 2 points each.

In 8th grade action the A-team ran over Comfort 49-17 behind Morgan Smith's 18 points. Maci Zuniga had 14, Gabi Ibanez with 7, Kash McGee and Chelsey Lou Campbell scored 4 each and Kallie Humphries had 2 points.

## 2006 Final Football Wrap-up

By Ray Glasscock

The seventh grade Colts lost their first game to the Colorado City Wolves and then won eight straight including a win over the Wolves in the rematch. They scored 274 points which is an average of 30.4 points per game. This is quite an accomplishment as they only play eight minute quarters. The Colts scored 36 or more points in five games, and they scored 44 points twice. They allowed 104 points which is an average of 11.5 points per game. They had one shutout over Mason. Clayton Parks, Ryan San Miguel, Zach Badeaux, George Villaneuva, Trey Virgen, Milton Black, and Word Hudson all scored touchdowns for the Colts.

The eighth grade Colts had a perfect season going with six straight victories. They lost their first game against Brady when Ethan Morriss suffered a compound fracture of his left leg. They finished their season with six wins and three losses. Ethan Morriss led the Colts with 18 touchdowns while throwing for seven more. During the home games that I covered, Colyer Dermody, Shane Patlan, Jesse Guerrero, Fuji Sanchez, and Will Dunn scored touchdowns for the Colts. The eighth grade Colts scored 252 points which is an average of 28 points per game. They allowed 182 points for an average of 20.2 points allowed per game. They also had one shutout against the Junction Eagles.

The JV White finished their season with a record of seven wins and two losses. Both losses were to the Brady freshman team. These games would surely have been victories if Kris Aguero had not been moved to the varsity. They scored 247 points which is an average of 27.4 points per game. The JV White defense allowed 106 points with three shutouts. This is an average of only 11.7 points per game. In the games that I attended, touchdowns were scored by Dustin Neff, Kris Aguero, Dylan Castillo, Matt Fay, and Will Anderson.

The JV Red lost one game and won nine. The JV Red scored 240 points for a 24 points per game average. They allowed 79 points which is an outstanding average of 7.9 points per game. Like the JV White, they pitched three shutouts. I observed touchdowns by Domingo Reynosa, Derrick Van Winkle, Jordan McGuffin, Pecos Roberts, Marcus Perez, and Dustin Neff.

The varsity finished a fine season at 8 wins and 3 losses. The varsity scored 256 points for an average of 23.3 points per game. They allowed 219 points for a 19.9 average. Justin Northcott scored 17 touchdowns, Evan Gulley had four touchdowns, Lito Trevino had three, Victor Vaquera had two, Jordan McGuffin had two, and Evan Rousselot, Ricardo Rodriguez, Pedro Gloria, Riley Sanchez, Jose Castillas, and Caleb Ramos all scored one touchdown each.

I wish I could document how many great blocks by the offensive lines were made. There were many, many outstanding tackles by all of the teams.

The overall win-loss record for all of the teams was an outstanding 38 wins and 10 losses.

## Little Dribblers Take to the Court

Submitted

Sonora City League would like to announce the beginning of its Little Dribblers program for 2006-2007. The program will have two divisions: 3rd & 4th grade girls and boys; 5th & 6th grade girls and boys.

Any students interested in playing basketball meet at the gym on December 2, 2006. The cost will be \$20.00 per player. Enrollment form & money must be turned in before your child can participate. Please accompany your child to the gym and fill out an enrollment form. We need a good turn out to have a successful program.

The first group practice will be held on Saturday, December 2nd and the last group practice on 12/09/06 for both divisions.

**Girls at 8:45 a.m.-10:15 a.m.:**

3rd and 4th grade group practice at Jr. High little gym

5th and 6th grade group practice at Jr. High big gym

**Boys at 10:30 a.m.-Noon:**

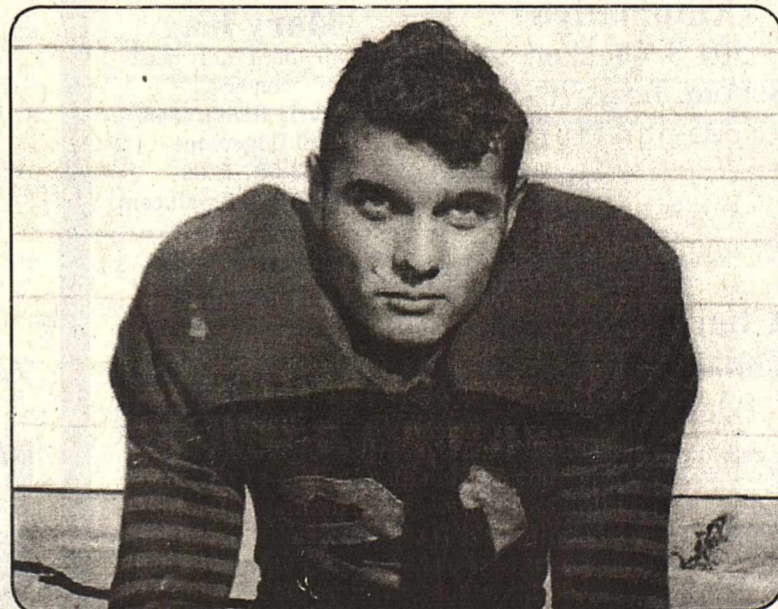
3rd and 4th grade group practice at Jr. High little gym

5th and 6th grade group practice at Jr. High big gym

Volunteers will need to have their forms in by 12/09/06 to be considered for any position working with the youth. Anyone interested in volunteering or if you have any questions, contact Mr. Lynn Hinsley at 650-2223 or at home at 387-5276. You may also contact Mrs. Nelda Tobias at 206-0290 or at home at 387-5390.



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Hudson, Word	Humphrey, Kory	Infante, Rebekah
Ingham, Stella	Jennings, Jayton	Leonard, Zachary
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Smith, Garrett	Stephens, Phillip	Sykes, Paige
	Velez, Kelsey	



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Carrillo, Sarah	Castaneda, Osbauld	Chavarria, Elizabeth
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Esparrza, Stephen	Faz, Adriana	Freeman, Allison
Friess, Owen	Galindo, Alexis	Garcia, Jesus
Garza, Toby	Gomez, Adrian	Granados, Monica
Guerra, Ashley	Guerrero, Yarexa	Gutierrez, Jomayra
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Hernandez, Whitley	Hines, Jessica	Hudson, Rebecca
Ibanez, Gabriela	Ibarra, Leonard	Isenhour, Rachel
Johnson, Harley	Karnes, Rose	Kenney, Christian
Kinder, Nolan	Lira, Gilda	Lopez, Crystal
Lopez, Damian	Lopez, Darien	Lopez, Preston
Love, Kylie	Martin, Jonathan	Mata, Verence
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Samaniego, Ricky	Sanchez, Jacinda	Sanchez, Michael
Smith, Logan	Snyder, Braxton	Solis, Evelyn
Tobias, Manuel	Villanueva, Lino	Williams, Allyssa
Williams, Sierra	Young, Matthew	Zapata, John

## City Police Dispatcher Report

### Arrest(s):

**November 16, 2006**  
 • 5:20 PM: Camagro Villa Telesforo, 53, from Sonora, Texas was arrested for Disorderly Conduct.  
**November 18, 2006**  
 • 7:00 PM: Preston Reed Brewer, 20, from San Angelo, Texas was arrested for two warrants out of Tom Green County for Possession of a Controlled Substance 1 gram and Possession of a Controlled Substance over 1 gram but less than 4 grams.

### Incidents

**November 13, 2006**  
 • 8:07 AM: Caller reported an 18-wheeler truck leak diesel on Highway. TXDOT notified.  
 • 9:23 AM: Subject requested close patrol at residence. Officers notified.  
 • 10:14 AM: Caller reported a suspicious vehicle. Officer responded.  
 • 10:15 AM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.  
 • 3:41 PM: Caller reported a disturbance. Officer responded.  
 • 5:25 PM: Caller requested welfare assistance. Officer responded.  
 • 9:25 PM: Caller reported a family disturbance. Officer responded.

### November 15, 2006

• 1:05 PM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking vehicle. Officer responded.  
 • 3:34 PM: Caller reported loud music. Officer responded.  
 • 5:45 PM: Caller reported loud music. Officer responded.  
 • 7:05 PM: Caller reported a dead deer on street. Officer responded.  
 • 7:15 PM: Caller reported a hit and run. Officer responded. Vehicle located, officer issued citation for no driver's license.  
 • 10:35 PM: Ambulance escort. Officer responded.

### November 16, 2006

• 10:17 AM: Caller reported a minor accident. Officer responded.  
 • 10:45 AM: Caller reported a nuisance dog. Animal Control Officer responded.  
 • 12:39 PM: Caller reported a cat in animal trap. Animal Control Officer responded.  
 • 3:27 PM: Ambulance Escort. Officer responded.  
 • 3:29 PM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer notified.  
 • 5:20 PM: Caller reported a disturbance at a business. Officer responded.  
 • 9:35 PM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.  
 • 10:25 PM: Caller reported harassing phone calls at business. Officer responded.

### November 17, 2006

• 8:00 AM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.  
 • 9:00 AM: Caller reported a cat in animal trap. Animal Control Officer responded.  
 • 9:46 AM: Caller requested close patrol. Officers notified.  
 • 10:35 AM: Burglary Alarm. Officer responded.  
 • 10:45 AM: Caller requested animal control at residence. Animal Control Officer responded.  
 • 11:40 AM: Caller requested to speak to an officer. Officer notified.  
 • 3:25 PM: Caller requested to speak to animal control. Animal Control Officer responded.  
 • 4:15 PM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.  
 • 4:30 PM: Caller reported a reckless driver. Officer responded.  
 • 5:00 PM: Caller reported a dead deer behind residence. Animal Control Officer responded.  
 • 9:10 PM: Caller reported a disturbance. Officer responded.

### November 18, 2006

N/A  
**November 19, 2006**  
 • 5:45 PM: Caller reported an accident at Main Street and Crockett Avenue. Officers responded.  
 • 6:45 PM: Caller requested to speak to an officer. Officer notified.

## ASU Business Seminar

The ASU Small Business Development Center (SBDC) is presenting The Business Plan, A FREE seminar on Thursday, November 30, 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Rassman Building at the ASU Campus, Conference Room 100.

Participants will learn how to develop effective business plans for new and existing businesses. Receive quick and easy tips for writing your business plan and recommendations from an expert on how to use your plan to obtain financing, focus ideas, identify specific business objectives, and chart and manage growth.

This seminar will be presented by Paul Howard. Paul joined the SBDC in September 2005 as a Business Development Specialist specializing in family owned small businesses. He holds a BBA in General Business from Angelo State University and has small business ownership experience in retailing. Community projects involving Paul include previous membership in the Downtown Optimist Club and past President of the San Angelo Symphony Choral.

Please call (325) 942-2098 to register or e-mail sbdc@angelo.edu



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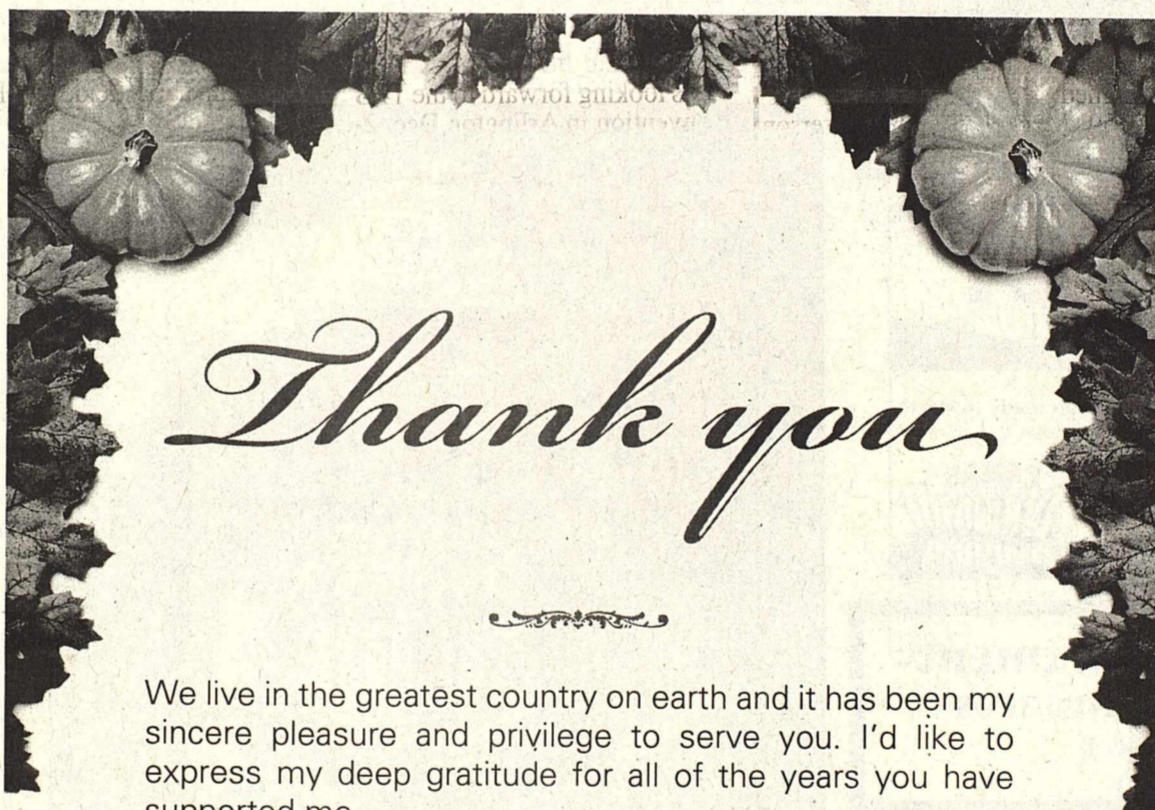
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May you and yours have a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday.

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## Oil & Agribusiness

### Texas Farm Bureau Resolutions Committee Reviews Policy Proposals

(WACO) — Farmers and ranchers from all 13 Texas Farm Bureau districts met in Waco Nov. 13-15 to consider proposed policies submitted by county Farm Bureaus across the state in preparation for the 73rd annual TFB meeting next month in Arlington.

Policy adopted at the TFB annual meeting will guide the organization in its endeavors in 2007, according to Resolutions Committee Chairman and TFB Vice President Lloyd Arthur.

With private property related issues continuing to surface in Texas due to the Trans Texas Corridor, pipeline and transmission rights-of-way and other concerns, eminent domain was another area that received heavy scrutiny.

"Eminent domain has been a key issue for our farmers and ranchers ever since the Supreme Court ruling in Kelo versus City of New London," Arthur said.

Among eminent domain resolutions adopted by the Committee to be sent for consideration at the state convention:

- Condemning entities should be penalized if they do not negotiate in good faith to acquire property.

- Support for prompt, just and adequate compensation when property is taken including legal costs, expert witness fees, associated costs, relocation costs, appraisals including highest and best use, replacement costs and participation fees.

- Support for all efforts to challenge and reverse the Supreme Court ruling on Kelo v. City of New London.

Arthur said this year's drought lay heavy on agricultural producers' minds as several resolutions addressed that ongoing problem. One dealt with providing assistance at the federal level to build hay storage facilities.

"Our folks felt like if they had some facilities to store hay where the hay wouldn't be sitting in the weather and deteriorating, there would be a possibility of saving hay from the good years for years like this," he said. "Of course, hay barns are very expensive to build. If we had some kind of assistance of any type to get to those producers so they could build those facilities, it would be a tremendous opportunity."

County Farm Bureaus also sent in resolutions for increased funding for the Texas Forest Service, so that agency can fulfill its increased responsibilities for fighting wildfires, which devastated many parts of Texas earlier in the spring. Another resolution asked that provisions for agriculture disasters be included in the next farm bill.

Some of the other resolutions included:

- Lowering the appraisal cap to 6 percent, with all increases above the cap subject to approval by countywide election.

- Support for the elimination of the unelected positions of County Chief Tax Appraisal Officer and support shifting the duties of the chief appraiser to the elected position of county tax assessor/collector.

- Support for reappraising property every three years instead of every year.

Arthur said the Resolutions Committee dealt with a host of other issues important to farmers and ranchers from livestock identification to the new farm bill. He said the entire committee is looking forward to the TFB Convention in Arlington Dec. 2-4.

"It's there that our members have the final say on policy that will guide our organization for the coming year," Arthur said.

### 2006 Farmer's Tax Guide Now Available

HOUSTON -- Internal Revenue Service recently announced the release of the Farmer's Tax Guide for use in preparing 2006 tax returns. The Farmer's Tax Guide, IRS Publication 225.

"If you cultivate, operate, or manage a farm for profit which includes stock, dairy, poultry, fish, fruit, vegetable and truck farms, this guide would serve you well," said IRS spokesperson Lea Crusberg.

"In tax year 2004, there were 240,000 farm tax returns (Schedule F) filed by Texans," Crusberg noted.

The guide explains the benefits of keeping records, what kinds of records you must keep, and how long you must keep them for federal tax purposes. Other topics include tracking farm income, expenses, employment taxes and sample tax returns.

The Farmers Tax Guide, IRS Publication 225, is available at the IRS Web site, [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov).

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### Insects Seeking Winter Homes



By Pasual Hernandez

The weather has finally cooled off some and nights are also cooler. That means that insects will soon be looking for a place to spend the winter. Some clever insects, like the ladybug, survive by hibernating. Others, such as fleas and lice, survive by living close to people or animals. And sometimes they seek shelter in our homes for a peaceful winter sleep. Most of them do not present a great danger to the homeowner. However, these insects WILL be a nuisance. Here are a couple of tips to help reduce the chance of serving as a winter home for insects or other pests.

First, inspect your home for possible entry points. It is not uncommon for insects to enter attics or garages through cracks in the foundation, open windows or spaces around doors. Mechanical control is possible by caulking all cracks to prevent insect entry. Caulking also makes the structure more air-tight and should help lower heating costs.

Secondly, remember to store firewood away from the house to help eliminate hiding places for pests. Also take only the amount of firewood needed for immediate use into the house. Firewood stacked beside the house may be handy but as the wood warms, spiders, scorpions and other pests may leave the wood and escape to other areas of the house.

With just these simple practices, we can keep down the probability of involuntarily hosting insects over the winter. For more details on dealing with insect pests, Dr. Noel Troxclair will offer a short seminar over the lunch hour on November 28th at the County Extension Office. One Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education unit (CEU) will be available for those with a pesticide applicator license. Bring a sack lunch. There is no cost for the program, but please call 387-3101 if you plan to attend.

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"Recycling helps reduce waste by turning the waste into a usable product, like road base," said Williams. "I am pleased that the recycling industry, Commission staff, and other interested parties collaborated to encourage ways to be environmentally friendly and work smarter and cheaper through coordination."

The new rules require permits for commercial recycling facilities to contain provisions to control how much of the recyclable product may accumulate and to limit storage of recyclable materials. These conditions are intended to ensure that the recyclable product is used and not abandoned or disposed of, and that the feedstock oil and gas waste, the partially treated waste, and the recyclable product do not threaten or impair the

environment or public health and safety.

"The rule recognizes that a market must exist for the recyclable product for the effort to be successful," added Williams. "This, in turn, encourages legitimate recyclers and allows the Commission to take action against bad actors."

Former Governor George W. Bush appointed Michael Williams to the Railroad Commission in December 1998. Williams chaired the Commission from September 1999 to September 2003. Williams was elected statewide most recently in November 2002 to a six-year term expiring in 2008. He is the first African-American in Texas history to hold an elected position in the executive branch of Texas state government and is currently the highest-ranking African-American in state government. In December 2002, Governor Rick Perry appointed Williams to chair the Governor's Clean Coal Technology Council. In March 2006, U.S. Department of Energy Secretary Bodman appointed Williams to the National Coal Council.

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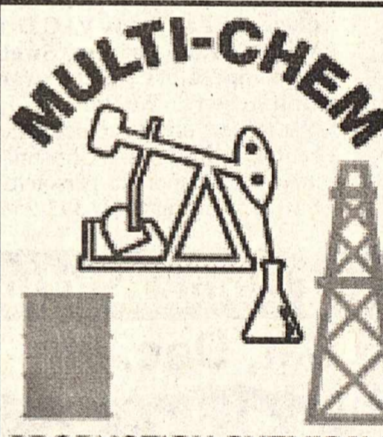
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## Public Notice

## CAUSE NO. 1315 ESTATE OF ANTONIO B. LIRA DECEASED IN THE COUNTY COURT SUTTON COUNTY, TEXAS PUBLISHED NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that the Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Antonio B. Lira, Deceased, were issued on October 24, 2006, in Cause Number 1315, pending in the Probate Court of Sutton County, Texas to Melissa Gloria, Executrix. The residence of the Executrix is in Sonora, Texas, and the mailing address is: Estate of Antonio B. Lira, Melissa Gloria, Executrix c/o Elizabeth W. Wallace, Atty. 105 W. Main Sonora, Texas 76950. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and manner prescribed by law.

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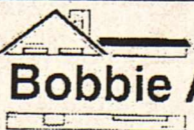
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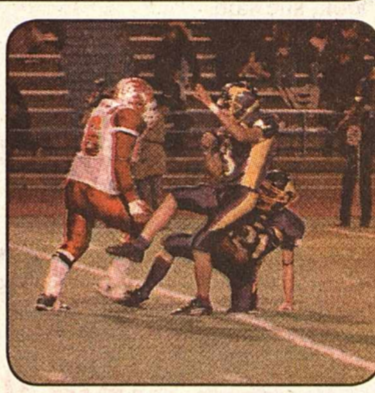
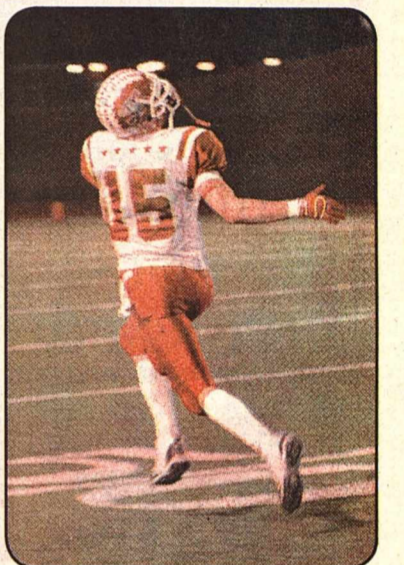
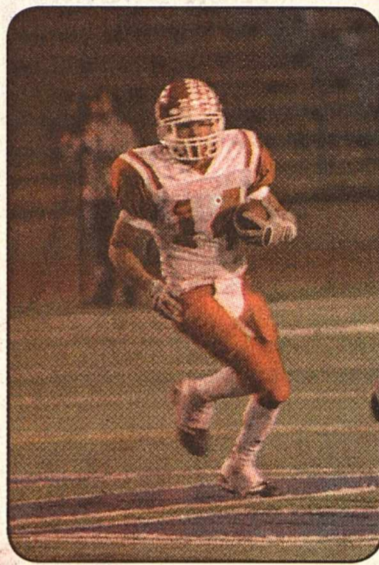
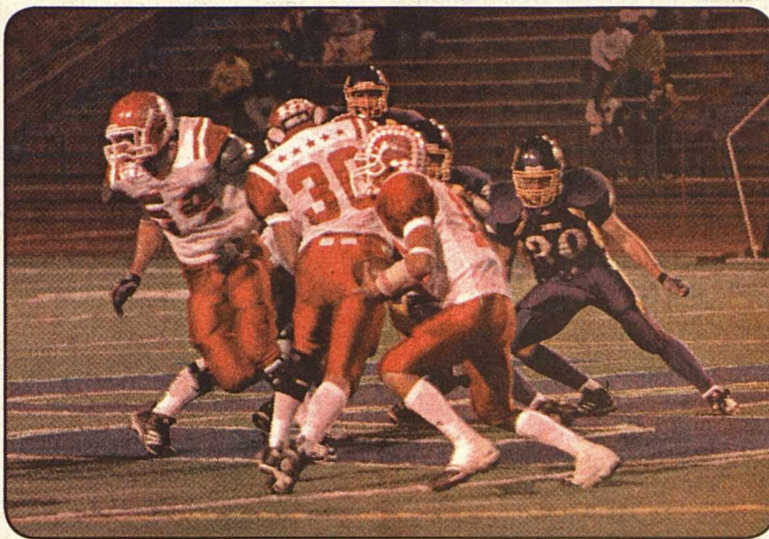
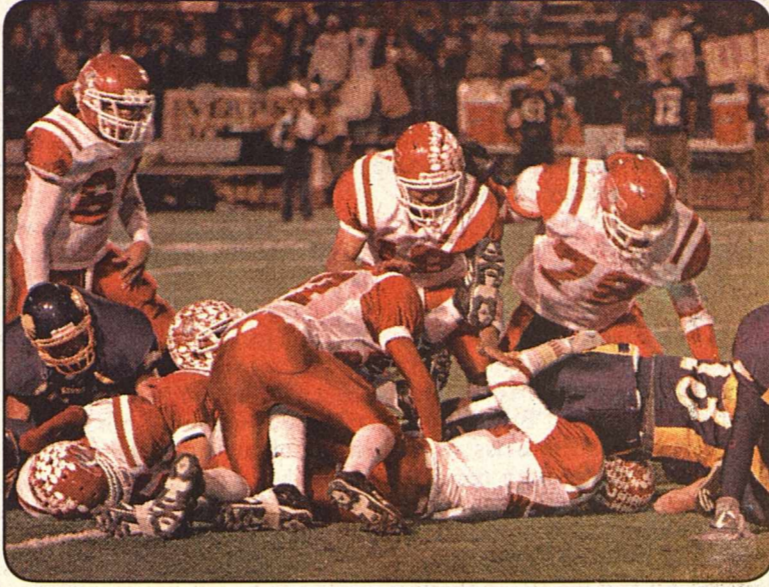
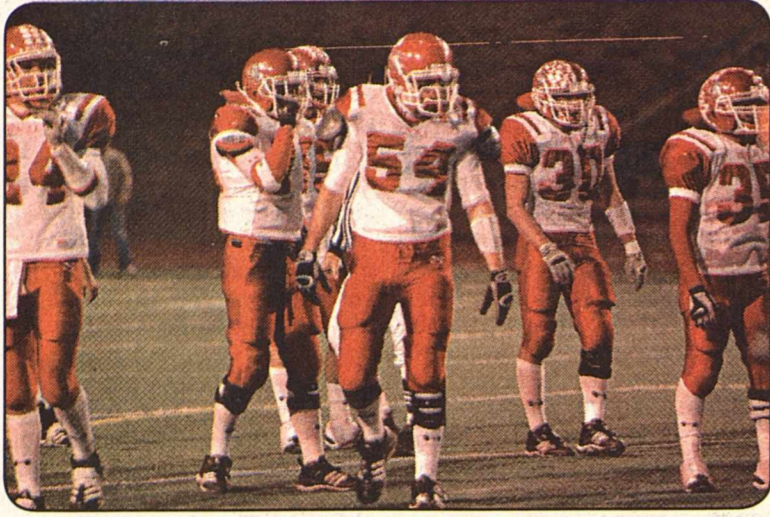
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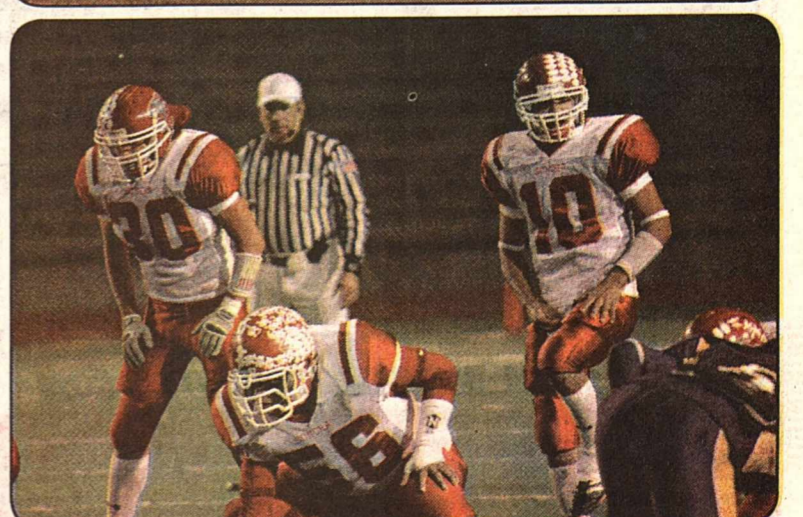
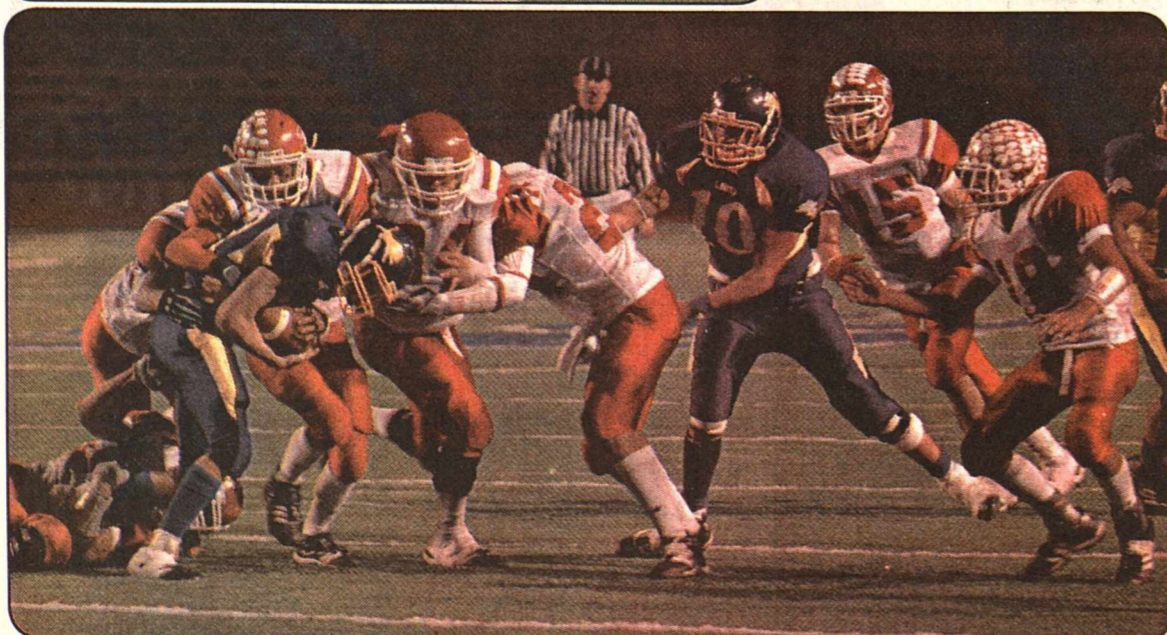
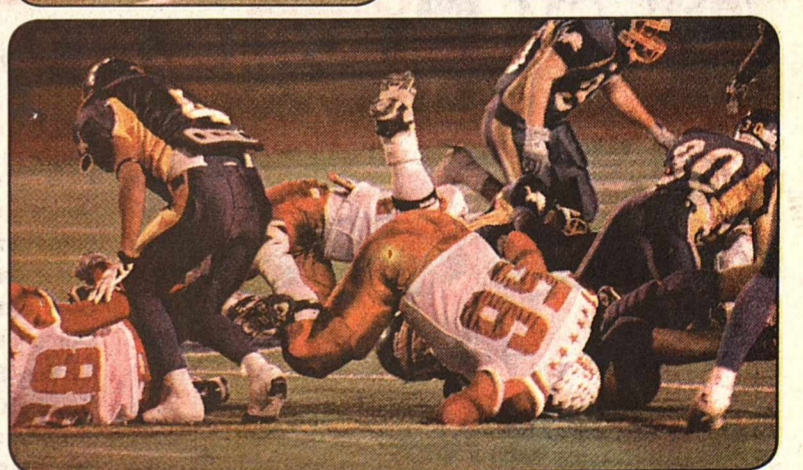
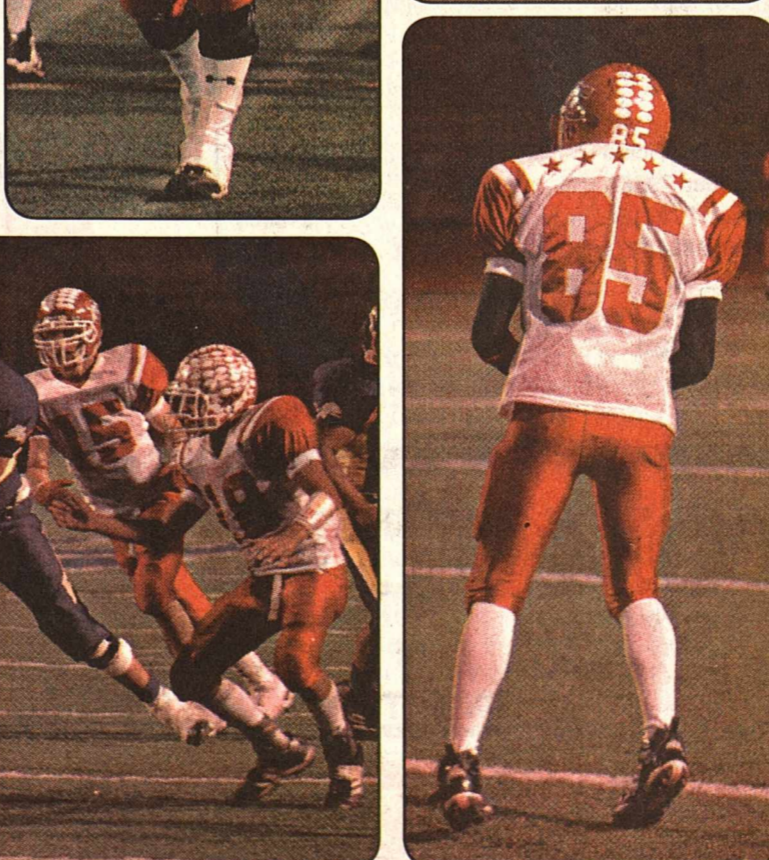
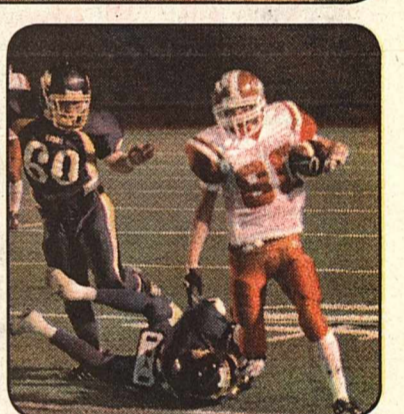
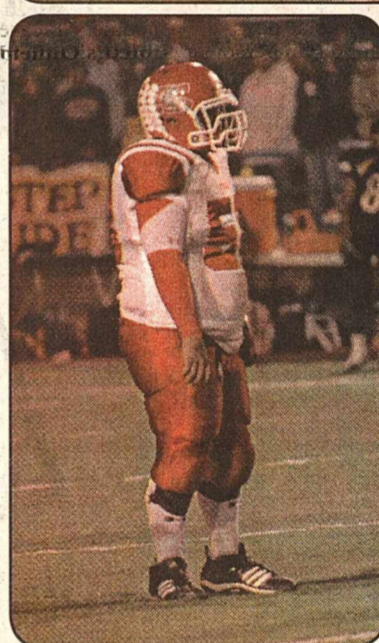
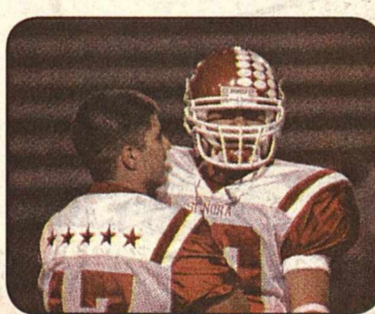
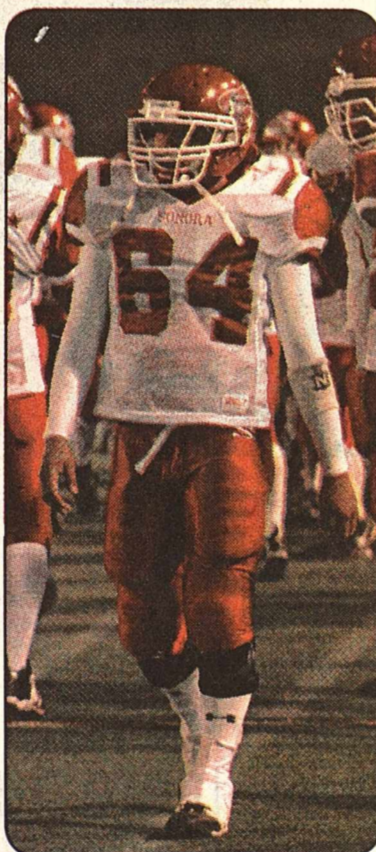
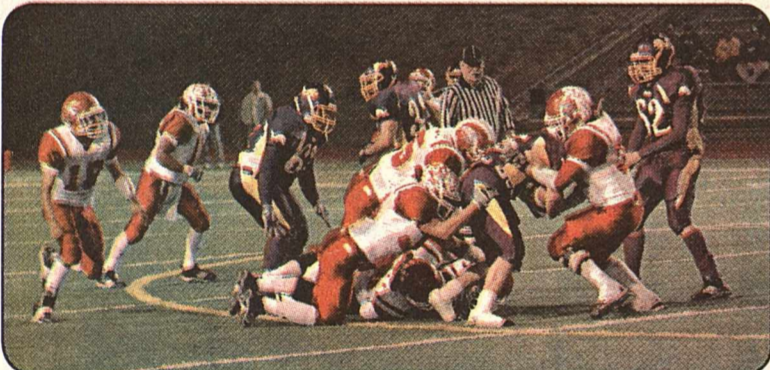
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## Livestock Art??

COLLEGE STATION – Dr. Jodi Sterle, associate professor, teaches an art appreciation class at Texas A&M University -- not so unusual except the class is in the department of animal science, and is about the art and heritage of livestock.

Sterle started the course three years ago so her students, who were mostly majoring in agricultural science, would understand the impact livestock had on society and the arts.

The popular class is drawing students who are majoring in subjects other than agriculture, she said. For the first time, Sterle has students from accounting, education, general studies and kinesiology in her fall class of 167 students. "It's a novel course," Sterle said, pun unintentional, "Everyone can relate to something about it."

She begins the class with teaching about cave paintings and takes students through recorded human history. "We're trying to cover 2,000-plus years of history and art," she said. She shows examples of art such as the Horse Fair by Rosa Bonheur. Advertising is represented by the Serta Sheep and Budweiser Clydesdales. Seabiscuit and the Black Stallion are examples of movies. Clips of movies include the "Lonely Goatherd" puppet song segment from the Sound of Music. Novels include western novels by Elmer Kelton of San Angelo, and she plays songs like "Cattle Call" and "The Old Gray Mare".

Students develop a written history of how livestock has affected their families. If their families don't have livestock in their history, then Sterle asks them to write about how agriculture may have had an impact. Photo projects are required as well, including one in which students have to show the relationship between everyday objects and agriculture.

This is the only course like this presently taught in the U.S., Sterle said, although Dr. Richard Willham, now retired, pioneered a similar course at Iowa State University that is no longer taught. When Sterle became interested in teaching the course, she contacted Willham, who sent her class notes and slides of artwork that are irreplaceable, she said.

Several other universities have become interested in having a course like this and have contacted Sterle to ask her to write a textbook, she said.

## Kerr County Market Days

A great way to spend Thanksgiving Saturday, November 25, is at Kerr County Market Days at the Courthouse square from 9 to 4. The fine crafts and works of art on display are handcrafted by the seller. Visitors can find the perfect original gift for that special someone or beautifully crafted items for the home.

More than 90 vendors working in wood, metal, fiber, leather and various other materials create furniture, clothing, purses, quilts, lamps, vases, knives, belt buckles and wall hangings. Jewelry makers working with gold, silver, beads, fused glass, polymer clay and semiprecious stones produce unique pieces for women and men. Artwork includes photography and copper pictures by Curtis Kosub, watercolors and prints by James Shelton, John McClure's metal art and Heart's Desire stained glass.

There are crosses and Christian themed items available in wood and metal as well as uniquely made sand crosses by Vera and Jimmy Hicks.

You can also find Doc Revelles' Jewish ceramic art including menorahs and dreidels for Hanukkah as well as dishware and souvenir items. Other spe-

cialty items include gourd art by Ann Kent and Lisa Pheil's hand-made baskets. Christmas cactus and other specialty plants and containers will be available.

The Market Days fundraiser continues for the benefit of K'Star youth and family programs. A one dollar donation gives participants a chance to win one of several gift baskets filled with market goods and the two grand prizes are beautiful mosaic tables crafted by Rotas Mosaic. This is an opportunity to help children and families in crisis situations in a fourteen county area of the Hill country.

Just in time for the holidays Conchita's on Main will be selling homemade tamales by the dozen. Their booth will also feature fajitas and other Mexican food. Joy Springs Ranch returns with several favors of homemade ice cream including sugar free vanilla. There will be lots of snacks on hand.

Market Days offers a fun outing for the whole family. Pets on leash are welcome and you can find gifts for them at the Animal Welfare Society booth. For additional information call 830-792-4655 or go to [www.kerrmarketdays.org](http://www.kerrmarketdays.org).

## F.Y.I.

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

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**USDA-NRCS offices in Sutton, Crockett and Schleicher counties** are accepting applications now through December 15, 2006 to be considered for 2007 funding in the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) and the Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program (WHIP). If you wish to apply, please check with your Farm Services Agency (FSA) to make sure your farm records are current, then go by the NRCS office in the county where your property lies.

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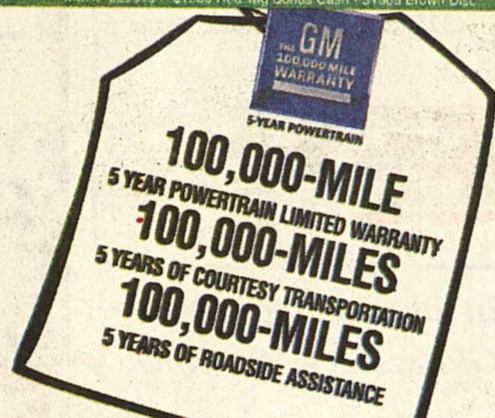
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