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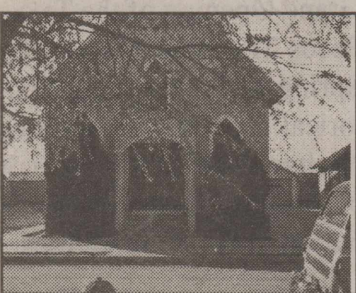
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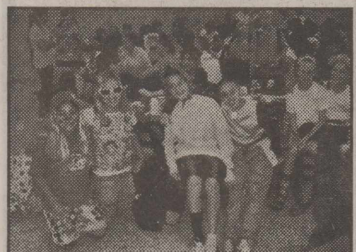
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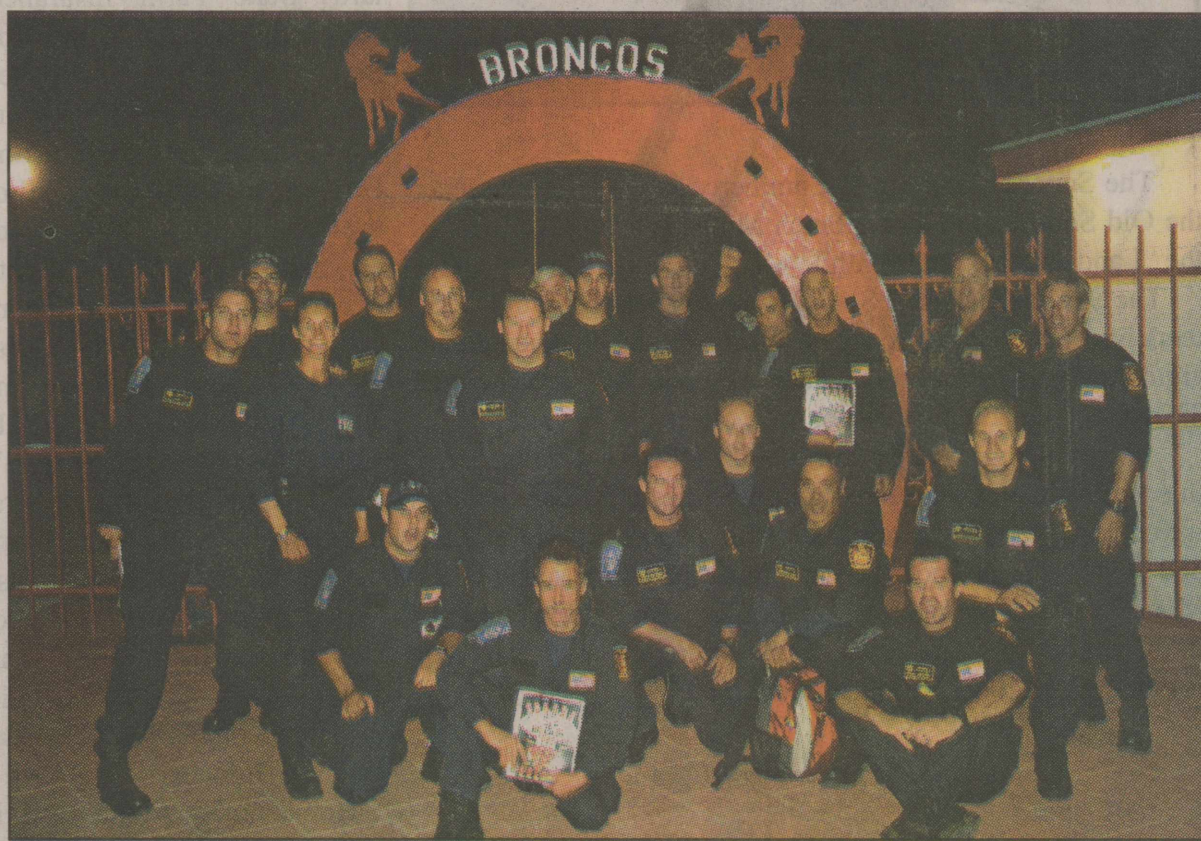
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## The Spirit of Homecoming Personified by Task Force 1



By Ben D. Taylor

Sonora was host to many visitors over our homecoming weekend, but none marked the spirit of homecoming better than the presence of Task Force 1 Urban Search and Rescue Team from the Los Angeles City Fire Department. They were on their way back to California from assisting with the recovery effort in the wake of Hurricane Ike. It is appropriate that these men and women were able to enjoy our homecoming football game after they had spent so much time in Houston making sure people were able to return to their homes. They may be miles away from their own families, but for one night in West Texas we were proud to call them our own.

Battalion Chief Chris Kawai commented that, "as the leader I am always thinking about training, my goal today was to find a place to get my team together for an evening. We

found a place to meet at the steak house here, and the folks were so kind to us, they really rolled out the red carpet for us. We were so impressed by the people in Sonora that we decided to crash your football game."

The United States has 28 search and rescue teams all of which fall under the coordination of FEMA, and in response to Hurricane Ike FEMA deployed 18 of the 28 teams to Beaumont, Galveston, and Houston. Chief Kawai commented that, "we are all proud to work in coordination under a unified command with Texas authorities and FEMA to help the people of your state". He further added that Houston is still recovering from the immediate damage from the Hurricane (flooding, and loss of power), while Galveston Island suffered the brunt of the damage. "That area will be recovering and rebuilding for

years to come. We really wish a quick recovery for all those people that lost so much" the Chief commented.

Chief Kawai and the rest of his task force have had homecoming celebrations of their own as they returned to California early this week. The homecoming game seemed to agree with the men and women of Task Force 1 as they watched the game and visited with Sonora locals, taking a well needed rest from their work in Houston before they pulled back on the interstate on their long trek home. As is the nature of their characters, they didn't leave Sonora without making a contribution to our community in the form of a donation to the Sonora Booster Club. The Chief commented that, "it is an honor for us to come here and help support this team".



Photo by Bonnie Lou Campbell

## Bronco Spirit Still Burns Bright

By Ray Glasscock

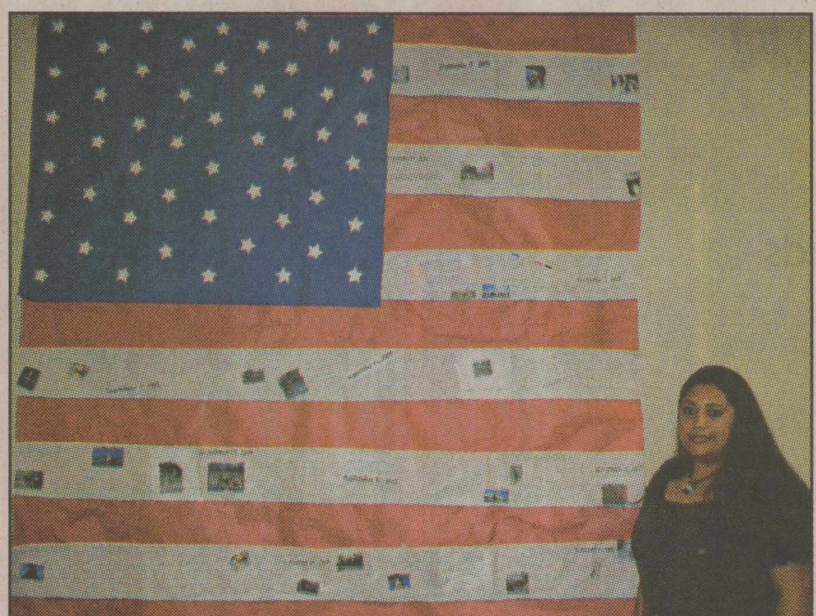
The Broncos opened the game on offense. Will Anderson made his presence felt, and his slashing running style helped the Broncos maintain an eighteen play drive deep into Hawk territory. Ethan Morriss had two big plays. He kept the drive alive with a quarterback sneak on fourth and one. He also had the longest run of the drive covering 18 yards. The drive reached the Wall 27-yard line where the Hawk defense was finally able to stop the Broncos forcing a change of possession on downs.

The Hawks responded with a scoring drive that featured a long run by Wall Hawk Nevens as he broke through the right side of the Bronco line and rambled about 50 yards for the first score. Wall's PAT kick was good and the Hawks had the lead at 7 to 0 with 2:43 left in the first quarter.

The Broncos were forced to punt on their next possession. The Bronco defense lead by Dustin Neff, Alberto Tovar, and Isaac Quiroz stopped the Hawks. After they punted, the Broncos had decent field position. Once again, the Bronco running game moved the ball effectively. Anderson got the first Bronco touchdown on a 15-yard run through a big hole opened by the right side of the Bronco line. Neff kicked the PAT, and the score was tied at 7 with 3:40 left in the second

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## September 11 Flag Project: A Lesson in Living History



Romi Castaneda stands beside the September 11 Flag Project that now hangs on the wall at the Sonora Elementary School as a reminder of those lost.

By Ben D. Taylor

History is a part of us all. If studied, it can tell you where we are all from, and if understood, it can show you where we all are going. A common misconception is that history resides exclusively in the past, but in reality, history lives in the past and present. Fourth Grade Social Studies teacher Romi Castaneda took

her students down the path of the most notorious event of current US history and showed them that History lives, and in the specific case of September 11, 2001, she showed them that history carries the lives of those lost on that day.

The September 11 Flag project began with the students watching and reading news

coverage about the terrorist attacks on the Twin Towers, Pentagon and of the doomed United Airlines flight 93. Ms. Castaneda had the students cut out pictures and important phrases from that day and glue them to an American flag that will hang in the hall outside her classroom. Ms. Castaneda commented that "9/11 will be with us forever, and because students were so little when it happened they didn't know about it. Their first reaction was shock; they couldn't believe that people could be so mean. They understand now why we are at war."

This first year teacher takes a hands on approach with her teaching style, and is enjoying her first year teaching full time at SISD. This particular project was important to show the students the importance of history and how it affects everyone. "It was important for me that the students understand that history effects everyone's lives".



## SAVANNAH LEONARD HOMECOMING QUEEN

## Wipff Takes Reserve Grand Champion



Ronnie & Lynn Wipff (Totally Wacked Cooking Team)

Ronnie & Lynn Wipff (Totally Wacked Cooking Team) traveled to Bandera, Texas to compete in the 5th Annual Texas Rose Realty Cook-Off this past weekend. Out of 38 total teams Ronnie placed 9th in chicken, 5th in brisket and second in ribs which landed him the number two spot in the cook-off as the Reserve Grand Champion. Lynn competed in the margarita contest and placed 1st. Congratulations on a job well done.

On a second note, there have been four local teams from Sonora that have qualified to compete at the National Championship BBQ Cook-Off in Meridian, Texas on October 25th. The four teams are The Garden Club Team (Wayne & Barbara Webb), Tia Loca (Steve & Kelly Thorp), Totally Wacked (Ronnie & Lynn Wipff), and Shoot the Moon (Kirk Joy). Good luck to all.

## Landscape of the Month



The Sonora Chamber of Commerce is proud to announce the Old Sonora Ice House Ranch Museum as the recipient of the "Landscape of the Month".

The Sonora Historical Society with the help of many volunteers have worked passionately to protect and enhance the architectural and interpretive values of Sonora's historic district. They are to be commended for their efforts.

Being recognized by Sonora Chamber of Commerce in this way validates our efforts and solidifies our partnership as we continue to work together to make Sonora a place of pride and beauty and promote heritage tourism. "Landscape of the Month" awards are open to any business that is a member of the Chamber of Commerce. Congratulations and thank you for taking part to *Keep Sonora Beautiful*.

## Main Street Traffic

By: Ann Kay

Wow! What a great Homecoming Parade! Thank you Sonora! Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program would like to express our appreciation to; the Devil's River News, Sonora High School, Sonora Middle School, YMCA Group, First National Bank of Sonora, Motorcycle Group, City of Sonora, Sutton County, Johnny Solis, Carlos Gallegos, Mercantile Building- Mercantile Garden, Team Graphics, Sonora Abstract, Sam Dillard -State Farm Insurance, Mrs. Tammy's Day Care, Boy Scouts, Sheriff Joe Fincher, Chief Mike House, Sonora Golf Course, all of the Colt and Bronco Football Players, all of the Colt and Bronco Cheerleaders, Sonora Fire Dept., Mighty Bronco Band, Colt and Bronco Water Girls, Sonora Cross Country Track Team, Moms and Dads, Little Mr. & Little Miss Sutton County, Wild Bill's Retail Store, Bicycle Riders, Pete Bradley Spirit Team, Randy Sparks Spirit Team, Miss Sutton County, KHOS Radio, Downtown Businesses, and anyone else who participated in the Homecoming Parade. Great Job! Go Broncos!

Homecoming Alumni activi-

ties were a great success this year and we hope to enjoy even bigger next year. Jimmy Cahill, John Paul Friess, Roy Jean & Jack Johnson, Joe David Ross & Ross Sisters, Wanda Neville, Rex Ann Friess, Tommy Whitehead, Corky Schweining, John & Fannie Wade, and other Sonora alumni were all there to welcome the out of town Broncos back to their hometown. Jimmy Cahill started Saturday off with a walk on Eaton Hill Wildlife Sanctuary and lunch was at the John & Mildred Cauthorn Memorial Trust Building-Santa Fe Train Depot. We then listened to John Paul Friess talk about the growth and changes in Sonora. Jimmy Cahill also shared a story of the past about the Miers Home Museum and then the group took a personal tour by Rex Ann Friess, of the Old Sonora Ice House Ranch Museum. We visited the Veterans from All Wars and Ranch Women Museums, the Bank Vault Park, and took a walking tour of historical downtown. The weather was great!

If you would like to help the Homecoming Committee gather information and addresses of other Bronco Alumni please call Rex Ann Friess or the Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program for next year. Don't miss the fun of Homecoming!

We would also like to express our appreciation to Jimmy Cahill and Rex Ann Friess for planning the special Homecoming for the Alumni 2008. Thank you.

Coming up at the end of September is the Texas Pecos Trail Meeting about the brochure which includes 22 counties. The Texas Pecos Trail is planning the Grand Opening of the Texas Pecos Trail Brochure in the Spring of 2009. Texas Historical Commission- Texas Heritage Trails Program will be printing them for distribution in our communities.

## October is the time for women to take control of and make time for their health

As a busy doctor, wife, and mother, I know how busy your schedule can be, but this month please try to make time for a healthier you.

— Dr. Kristy Edwards



### Breast cancer facts:

- ❖ One in eight women will contract breast cancer.
- ❖ It is the most common cancer in women.
- ❖ It is the most common cause of cancer death for Hispanic women, and the second-most common cause of death for all other women.

Dr. Kristy Edwards and the Sonora Medical Clinic are doing something about this with a **special open house**. Dr. Edwards and her staff will answer questions, demonstrate breast self examination, and schedule appointments.

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Senior Center Activities

- Thur. Sept. 25- Happy Birthday Loma Surber
Fri. Sept. 26- Cooking w/ Kelly Nutritional Ed./noon
Mon. Sept. 29- Bingo
Tues. Sept. 30- Plan party for Halloween
Wed. Oct. 1- Decorate for Halloween

Senior Center Menu

- Thur. Sept 25- Spaghetti w/meat sauce, spinach, milk garlic bread, fruit cocktail and pound cake
Fri. Sept. 26- Grilled chicken fajita salad w/cheese, tossed salad, macaroni salad, milk pumkin pie, crackers
Mon. Sept. 29- Steak fingers w/gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli, rolls, peach cobbler and milk
Tues. Sept. 30- Fried chicken, potato salad, milk, baked beans and lemon cake
Wed. Oct. 1- Meatloaf w/tomato sauce, potatoes, corn, wheat rolls, cookies and milk

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

Thank You Note

WOW! What a week! Homecoming was a blast, and it couldn't have happened without these people. The Bronco Cheerleaders would especially like to thank Scott Neff and Steve Morriss for all their hard work the last month, working on the bonfire. They had a vision, and it turned out perfect.

We would also like to thank the Bronco Booster Club, Tina Zuniga, Veronica Hernandez, Pedro Rodriguez, John Creek, Paul Stephens, National Oil Well, Rafter W Feed, PCS, Baker Chemical, Simon Petroleum, Jet, JMC, Creek and KHOS/Eddie Smith.

Also, without the approval of the City Council/Virgil Polocek, Patty Prather and County Commissioners/Carla Garner, there wouldn't have been any bonfire. Rick Cearley and the Sutton Co. Volunteer Fire Department are truly our heroes. Not only did they oversee the bonfire, they hauled cheerleaders in the parade and around town before the football game. Thanks Wayford Tyler and the Sutton Co. Volunteer Fire Department.

Thank you also to Mr. Gibson, Mr. Valdez and Mrs. Dermody for judging our Homecoming Olympics this year (That's a very risky assignment with high school students). We also really appreciate those moms that volunteered at the last minute to help out. And to Kay Friess, Sheba Castillo, Coach Jennings and Mr. Chavarria—never could have done it without you!

We are truly blessed to live in Bronco Country! Keep the faith! GO BRONCOS!

Sonora Bronco Cheerleaders

The Sonora JV football team would like to say Thank You to Keith and Anita Hudson for furnishing the trailer and hay for our float in the Homecoming Parade.

Sonora JV Football Team

The 7th Grade Colts would like to thank Jimalee and Jock Dutton for putting together a float for the Homecoming Parade. The truck and trailer, hay, and decorations all made for a great ride in the parade. Thank you.

7th Grade Colts

Remembering Timothy "Shane" Folmar



Timothy "Shane" Folmar

Today marks the 4th year of our "Shane's last deployment".

Final Post, "Heaven Bound", a new guardian angel has been found.

We now share the memory of Shane we all so loved. Who gave his life to our country and now shares his time with God above.

We hold in our hearts the memories that are precious and forever true.

We will never forget your special ways and the love we all hold for you.

You can almost hear his soft laughter when the family is together at holidays and we miss him the most.

We know God is right there with him and surely holding him and you and I close.

So if you or I weep or laugh with his memories, they are all in Gods great plan.

For God knows every heart and every hurt and He is ever faithful to hold our hand.

Always hold onto your memories and find comfort knowing Shane is free of all pain.

Our hearts will always remember him; and the "Honored Reward he has gained".

At times we may hear his voice; we might even see the smile he always shared.

Or we might feel his presence and think he is near. It is Shane saying, "I am fine and I am always right here".

God created something so beautiful. A gift He called "Memory".

So today, we will not dwell on our loss, but on the sweet memories of Shane, for there are plenty.

The Angels walk amongst us and hold us when we hurt and are in need.

We may never know whose holding our hand or "their heavenly or earthly name".

It just might be an Angel we knew as "Shane"...

We love and miss you Shane! You forever live on in our hearts each and every day!

With our Love,

Dad, Mom, Brandon, Jacob, Raven & Clay and Shanea Uncle Danny & Aunt Tammie, Sam, Josh, all of your Family & Friends

Written in honor of Shane Folmar 8/14/83 - 9/24/04 by: Ann Folmar

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Sept. 30 - Nominating Committee Meeting @ 5:30 p.m.

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September 27 Monica Buitron, George Vickers, Sauncy Surber, Tom Bedwell, Cheyenne Teasley, Kelly Lewellen
September 28 Cathy Ball, Felicia Van Winkle, Ricardo Lumberras, Mack McAngus, Laura Hearn Wolff, Bob Merry, Andy Mirike, Thomas Samaniego, Gabrielle Alvites
September 29 Riley Sanchez, Julie Martin, Louie Castro, Jr., Edgar Gonzalez, Cindy Jones, Miguel Lira, Gabriel Espinosa, Brad Mogford, Kristen Keel, Jack Sharp
September 30 Denice Arispe, Raven Leigh Rainer, Kayla McBride, Victor Vaquera, George Roverson, Araceli Perez, Oscar Gutierrez, Jr., Michael Barker, Whitney Hernandez, Cristina Gaytan, Kevin Weiss, Juan Miguel Jimenez, Elizabeth Ramirez, Michael Barker, Brad Hull, Linda Hooper
October 1 Adrianna Tijerina, Erica Morriss, Riggin Glasscock, Brittany Longoria

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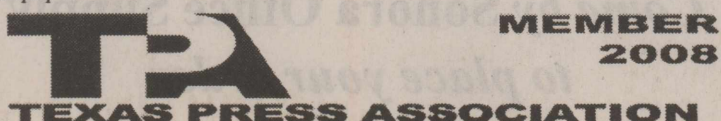
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"The hero is one who kindles a great light in the world, who sets up blazing torches in the dark streets of life for men to see by." -- Felix Adler

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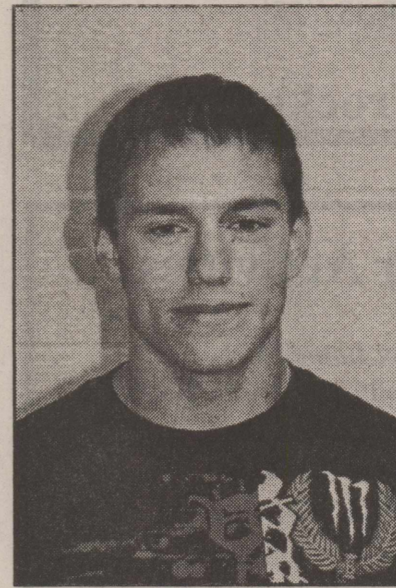
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# SHS Students of the Week



Will Anderson, a junior, is the son of Missy and Stanley Anderson. Will's favorite class is Woodshop with Mr. McMullan. He likes to be involved in football, track and baseball. Will also spends time on the Ag Skill Team. He has lived in Sonora his entire life and his favorite thing about SHS is the level of education you can get there. Will plan's to further his education to become an architect.



Kimberly Gonzales, a senior, is the daughter of Elva Vasquez. Kimberly's favorite class is Photography and her favorite teacher is Coach Dukes. She likes to hang out with her friends and she spends time working at Alco. Kimberly has lived in Sonora for 15 years, originally coming from Hereford as a child. Her favorite thing about school this year is all of the excitement of being a senior. She plans to go to college but remains undecided on her area of study.

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The Sutton County Commissioners Court has enacted a Burn Ban and a Fireworks Ban, prohibiting all outdoor burning and all fireworks until further notice.

Interested in Emergency Medical Medicine? Sutton County EMS and BSA are looking for youths between 14 and 20 years of age to participate in a local Emergency Medical Exploring Post. Exploring's purpose is to provide experiences to help young people mature and to prepare them to become responsible and caring adults in a certain career. For more information, please contact: Roberta Tanguma 325-277-7189.

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The Women of St. John's Episcopal Church are selling their cookbook "Breaking Bread: Meals and Memories of St. John's Episcopal Church". The cookbook is available at the church office Mon.-Wed. 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and at Ol' Sonora for \$20.00.

A Beth Moore bible study entitled "Stepping Up to the Psalms of the Ascent" starts Sept. 10th from 10:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. @ Lighthouse Community Church and Wednesday nights from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. @ First Methodist Church. Call 387-3625.

Sonora Sawmill Roping, Sunday, September 28, 2008 @ Sutton County Arena. A fundraising effort for the Sonora Industrial Technology Club. Books open at 11:00 AM; Close at 12:30; Rope at 1:00 PM. Saddle to High Money Winner; Buckles to fastest header/heeler. FMI call Cliff McMullan 325-450-0837 or Petie Lewis 325-650-8675.

Bible Study for ladies @ FBC with Beth Moore, Sept. 28, 2008, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. @ Fellowship Hall. FMI call 387-2951.

Peppermint Club will be having a mandantory meeting for all members on Monday, Sept. 29, 2008 @ 4:00 p.m. in the H.S. Commons area to vote on new members.

Sonora Woman's Club will meet on Thursday, October 2, 2008 @ noon.

Sutton County Health Foundation will have their annual fish fry @ noon Sunday, Oct. 5, 2008 in front of the FNB. Door prizes will be awarded.


Viva Sonora-Cinco de Mayo Parade- If you are interested in participating in the Cinco de Mayo Parade please contact Juanita Gomez at 387-2507 or 206-0830.

Viva Sonora-Little Mr. and Little Miss Cinco de Mayo 2009 Contest- Parents if your child is between the age of 3 and must not have turned 6 prior to May 2, they may be the next Little Mr. and Little Miss Cinco de Mayo. Please contact JoAnn Hernandez @ 325-387-2593 or 325-206-0366 FMI.

Viva Sonora-Miss Cinco de Mayo 2009 Contest- If you are a 10th or 11th grade girl interested in becoming the next Miss Cinco de Mayo please call Michelle Faz at 387-2593 or 206-0310 for more information or registration.

The Sutton County Public Library will start Storytime on Wed., Oct. 1, 2008. Children 3 to 5 years of age are welcome to attend. The program will be held every Wed. at 10:00 a.m. FMI contact the Library @ 387-2111 or go by 306 E. Mulberry St.

There will be a Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo Membership meeting @ 6:00 p.m. at the arena Cowboy Camp on Oct. 1, 2008

  
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# BLAST FROM THE PAST 1957-1969

## St. Ann's Catholic Church Celebrates 79th Anniversary



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The Catholic Church built in 1924 was moved to a new location to make way for the new church.



1957 Sociedad Del Sagrado Corazon De Jesus



1957 Alter Boys



Standing in front of the new St. Ann's Catholic Church are members of the Building Committee. From (L-R) Pete Gomez, Polo Cervantes, Cesario Martinez, Father Michael Fernandez, Louis Olenick, and Mrs. Louse Davis

As early as 1918 there were requests from parishioners in Sonora for a priest and a church. Records show that the first Catholic Church in Sonora was built in 1924 with Father Paul Sokol in charge of Sonora. The Rectory was built in November 1929 under the supervision of Father John Krukkert.

From 1931 to mid-1935 the Augustinians were in charge of the Sonora Church. In June of 1935 Father W. F. Bosen was appointed to Sonora. From the 1929 to 1935 the priest were assisted in their work of teaching the children by a few Mercy Workers (a group of lay women catechists).

In 1938 the church property received a general face-lift. Additional property was bought to the east and west of the church and the City Commission allowed the closing of Santa Clara Avenue and San Diego Avenue to form a solid tract known as the Catholic Church Tract.

St. Ann's Catholic Church was constructed out of native stone from the Stella Keen Ranch.

## Entrepreneur



### Ben Pool







Submitted By:  
**Kelly L. Thorp, MS**  
 County Extension Agent  
 Family and Consumer Science  
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## Personal Emergency Response Systems

With more older adults choosing to "age in place" - remain in their home as they grow older - rather than transition to some sort of care facility, questions of "what if" may begin to loom. What if I fall? What if I need help? What if I cannot make it to the phone? There are many types of personal alarms that may help further independent living but careful consideration may need to be given when choosing one.

According to the Texas Health and Safety Code, a Personal Emergency Response System (PERS) is defined, in part, as "an alarm system installed in a residence; monitored by an alarm company; designed to signal a medical or personal emergency so that the company may dispatch appropriate aid; and not part of a combination of alarm systems that include a burglar or fire alarm".

The basic parts of a PERS are a transmitter carried by the user or worn on a neck pendant or wristband, a receiver connected to a telephone and a monitoring center. If the user has an emergency, s/he presses a button on the transmitter which sends a radio signal to the receiver. The receiver dials an emergency number, usually the monitoring center. The monitoring center will then call the user and send appropriate emergency services depending on the situation. While this is a good example of how the system should work, there may be some variation depending on the provider and its product.

When it comes to monitoring centers, there are two basic types: provider-based and manufacturer-based. Provider-based centers usually are located in the user's local area and are operated by hospitals or social service agencies. Manufacturer-based operations usually have a national

center. A typical Internet search will bring up only the national companies. Adding a town, county or state to your search may help you find local options. Sometimes, users who purchase systems may choose between provider-based and manufacturer-based centers, but users who rent or lease systems may have to use a national center. Centers vary in the level of training and back-up given to personnel, the amount of information maintained on each user, the procedures used when an emergency call is received and the type and frequency of testing done on the systems.

The purchase price for PERS may range from \$200 to more than \$1000, depending on the manufacturer, the features included and the seller's integrity. In addition to the initial investment, most systems require that the user pay a monthly monitoring fee which can range from \$15 to \$50. Presently, neither Medicare nor Medicaid will cover the costs of PERS, nor will most private insurance policies. It may be possible, however, for low-income persons in some areas to obtain a PERS at a subsidized rate from local agencies. Many consumer groups strongly recommend that consumers rent or lease a system on a short term basis

because of the possibility that any manufacturer may go out of business, taking its monitoring center with it and leave the consumer with a useless system.

PERS providers and their employees are usually involved with all aspects of furnishing PERS services to the public, including telephone sales, in-home sales, installation and maintenance. When determining need and evaluating companies to provide services, consumers must ask very specific questions and get definite answers about the various features of both the PERS unit and the monitoring center. The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) recommends the following when shopping for a PERS to meet your needs: Check out several systems before making a decision. Find out if you can use the system with other response centers. For example, can you use the same system if you move? Ask about the pricing, features, and servicing of each system and compare costs. Make sure the system is easy to use. Test around your home. Make sure nothing interferes with transmissions. Read your purchase, rental, or lease agreement carefully before signing.

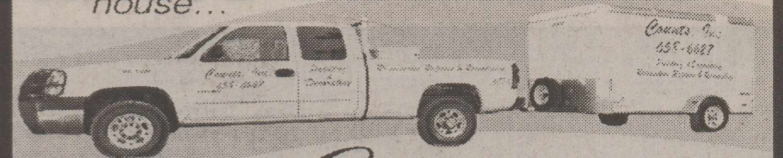
The FTC also recommends you ask some questions about

the response center: Is the monitoring center available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week? What is the average response time? What kind of training does the center staff receive? What procedures does the center use to test systems in your home? How often are tests conducted?

In Texas, all PERS companies must be officially licensed with the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS). Before doing business with companies selling PERS, contact DSHS, the Attorney General's Office and the Better Business Bureau to see if the company is licensed and if any complaints have been filed against them. Also get recommendations from friends, neighbors or relatives who use personal emergency response systems.

For more information, contact your county Extension agent. You may also access additional information from the Federal Trade Commission at <http://www.ftc.gov/bcp/edu/pubs/consumer/products/pro24.shtm>.  
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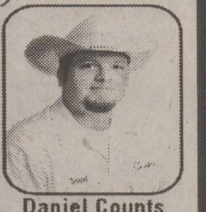
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The mission of the SCUWCD is to preserve, conserve and protect the Edwards-Trinity Aquifer by monitoring the quality and quantity of groundwater.

If you are interested in serving as a Sutton County Underground Water Conservation District board member, please submit a letter summarizing your experience, qualifications and reasons for your desire to serve on the Board to SCUWCD General Manager Greta Ramsdell, 301 S. Crockett Avenue, Sonora, Texas, 76950. If additional information is needed please call 325/387-2369.

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# Sawmill Roping to Benefit Industrial Technology Department



By Chelsey Lou Campbell

The Sonora Industrial Technology Department at Sonora High School has recently become the hub of a very exciting and energetic group of students. Our school has the privilege of having a teacher

who had a vision. That vision was flamed by the fact that the department began this school year in a wonderful new building, one of the best facilities in the state, thus giving our students the opportunity to

advance not only their abilities in the woodshop classroom, but also their ability to work on a project as a group and with our community.

The vision began late last spring, when Cliff McMullan, Industrial Tech. instructor at Sonora High School, began working on a plan to obtain a new Sawmill for his technology department. Knowing full well that with a new building, and a shop with all the bells and whistles that this one has, he would not be able to ask for more funding for new equipment at this time. So he began working on a plan to raise the money he would need to purchase this sawmill for his students.

Raised in the country, and a rancher on the side, Mr. McMullan knew that he could rely on his background to get the job done. Thus began the plans to host the first annual Sawmill Roping in Sonora, Texas. This team roping event will help raise the needed funds to purchase the new sawmill for the technology department. Mr. McMullan was quick to find sponsors for the awards needed for the roping. The First National Bank

of Sonora, and the Bank & Trust will donate a Big Bend Saddlery Saddle to the high money winner. Arroyo Grande Ranch Company and Main Street Realty have donated the header and heeler buckles for the average winners. McMullan has truly been amazed at how quickly the project took shape. His students have been busy working out concession details, and will be working the roping themselves from start to finish. This project is a new experience for many of these students, as they have never been involved with anything like it.

McMullan and his students wish to take this opportunity to invite the public to come out on Sunday, September 28, 2008, at the Sutton County Arena Complex and be a part of the first Sawmill Roping in Sonora. Ropers may call 325-450-0837 or 325-650-8675 for more information. Books will open at 11:00 AM and close at 12:30 PM. The roping will start at 1:00 PM. Dennis Townsend is the stock contractor for the event. Come on out to the arena and support the students and the Industrial Technology Department at Sonora High School.

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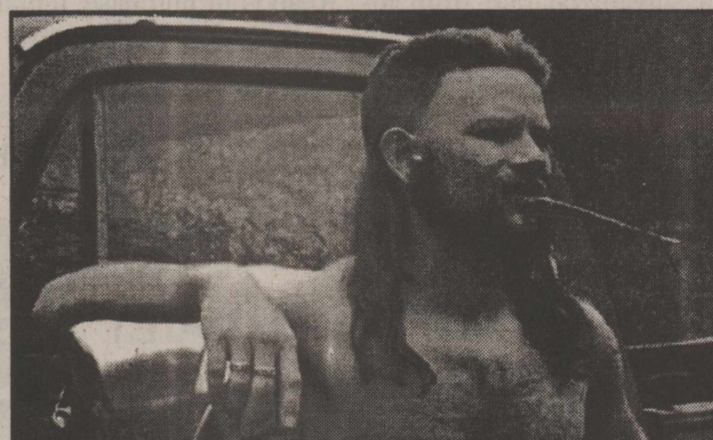
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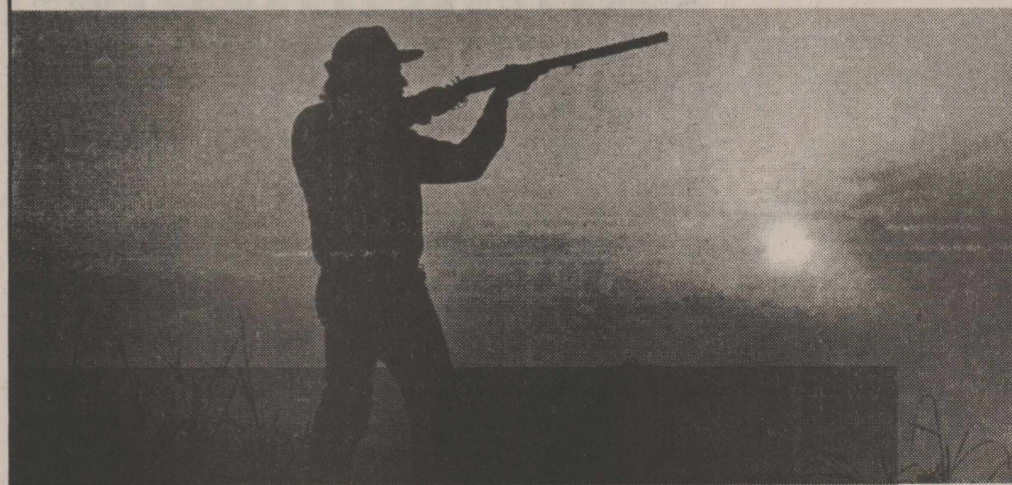


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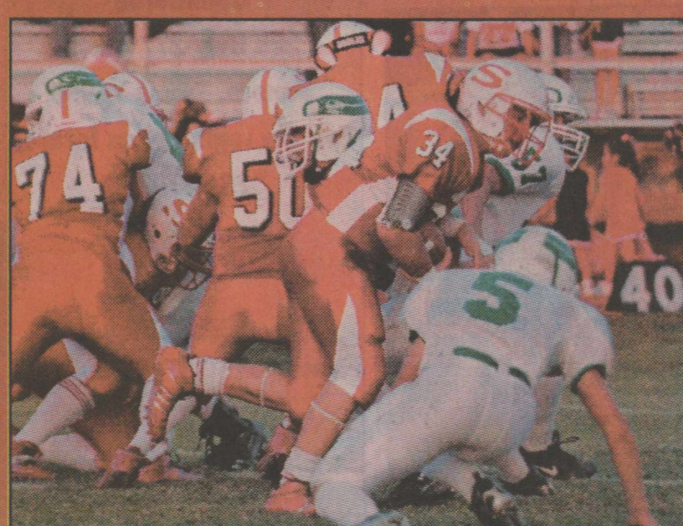
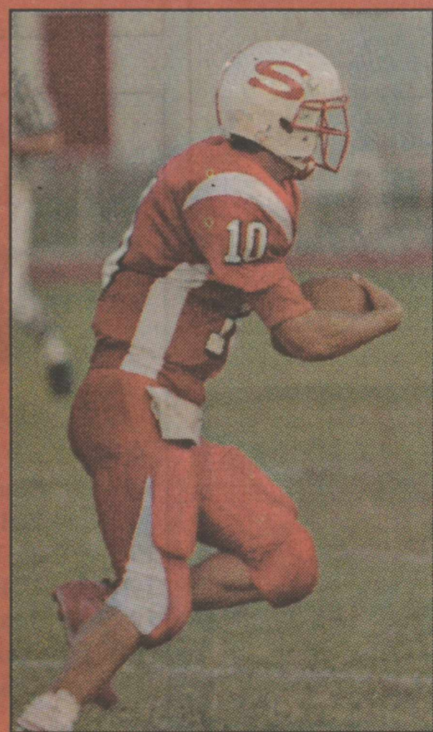
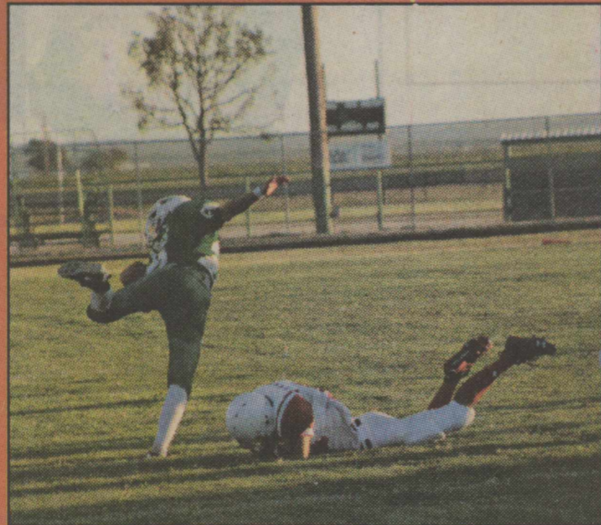
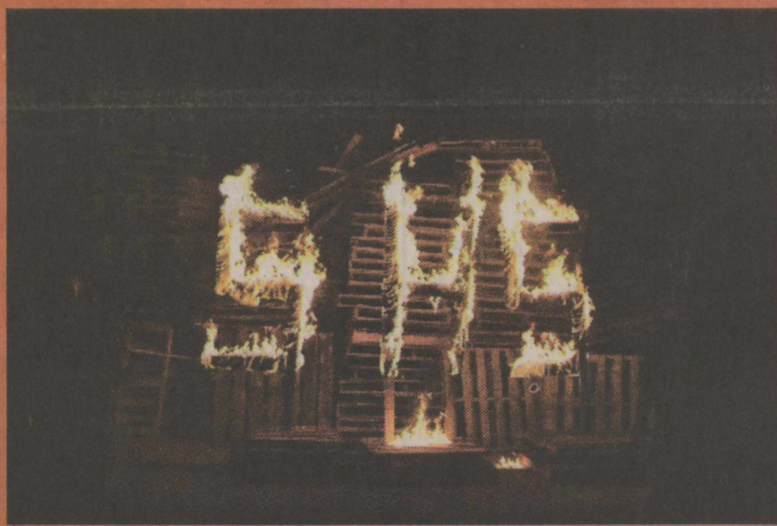


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# SPORTS

## Varsity Football Contd.

### Colts Victorious Against Hawks

By Coach Lamar Evans

The Colts took the field for their first home game of the year against the tough Wall Hawks. The boys went on the defensive right away when John Lopez kicked the ball deep into their end zone, practically giving them nothing. Our boys held a stiff line all night long giving them very little. On 3rd and short, Sam Powers, along with Jesus Vasquez and Owen Friess, gave a valiant effort and stopped the Hawks short. The score was knotted at zero until Gunter Pennington broke loose and ran for pay dirt to go up 6-0. Alfred Rodriguez had good blocking by Damon Evans on the 2 pt.

conversion but, there was a flag on the Colts, and the extra point was nullified. This is where the score ended as half-time ran out. When the 2nd half got cranked up, the young Colts went to work once more showing their toughness, not only on Defense, but moving the ball up and down the field. We scored once more but, again, the play was nullified by a penalty. I've told these guys it takes all eleven players to get into the end zone, so with good blocking up front from Blake Esparza our center, Rt. Guard Lino Villanueva, Rt. Tackle Michael Sanchez, Guard Phillip Onofre and Lt. Tackle Ricardo Regino and our Tight ends John Lopez and Sam Powers, we have a good set of young men taking care of business. The score ended 6-0 and even though we didn't score big, we did get the win.

I would like to thank everyone who came and supported the Colts. Wow! The stands were full and it sure is nice to work for a district that supports these young men.

quarter. The Hawks answered quickly with a kickoff return to the Bronco 45. Then a penalty against the Broncos moved the ball to the Bronco 30-yard line. On the next play, Nevens ran for the second Hawk touchdown. This time, their PAT kick was wide left, and the score stood at 13 to 7 with 3:17 left in the second quarter.

The Broncos kicked off to start the second half. After the Hawks made one first down, the swarming Broncos forced the Hawks to punt. On the first drive by the Broncos, Anderson and Morriss had long gains before the drive stalled. On the next drive, the Hawks completed a 25-yard pass deep in Bronco territory. However, a great tackle by Derrick Van Winkle and a sack by Dylan Castillo forced the Hawks to turn the ball over on downs.

In the fourth quarter, the coaches called for a punt where many coaches would have tried for a first down. Castillo's punt was downed inside the one-yard line. When the defense forced the Hawk's to punt, the Broncos started their last scoring drive from

their 49-yard line. Ricardo Rodriguez and Reynaldo Gaytan helped make two first downs. Anderson contributed about ten yards on a sweep where he cut back against the grain. Neff got the touchdown on a fullback blast up the middle on an eighteen yard run. Neff tried to put the Broncos in the lead, but the Hawks were able to block the PAT and the score stood tied at 13.

Once again, the Hawks answered quickly, One of the Raspberry boys returned the Bronco kickoff to the Bronco 15-yard line. Three plays lat-

er, they scored a touchdown, and a successful PAT made the score 20 to 13 with 1:25 left in the game.

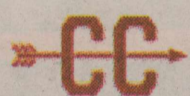
From the spread offense, Morriss moved the ball quickly down the field with two completions: one to Anderson and the other to Rodriguez. Two runs by Morriss of over 15 yards each set up one last pass. Morriss' Hail Mary pass was intercepted in the end zone, and the game was over.

The Broncos had 15 first downs and 238 yards of total offense. Anderson rushed for 105 yards on 22 carries. Mor-

riss gained 89 yards on 16 carries. Neff rushed for 26 yards on three carries. Rodriguez ran for 18 yards and caught one pass for ten yards.

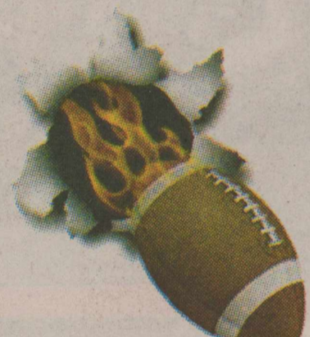
This week, the Broncos finish their non-district schedule against the Grape Creek Eagles at Bronco Stadium with a 7:30 kickoff. On Thursday, the Colts play at 5:00 and 6:30 at home against the Eagles while the JV Broncos travel to Grape Creek.

### Cross Country Schedule



9/13	ASU (HS & JH)
9/20	Sonora (HS & JH)
9/27	Ozona (JV & JH)
	Lubbock (Varsity)??
10/4	Alpine
10/11	Wall (HS & JH)
10/27	*District-Alpine
11/8	*Regionals-Lubbock
11/??	*State-Round Rock

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### Varsity Football Schedule



DATE	PLACE	TIME
9/26	Home	7:30 P.M.
10/3	Open	
	District Play	
10/10	Big Lake	7:30 P.M.
10/17	Alpine	7:30 P.M.
10/24	Home	7:30 P.M.
10/31	Crane	7:30 P.M.
11/07	Home	7:30 P.M.

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### Pep Rally Schedule



9/26	3:00 Pep Rally	MS
10/5	Open	
10/10	2:30 Pep Rally	Elem
10/17	1:00 Send Off	
10/24	3:00 Pep Rally	MS
10/31	2:00 Pep Rally	Elem
11/07	3:00 Senior Pep Rally	

MS: Middle School will attend Pep Rally  
Elem: Elementary school will attend Pep Rally

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### J.V. Football Schedule



DATE	PLACE	TIME
9/4	Junction	6:30 P.M.
9/11	San Angelo	6:30 P.M.
9/18	Wall	6:30 P.M.
9/25	Grape Creek	6:30 P.M.
10/2	Open	
10/9	Home	6:30 P.M.
10/16	Home	6:30 P.M.
10/23	Kermit	6:00 P.M.
10/30	Home	6:30 P.M.
11/06	Ozona	6:30 P.M.

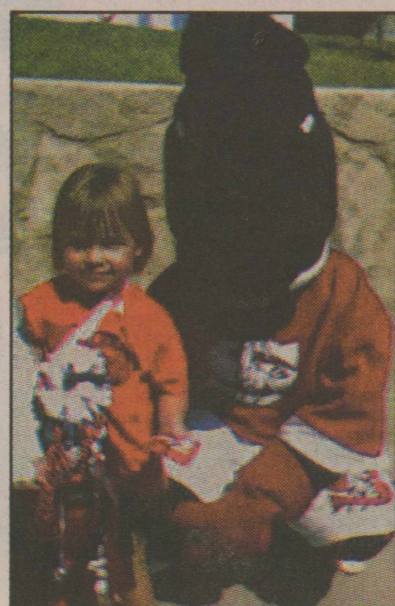
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### Junior High Football Schedule



DATE	PLACE	TIME
9/25	Home	5/6:30
10/2	Biglake	5/6:30
10/9	Big Lake	5/6:30
10/16	Alpine	5/6:30
10/23	Home	5/6:30
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