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Susan Combs Visits Sonora



Susan Combs speaks to Sonora citizens about the current economic status of Texas, and her office's philosophy on spending tax dollars.

By Ben D. Taylor

agency is on the website".

economy is a positive one rating (when compared to oth-

State Comptroller Susan (when compared to other states er states), our state is still tak-Combs made a visit to Sono- in the union), "I was working ing a good portion of federal ra's Senior Center this Friday, with the chairman of the senate stimulus money earmarked May 22, 2009. In the hour long finance committee, and Texas for our highways, education, presentation she discussed is so much better off than any many different topics ranging other state. In the middle 80's from the current status of Tex- we had an oil bust and we set as' economic progress, to how up a "rainy day fund", and all Sonorans to visit the un-her office spends our tax dol- there is 6.7 billion dollars in claimed property website lars as she commented, "we that fund now". She did how- (see the previous link) to see decided it was important to let ever state that Texas stands to if they have any money in the taxpayer know where their lose some jobs, "We are going the unclaimed property fund, tax money goes. The state of to loose 2.3 percent of jobs in Texas spends 450 million dol- Texas, and our foreclosure rate Sonora residents who comlars every day, at the website is 1 out of 850 houses when bined have over \$294,000 (http://window.state.tx.us/) you compare that to Nevada in unclaimed property". She you can find day to day ex- (1 out of 70). Texas is still then presented checks to penditures. Every single state doing better than other states our city and county each for based upon those two trends". money they had sitting in the Her overall view of Texas' Even with an above average unclaimed property fund.

and increasing our energy efficiency.

Combs also encouraged "We think there are 1865

New Field House Update: Construction to Start Soon



By Nancy Glasscock

meeting on Wednesday, May passed. 20th, Joe Carlock, Director of \$3,835,815.

The board members reviewed the July meeting. all of the bids. Following this review, Mallory Rousselot two bids for the CNC Cutting ing is scheduled for 5:30 PM moved to accept the bids as Machine(plasma cutter) that on June 8th. At this board submitted for the field house. the SISD Vocational Ag pro- meeting, three newly elect-Tammy Favila seconded the gram will use. Mr. Gibson ed trustees will begin their hill. motion that carried unani- recommended that the school terms. mously. Mrs. Rousselot then board accept the bid from Van- *Editors Note-The official moved to waive the bid bond; guard Machinery International, results of the election rehowever, if the contractor(s) LLC, Houston TX. Their bid count stands as 173 votes for fails to provide a bond, DSA was \$45,280 for the machine, Carol Pope, 172 for Tammy will award the bid to the next software, and a feeding tool. Favila, and 172 for DeVoe lower bidder that can produce Scott Jacoby moved to accept Smith. New Board Trusees the required bond. This motion the Vanguard bid. Barbara Dawn Cahill, Jerry Jiminez, also included rebidding of the Jennings seconded the motion and Dawn Cahill were seatlaundry and ice maker equip-ment. The motion was again Karen Evans, SISD Technol-

During the school board two part motion unanimously a new sound and lighting

Sales and Marketing for DSA Gibson reported that he and system is the original one in-Construction Management, SISD Business Manager, Di- stalled when the building was Jim Barnes, and other DSA ane Jacoby met with the tax completed in the 1980's. She representatives presented the appraisal lawyers. The law-stated that she, the Theater Field House Project proposal yers estimated that as much as Director, and Mr. Chavarria register and the recommended one-third of the property val- are still in the process of findcontractors to the board mem- ues in Sutton County would ing the best system for the bers. The costs for the new be lost. Since that meeting, he money. Mr. Jacoby made a Sonora ISD field house are as had met with Mary Bustaman- motion to authorize Mrs. Evfollows: \$3,768,293 for the te, who had more recently met ans and the Theater Director By Delyse Jaeger new construction, and \$67,522 with the lawyers who were to go out for bids for a new for the exterior renovation to now estimating a one quarter sound and lighting system for the existing building. The to- loss in tax values. Mr. Gibson the high school auditorium. tal for the complete project is said he hopes to have a report Jesse Bustamante seconded on the preliminary values at the motion which carried

seconded by Mrs. Favila. The ogy Director, explained that

system was needed for the Interim Superintendent Don high school auditorium. The unanimously.

The school district received The next SISD board Meet-

ed on May 18th, 2009.

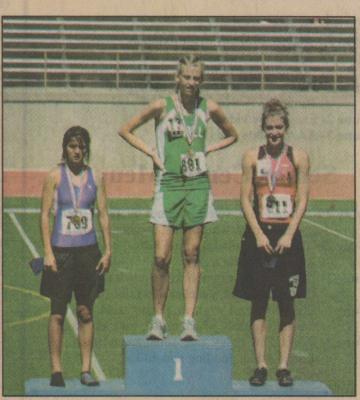


Photo by Ray Glasscock

Kallie Humphrey (far right) qualified for state with her second place performace in the 1,600 m run at regionals.

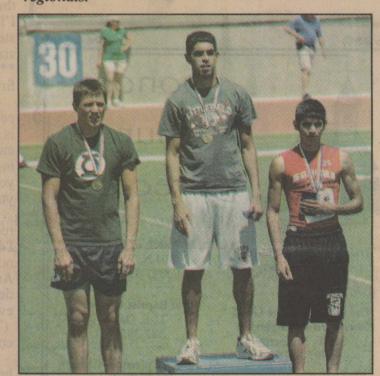


Photo by Ray Glasscock

Jesus (Jessie) Gurrero (far right) qualified for state with his second place finish in the 400 m run.

Sonora Athletes Run to State

By Ray Glasscock

Sonora's Kallie Humphrey and Jesus (Jessie) Gurrero are getting an extended UIL Track season due to their second place finishes at the Region One Track and Field meet, May 19-20. The weather couldn't have been better at Odessa's Ratliff Stadium for the two-day event.

Kallie will be competing in the 1600m event and Jessie will compete in the 400m run. The State Meet will be held at Myers Stadium at UT Austin, June 5-6.

> See full results of all our regional track athletes on page 8.

Art, Ed and Arty All On Eaton Hill

April and May have been active and rewarding months for Eaton Hill Wildlife Sanctuary. ARTwork, EDucation and ARTIfacts defined the spring season as well as a phenominal

bird migranew species been identi-Hill, most sult of our feeding, and stant pres-The display will more work-

sessions for

tion. Several of birds have fied on Eaton likely the rewater features, a more conence on the photography remain up for weeks and we ing on kids later in the

summer. With late spring rains enticing fresh wildflowers, it is the perfect time to get pictures for the second Eaton Hill Outdoor Photo contest.

We are also planning to offer monthly evening workshops on topics such as birding, planting with native seeds, wildlife photography, artifacts and art classes. If there is a particular subject you would like covered, contact the office and let us know. Hit the trails!

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Senior Center Activities

Thur. May 28- Happy Birthday Jean Redman Fri. May 29- Congratulations Class of 2009

Birthday party for May babies @ noon. Mon. June 1- Happy Birthday Victor San Miguel

Bingo Tues. June 2- Exercise w/video Wed. June 3- AAA reports due.

Senior Center Menu

Thur. May 28- Glazed ham, sweet potatoes w/apples, milk peas/carrots, wheat rolls, banana pudding

Fri. May 29- Cheese enchiladas, pinto beans, coleslaw, fruit salad and milk

Mon. June 1- BBQ beef on a bun, baked French fries, beans, coleslaw, peaches and milk Tues. June 2- Chicken breast w/gravy, potato salad,

zucchini squash, wheat bread, cake and milk Wed. June 3- Beef tips w/gravy, rice, rolls, green beans, tossed salad, pudding 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 \$2.00; \$5.00 for under 60

and all other meals-to-go).

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etter to the Editor

It is time to express our sincere appreciation for the great Myrtle Marie Allen friendships /relationships we have enjoyed at Sutton County Steak House / Sonora over the past 30+ years.

As many of you know, I am "retiring" from the restaurant at the end of May and we plan to move to my old hometown of San Angelo. I have accepted a position as Food Service Director at Baptist Retirement Center. It seems only fitting that I would "end up" there because I began my teenage years there some 40+ years ago volunteering as a "Candy Striper!"

The past 5+ years, I have served as a trustee on the Ministries Board in all my "spare time." I feel very humbled and blessed to be asked to serve in this way – doing what I love (serving) / working with what I know (food!) and not doing it "to keep our doors open!" (to make payroll and pay the grocery bills!)

Preston and I look forward to a little more time to relax and enjoy life, also. At BRC, they have told me they want me to have days off and want me to take vacations! (new concept for us!) Preston said he may really be able to retire this time!

We are so grateful to have been able to raise our families in Sonora and to have had so many good years with all of you. Sonora has been very good to us and patient with me through the years. I am deeply grateful to everyone that believed in me and gave me a chance as I learned my trade. We will never be able to adequately thank the Joe David Ross family, George Alexander family and Paul Ramsdell family for "giving us a chance to make a living here!" Preston had 20+ great years managing the Days Inn - Devil's River, as well as our relationship next door serving their customers......

All of you are what make this transition so "bittersweet." Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Blayze and Amy are very excited about the opportunity to

show all of you what they can do! Blayze has been cooking delicious food for all of you for Amy has been here since she was big enough to roll silverware..... am confident they will work hard and and day "in the trenches!"

I've even noticed they are working on a "new menu" that I can't wait to come and try out! He has assured me that Martha's favorite Chicken Fried Steak will never change!

I'll just bet when they are doing it for their sweet family instead of "for Mom and Dad" they will have a lot more enthusiasm for the tasks, also!

***please contact me if you notice my pictures are down the

first week I am gone*** (just kidding!)

I have assured Blayze & Amy and many of you that I sincerely want to continue catering on a part time basis. Catering is what I love the most – even though it is very hard work, I enjoy it immensely. Most of you know that I have been driving to San Angelo catering several times a month for over 10 years. It will be a lot more fun to come to Sonora to cater, if you ever need me!

Leaving will not be entirely easy. I genuinely love and respect many of my wonderful employees, also.

I do not believe I would have stayed at SCSH this long if it had not been for "my Andrea!"

Andrea Chavez is one that I cannot say goodbye to she is my dearest friend. I get very sad thinking about not seeing her

(Thank you, Andrea for your loyalty all these years!...... I

could go around the world and never find another Andrea!) We have had several very sad moments - thinking about leaving Sonora these past weeks, but.....we both feel very

strongly that God opened this door for us. We are going to stand on Psalm 139:16... "all my days were written in Your book and planned before a single one of them

I believe that He has a purpose for all that we encounter – looking back, it's even easier to see than it is looking forward.

On a "lighter" note, I hope that besides remembering how much I loved catering / cooking for all of you, you will remember that I did my part to "beautify Sonora!" Each house I bought and fixed up the past 32 years is much prettier when I sold it than when I moved into it! (my other favorite thing

We look forward to seeing all of you again soon! Blessings and much love.

Linda and Preston Love

Death Notice

Passed away May 20, 2009 Born: Rockwall, TX, June 13, 1918 Parents: Odrik Rhae and Myrtle Payne Survived by: Daughter and Son-in-law, Gloria and Royce Grandson: Bryce Matthews (San Antonio) Great Granddaughter: Danielle L. Matthews (Sonora)

Thank You Notes

In May 2000, I was elected to the SISD as a "Write-In." I had a plan to help promote growth and change in our School District. After 3 Superintendents and many staff changes, the gap we always wanted to close, is finally being achieved. Today our students are stronger and have a much better environment to learn in with the help of the school board. I am proud to say that I have served faithfully for 9 years and have been happy making a difference in our students lives. I would like to thank my husband, Eddie for all his love and support and my daughters Alyssa and Kelsey for understanding why I had to miss games and events in their lives. I love you all.

To the many, many friends and best friends that I have in Sonora, Thank you for all the wonderful comments of "doing a great job!" It was my pleasure.

> Sincerely, Tammy Favila

Students at Sonora Elementary would like to say Thank You to our community, family and friends for supporting us during our Jump Rope for Heart fundraiser. This money raised will go to help with research for heart attack and strokes prevention. May 12 we had many fun activities outside including come up with ideas for new things to keep our local customers jump roping, limbo, bean bag relay and basketball to just name coming back for more! They have both worked with me night a few. Everybody had a great time and we are looking forward

> Thanks, Pre-K, Kinder, First, Second, Third and Fourth Grade Students

Eaton Hill Wildlife Sanctuary would like to thank the many participants whose collective photography has created an impressive show of local talent and natural wonders. In addition, numerous businesses, organizations and individuals helped make our First Annual Photo Contest a success through donations and volunteerism and we appreciate your support: Ol' Sonora Trading Company, The Mercantile Garden, Rockhouse Gifts and Team Graphics, The Mercantile on Main, Celia Bedelia Soldered Pendants, Alco, Rush-In Lube, Sonora Chamber of Commerce, Friends of Sonora Historic Downtown Mainstreet, Jimmy Cahill, Sonora Economic Development Corporation, Sutton County Steakhouse, James Ricks, Susan McAlpine, Robin Street, Jimmie Howorth, Misty Solis, Brook Wood, Celia Smith, Marilyn Wood, Shalayne Mayfield, James Jaeger, Donna Garrett, Tibba Edmondson, Robin Street and Eaton Hill's Ranger Jacqui Thomas - master of a multiplicity of talents and gifts. Thank you and we look forward to

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Happy 16th Birthday Serena Lee Allison



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Happy Birthday!



May 28

Emilly Butler, Norma Gonzales, Mandy Rowell, Morgan Coffman, Serena Lee Allison, Alexis Garza May 29

Lindy Valkonen, Tha Sanch, Ernstina Perez, Angeline Morgan, Mary Luna, Sarah Cook, Brett Johnson May 30

Barbara Halbert, Jacob Sanchez, Tatihana DeHoyas, Nick Anderson, Whitney Martin, Johnny Reyna

May 31 H.J. Schlegel, Mayra Sepeda, Kayla Sykes, Marta Martinez, Ed Mayfield

> June 1 Victor San Miguel, Elia Longoria June 2

Blayze Sykes, Kylie Reiner, Susan Hinsley, Valeria Ramirez, Mary Beth Morgan June 3

Margarita Lopez, Bob Caruthers, Kaytline Hearne, Kodee Smith, Alviah Ortiz, Rachel Brunclikova, Bracy Lock, Jeffrey Klein, Margarita Lopez

Sonora Middle **School Awards**



Full List of Results To be Printed in Next Week's Edition

All the art of living lies in a fine mingling of letting go and holding on. -Henry Ellis

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The Sutton County Historical Society Ranch Museum is looking for a pair of handmade boots, made by Ramirez Boot Shop in Sonora, Texas to display in the museum.

Fundraiser for Liberty Park Veteran's Memorial Wall-Buy a permanently engraved brick for the new sidewalks at Liberty Park. We are raising money for the engraving of the names to go on the Memorial Wall. 4x8 brick \$35.00, 8x8 brick \$60.00, 12x12 \$150.00-with logos. Pick up forms at The Bank & Trust or City

Liberty Park Veterans Memorial Wall-Submit a veterans name to be engraved on the wall-Include the name of the veteran, branch of service, submitted by, mailing address. Veterans must be residents or former residents of Sonora or Sutton County. Mail to: Liberty Park Veterans Wall, PO Box 824, Sonora, TX 76950. You can also pick up a form at The Bank & Trust or City Hall.

Sutton County Friends of NRA will be holding their 2nd Annual Auction/Banquet event on Saturday, September 19, 2009. Donations and auction items are being sought for this event. If you would like to be an active participant or would like to donate, please contact Tonya Brown @ 325-387-3861 or 325-387-5929. A pre-event raffle will begin April 2009. A gun safe and 5 firearms will be raffled with one winner taking all!

Friday, May 29, 2009- Graduation-7:30 p.m. HS Gym

Sonora Clean-Up Day- Saturday, June 13, 2009, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 pm for more information call City Hall!

Vehicle Clean-Up Day- Saturday, June 13, 2009 call 325-387-5746 to make arrangements!

Fellow Friends and Co-Workers. A trust fund has been set up at the First National Bank of Sonora. Anyone Interested in making a donation (Tax Deductable) to Roy J. while he is recovering from his accident can do so by cash or check. Make checks payable to: Sutton County Community Trust, and on the memo line write: Roy J Eisenbach Jr. Drop payments off at the bank or give them to Pat Day or Randy Sparks. Thank you very much.

Lions Club Youth Camps. The Lions Camp for disabled (July 26-August 1) and children with diabetes (July 19-25) is now taking applications for their summer camp to be held in Kerrville. These camps are free of charge for those that qualify. Anybody interested in these camps can contact Col. Pete Bradley at 325-387-6282.

James Ricks will be offering a 6 week non-credit Photgraphy Class on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning June 5, 2009. If you are interested in signing up the fee is \$150.00 and you may inquire at the Devil's River News Office or call Mr. Ricks at the Sonora High School.





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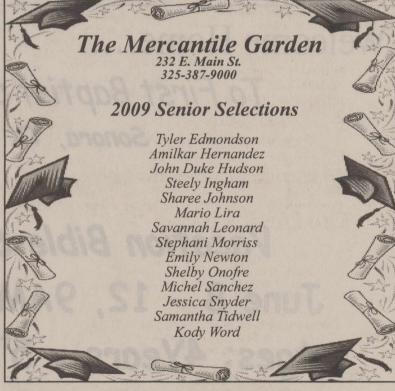
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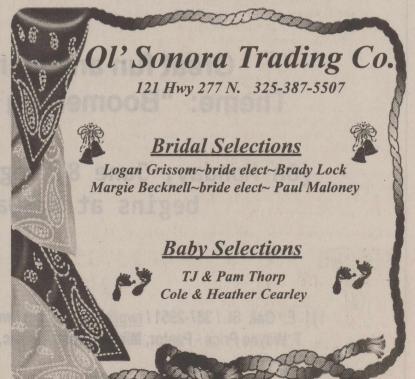
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Jump Rope For Heart



By Fran Pennington

These are the kids that earned a t-shirt from Jump Rope for Heart by raising \$50 or more.

Health Occupation Students of America



From left to right: (Top) Instructor Ada Castilleja RN, ceived their State Nurse Aide Stephani Morriss, Senida Martinez, and Victoria Robles. (Bottom) Gina Daniella Valdez, Rayonna Blackman, and Amy Hernandez.

By Ada Castilleja

Health Science Technical Ed- This class has been provided Gina Daniella Valdez, and stuucation is a class that prepares to students attending Sonora students for health careers. High School since 1994. In

the different opportunities that the health field has to ofto decide if a health career is what they will pursue in life. first Pinning Ceremony was students who have completed the class and those who re-Certification. The students receiving their completion of class certificate were Dalila Ozuna, Rayonna Blackman, dents receiving their CNA pin

this class, students learn about were Amy Hernandez, Victoria Robles, Senida Martinez, Stephani Morriss, Victoria fer, and gives them a chance Castillo, Sulema Castilleja, and Deyanira Alvizo.

The 2008 -2009 Health Sci-Thursday, May 21, 2009, the ence Class takes this opportunity to thank those involved in held at the Sonora Senior their instruction, Sonora ISD Citizen Center to present the School Board, Sonora Senior Citizen Center, Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital, and Schleicher County Nursing Home.

Congratulations Class of 2009 Mo'nica Sudawne





Stewart Graduates from West Point



Cadet Jake Edward Stewart

Jake Edward Stewart, son of kins of Rocksprings, TX. Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Stewart of Ozona, TX, graduated from Ozona High School in 2004. the Military Academy on Sat- While at West Point, he conurday, May 23, 2009. Jake is centrated his studies in Eco-

West Point, N.Y.- Cadet the grandson of Lorelei Han-

Stewart graduated from nomics. He was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army within the Infantry branch and will report to Ft. Hood, TX for his first assignment.

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Lessons from a Worm

Submitted

A professor of chemistry wanted to teach his 5th grade class a lesson about the evils of alcohol, so he produced an experiment that involved a glass of water, a glass of whiskey and two worms. "Now, class. Observe closely the worms," said the professor putting a worm first into the water. The worm in the water writhed about, happy as a worm in water could be.

The second worm, he put into the whiskey. It writhed painfully, and quickly sank to the bottom, dead as a doornail.

"Now, what lesson can we learn from this experiment?" the professor asked.

Little Johnny, who naturally sits in back, raised his hand and wisely, responded...

"Drink whiskey and you won't get worms!"

PROCLAMATION

thened regional identities and local pride; increased local partic reserving the community's irreplaceable cultural and natural heritage assets, and support for the economic vitality of our communities;

WHEREAS, the City of Sonora is an historic Texas Main Street City recognized by the National Trust for Historic Preservation as an accredited National Main Street Program. for the past nine years; contains many historic resources and rich cultural heritage, and constrated a commitment to the protection of the community's heritage and the development of heritage tourism;

WHEREAS, the month of May is dedicated to recognizing the value of our rich heritage;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED that the City of Sonora City Council does roclaim the month of May "Preservation Month" for Sonora, Texas

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 19TH DAY OF MAY, 2009.



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Oil & Agribusiness

Sutton County 4-H Judging Teams Finish Strong



Darby Ramsdell, Briana Palacios, Christina Hernandez, Summer Hall competed in Pasture Plant ID. & Range Evaluation

Pasture Plant Id.

Juniors: (Briana Palacios, Darby Ramsdell, Christina Hernandez, Summer Hall) - 2nd place team. Briana was 4th high individual, while Christina was 5th high.

Range Evaluation Juniors: (Briana Palacios, Darby Ramsdell, Christina Hernan-

dez, Summer Hall)- 2nd place team. Darby was 3rd high individual, while Christina was 4th high.

Mohair Judging Juniors: (Darby Ramsdell, Delaney Ramsdell, Jaydan West and Mercedes Lee) 1st Place District Mohair team, 2nd in the

In district competition, Darby high individual, Delaney- 2nd, Jaydan- 3rd, Mercedes- 5th; while Darby was 2nd high in the open contest. Seniors: Chelsey Lou Campbell was 4th high

The senior team of Chelsey Lou Campbell, Serena Allison, and Zachary Leonard will advance to state competition.

Wool Judging Juniors: (Darby Ramsdell, Delaney Ramsdell, Jaydan West and Mercedes Lee) -3rd place team. Combining wool and mohair scores, the junior team was 2nd overall.

Be On The Lookout For White Grubs in Turfgrass

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less effective against white

By Pascual Hernandez, Sutton County Agricultural **Extension Agent**

Summer and really hot white grub insecticides are weather are just around the more persistent and less toxic corner. For lawns, that can to beneficial arthropods and mean grub damage. White earthworms. However, these grubs are the larval stage of treatments must be applied insects commonly known as early enough to kill the smaller May or June beetles (or June (less than 1/2-inch long) larva. bugs). Sometimes referred The insecticides imidacloprid to as grubworms, they injure and halofenozide are used turf by feeding on roots and most today for white grub other underground plant parts. control. Imidacloprid is most Damaged areas within lawns effective against small and lose vigor and turn brown. medium-sized grubs but may

The most important turf- kill some grubs larger than 1/2 grass-infesting white grubs inch long. The lethal effects in Texas are the June beetle of the insect growth regulaand the southern masked cha- tor halofenozide are limited fer. Warm season grasses like to early white grub life stages. bermudagrass, zoysiagrass, Fortunately, both halofeno-St. Augustinegrass and buf- zide and imidacloprid can be falograss are attacked readily applied early and persist in by both types of white grubs, with most lawn damage oc- should be applied within six curring during summer and weeks of egg-laying (in early-fall months. to mid-June). Where grub

Once a year, in late spring damage is already evident in or summer, adult beetles lawns and larger grubs are emerge from the soil to mate. present, use products contain-Mated females then return to ing trichlorfon or carbaryl. the soil to lay eggs. Within Because they bind to soil parabout two weeks the eggs ticles and remain close to the hatch into small white grubs surface even after irrigation, that feed on grass roots. The pyrethroid insecticides (such pupa, or intermediate stage be- as permethrin, esfenvalerate, tween the larva and the adult, cyfluthrin and bifenthrin) are occurs the following spring and is the last immature phase grubs, especially in clay soils. of the insect's development Turfgrass usually recovers cycle. Adults subsequently from white grub damage by emerge from the pupal stage fall or the following spring. when environmental condi- For more information, visit tions are favorable in early- to our website at http://suttonmid-summer. Most damage co.tamu.edu. from white grubs occurs during mid-summer to early-fall when the larger larvae are actively feeding.

White grub damage can be detected by the presence of irregular-shaped areas of weakened or dying grass in the lawn. Turfgrass damaged by white grubs has a reduced root system and is easily pulled from the soil. To confirm whether you need to treat for grubs, examine several soil sections at least 3 to 4 inches across and 4 inches deep. A good rule of thumb is to examine several soil plugs (one square foot) from widely scattered parts of the lawn. Take care to include areas at the edges of suspected grub damage. Finding more than five white grubs per square foot justifies treatment.

Proper timing and chemical application are critical to suppressing white grubs. New



L to R: Hanna Blesing, Sr. Wool & Mohair Coach, Chesley Lou Campbell, Tammy Fisher, Jr. Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at the District Wool & Mohair Coach and Serena Lee Allison competed at



hair Judging Contest in Ingram, TX.

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Kelly L. Thorp, MS County Extension Agent- FCS Texas AgriLife Extension-Sutton County

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For the second game, the Sonora Pony League had to travel to San Angelo to face the Eldorado Eagles at 8:15 p.m. Once again Sonora was first at bat and quickly put up 4 runs in the first inning. John Lopez, IV would start off pitching for Sonora. John pitched 4 innnings while striking out 7 batters and only giving up one run. In to finish the game was Phillip Stevens. Phillip was brought in with bases loaded and was able to get Sonora out of a jam for the 3rd out. With great defense and good pitching they were able to come out on top once again. The final score was Sonora-12 Eldorado-6.

Game 1

Ryan SanMiguel 2-5, Edward Garza 1-4 John Lopez, IV 2-2, 1 HBP, 1 BB, Blake Esparza 3-4 Scott Gonzalez 1-3 1 HBP, Phillip Stevens 3-4 Davis Virgen 2-4 1 HBP, Darien Lopez 0-2 Sac B Jason Alaman 1-2, Will Dutton 1-2 2HBP Game 2

Ryan SanMiguel 0-4, Edward Garza 1-1, 3BB John Lopez, IV 3-3, 1 HBP, Blake Esparza 2-3 Scott Gonzalez 2-4, 1 BB, Phillip Stevens 2-4 Davis Virgen 2-4, Darien Lopez 1-3 Jason Alaman 0-1, Will Dutton 0-1 1 HBP



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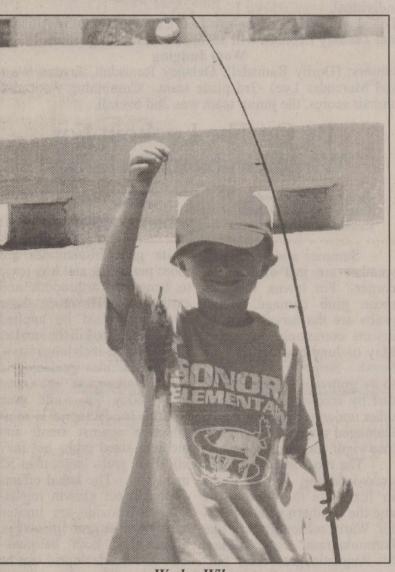
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By Amy Davenport

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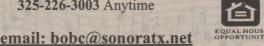
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By Coach Favila

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Cody Pena, 6th, 2:08.12
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Will Dunn, Jessie Guerrero,
Ricardo Rodriguez, Preston Lopez, 6th, 3:32.63
Also competing in the regional track meet: Esteban 6

Also competing in the regional track meet: Esteban Garcia-800 Meters, Zac Badeaux-300 meter Hurdles, Eric Santana-200 meters, Will Anderson -100 Meters, Will Dunn-300 meter hurdles and the 800 meter Relay team of Ethan Morriss, Eric Santana, Ryan Garmon, and Tyler Creek

Girls Region I Track and Field Results

By Coach Robertson

The Lady Bronco Athletes did amazing at the Regional Track Meet these past few days in Odessa. We went in to the meet hoping to compete better than last year and that is exactly what they did. We had two relay's make it to the finals and a field event as well, unlike last year's results, including one that has qualified for state!!! They have worked very hard this year, including the few extra weeks due to swine flu, and I believe the hard work paid off. Here are the ladies who competed at Regional's in Odessa.

4X100 Relay

Stephani Morriss, Nicole Lipham, Morgan Smith, Chelsey Lou Campbell, Alt. Amy Hernandez, Alt. Karina Trevino, 6th Place, 51.95

4X200 Relay

Amy Hernandez, Nicole Lipham, Bianca Trevino, Chelsey Lou Campbell, Alt. Stephani Morriss, Alt. Karina Trevino, 7th Place, 1:51.78

1600 m Run

Kallie Humphrey, 2nd, 5:36.78 (Qualifying to State)
_(personal best time this year)

Discus

LeAndra Casteneda, 8th

Also competing at the meet were Jessica Snyder in the Long Jump, Hunter Jennings in the 300 m Hurdles and 4X400 Relay, LeAndra Casteneda, shot put, Nicole Lipham in the 200 m Dash, Dulce Acosta in the 3200 m Run, Morgan Smith in the Long Jump, Triple Jump, and the 100 m Dash, Chelsey Lou Campbell in the 4X400 Relay, Karina Trevino in the 100 m Dash, Delilah Aguero ran in the 4X400 Relay in the Preliminaries for Bianca Trevino due to an ankle injury Bianca got during the 4X200 Relay that day. Way to step it up DD.

Congratulations to you all and we are all looking forward to an even better season next year!!!! Way to take it to the NEXT LEVEL!!!!!

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3rd Darien Lopez
Boys Doubles

3rd Lino Villanueva/Alex Mejia
8th Grade Mix Doubles
2nd Jaron Falcon/Michael Sanchez
7th Grade Boys
7th Boys Singles
4th Younger Northcott
7th Boys Doubles
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3rd Harley Johnson/Odette Barrientos

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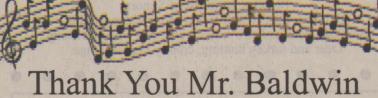
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Broncos Lose Bi-District Playoff Series



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Tyler Creek - 15 Strikouts



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Derek VanWinkle tags Slaton
runner out at second base

By Ray and Nancy Glasscock

If any future Bronco Varsity baseball playoffs have to be played in the Permian Basin area, can we please chose a different venue other than Christensen Field?? I have been there twice to report on promising Bronco baseball teams, only to come away without a Bi-District Championship trophy photo. Enough with the personal complaints....

Despite striking out fifteen Slaton Tiger batters, junior Tyler Creek was the recipient of the first game 5-4 loss on Thursday night. Although Creek gave up six hits, infielder errors cost the Broncos this game. Slaton pitcher, Jace Chancellor allowed five hits and also struck out fifteen Broncos with offspeed pitches and curve balls that looked like they were falling off a table. We would see this talented senior hurler again in the third critical game.

In Friday morning's game, the Broncos did what they couldn't do in Thursday night's game. Yes, they were victorious (12-5), but they only had three errors in this game. Dustin Neff hit a two out, three run homer in the third inning. Sonora batted around in the fifth and four Broncos crossed the plate. In the bottom of the sixth, eight Broncos came to the plate including Will Anderson, who hit a two run triple. Victorious Bronco pitcher, Caleb Gonzales was three for three with two singles and a double.

The third game began about an hour after the end of the second game. Bronco fans wondered what Slaton pitcher would be on the mound. Sure enough, Thursday night's ace, Jace Chancellor, was on the mound again. Senior Derek Van Winkle was on the mound for Sonora in what ended up being his last game as a Bronco.

Although he didn't have the 'stuff' he had the night before, Chancellor had enough left when he needed it in the fifth inning. With the bases loaded and two out, he struck out Cash Jennings to end the threat. The Broncos had the game in hand until the Tigers' last four batters came to the plate. Our fielding let us down again. The Tigers went ahead for good and got the 4-3 victory.

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