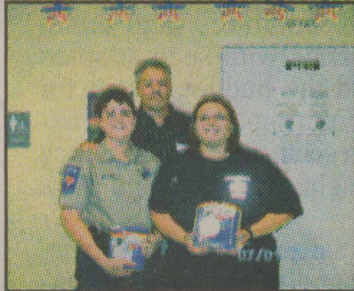




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## Arnwine Receives Commendation



Major Arnwine holds his commendation while his wife, Lorie, holds their five year old daughter, Maddie.

#### Submitted

On July 7, 2010, Major Barry Shannon Arnwine was presented with the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal by Col. Barton Stuart Sloat at Norfolk Naval Base, Virginia, for meritorious service while serving as an Assistant Logistics Officer and Nuclear Weapons Security Officer, Headquarters Company, Marine Corps Security Force Regiment from June 2007 to May 2010. Throughout this period, Major Arnwine consistently performed his duties in an exemplary and highly professional manner. His exact-

ing professional standards and uncompromising commitment to excellence had a profound impact on the regiment as a whole. Following a successful two year billet as the Assistant Logistics Officer, while also holding duties as the Motor Transport Officer and Maintenance Management Officer, Major Arnwine was hand-picked to serve as the Nuclear Weapons Security and Force Deployment Officer. Major Arnwine's ability to think creatively and approach ideas from a bold and fresh perspective positively affected each

department he commanded and transitioned each group into a streamlined, tested, and proven effective unit. His experience, energetic efforts and resourcefulness proved invaluable. Major Arnwine's initiative perseverance and total dedication to duty reflected credit upon him and upheld the highest tradition of the Marine Corps and the United States Naval Service.

According to Col Sloat, Major Arnwine is an aggressive and dynamic Officer of Marines. He is a dedicated leader/mentor who possesses a relentless drive and tireless work ethic. As an astute professional officer, he always leads from the front and encouraged the officers and SNCOs within his charge to do the same. Major Arnwine is fiercely loyal with unwavering moral fiber who can always be counted on to do the right thing. Due to these actions, he is highly recommended for the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal.

Major Arnwine is a graduate of Sundown High School and Texas Tech University. He is the son of Tommy and Beverly Arnwine of Sonora, Texas, formerly of Sundown. He is the nephew of Jo McLean and C.P (Bud) and Bobbie Arnwine of Levelland, and Billy Arnwine of Lubbock.

## A River Runs Through It:

### Allison Park Continues Recovery From E. Coli Invasion



Photo By James Ricks

#### By Ben D. Taylor

Since 2008 the public has been denied access due to the presence of the E. Coli bacteria in the river. Sutton County Judge Carla Garner commented that, "the park was not condemned, we closed it temporarily because we felt we owed it to the people visiting the park to have a safe experience".

Garner added that one of the other reasons for keeping the public out of the park was to, "remove possible outside sources of the bacteria like latrines and trash so that we could focus on the source of the contamination". Finding one source of the pollution is

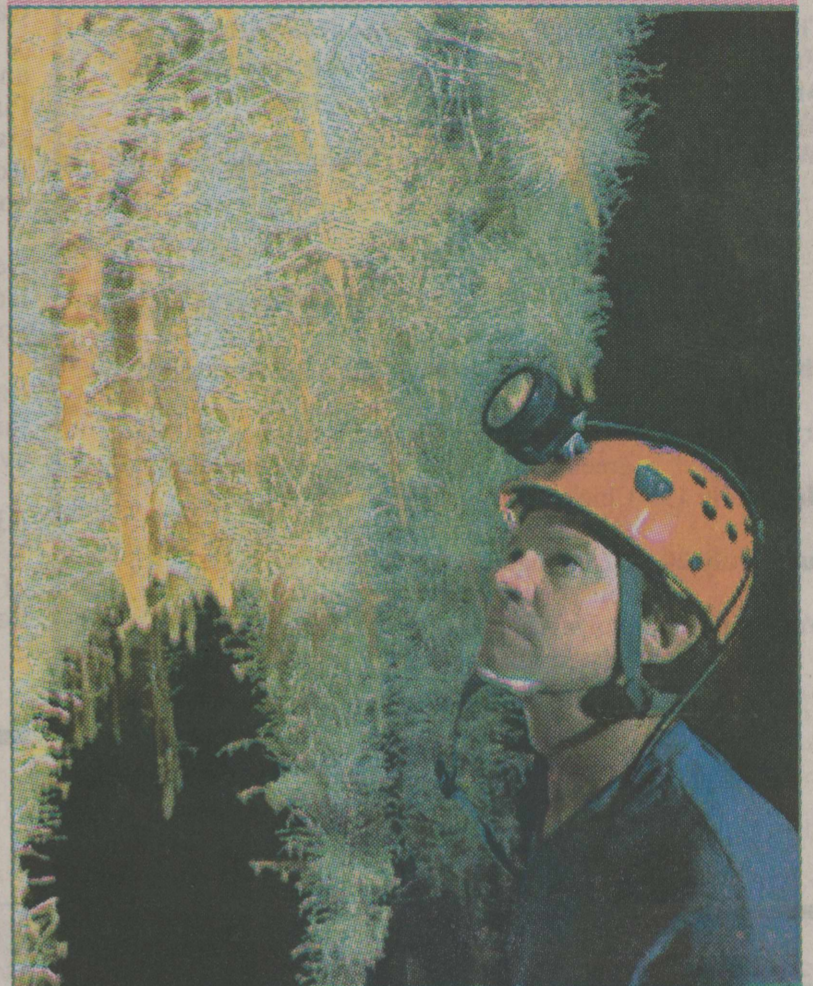
unlikely, which is what makes the process of removing it so difficult.

In the world of environmental monitoring there are two different types of pollution: Point and Non-Point. Point source pollution is the same as the British Petroleum oil spill now occurring in the Gulf of Mexico, whereas the type of pollution in Allison Park is occurring at multiple sites along the river. The likely candidates for the sources are from the septic systems of properties along the river.

"We are going to all the different properties along the river to evaluate their septic sys-

tems", commented Garner, "and we've been successful so far. There are some property owners that we are going to have to send more forceful letters too, but we are working to fix the problem".

The weather has not helped the situation, as E. Coli thrives in warm stagnant water (the lack of rain in the area surrounding the park has not helped). Garner is optimistic about the immediate future of the park, "The levels of bacteria were pretty high last year, but have gone down this year. I anticipate that the park will re-open next summer".



## Happy Birthday To You!

### The Caverns of Sonora Celebrates 50 years

#### By Ben D. Taylor

This Saturday Sutton County's most famous resident turns 50 years old, and everyone is invited to the party. While the Caverns of Sonora is much older than half a century, its relationship with Sutton County began around the turn of the century-starting as a local curiosity and growing into the "Most Beautiful Show Cave on the Planet". Thousands of people from across the world have witnessed its beauty firsthand, and this Saturday, July, 17th everyone is invited to celebrate that beauty and majesty.

One of the coordinators for this celebration (Louise Ingham Moore) commented that, "I just want everyone to have a great day. Whether they are able to go on the tours, or to just sit around and listen to music I just want everyone to have a good time". In order to facilitate the revelry the cave is offering tours at a reduced rate (a child's price of \$16.00), concessions by Wack Shack catering, educational programs, activities for children and live music all day long.

The educational programs begin with Jack Johnson (Park archeologist from the Amistad National Recreational Area) at 2:00 p.m. He will have a demonstration about the life of Paleo-Indians from

5,000 years ago. Johnson is a Cultural Archeologist who will be giving a hands on presentation on how to construct and use an atlatl (a hunting tool used by the Indians). Johnson's wife will present the research findings of Dr. Carolyn Boyd at 4:00 p.m. in the underground classroom. Dr. Boyd has spent considerable time and effort interpreting the rock art found along the Lower-Pecos region.

Live music provided by local talent will commence throughout the day along with a water slide and bouncy house provided by the Lighthouse Community Church (all proceeds go to fund a youth camp), and concessions by award winning BBQ from Wack Shack catering. Starting at 4:00 p.m. music will be provided by San Angelo Based Band "Blind Nello" with the event culminating with a performance from "Kelly Spinks and the Miles of Texas Band".

With so much entertainment provided (there are only two things not provided so make sure to bring lawn chairs and ice chests-no glass please), this event is one that has something for everyone. For more information please contact the Caverns of Sonora at (325) 387-3105 or (325) 387-6507.

## History in the Making:

### Latino and Latina Oral History Project to Interview Sonora Veterans

Members of the U.S. Latino and Latina Oral History Project at UT Austin are scheduled to be in Sonora, Sunday, August 1, 2010. They will be interviewing Latino and Latina WWII, Korea and Vietnam War veterans. Their stories will be added to an archive to ensure their stories are not lost to future generations. For more information (or if you would like to volunteer to assist with the interview process) please contact 325-206-0830.





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**Senior Center Activities**

- Thurs. July 15 - Happy Birthday *Jean Humphrey*
- Fri. July 16 - Run errands and pay bills after lunch
- Mon. July 19 - Bingo
- Tues. July 20 - Exercise w/video
- Wed. July 21 - Van to San Angelo Medicals call 387-3941

**Senior Center Menu**

- Thur. July 15 - King ranch chicken, broccoli, carrot salad, rolls, oatmeal cookies, and milk
- Fri. July 16 - Smothered steak w/gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, apple crisp and milk
- Mon. July 19 - Chicken spaghetti, Italian green beans, garlic toast, fruit cocktail, cake and milk
- Tues. July 20 - Steak fingers w/gravy, potatoes, broccoli, rolls, peach cobbler and milk
- Wed. July 21 - Polynesian chicken, sweet peas, milk tossed salad, crackers, vanilla pudding

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).

**Thank You Note**

We the Rivas family would like to thank everyone that donated their time, resources and money to make the roping, that was held in at the Eldorado Arena on June 26, a success. We would like to give a special thanks to our church, The Brushy Top Cowboy Church Arena Team, for organizing the event and to the Consuelo Ranch for donating the use of their steers; thank you Doug and Suzanne Huddleston for all of your help.

We would like to thank the following people for donating food and drinks: Leo's Tire Shop in Sonora, Manuel Holz, Gerardo Holz, Billie Joe and Rosa Piña, Juanita Arispe and Super S in Sonora.

We would like to thank these people for their money donations: Jerry Bradley, Marion Roubierson, Rick and Debbie Thomas, Fidel Acevedo, JMC Transport, Pete Guerro and Pat Calpepper.

We would like to give special thanks to: Reyes Colozano and Mr. Bud Arendt for the buckles; Mr. Leo Rodriguez and BJ Piña for taking the time to organize the event and concession stand and Rosa Piña for organizing the food; Jossie Knight, Rosa Martinez, Erika Wikes and the Knights of Columbus for cooking the corn.

Those that helped in the arena are: Julio Samaniego, John Henry Rivas, Little Joe Saldivar, Mick Coats, Karen Martin, Donna Hudson, TJ Hudson and Mrs. Barbara Arendt. Thank you all so much!

We would also like to say "Thank you so much," to all the ropers that participated in this event. Thank you for making this a success to help our family in our time of need. God Bless every one of these people.

Winners of the roping were: Trey Weiishuhn of Wall and BJ Piña of Eldorado each received a Healer Buckle; Jesse Whitlow of Mertzon; Shawn Edward, and Kacy Chambless of Eldorado; Will Jones of Christoval; and Fidel Acevedo of Sonora.

Thank you and God bless you all,  
Luis and Yesenia Rivas and Family

**Obituary**

**Terry L. Martin**

Terry L. Martin, 49, of Sonora died July 6, 2010. A memorial service will be held on July 24 at 10:00 a.m. at the Church of the Good Shepherd Presbyterian with the Rev. Lewis Allen officiating.

**Letter to the Editor**

Letter to the Editor of the Devils River News:

The July 8, 2010 edition of the DRN on page 7 Classified Ads contained an interesting Public Notice Ordinance NO 2010-0-06 AMENDED APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE. Essentially this Ordinance permits the City of Sonora to exceed budget authority for this fiscal year and increase expenditures from the City treasury. The guidelines for this action taught in Texas Municipal League classes for General Law Cities is as follows: After the new fiscal year has begun and the budget has been put into effect, no expenditure "shall thereafter be made except in strict compliance with such adopted budget," nor shall the Council amend the budget except for reasons of "grave public necessity" requiring "emergency expenditures to meet unusual and unforeseen conditions, which could not by reasonable diligent thought and attention, have been included in the budget..."

I respectfully request that a City official provide an explanation for this emergency budget action and in the future an explanation for Ordinance changes.

Col.(ret) Pete Bradley

**7 on 7 Football**



The Sonora Bronco 7 on 7 team extends a tremendous thank you for all the generous contributions that made it possible for us to participate at the state tournament in College Station. We are honored to be from Sonora where our community pours out support in countless ways. It's great to be part of the Bronco Nation carrying on the tradition of taking it to the Next Level.

Sonora Bronco 7 on 7 Football Team  
Coaches Cades Pope and Keith Hudson

**For Seniors, Exercise Becomes Easier**

(SPM Wire) As senior citizens learn more about health and technology, they're beginning to combine the two. According to the National Institutes of Health, more than 70 percent of online seniors look for health and medical information when they go online.

To help meet demand, the NIH's Web site now offers a variety of quick and easy online exercise ideas for seniors at nih-seniorhealth.gov/exercise. Seniors can peruse sample exercises in four categories of physical activity.

"Regular exercise can reduce the risk of developing certain diseases and disabilities that can occur as people grow older," says NIA director Richard J. Hodes, M.D. Indeed, exercise can help prevent or manage heart disease, diabetes and osteoporosis.

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**Sonora Senior Center**



Keith & Rose Butler and Erica Favela

On Thursday, July 7, 2010, Our Seniors received a combination smoke/carbon monoxide detector courtesy of Sutton Co. EMS and Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital.

Funding for the program was provided through federal funds from the Concho Valley Regional Advisory Council Trauma Service, Area-K, through Educational programs such as pre-hospital/injury prevention program.

We would like to say "Thank-You" to: Keith & Rose Butler and Erica Favela for doing program for our Seniors-more than 40 units were given out-some which went to our home bound seniors. The information/facts on how importation it is to have this detectors was very Important, too!

Thanks again,  
Juanita Mesa

**Happy Birthday!**

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July 16  
Kim Cole, Jake Trainer

July 17  
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Starlyn Chadwick, Hector Ortiz, Jr.,  
Ryan San Miguel, Elva Mata

July 20  
Caleb Gulley, Cody Mond, Jazmin Ramos

July 21  
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## Keeping Kids Safer Online

(SPM Wire) As the first generation to be born in the Internet age, today's youth have a wealth of information at their fingertips. But with that information come potential hazards.

That's why the Federal Trade Commission has issued a free booklet entitled "Net Cetera: Chatting With Kids About Being Online."

With over a million copies distributed to schools and police departments, it provides a practical guide for parents to help children make better decisions online. "It's proof that people want to have continuing conversations with their kids about communicating online," David Vladeck, Director of the FTC's Bureau of Consumer Protection, recently told Congress.

Many of the tips in "Net Cetera" can be found online at OnGuardOnline.gov.

## Drinking Less Sugar May Lower Blood Pressure

(SPM Wire) Drinking fewer sugary beverages may lower blood pressure, according to new research published in the medical journal-Circulation.

We've all heard warnings about sugar and obesity or diabetes. Now comes evidence linking it to blood pressure.

Drinking one less sugar-sweetened beverage daily was associated with drops in blood pressure in a study of 800 adults with elevated blood pressure.

American adults consume an average of 2.3 servings (28 ounces) of sugar-sweetened beverages daily. In this study, these were defined as drinks sweetened with sugar or high-fructose corn syrup including regular soft drinks, fruit drinks, lemonade and fruit punch.

## Lions Roar



A change in leadership took place this past week at your Sonora Lions Club. Judge Jim Stephan swore in the newly elected officers during an installation ceremony conducted as part of our weekly program. The 2010-2011 Officers are pictured above. Left to right on the first row Tail Twister, Judge Jim Stephan, Director, Eddie Smith, Director, Don Gibson, President, Col. (ret.) Pete Bradley, 2nd Vice President, Rev. Ray Wells, Director, Jim Garrett, Past President, Frank Wamble. Back Row, Left to right Director Rev. Jerry Jackson and 3rd Vice President Father Chris Roque, on vacation and not present 1st Vice President Sam Kent.

Preparations are under way for activity assignments for our Service Projects for the coming year.

I would like to thank all the citizens of Sonora & Sutton County who supported this Lions Club for the past 83 years. Without your support of our fund raising efforts (Auction, Broom Sale and Memorial Fund Scholarship donations in memory of Lions Wallace, Ward and Polocek) we could not "Serve Sonora". Lastly, our willing members and the Sonora Middle School volunteers (students and teachers), Thanks You!

How could a county be more proud of the performance of our student athletes in recent 7 on 7 State Championship Competition at Texas A&M. Competing against 64 teams (1A through 3A) Sonora beat three teams (Kaufman, Ben Bolt, and Birnet) to advance to the Championship round of 32 teams. We beat Melissa to advance to the round of 16 in the Championship Bracket but lost a brutally tough game to Gatesville and were eliminated from the competition. Coach Pope and Hudson well done! Suzanne Badeaux, thanks for your cheerful fund raising leadership and including the Sonora Lions in this worthwhile venture. Thanks to all who supported this wonderful "band of brothers" who represented Sonora with distinction. Go Broncos and Shop Sonora.

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## F.Y.I.

### 2010 Sonora High School Registration Dates:

**Monday, August 9th**

Seniors - 8:00 am - 11:00 am

Juniors - 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

**Tuesday, August 10th**

Sophomores - 8:00 am - 11:00 am

Freshmen - 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

**Wednesday, August 11th**

New Students - 8:00 am - 11:00 am

Parking permits will be issued during time of registration. The cost for the permit will be \$10. Please have vehicle information with you (license plate #, brand of auto, type or style of auto, and color of auto), as well as, proof of vehicle insurance and driver's license.

The Bronco Booster Club are selling ads for Seniors and ALL Athletes for the football program. Please take ad to JMC ASAP. Deadline is July 23, 2010. FMI call Jimalee Dutton 325-226-5651.

Lighthouse Community Church- Antique Childrens Pictures, July 16-17, 2010, \$10.00 for an 8x10, FMI call Brooke Knight at 757-375-3241.

The Sonora Class of 1995 will be having a reunion in New Braunfels, Texas on July 31st. FMI call 325-374-5601 or visit our website at www.95shs.com.

1980-30th CLASS REUNION-To ALL members of SHS Class of 1980: You & your family are invited to our 30th Class Reunion your host is Peter Gomez 387-5018 and Eddie Favila 387-3661. Events will be during Sutton Co. Days Aug. 13 & 14 RSVP to us & help us find classmates!!!

Summer Camps and Activities on Eaton Hill- The first two weeks of August have been set aside for Eaton Hill's summer camp sessions. Planning is underway and details will be published at a later date. Additionally, parents can contact the Eaton Hill office to schedule a one day camp which includes an art activity for up to six children. FMI contact the Eaton Hill office at 387-2615.

Sonora Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary is having a Rummage Sale on Saturday, August 1st at the Fire Hall. Your donations for clothing, household items and etc. are tax deductible and most welcome. Please contact Sandee Reese at 387-5368 or Christy Lippman at 206-1342 to arrange a donation drop-off today.

Sutton County Friends of NRA 3rd Annual Auction/Banquet will be Saturday, September 18, 2010. Banquet tickets are \$25 per person. Pre-event raffle tickets are \$10 each with one winner taking home five firearms and a 14 gun fire resistant safe. Tickets may be purchased at First National Bank, Sonora Air Cooled Engines or by contacting Tonya @ 387-3861 or 387-5929. Your support is appreciated!

PARADE FOR LA ELLIOTT SCHOOL REUNION--If you would like to be in the parade for La Elliott School Reunion, on Sept. 11, 2010, please contact Ernesto Barrera at 512-961-9709-cell or 325-387-5480-home.

Looking for L. W. Elliott School (La Elliott) Alumni. Register on facebook or by emailing guschavez2000@yahoo.com or juanita@sonoratax.net or by calling 325-206-0830. Everyone is encouraged to submit names. A committee is being put together to organize LA ELLIOTT SCHOOL REUNION and also to place a historical marker where the school stood. If you have any information or questions please contact us.

La Elliott School Commemorative Poetry Contest- Open for all Sonora Middle and High School Students. Adults are also welcome to participate. No Entry Fee. Poetry should be your own and can be submitted in both English and Spanish. Submit one poem of no more than 20 lines with a maximum of 150 words, in any form on the personal experiences of former L.W. Elliott School Alumni, provided that the poem content is not vulgar/offensive. **Deadline is Friday, September 10, 2010.** Please include your name and grade level. Winners will be announced September 16. Please submit poems to Delia Samaniego: the\_twins@verizon.net or FMI Call 325-226-0666.

L.W. Elliott (La Elliott) School Reunion will be Sept. 10-11, 2010. Registration will start Sept. 10, with a ceremony on Sept. 11, the unveiling of the Historical Marker and a parade. Please plan to attend these two days for this Historical Event in Sonora, TX.

The Primary Purpose Group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets every Thursday at 8:00 p.m. at the St. John's Episcopal Church, 404 NE Poplar. FMI call 325-387-9765 or 325-206-1311.

Rent the Depot or Icehouse Ranch Museum for your special party or event. Call 325-387-5084 Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. -5:00 p.m.

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## Parker Lumber Giveaway has Grand Finale

Shopping Giveaway winner takes home \$1,000 in merchandise.



Judy Holmes, Lupe Gutierrez and Woody Crow

Spring just got a little greener for Parker Lumber's customer Lupe Gutierrez.

On June 29, 2009, Gutierrez was chosen as the winner of the Parker Lumber \$1,000 Shopping Giveaway. Gutierrez was selected at random from more than 1,500 entries submitted at the store from March 2-May 31.

When Gutierrez found out that he won, he was amazed and shocked. "I found out the good news from my son because the employees at Parker Lumber were not able to get hold of me." Gutierrez also stated that this was the first time he had ever won anything, and that he will be using this for some house repairs.

Woody Crow said that Parker Lumber is delighted to provide one of its customers with the opportunity to make their spring projects a little more exciting. "Everyone has a few extra chores this time of year, and we're glad that Lupe will be able to choose whatever tools he wants to get the job done. We thank all those who entered the giveaway for their participation."

### About Parker Lumber:

Parker Lumber is located at 104 E 3rd St., and has been serving customers in the Sonora area for 80 years. Parker Lumber offers a complete line of hardware, plumbing and lumber supplies for everyone from the do-it-yourself homeowner to professional. Crow has been a Do it Best Corp. member since 2007.

### About Do it Best Corp.:

Based in Fort Wayne, Indiana, Do it Best Corp. is the only full-service U.S. based, member-owned hardware, lumber and building materials buying cooperative in the home improvement industry. With annual sales of \$2.65 billion, Do it Best Corp. is the second largest co-op in the industry, serving 4,100 member-retailers in the United States.

## Texas to Form the Gulf Project: Gov. Perry's Speech at the Kennedy Space Center

### Submitted:

"I am here today, with representatives of our state's top research universities, to propose a Texas version of that legendary "race to the moon" to tackle a massive problem that is facing the Gulf States and our nation's energy industry. For nearly three months, we have gotten daily reminders of an ongoing environmental disaster that began with the tragic death of 11 workers on the Deepwater Horizon and has grown to an unprecedented scale wreaking environmental and economic havoc in the Gulf.

Just two days ago, the first tar balls from this ongoing leak reached Texas shores washing up on Galveston's East Beach and onto Crystal Beach on the Bolivar peninsula and were quickly cleaned up by the Texas General Land Office in conjunction with the Coast Guard.

I want to assure Texans that we are taking aggressive steps to address this situation and mitigate any effects to our beaches and that we are taking the necessary measures and using all available resources to protect the Texas coastline.

We must do better at preventing disasters of this kind and quickly controlling those that might occur. We must do better at limiting the impact of such spills with better training and technology for cleanup crews. We face a clear decision that will have ramifications on our environment, on our economy and in our communities. Will we continue this perpetual cycle of disaster, frustration and blame? Or will we take deliberate, proactive steps to improve the safety of exploration, drilling and production both on land and on the ocean floor.

Fortunately, Texas is home to the brightest minds in the energy field men and women working in the private sector in public service and at our prestigious universities. Today I'm calling on these institutions, these industries and these individuals to join forces pool their vast intellectual capital and begin to work together toward solving the unique challenges presented by the next generation of drilling. I am announcing the formation of the "Gulf Project" representing an unprecedented collaboration of the state's top scientists, engineers and researchers focused on a clear set of vitally important goals of protecting our residents, our environment, and our economy.

I've asked its members to prepare a comprehensive road map that will lead us to our destination ensuring such a disaster doesn't happen again. We need new techniques and facilities to test the safety and reliability of current and next-generation equipment. I'm told that NASA might have facilities that could handle that. We also need new technology to better monitor wells while they're being drilled and while they're in production. We need better technology to quickly control and minimize any spills that might happen along with better-resourced

and trained spill management teams. We also need the help of the oil and gas industry in the form of its professional insight and much-needed funding for this effort. The industry stands to lose plenty as a result of the ongoing disaster and they have that much more to gain by getting involved with the Gulf Project. Put simply, we need to make sure we're never in this position again. Together, we can make that happen.

Our state is already a hotbed of world-class research including research into the effects of corrosion at Rice University and superconductivity at the University of Houston. The University of Texas and Texas A&M are partners in the Offshore Research Technology Cen-

ter and SMU has the Maguire Energy Institute. These efforts are joined and supported by groups like the Research Partnership to Secure Energy for America or RPSEA. Individually, and often in collaboration they're pursuing a variety of research goals but, together, I believe they can help us reach this major goal a whole lot faster.

Some have reacted to the Deepwater Horizon accident by calling for a moratorium on all drilling or proposing mountains of new regulations based more on prevailing emotions than on sound science. That sort of passionate response is possibly understandable but it is neither appropriate nor is it likely to solve the actual problem in the Gulf. Considering our growing energy needs it's

not realistic, either. The Gulf Project will produce the kind of sound science that leads to informed decisions and a new era in which energy exploration is not only safer for the men and women working the rigs but also much safer for the environment. Texas must take the lead on this effort because Texas knows energy.

From the derricks that sprung up around the Spindletop strike in the early days of the 1900s to the wind farms of today that make Texas the top producer of wind power in the country Texas has been synonymous with energy production and technology in the United States and beyond.

### REPORT OF COUNTY TREASURER OF SUTTON COUNTY, TEXAS OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM April 1, 2010- June 30, 2010

FUND	BEGINNING BALANCE	RECEIPTS	TRANSFER IN	DISBURSEMENTS	TRANSFERRED OUT	BALANCE
General	\$ 5,564,592.73	\$ 596,749.79		\$ 1,158,959.14		\$ 5,002,383.38
FMFC	\$ 1,003,654.57	\$ 111,614.61		\$ 173,553.02		\$ 941,716.16
Flood Control	\$ 18,910.29					\$ 18,910.29
Law Library	\$ (10,206.08)			\$ 1,271.00		\$ (11,477.08)
Lateral Road	\$ 12,197.75			\$ 840.00		\$ 11,357.75
112th D A Hot Check Fund	\$ 412.84	\$ 9.48				\$ 422.32
State Bond Fees	\$ 705.00	\$ 525.00		\$ 705.00		\$ 525.00
Employee Benefit Fund	\$ 119,267.48			\$ 10,101.94		\$ 109,165.54
Sutton County 911	\$ 6,670.08	\$ 9.15				\$ 6,679.23
Appellate Fund	\$ 345.00	\$ 250.00		\$ 445.00		\$ 150.00
Sheriff Seizure Fund	\$ 437,666.04	\$ 2,316.79		\$ 6,797.32		\$ 433,185.51
					TOTAL	\$ 6,513,018.10
<b>CHECKING ACCOUNTS</b>						
General-B&T	\$ 416,372.57	General-1st Natl	\$ 5,407.32	FMFC	\$ 102,823.34	
Appellate Fund	\$ 150.00	Sutton Co 911	\$ 6,679.23	Sheriff Seizure	\$ 82,605.85	
112th D A Hot Check Fund	\$ 422.32					\$ 614,460.63
<b>MONEY MARKET ACCTS</b>						
General	\$ 889,475.08	FMFC	\$ 334,845.36			\$ 1,224,320.44
<b>C D ACCOUNTS</b>						
General	\$ 3,819,609.91	FMFC	\$ 504,047.46			\$ 4,323,657.37
Seizure	\$ 350,579.66					\$ 4,674,237.03
					TOTAL	\$ 6,513,018.10

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Oil & Agribusiness

## Reminders For Low-Stress Cattle Handling

Submitted By  
Pascual Hernandez,  
Sutton County Agricultural  
Extension Agent



Safe and effective cattle handling has always been important. However, recent events involving a harvest facility in California and auction markets in several states, have served to heighten awareness of the importance of handling cattle appropriately. So, keep the following in mind before your next trip to the pasture or pens.

The role of a stockman is to create movement in cattle and then use position to control and manage that movement to the desired result. When cattle lose movement they become reluctant to work for you and excessive pressure and driving aids are more likely to be used to force movement amongst the cattle. Creating and managing movement is the key to Low-Stress cattle handling.

There are three basic principles of cattle behavior that when used properly can improve the ease and speed of working cattle while reducing stress and increasing efficiency. Those principles are:

**Cattle want to see you**

An understanding of how cattle see is basic to getting cattle to respond to your position when working livestock. Cattle can see everywhere but directly behind them or a small blind spot in front of them. Movement toward the blind spot behind them causes animals to turn their head to keep you in their line of sight. This can be used to your advantage to change direction of cattle or to your detriment if you are trying to drive cattle straight. When working from behind, it is important to keep moving side to side to prevent cattle from turning in an effort to keep you in their line of sight.

**Cattle want to go around you**

Armed with this tip, position yourself such that, when they do go around you, they are pointed directly at the gate or destination you had in mind. They'll think it was their idea to go there!

**Cattle want to be with and will go to other cattle**

A herding instinct is natural among 'prey' animals. There is safety in numbers and they know it. As stockmen, we can take advantage of this natural instinct as we work from the front of cattle. If you start the front, the back will follow. This is also why you should never leave one animal alone in a pen. For an excellent visual example of the herding instinct, "google" a video found on the web entitled "Battle at Kruger".

With these three principles in mind, you may be interested in a few suggestions that will improve the ease of handling cattle, whether they are being gathered from the pasture or processed through the corrals. For such, contact the Sutton County Extension Office at 387-3101 for a full article.

## TPWD Checking Texas Waters for BP Oil Spill

AUSTIN – Texas Parks and Wildlife Department biologists are working their way down the state's long coast line collecting environmental samples so that a baseline record is available to gauge any impact in Texas from the Deepwater Horizon oil spill. The effort is part of a plan developed by multiple natural resource trustee agencies in coordination with BP.

TPWD is leading specialized five-person teams of scientists who are systematically collecting data at 21 locations up and down the coast. These samples will be used to characterize beach conditions, water chemistry, benthic invertebrates (living creatures in shallow water, mud and sand), and other "indicator" factors.

The department is partnering with the other natural resource trustee agencies for Texas, including Texas General Land Office, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) to complete this effort.

A NOAA contractor is accompanying each team to provide chain of custody quality control and oversee the shipping of samples, which go to contracted out-of-state laboratories for analysis.

Sampling on the upper coast began Monday. As of Thursday, samples had been collected at five locations from the Port Arthur area to West Galveston Island. The process is expected to be complete within two weeks, though higher-than-normal tides, rain and flooding associated with the tropical disturbance in the western Gulf of Mexico may delay operations.

Besides the baseline sampling, TPWD is ready to assist with logistical support for GLO and the Coast Guard in oil spill response and clean-up operations. TPWD support will come in the form of boats, logistics, and trained staff with expertise in dealing with HAZMAT situations. TPWD has already worked with partner agencies to provide information on important or sensitive Texas ecological areas, such as coastal parks and refuges.

TPWD has been monitoring the Deepwater Horizon situation since shortly after it occurred on April 20. Early on, the department began planning for possible contingencies and these plans are now being executed.

For oil observed in Texas waters or shorelines call the Texas General Land Office oil spill reporting line at 800-832-8224

## State Agencies Issue Anthrax Advisory

AUSTIN — The Texas Animal Health Commission, and Texas Parks and Wildlife Department have issued a summer and early fall alert for ranchers, hunters and anyone who may be going afield in Texas. One case of anthrax has been confirmed in a white-tailed deer herd on a game ranch in Uvalde County, which is in an area of South Texas endemic to anthrax. Although humans are also susceptible, no cases have been reported to date, and simple precautions can effectively reduce the risks of humans contracting the disease.

Anthrax is a bacterial disease of sheep, goats, cattle, horses, deer and other animals. The bacteria which cause anthrax can remain dormant in the soil for many years. A period of drought followed by heavy rains frequently occurs just before the appearance of anthrax in livestock and deer. Animals that eat the rapidly growing grasses also consume soil that contains the bacteria. Currently, soil conditions are right to produce more outbreaks around the triangular geographic area bounded by Uvalde, Ozona and Eagle Pass, which cover portions of Crockett, Val Verde, Sutton, Edwards, Kinney, and Maverick counties.

Transmission of anthrax to humans can occur whether an affected animal is alive or has died from the disease. Simple precautions can greatly reduce the risk of contracting the disease from these animals. Carcasses of dead livestock and deer should not be cut open to allow blood to escape. Under no circumstances should the hide, hair, skulls, or horns of an animal suspected of having anthrax be salvaged, nor

should the meat of these animals be eaten.

During an anthrax outbreak, hunters in the affected areas are discouraged from taking feral hogs because they consume the meat of dead animals and could be carrying the bacteria. Fortunately, by the time deer hunting season starts, cool weather usually puts an end to the often seasonal anthrax outbreak. At minimum, hunters should harvest only healthy-looking deer and other hoof stock. If a deer has ingested anthrax bacteria, within hours, it will stagger, tremble or exhibit convulsions, and death is inevitable.

When an area experiences an anthrax outbreak, ranchers should wear long sleeves and gloves when handling or vaccinating livestock. Afterward, good sanitation measures should be followed, including hand washing and laundering of clothing. This aids in preventing contact with the anthrax bacteria which may have been picked up on the hides of animals. Do not pick up bones, horns or shed antlers, and pets and children should be kept away from dead animals. Healthy animals also should be moved from a contaminated pasture during an outbreak, but must remain on the premise and not hauled down the road to another pasture.

To prevent additional soil contamination, Texas Animal Health Commission regulations require that anthrax affected animal carcasses must be burned, until thoroughly consumed, along with any associated bedding and manure. This practice prevents wild pigs, coyotes, dogs or other predators from dragging car-

cases (and the accompanying anthrax bacteria) from one pasture to another, and spilling out the anthrax spores.

TAHC regulations also require that livestock on infected premises be quarantined for at least 10 days after all the livestock have been vaccinated against the disease. During this time, anthrax-exposed animals may still die from the disease, while healthy, vaccinated animals will develop immunity.

All anthrax cases — suspected or laboratory confirmed — must be reported to the TAHC. The regulatory agency

operates a 24-hour hotline at 1-800-550-8242, with state or federal regulatory veterinarians available at all times to take calls and work with private veterinary practitioners and producers.

More information about anthrax is available by contacting the TPWD Wildlife Division at (512) 389-4505, The Texas Animal Health Commission at (512) 719-0710, or the Zoonosis Control Division, Texas Department of State Health Services, at (512) 458-7255.



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New 4 Approach Operating 9000' Baker -B- #103 Dw Nabors Drilling (O) 709 06/15/10 4 Drlg Ahead  
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# Main Street Traffic

Submitted by Ann Kay

FHS Main Street will be having a Texas Historical Commission Texas Main Street Training for the directors and anyone else who would like to attend the FHS Main Street Bd. of Directors workshop on Thursday, July 15, 2010, at 6:00 p.m. at the Bank & Trust Meeting Room.

The Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program, First National Bank of Sonora, and The Bank & Trust of Sonora will be gathering cases of bottle water, baby diapers (all sizes), baby cereal, baby food, hard candy, hand soap, toilet paper, tooth brushes, and tooth paste for the flood victims in Del Rio & Mexico. I will take these items that are collected during the week and deliver them on Friday, July 16, 2010. I will be leaving at noon. If you would like to donate any items, you may drop them off at the at the First National Bank of Sonora, The Bank & Trust of Sonora, and the Main Street Office at 105 Concho Street. Sharing is a gift from God, and we need to remember our brother when he is in need. I would like to thank Devil's River News for the great story about the flood waters that affected our neighbors. Thank you!

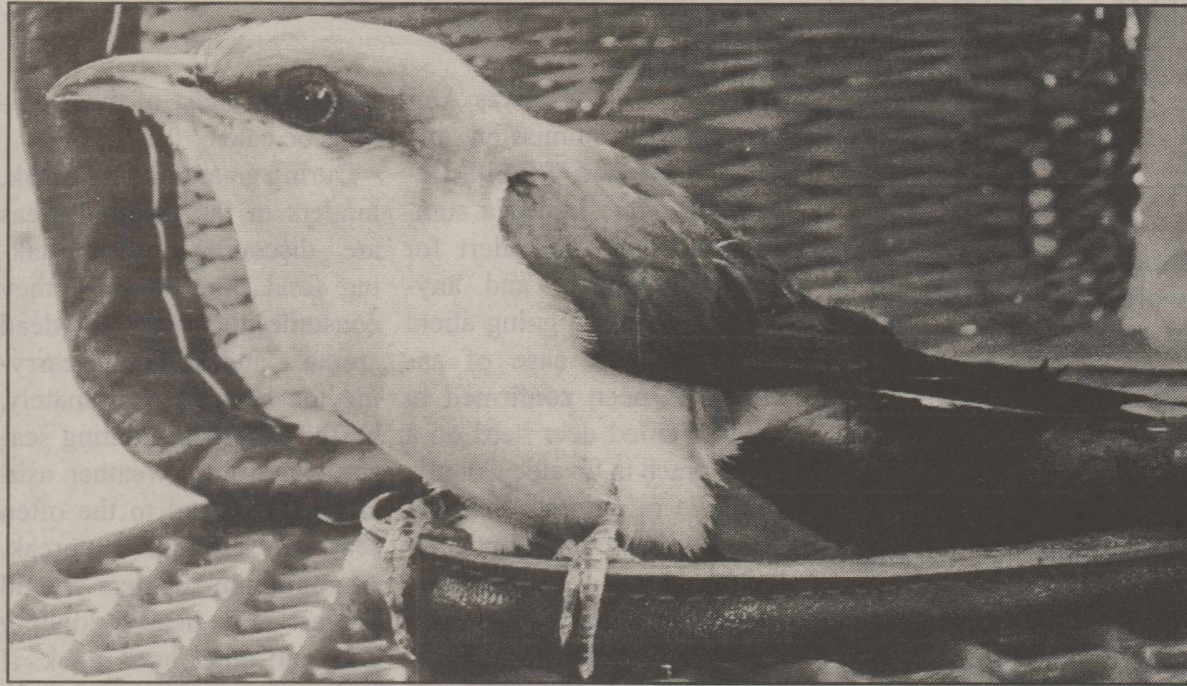
Happy Birthday Caverns of Sonora! You are just as beautiful as the day we all saw you for the first time!. We would like to thank all the folks out at the Caverns for being a part of our community and all the things you do for Sonora Tourism Trade. It is so wonderful when you are at a meeting out of town and a tourist tells the story of how beautiful the Caverns of Sonora are and how friendly the staff is. Thank You and Happy 50th Birthday!

FHS main Street received this information about downtowns and keeping your business going during hard economic times. I hope you will enjoy the work of Barbara who is a great downtown supporter and promoter.

Here are some tips to keep you in business:

1. Stay positive. Attitude is a big difference between the winning and losing businesses this year. Every employee needs to do his or her part in keeping a positive outlook. Take a leadership role and turn negative colleagues positive. The press will be looking to cover how bad things still are, but your customers will be looking for businesses that make them feel good. Make a customer feel great and a sale will follow.
2. Take action on the things that move you toward your goals. Delegate It, Ditch It or Do It! Keep focused on the final outcome and plan each day around doing the action steps that move you ahead.
3. Stand out by showcasing your uniqueness. Give your customers a unique experience that they can't get anywhere else.
4. Get more creative. When times get tough, business is down or our marketing budget is cut is when most of us start to get creative and think outside the box. But just think how much more you can achieve if you get in the habit of being more creative all the time.
5. Succeed one day at a time. If you have a bad day -- shake it off. If you have a good day -- do it again. You make your month by making your week. You make your week by making your day. You make your day by making your hour.
6. Maximize every customer opportunity. Make your day by focusing on the needs of every single customer. Don't let your guard down and miss even one sale, because that one sale could be the difference in success or falling short.
7. Don't pre-judge what a customer is going to spend. Customers aren't a survey in the newspaper. Customers aren't a sales projection in some pundit's article. Customers are unique individuals who offer us a unique opportunity. Give them a unique experience and you're sure to be rewarded.
8. Be a better salesperson every single day. Push yourself out of your comfort zone. Keep showing products until the customer says they're done. Focus on increasing your average sales and unit-per-transaction.

# From Eaton Hill: Curious Cuckoo AKA Rain Crow



By Delyse Jaeger

An unusual bird turned up in an unlikely spot last Sunday. Sitting in the north intersection of Hwy 277 and I-10 was a Yellow-billed Cuckoo. The bird allowed me to catch it; not a good sign, although I was hopeful it had been stunned and not badly hurt... nor terribly ill. Closer inspection revealed an apparent injured but still operable wing. Once inside the Tahoe, the cuckoo added insult to injury by flying into my windshield. The bird then sat quietly in a covered basket for about an hour until I released it, up on Eaton Hill of course, by simply turning the large basket on its side. The cuckoo hopped out, perched itself

on the leather handle and did not seem overly disturbed by my presence, a fact I took as an invitation to capture a few photos of the lovely loon, bird, ahh cuckoo. It soon appeared to doze.

Within the half hour, our guest had moved to a limb above the picnic table and early the next morning was nowhere in sight. Having seen the bird fly, I remain hopeful of its complete recovery and new residence on the hill.

The yellow-billed cuckoo was first identified on Eaton Hill by Dr. Selma Glasscock, Assistant Director at the Welder Wildlife Foundation in Sinton, Texas and a daughter of Sonora. Dr. Glasscock heard the cuckoo while conducting a birding workshop sponsored by the Sutton County AgriLife Extension office.

Cuckoos are in the same family as roadrunners, but have very little in common at first glance. The Cuculidae

family all share "zygodacty" toes - two forward, two back - along with curved beaks and long tails with the outer tail feathers being shorter in length. Our local Cuckoo, the yellow-billed is a striking and elegant bird with a warm brown back and head, cinnamon wing feathers, and white underbody. Around the eye, a yellow orbital ring and dark or black feathers give the eye prominence. The upper tail feathers are slightly darker than the birds body and the underside tail feathers display a stunning black and white pattern owing to black feathering with large white tips. The upper mandible of the bill is dark, while the lower and sides are the namesake yellow and delightfully visible.

Yellow-billed cuckoos are not unusual as noted above in that they are uncommon, the bird's attributes set it apart. The first notable characteristic is that the yellow-billed cuckoo is very secretive, and

not often observed. They eat caterpillars, large insects, small tree frogs and lizards, as well as some seeds and berries. Yellow-billed cuckoos are known to sit stock-still awaiting prey to pass close enough to pluck from nearby leaves or branches. Also, known as "rain crow" or "storm crow", yellow-billed cuckoos often give their distinctive call, described as "ka ka ka ka ka... kow kow kow... kowp kowp" before a rain. The yellow-headed blackbirds that swarmed Sonora in the Spring are also associated with rain but are an entirely different species and very easily observed. One naturalist reported hearing the call of the cuckoo throughout childhood and looking for the source but never actually seeing a yellow-billed cuckoo until birding as an adult.

The young mature quickly needing only 17 days from egg to fledging (leaving the nest). Around day 6-7, baby birds get their feathers in an incredible two hour burst! Yellow-billed cuckoos are migratory and spend the winters in South America. A group of cuckoos is called a "cooch" or even more fun... an "asylum".

Our Cuckoo left behind a mystery - a pellet was found in the basket that appeared to have tiny bones or insect leg segments as part of its make-up. Humph. After posting to TEXBIRDS, I received an email stating that Cuckoos eat so many caterpillars they can expel the entire lining of their stomachs and generate a new one when the old gets matted up with caterpillar spines! Stop by the Eaton House and have a look, we saved it of

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3. Parent or guardian must be present throughout the contest.
4. Contestants must be a resident of Sutton County or be eligible to attend Sonora Schools.
5. Completed pre-entry forms must be returned by July 30, 2010 to the Sonora Chamber of Commerce Office at 205 Hwy 277 N or mailed to P.O. Box 1172, Sonora, TX 76950.
6. There will be no late or last minute entries accepted, so that all contestants may be pictured in the Devil's River News the week of the contest.
7. Bring a picture of the contestant to be put in the Devil's River News or email to sonco2@sonorax.net.
8. Contest begins at 10:15 a.m. on Saturday, August 14, 2010 at the main entertainment stage at the Sutton County Park.
9. If the contestant wishes to sing, he or she may not have recorded accompaniment, but may play an instrument themselves.
10. All contestants should dress comfortably and appropriately for children their age.
11. All contestants are very much encouraged to participate in the Sutton County Days Parade to be held on Saturday morning at 9:00 a.m.
12. Entry forms will not be accepted without signatures.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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- 1-3 subject spiral notebook

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- 1 large bottle of germX
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- 1 pack 3x5 lined note cards
- 1-pkg. of 4AAA batteries
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- 1-Glue stick or gel glue
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- 12-#2 Pencils per semester
- 1 bottle or rubber cement
- 1-pkg. of 8 tabs (write on tabs)

### 7TH GRADE

- Highlighters (at least two colors)
- 1 - Glue Stick
- Washable marker set (Crayola)
- 2 pkgs. - White notebook paper

- Map colors
- 1-Large box Kleenex
- #2 Pencils
- 1-package of 4AAA batteries
- Black or blue ballpoint pens
- Red grading pens
- 3-1 Subject Spiral Notebooks
- Scissors
- 5-Pocket Folders with brads-1 without brads
- 2 inch binder
- 4-composition books (ELA)
- 2 expo markers

### 8TH GRADE

- Map colors-pencil type
- 1 red pen
- 2 boxes of Kleenex
- 2 #2 pencils
- 1 pkg. notebook paper
- 2 highlighters (different colors)
- 5 pocket folders with brads
- 6 single subject notebooks
- 1 composition notebook (science)
- 2- 3 ring binders (math, history)
- 2 glue sticks

- 1 dry erase marker (math)
- 1 pack 3x5 notecards (ELA)
- 4 AAA batteries (math)
- 1 pack of blue/black ink pens
- 1/4" Graph paper (math)
- 1 pkg. dividers (history)
- 1 black dry erase marker (history)

### HEALTH

- 1 - Pocket Folder
- 6th Grade - Technology Applications
- 1- Pocket Folder
- 1- 500 Count Ream/Package White Copy Paper

### 7TH AND 8TH GRADE - TECHNOLOGY APPLICATIONS

- 1-Pocket Folder

### SPANISH

- 1 - Spiral Notebook
- 1 - Folder with pockets
- Map Colors
- Scissors
- 1 large bottle of glue

- 1 box of kleenex

### 6th, 7th & 8th Grade PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASS

- Soap
- \*SMS P.E. Workout Clothes
- Deodorant
- Shampoo
- Towel

P.E. students will need a lock for their locker room basket. SMS will provide a combination lock. If you choose to use one of your own, you must provide the Coach with an extra

key or combination.

**\*P.E. clothes can be purchased from: Team Graphics @ 502 S.Crockett Ave. in Sonora.**

**\*\*Be sure to put student's name on every item, including Lunch Bags, Coats, Jackets, P.E.Clothes, Towels, Back Packs, etc.**

## 2010 District 4 Champs



**Bottom Row L to R:**  
Will Dutton, Scott Gonzalez, Ryan San Miguel, Davis Jimenez, Edward Garza, Darien Lopez  
**Top Row L to R:**  
Clayton Parks, John Lopez IV, Coach John Lopez, III, Phillip Stephens, Coach Jock Dutton, Blake Esparza, and Erik Santana

Submitted by Yvonne Lopez

This year Sonora hosted the 2010 District Senior League Baseball Tournament on July 1st through the 4th. Broncos faced San Angelo Western the first round which has been their biggest competition all season. Coach John Lopez put Clayton Parks on the mound first for the Broncos. Clayton pitched 5 1/2 innings giving up 2 runs. With the score of 3 to 2 Broncos, Clayton leaves the mound with 2 men on base. John Lopez III comes in to finish out the inning with 1 run coming in to tie the game. After 7 1/2 innings of play, Coach Lopez brings in Davis Jimenez for 1 1/2 innings. With both Jimenez and Lopez reaching their pitch count for the game, Coach Lopez and coach Jock Dutton had no choice but to bring Parks back on the mound for the Broncos. Going into the 10th inning Broncos defense was hot. Nothing was getting past these Broncos. Finally top of the 11th was when the Broncos sticks came alive and they put up 2 more runs on the board. This made the score 5 to 3 Broncos. Bottom of the 11th all the Broncos had to do was keep playing outstanding defense and that they did. Broncos finished with a 5 to 3 win over Western.

Game 2 the Broncos faced Reagan County Owls. They had no trouble beating them. Broncos pounded the baseball and won the game 12 to 0.

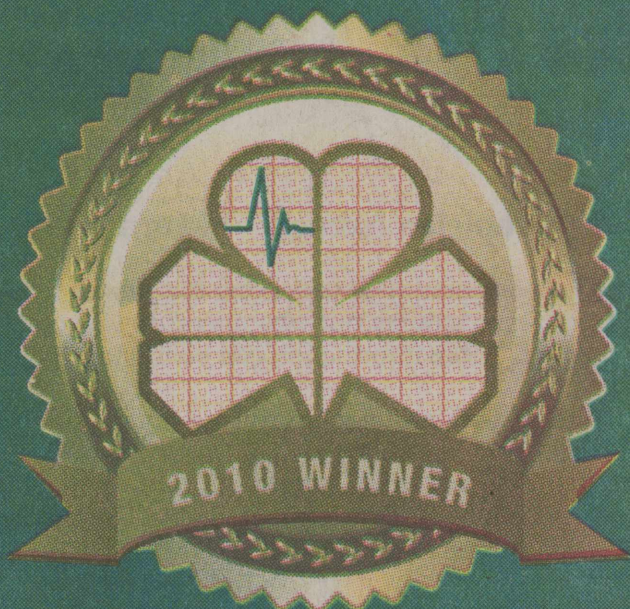
The Championship game was played on Sunday July 4th. Broncos would once again face San Angelo Western. This time Western put up 3 runs on Bronco errors. The Broncos fought back and in the 4th inning came alive and put 5 runs on the board. Western never scored again thanks to some BIG defensive plays by Clayton Parks and Phillip Stephens at first, Blake Esparza at catcher, Scott Gonzalez at Left, Erick Santana in Center, Edward Garza and Will Dutton at right, John Lopez at third, and the tag team of Ryan San Miguel at short and Davis Jimenez at second. Broncos went on to win the Championship 9 to 4. GOOD JOB BRONCOS AND GOOD LUCK AT THE SECTIONALS TOURNAMENT in Uvalde. There will be a send-off for the boys on Thursday July 15 at 12:00pm from the baseball field. Please come out to support the Bronco Boys.

## Little League District Champs



Ethan Patlan, Cade Krieg, Isaiah Lira, Caleb Galvan, Corbin Boggs, Jackson Abbey, Rawley Ojeda, Mickey Campos, Drew Buitron, Wesley Dutton. Coach Noah San Miguel, and Mike Krieg

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