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SONORA, TEXAS

Thursday, August 12, 2010

Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo Team Challenge: Top 12 To Rope On Saturday



County Team Ropers Charles Barber and Cody Schenkel throwing loops in the Sonora Outlaw Team Challenge on Sat., Aug. 7th at the County Park Arena.

Submitted

deo Team Challenge was an erage. exciting event last Saturday as enjoyed an evening of great with 40.59;

and to work for the Tres Rios deo will bring back the top and join the fun!

The Sonora Outlaw Pro Ro- Buckles to be won for the av- six teams including Shawn Edwards / Clay Hale with a The teams who will come 37.09 on three head; Fidel about 152 teams competed in back on Friday, August 13th Acevedo Sr. / Bubba Crane the dirt. Ropers from all sur- are Alan Marth / Ed Hale with a 35.11; Cody Barber / rounding counties came to working with a 37.49 on three Clay Hale with a 33.65; Ladd join in the fun. The crowd head; Dayton Armke / Ed Hale Hughes / Pete Trujillo with a 33.01; and Shawn Edwards / roping and refreshments at the Mike Friess / Murphy Black Casey Cordell with a 20.50 county arena park complex. with a 41.68; Larry Rogers / on three head. This should The top twelve teams will Raul Sanchez with 42.83; and be an exciting venue of team come back this week during Daniel Hernandez / Sterling ropers to enjoy at the Outlaw the Sonora Outlaw Pro Rodeo Price with 15.45 on two head. Pro Rodeo in Sonora, Texas to compete in the short round Saturday's (Aug. 14th) ro- this weekend. Come on out

Broncos Scrimmage Llano This Saturday!!!



Saturday August 14th, the Bronco Stadium. The Fresh- GO BIG RED!! Sonora Broncos will host the men and Junior Varsity Bron-3A Llano Yellowjackets at cos will start at 10:00 and the

Varsity will start at 11:00. This scrimmage has been labeled the Soap/Towel Scrimmage. Admission to the scrimmage will be laundry detergent or bath towels. We hope to make this an annual event and would appreciate your support in helping the Sonora Bronco Athletic Department. Just bring your detergent or towels to the gate Saturday morning and come check out the 2010 Sonora Bronco Football teams! Have a Super Bronco Week and

Border Violence Heats Up

AUSTIN - Gov. Rick Perry of criminal gangs." today described the rapid esthe violence.

zens exposed to grave dan- gangs. ger," Gov. Perry said. "An unsecured US-Mexico border forces are waging war in Hall in June. is a serious national security Northern Mexico, their tactics and security of our citizens, car bombings, kidnappings, 32 National Guard troops to is obligated to secure it. Our Since 2006, this war has tak- with an increase in other recitizens deserve the best pos- en 28,000 lives," Gov. Perry sources. sible effort to protect them wrote in the letter. "We cannot

calation of drug cartel-related as Public Policy Foundation onto American soil." killings in northern Mexico, shortly after a brief meeting A series of incidents in Texand said that absent federal with President Obama on the as indicate the violence has action it was only a matter of tarmac at Austin Bergstrom already begun reaching U.S. time before communities on Airport as the president exited communities, Gov. Perry the Texas side of the border Air Force One. The governor said, noting a midlevel memwould be further swept up in presented President Obama ber of the Juarez Cartel livwith a four-page letter out- ing in El Paso was shot eight "Washington has been an lining his concerns about the times outside of his Texas abject failure at securing the state of border security and residence in May 2009; Mexborder, leaving it vulnerable the growing threats posed by ican pirate attacks occurred to exploitation, and our citi- drug cartels and transnational on Falcon Reservoir in May;

from this advancing network afford to allow these cartels to

believe they're free to extend Gov. Perry spoke to the Tex- their reach across the border

and bullets from a gun battle "Drug cartels and related in Juarez struck El Paso City

Gov. Perry also reiterated threat, menacing the safety including death threats, torture, his request for 1,000 Title and the federal government assassinations and beheadings. be deployed in Texas, along

RODEO ENTERTAINMENT: SATURDAY NIGHT



The Texas Unlimited Band (aka TUB) was formed in the early 1980's in the small town of Dime Box, Texas. Texas Unlimited started out playing weddings, private parties and the local dance hall circuit. They soon developed a significant following and were requested at larger venues, fairs and festivals. Currently TUB is one of the most requested country and variety bands in Texas and has showcased their sound across the south west United States, making appearances on TV and radio talk shows.

Texas Unlimited has shared the stage with numerous major stars including: George Strait, NYNSYNC, Garth Brooks, Brooks and Dunn, Chris Ladoux, John Michael Montgomery, BlackHawk, George Jones, Restless Heart, Lori Morgan, Gary Allen, Tim Magraw, Diamond Rio, Steve Wariner, Clay Walker, Shenandoah, Toby Keith, Trace Adkins, Pat Green, among many others.

Romaldo Y Grupo Fuerzzo

Romaldo Y Grupo Fuerzzo formed in april 2006 after Estilo Band from Ozona and Grupo Fuerzzo from San Angelo united to become one of the hottest tejano bands in West Texas. With a musical background that each musician has brought, they have become one band to provide a variety of music to tejano, conjunto, country, norteno, and cumbias. They have opened for many great bands such as Grupo Vida, Los Garcia Bros, AT Boyz and many more!

MUTTON BUSTERS HANG ON FOR WILD WOOLY RIDE



Back Row: Queen contestants Karina Trevino, Marissa Prieto, Rose Karnes, and the reigning Miss Sutton County, Shainah Johnson stand with the 2010 Mutton Busters.

Submitted

Competition was tough last weekend as 18 mutton bustersbattled it out for a chance to ride in The Outlaw Pro Rodeo. In true rodeo fashion, they came from all over the area – and one from as far away as Hewett. They all wore protective vests and crash helmets and grabbed a handful of wild sheep

to see who could hang on and ride the longest.

The six contestants with the best "hang" times - Kanen Henderson, Victoria Klebold-Smith, Kayce Babb, Cuatro Wardlaw, Laci Jo Ramirez, and Gavin Boggs - are scheduled to battle it out for the prized rodeo buckle during inter-

mission during this Friday's performance. But the before the second round of competition begins, we would like to recognize all of our young mutton busters. They included Jake Malsbury, age 5, of Sonora, Kayce Babb, age 4, of Sonora, Braden Bailey, age 4, of Sonora; Victoria Klebold-Smith, age 7, of Sonora; and Damian Mat-

thew Martinez, age 6, of Sonora. Brady Lewis Mormon, age 5, came all the way from Hewett Texas with his Aunt Kelly Thorp; Kameryn Aguero, age 4, of Sonora; Brianna Nicole Ramirez, age 8, of Sonora; Cuatro Wardlaw, age 5, of Sonora; Laci Jo Ramirez, age 6, of Sonora; Hunter O'Banon, age 5, of Sonora; Ryan Lee Hopkins, (last year's mutton bustin' champ, and the alternate for this year's competition) age 6, of Sonora.

Also Jaedon Chavarria, age 5, of Sonora; Ben Blackbird, age 4, of Sonora; Brian Israel Mendoza, age 4, of Sonora; Gavin Boggs, age 6, of Sonora; and Kanen Henderson, age 5, of Sonora, competed. All gave spectators plenty to cheer about as they battled 100-degree heat and hot tempered sheep for the coveted top spots.

This event, which involves the young busters' entire families, is always a treat for Sonora's rodeo crowd. Local businesses Taco Grill, PCS, Sonora Chemical and Hudson Livestock sponsor the competition and local rancher Lee Bloodworth is the stock contractor.

The O'Bannon twins, who are former mutton busters, provided service to the contestants as mutton fighters.

Each of the top six riders will receive a rope for their efforts. Third place will win a set of spurs, second place wins a pair of boots and the first place buster wins a rodeo buckle and bragging rights until next year.



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Senior Center Activities

Thurs. August 12 - Happy Birthay Alicia Sanchez August 13 - Happy Birthday Lidia Reina

Betty Stephen Mon. August 16 - Happy Birthday Lolo Chavez Oralia Hernandez

Tues. August 17 - Happy Birthday Olivia Perez

Wed. August 18- Van to San Angelo

Senior Center Menu

Thur. August 12 - Chicken w/noodles, wehat bread, peaches,

broccoli cauliflower mix, oatmeal cookie Fri. August 13 - Beef peper steak w/gravy, rice, milk

peas w/mushrooms, wheat bread, pudding Mon. August 16 - Hamburger on a bun, lettuce, onions, chips tomatoes, pears w/cottage cheese, milk

green beans, pineapple upside down cake Wed. August 18 - Chicken fried steak w/gravy, buttered peas, potatoes, cornbread, fruit cup, milk

Tues. August 17 - Ham w/pineapple, mac & cheese, rolls

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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Death Notice

Sonora- E.J. Wipff, 78, of Sonora died Monday, August 9 in San Angelo. Funeral services will be Thursday, Aug. 12 at 2:00p.m. at the Sonora Church of Christ. Burial will follow in Sonora Cemetery. Survivors include wife Fern Wipff of Sonora, daughters Debbie Rhiddlehoover of Carthage and Tammy Worley of San Angelo, brothers George Wipff of Sonora and Marshall Wipff of Florence, Tx., and sister Jenny Sue Fitzpatrick of Oregon.

Obituary

Edwin Davis Murr

Sonora-Edwin Davis Murr was born April 30, 1925 in Menard, Texas to Ollie T. and Virgie Mae Williamson Murr. He passed away Wednesday August 4, 2010 at his residence. Graveside services will be held Friday August 6, 2010 at 7:00pm in the Ft. McKavett cemetery. He became a member of the Church of Christ at Murr at the age of 11 and has spent his life in service to the church, serving as an elder and minister. He attended school at the Murr school until it consolidated with Junction ISD. He graduated from Junction school in 1942 and entered A&M University in the fall of 1942. After two semesters his desire to defend our freedom took him to serve our country in WW II. His service in France and England earned him two Purple Hearts and a life long health deteriation. After his time in the Army and many long stays in the hospital he attended Sul Ross and the University of Colorado in Boulder. He married Eula Pinkerton Sept. 14, 1952. They have two daughters, Caren Mackie and Janet Bermes both of Junction and one son Marcus Murr of Sonora. He is also survived by one brother, Orvil Murr of Menard, 9 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren, 1 nephew and 8 nieces. He was preceded by his parents, 2 brothers, 1 sister, 2 nephews and 1 very dear brother-in-law, Jesse Pinkerton. His greatest loves have always been, God, country and family. He cherished the freedom of our country and was extremely afraid of losing the same. Grandchildren will serve as pallbearers.

Thank You Note

I would like to extend a special thanks to all who helped celebrate my mother's, Beatrice C. Artiaga, 80th Birthday Party. Mom had the time of her life being surrounded by her family and friends. Thanks for your presence, birthday cards, and flowers . You being there to help her celebrate was the greatest gift of all. You are all a blessing to her. To the family and friends who came from out-of-town, thank you! Thanks to my family, who are very special to me, for all their help: Joey, Patsy, Mik, AnaLesa, Prissy, Daisy, Sam Lucas, Maribel, and Elijah Samaniego; Maria Mesa, Mary Trevino and Melissa Lira, thanks for helping out, too. God bless all of

My mother is a very special person who worked very hard IN TIMES LIKE THESE! to support her family as a single parent most of her life. She raised 5 children; Dora Hilda (Doris Samaniego) Fuentes, Victor Eliseo Fuentes (Cheo), Juanita A. Talbot, Christopher Dante Artiaga (deceased 1995) and Teresa A. Hernandez. Mom Bea has always help us when in need. She helped all I of us children even after we were married. She has given so much. Her jobs as a dishwasher and a cook did not pay well for . I never had money in my pocket unless Mom would pro- donate the proceeds to the SHS Cheerleaders Activity account. vided for me. That's why I will always love my mother no funeral expenses and her own son's, never has she regretted place to live! Thank you! her sacrifice! She has been there in good and bad times. Like all mothers, they will be there if needed. Mother will always be with us. My Mother is just a simple woman who only desires to be loved and respected by her family.

thing. I know for a fact my MOM has always helped at St. vals) community service (Relay for Life) and is always ready to give her time and service when needed.

Thanks to my Mom's parents, Petra Garza Chavez and Epetascio Artiaga (both deceased), who had only one daughter and three sons now deceased; Augustine, Victoriano and Edwardo all born in Sonora, TX. All 4 Artiaga children went to the L.W. Elliott School.

she loves you all the same. You are very special to her heart.

Artiaga, here with us in the year 2010 on her 80th birthday. For all of those that could not make it to Mom's party,

mind and heart. Thanks to all my family, relatives, and friends Eaton Hill as well as our daily operations.

I love you all, Doris Fuentez

The Sonora Volunteer Fire Department's Ladies Auxiliary would like to thank everyone that participated in this year's Rummage Sale on Saturday, August 7th. Thank you to all for the gracious donations and also to those who shopped and found some great bargains. We are humbled by the outpour of support and appreciate all who helped.

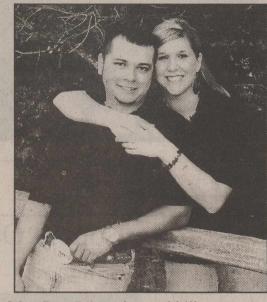
All proceeds will go directly to the Fire Department's land

fund for a much needed new facility.

If you missed out this year, we will be back for our 3rd Annual in 2011. We have a tentative date of the first weekend in August!

Ladies Auxiliary

dding Announceme



Mr. & Mrs. Don Longoria would like to announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Melissa Joy, to Tobias Cerrea. The ceremony will be held on August 28, 2010 in Often, Texas. The couple will reside in the San Angelo area.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

The Allen family would like to express our deepest appreciation to the many member of the CINCO Chapter who came all the way over to Kimble County to help us with our prescribed burn on August 3.

The sheer competency of the Sutton County burn crew is a thing of beauty to watch. The comradeshipwhich we enjoy in these endeavors is priceless.

We are most sincerely grateful, one more time, for the neighborly help rendered to us on a demanding and challenging day.

> With Appreciation, Edith Allen Charles Allen Lewis Allen

Letter to the Editor:

This past Saturday, August 8th, we were privileged to meet with Francisco Canseco, who is running for election to Congress in Washington, D.C.. The few who attended his "town hall" meeting in Sonora were able to converse with him in depth, learning his stand on many issues that are so important to Americans. He is an attorney from San Antonio who believes in God and God's ways. He believes in less government and has a conservative view on abortion, religious freedom and freedom to pray in schools.

We want to share this good man's position and urge everyone to vote for him on November 2, 2010 and all other candidates who desire to preserve the America we all love.

VOTING IS NOT ONLY A PRIVILEGE BUT CRUCIAL

Aldrane and Ruth

Thank You Note

I was recently selected to attend the Universal Cheerleadat those times, yet she provided money and food to help her ers Assc.- All-American London Parade in England. I befamily. Mom gave up buying for herself to help provide when gan fundraising by selling Krispy Kreme Donuts. This was I (Doris) did not work because I was a wife and full time a HUGE success! But, I have had a change of heart. I have mother of four children; Joey, Patsy, Prissy and Ricky, to care deceided not to attend the Parade in London. However, I will

I would like to say "Thank You" to all the buyers of KKD matter what! Now, it's my time to help her when she needs me. and a Special Thanks to the ones who just made donations. I Although, she paid for expenses such as; death of granddaugh- would also like to thanks my parents for their love and supter's funeral, granddaughter birth, her own mother's left over port with my cheerleading career. Sonora is truly a wonderful

Kelsey Favila

Thank you Sonora for making Outdoor Movie Night a huge My mother Beatrice has not been perfect, but who is? One success! Over 130 people attended the event and by all reports, folks would really like to see more movie nights in our Ann's Catholic Church (Guadalupanas, Cursillistas, fall festitown. Guests of the Best Western Sonora Inn lined the upstairs walkway and several families joined us at the screen. Eaton Hill Nature Center and Wildlife Sanctuary would like to thank our official sponsors: First National Bank of Sonora, High-Mount E & P, The Bank and Trust and the Sonora Chamber of Commerce. In addition, thank you to the Devil's River News and KHOS Radio for helping get the word out.

Eaton Hill summer interns Yolanda Sanchez and Kory Mom has 10 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. Humphrey initiated the idea and were responsible for all the Grandma Bea, Momma Bea or whatever name she is called by, groundwork as well as the majority of planning and sponsorship efforts – you two are extraordinary! Thank you John Jones Thanks be to God for having my Mom, Beatrice Chavez and Best Western Sonora Inn for allowing the use of your your property. Also, a big thank you to Tonya Brown and Robin Street for helping with concessions, as well as the Sonora Eco-Thanks having her in your thoughts! I know she had you in her nomic Development Corporation for supporting the vision of

> A big thank you to James & Garett Jaeger for all your hard work! Last, but far from least, we owe a deep debt of gratitude to Rick and Cathy Whitworth of SanAngelo's KCSA Radio 95.7 FM - San Angelo's Non Profit, Non Commercial, Community Radio. Thank you Rick and Cathy for your expertise and over the top assistance in making Sonora's showing of Jurassic Park III an event to launch from!

> > Eaton Hill Nature Center and Wildlife Sanctuary

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Lion's Roar



L to R: Marissa Prieto, Rose Karnes, Miss Sutton County 2009-Shainah Johnson, Karina Trevino, Ashley Schenkel

By: Frank Wamble

Sonora!

Sutton County Days and the Rodeo are here! Your Lions Program last week had some outstanding leaders in our Community provide information on these upcoming events. Donna Garrett Chief Executive of our Chamber provided an overview of Sutton County Days Agenda and a schedule of events. Tiba Edmondson provided a brief on the vendors, children rides and food sales. Junita Gomez provided an overview of the Parade. The new route and lineup area, sign up for the 9AM-Parade, space is available.

Ashley Schenkel of Ashley's Hair Salon on Main and Katy Harrell Of Wild Bill's Boutique both volunteer Sutton County Queen organizers and chaperons presented The Queen Candidates to the Lions Club. The candidates present were Marissa Prieto sponsored by The Bank and Trust and Taco Grill, Rose Karnes sponsored First National Bank, Bill and Maureen Hodges and Everett Pharmacy, Karina Trevino sponsored by The Mercantile on Main and The Sutton County Steak House, along with Sutton County Queen Shaniah Johnson. All are pictured above along with Chaperon Ashley Schenkel. Unfortunately, Queen Candidate Marion Dominguez was unable to attend. Her sponsors are Sam Dillard/State Farm Insurance and La Mexicana.

Your Lions are busy with planning for the Outlaw Pro Rodeo concession along with Pam Crenwelge's Middle School student Leaders on August 13,14 2010 and the Welcome Back Teachers and family supper event on August 17, 2010 at the Sonora High School Common area @ 6pm.

Bronco Nation is reminded that in addition to all of the Sutton CountyDays activity this weekend the Broncos scrimmage Llano at 10am Saturday @ Broncos Stadium.

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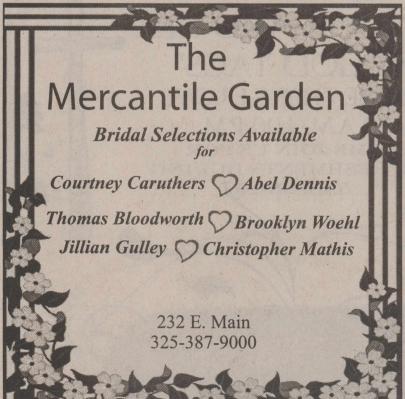
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7th grade 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.
8th grade 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

We encourage all of you to come register, pick up schedules, textbooks, and meet the teachers at the Middle School.

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.

Home schooling Informational Meeting: Anyone interested in home schooling or with any questions about home schooling, please feel free to come to an informational meeting on Thursday, August 12 at 3:30 p.m. We will the meeting at St. John's Episcopal Church, and of course, feel free to bring your kids! For further information, please call Brooke Knight @ 757-375-3241.

Meet the teacher for Sonora Elementary School and Sonora Intermediate School will be from 1:30-3:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 19th.

Any resident of Sutton County who is 65 years or older is entitled to a Golden Bronco Pass. This pass will provide free admission to any Sonora ISD school activity. Passes are available at the Sonora ISD Administration Office, 807 S. Concho. If you received a Golden Bronco Pass in 2009, it is still good for 2010.

Season tickets for Bronco Varsity Football will go on sale Monday, August 23 at the Administration Building. Tickets are \$25 per book (5 home games) and will be on sale until 12 Noon on Friday, September 3.

Old Sonora Ice House Ranch Museum will be holding the fiddling contest Saturday, August 14, 2010 at 11:00 a.m.

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!!!

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@sonoratx.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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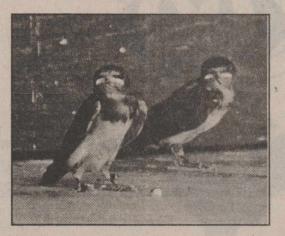
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Up on Eaton Hill



By: Delyse Jaeger

TIME TO FLY

The Barn Swallow is the most common species of swallow in all the world, and has adapted well to increased human populations finding man-made structures to be highly suitable for nesting. The barn swallow generally mates for life and females prefer males with: a) the longest, most symmetrical tails, and b) the darkest of reddish brown color on the chest. Unfortunately, an unmated male may kill the offspring of a nesting pair, causing disruption and creating the possibility to mate with the offended female. Whew, nature can be harsh.

On a brighter note, barn swallows eat flying insects... i.e. mosquitoes, so we LOVE them, even though they prefer to nest in the eaves of our porches and create not-so-small swallow shoo-shoo messes all around the nest site. This is the first season we have had swallows nesting on the porch of the Eaton Hill Nature Center and these barn swallows have been prolific! Round two (or three??) of barn swallow nurserydom yielded the two handsome swallow specimens shown above on their very first foray from the nest. Parents make over 1,000 mud-mouth-filled trips to build the featherlined mud nest in which to rear their young. For those who may not wish to host a barn swallow family above your parking space, front, or back door, you can try painting the underside a serene sky blue. This seems to deter the birds from building and I suspect they may be fooled into sensing there is no cover - that the site is simply open to the clear blue sky - my own unconfirmed explanation mind you.

But for sheer delight in observing the antics, habits and parenting of wild critters, you can hardly beat the barn swallow for allowing a window on their world! Hit the trails!

Volleyball Season Opening Serve

By Coach Robertson

August 6th marked the start of the season for the Lady Bronco Volleyball Team! We attended a scrimmage and played games against Miles and TLCA of San Angelo. We were able to get a lot of playing time against these teams and I feel they gained a lot of experience just in one day. The ladies played very well and were impressive for a first year program and with more games and playing time, will be unstoppable. The future is looking bright for the Lady Bronco Volleyball season and expect many good things to come from these hard working ladies!!!!! Great Job ladies and looking forward to an exciting season!!!

----Our game for Thursday August 12th has been cancelled----

Send cover letter, wage requirements and resume to stephanie.dechant@pcslift.

Summer Reading Program Ends with a Splash

Submitted

The Sutton County Public Library ended its Reading Program on July, 14th. Children ages 3 to 4th grade were grouped by grade levels and then stories were read followed by arts & crafts. This year's theme was "Catch the Reading Express". Stories and crafts were related to car trains such as: All Aboard! Stories about Trains, Caboose! Stories about Art and Music, Stock Car! Stories about animals, Passenger Car Stories about people.

A special program that everybody of all ages looks forward to was the Magic by Harlin. He introduced the audience to different car trains and emphasized that reading can take you

to many different places in books!!!

All those that registered for the reading program received a certificate for their participation. Those reaching their goals for their grade levels were also given a certificate and a special pool pass for the library party for their efforts in reading!!! A total of 109 children were registered with approximately 84 reaching their goals of 50 books more or 15 hours or more. A total of 2,630 books were checked out during the month of June and part of July. Total hours read for the higher grades were 1,061 for June and part of July.

Kelly Thorp from the Sutton county Extension Office introduced a new program: FRED: Families Reading Everyday was also implemented into the program for the younger group. Families were encouraged to read together for the first 4 weeks and to keep track of the reading time. This was made possible through Texas AgriLife Extension Service and

prizes were donated by the local Child Welfare Board. The Family with the most read time in the Age 3 to Kinder group was Julianna Sanchez' Family with 55 hours. They received a Walmart Gift Card. Congratulations!

The Sutton County Library Pizza Pool Party was enjoyed by 27 children and 17 adults. Everyone enjoyed their reward for their hard work. Afterwards they were treated to pizza and watermelon. All of this made possible by Sutton County, Sonora Woman's Club and Pedernales Electric, and Summer Help, Leandra Casteneda, Ashley Perez and Damien Lopez, and new library assistant Monica Buitron and of course volunteers that helped read, or assisted the little ones with crafts.

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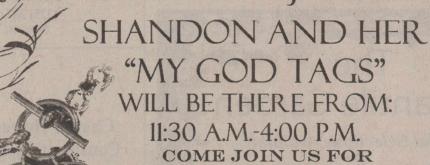


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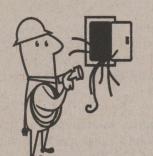
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pete in youth rodeo events. However, they also take part Champion Roper! in 4-H Horse Shows. These Abilene, Texas.

Serena Allison, Cody Bar- manship and horse training ber, Gunter Pennington, and skills, but also to gain knowl-Chance Campbell went to edge concerning science-recompete against the hundreds lated subjects, including horse of other youth from through- production, out the state. Chelsey Lou training, evaluation and use. and Serena competed in pole However, it also stresses debending and barrel racing, velopment of leadership, inibut Serena also took part in tiative, self-reliance, trail and working cow horse sportsmanship, and other deevents. Serena wound up 14th sirable life traits. out of 177 barrel racers!

down event, Chance finished efforts.

Submitted By Pascual Hernandez, Sutton County Agricultural Extension Agent

Many of our 4-H'ers com- 8th, while Gunter was 2nd In breakaway roping, Gunter It's a way to test the skills managed a 3rd place. This of both the horse and rider. made Gunter the Reserve

Gunter Pennington, Chance horse shows are competitions Campbell and Seth Shanklin for halter and performance also participated in the Team horses. Such was the case in Penning event. All had fun. the recently completed State The objectives of the Texas 4-H Horse Show held in 4-H Horse Program include providing means for 4-H Chelsey Lou Campbell, members to acquire horsemanagement,

Shows are intended to pro-Meanwhile Chance Camp- vide a wholesome form of bell, Cody Barber, and Gunt-recreation and a forum for er Pennington competed in demonstrating horsemanship breakaway roping and tie- and horse-training skills that down calf roping, though lead to recognition and ac-Cody also tried his hand in complishment. Congratulathe team roping. In the tie- tions to these youth for their

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AgriLife Researcher Honored by Prescribed **Burning Association**

FREDERICKSBURG - Dr. association's main goal is to Charles "Butch" Taylor, su- promote the safe and environperintendent of the Texas mentally responsible use of AgriLife Research Station at fire as a means to control nox-Sonora, was recently honored ious invading plant species on by the Edwards Plateau Pre- native range. scribed Burning Association For more information on the during their annual meeting in association, contact Taylor at Fredericksburg.

The award was presented noratx.net. to Taylor by the association's directors, recognizing his promotion of the use of prescribed burning to enhance agricultural production and wildlife habitat. Taylor was the founder of the Edwards Plateau Prescribed Burn Association in October 1997, the first of its kind at the time.

The association currently has 500 members in 15 counties and is run by ranchers for ranchers, Taylor said. The

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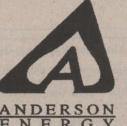
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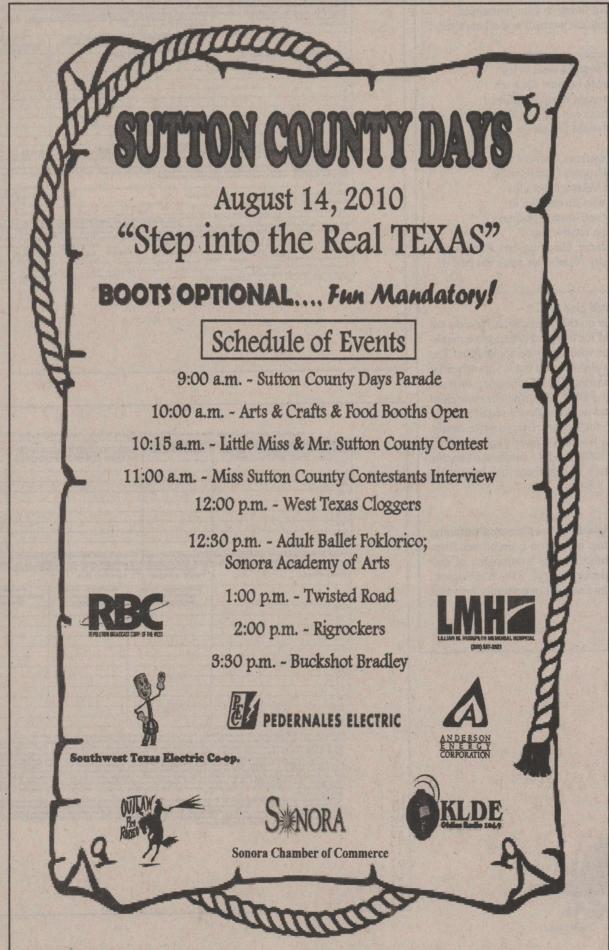
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Only 1 application per household is required

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Charges: Please be prepared to pay all outstanding lunch charges in full and at least (1) week of meals

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Sincerely, Josie Torres

Food Service Supervisor

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Part 2: List the child's personal use monthly income, if any.

Part 3: Skip this part.

Part 4: Sign the form. A Social Security Number is not necessary.

If your household receives Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Or Temporary Assistance For Needy Families (TANF), follow these instructions:

Part 1: List each child's name, school, grade and EDG# (Eligibility Group Number) for SNAP (formerly

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Part 2: Skip this part.

Part 3: Skip this part.

Part 4: Sign the form. A Social Security Number is not necessary.

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Part 1: List each child's name, school and grade. Optional (Social Security Number, Student 1.0. or Date of Birth)

Part 2: Skip this part.

Part 3: Follow these instructions to report last month's household income.

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Column 2 -Income and how often it is received: For each person who receives income, write the amount received and how often it is received weekly CN), every 2 weeks (E), twice a month (T) or monthly (M). Employment Income: List the gross income for each person. It is not the same as take-home pay. Gross income is the amount earned before taxes and deductions. It should be listed on your pay stub or your boss can tell you. Next to the amount, write how often you receive it -weekly (W), every 2 weeks (E), twice a month (T) or monthly (M).

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Column 3 -Check if no income: If the person does not have any income, check the box Part 4: An adult household member must sign the form and list his or her Social Security Number or mark the box if he or she doesn't have one.

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2010-11 English Multi-Child Application



Sonora Independent School District 807 S. Concho Sonora, Texas 76950

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- 1. Do I need to fill out an application for each child? No. Complete one application to apply for free or reduced-price meals. Use one Free and Reduced-Price School Meals Application for all students in your household. We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information. Return the completed application to: [Josie Torres, 807 S. Concho, Sonora, Tx 76950, 387-6940 ext.
- 2. Who can get free meals? Children in households receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits (formerly the Food Stamp Program) or TANF can get free meals regardless of your income. Your benefit letter from the Texas Health tmd Human Services Commission (HHSC) is your documentation for free meals. If you have not already received a letter from your school stating that your household is eligible for free meals, you may take your HHSC benefit letter to your child nutrition office to be certified for free meals. If a member of your household is directly certified due to receiving SNAP or TANF benefits, all members of your household are eligible for free meals. Call the school at [325-3876940 ext, 3207] if you have
- 3. Should I fill out an application if I got a letter this school year saying my children are approved for free or reduced-price meals? In most cases no, however read the letter you got carefully and follow the instructions. Call the school at [325-387-6940 ext. 3207] if you have questions or a member of your household is not listed on the letter. If your household does not receive SNAP or TANF, your children may still be eligible to receive free meals if your household income is less than the amounts listed on the federal Income Eligibility Guidelines. Please complete the application and submit it to your child nutrition office. Head Start students and most foster children may also qualify for free meals.
- 4. Can homeless, runaway and migrant children get free meals? Yes. If you have not been notified of free status under these categories, please call [Sonora ISO, Josie Torres @ 325-387-6940 ext. 3207] to see if your child(ren) qualify.
- 5. Who can get reduced price meals? Your children can get low cost meals if your household income is within the reducedprice limits on the Federal Income Chart.
- 6. I get WIC. Can my child (ren) get free meals? Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for free or reduced-price meals. Please fill out an application.

7. Will the information I give be checked? Yes, we may ask you to send written proof.

- 8. If I don't qualify now, may I apply later? Yes. You may apply at any time during the school year if your household size goes up, income goes down, or if you start getting SNAP, TANF or other benefits.
- 9. What if I disagree with the school's decision about my application? You should talk to school officials. You also may ask for a hearing by calling or writing to: [Don Gibson, Superintendent, 807 S. Concho, Sonora, Tx 76950 @ 325-3876940 ext. 3001].
- 10. May I apply if someone in my household is not a U.S. citizen? Yes. You or your child(ren) do not have to be a U.S. citizen to qualify for free or reduced-price meals.
- 11. Who should I include as members of my household? You must include yourself and all people living in your household, related or not (such as children, grandparents, other relatives or friends).
- 12. What if my income is not always the same? List the amount that you normally receive. For example, if you normally get \$1000 each month, but you missed some work last month and only got \$900, put down that you get \$1000 per month. If you normally get overtime pay, include that amount as income. If you do not normally get overtime pay, do not include it as income.
- 13. We are in the military; do we include our housing allowance as income? If your housing is part of the Military Housing Privatization Initiative, do not include your housing allowance as income. All other allpwances must be included in your gross income.

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Sincerely,

Josie Torres

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PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF SONORA TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELPOMENT BLOCK **GRANT PROGRAM**

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The city of Sonora will hold a public hearing at 6:00 PM on Monday, August 16, 2010, at with horses and equipment to City Hall, 201 East Main Street in regard to the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Rural Affairs for Dozer Work & Chemical a Texas Community Develop-Weed & Brush Control: Right ment Block Grant Program of ways, yards, fir e lanes, pits, (TXCDBG) grant. The purpose locations, dams, prickly pear, of this meeting is to allow citimesquite, cedar. 20 years ex- zens an opportunity to discuss perience-Alfred Sykes-FULLY the citizen participation plan, INSURED. 325-387-7153 or the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of the TXCDBG funding available, all eligible TXCDBG activities, and the use of past TXCDBG funds. eled home, 1718 Lee, Eldorado, The City encourages citizens to participate in the development of sprinkler system, 20x20 barn, this TXCDBG application and greenhouse, landscaping, two car garage. \$155,000 FMI Call to make their views known and proposals to City Hall. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall to arrange for such ashome-1986 sq ft living space, sistance. Individuals who require auxillary hearing aids or services eled), central AC/Heat, vaulted for this meeting should contact celings in living & dining area, City Hall at least two days before larg kitchen w/separage launthe meeting so that appropriate dry room, 2 car garage, large arrangements can be made. Para residentes necesitados de intersq ft), beautifully landscaped pretes, favor de comunicarse with privacy fence. Asking con la municipalidad antes de price \$120,000.00 Please call las audiencia publica.

> For further information, contact Patti Prather, City Secretary, at the City Hall at 325-387-2558.

For Sale

For Sale: TW30 Tractor, Duals. Cab with air, low hours. FMI call 325-365-6671.

For Sale: 2007 Chevrolet Tahoe LT Sport Utility 4D, 91K miles, \$25,000, FMI 325-226-2630

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Responsible adult looking for hunting acreage to lease for family. Year around preferred. (432) 664-2505

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P.O. Box 295

Sonora, TX 76950

Public Notices

sales@sonoratx.net

Sutton County is hereby requesting sealed bids for the following coverage's: Commercial General Liability, Business Automobile, Commercial Floater, Physical Coverage on Buildings, Public Officials Liability, Law Enforcement Liability, County Clerk's Errors & Omission and Electronic Equipment. Bids will be opened at the Special Commissioner's Court Meeting on September 13, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. at the meeting room at the Sutton County Annex Building. All bids must be sealed and marked "Insurance Bids". Bids must be hand delivered or mailed to the Sutton County Judge, Box 1212, Sonora, Texas 76950. For further information contact Sutton County Auditors' Office at (325)387-5380.

HEALTH CARE PERSONAL CARE

ATTENDANTS

Seeking caring and dependable people to work in the homes of elderly and disabled clients. Will assist with preparing meals, shopping, personal care, errands, light housekeeping, and other assigned duties. We offer flexible day, evening, and weekend shifts. Must be at least 18 yrs of age with a clean criminal background. MUST have reliable transportation. No certifications or prior experience required.

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Rio Diablo Realty (325) 387-2537 www.riodiablorealty.com Stacy Fisher---Broker/Owner **New Listing**



7400 +/- acres Rare Find 12 miles from Sonora **Surface Only** \$800 per acre

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Residential 1816 sf 984 sf land/shop/house

Commercial

\$115,000 \$76,000 \$50,000

Call Agent

232 E Main

MLS

4224 sf

*** Ranch Listing***

1339 Ranch Road 864 300 acres OR 100 acre plots \$2500 per acre



Vacancy Vancancy Vacancy

Frontier/Dunes Mini Storage

Hwy 277 South Toward Del Rio

All large units:

\$50 per month with 1/2 off 2nd month

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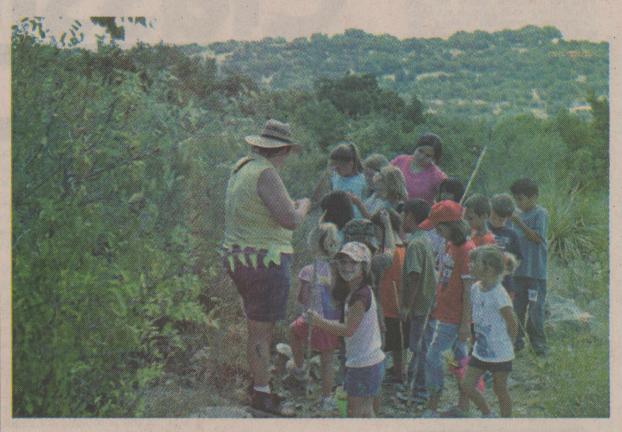
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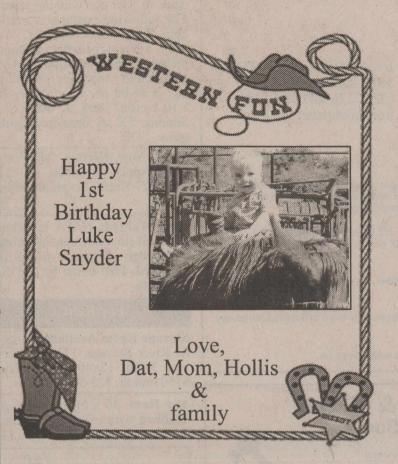
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A bird doesn't sing because it has an answer, it sings because it has a song.

Lou Holtz

Eaton Hill Wildlife Camp Day 1







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2010 PROPERTY TAX RATES IN SUTTON COUNTY, SUTTON COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT AND CITY OF SONORA

This notice concerns 2010 property tax rates for Sutton County. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given for the property of Sonora

Last year's tax rate: Last year's operating taxes Last year's debt taxes Last year's total taxes Last year's tax base	County General \$ 2,763,495 \$ \$ 0 \$ \$ 2,763,495 \$ \$ 1,349,362,654 \$	594,101 \$ 0 \$ 594,101 \$ 1,347,167,284 \$.044100/\$100 \$	1,090,147 \$ 0 \$ 1,090,147 \$ 1,371,253,574 \$.079500/\$100 \$	628,039 0 628,039 133,625,337 .470000/\$100
Last year's total tax rate	\$.204800/\$100 \$		1.090,146 \$	628.039
Last year's tax effective rate: Last year's adjusted taxes (after	\$ 2,763,494 \$	594,100 \$	1,093,527,564 \$	111,875,335
Subtracting taxes on lost property) + This year's adjusted tax base (After subtracting value of new	\$ 1,071,620,599 \$	1,069,587,229 \$.99690/\$100 \$.561373/\$100
Property) =This year's effective tax rate Total effective tax rate	\$.257879/\$100 \$ \$.313423\$100 \$.055544/\$100 \$		
(Maximum rate unless unit publishes	notices and holds hearings)			

This year's rollback tax rate:
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after Subtracting taxes on lost property and Adjusting for any transferred function, Tax increment financing, state criminal Justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent

Health care expenditures) \$ 1,486,261 \$1,093,527,564 \$ 2,763,949 \$1,071,620,599 \$ 594,100 \$1,069,587,229 +This year's adjusted tax base 111 875 335 This year's effective operating \$.275879/\$100 \$.055544/\$100 \$.135914/\$100 \$.561373/\$100 X 1.08 = this year's maximum \$.278509/\$100 \$.059987/\$100 \$.146787/\$100 \$.606282/\$100 Operating rate +This year's debt rate \$.000000/\$100 \$.000000/\$100 \$.000000/\$100 This year's rollback rate \$.278509/\$100 \$.059987/\$100 \$.146787/\$100 \$.606282/\$100 For each fund This year's total rollback rate

\$.338496/\$100 STATEMENT OF INCREASE/DECREASE

If SUTTON COUNTY adopts a 2010 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.313423 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2009 taxes by \$6,300.

If SUTTON COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT adopts a 2010 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.099690 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2009 taxes by \$1,659.

If CITY OF SONORA adopts a 2010 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.561373 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2009 taxes by \$1,199.

UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Sutton County

TYPE OF PROPERTY
General Fund
FM&FC

General Maintenance

Sutton County

General Maintenance

\$ 450,000

City of Sonora

Restricted Funds
Unrestricted Funds
\$ 1,375,000

\$ 640,000

STATE CRIMINAL JUST MANDATE FOR SUTTON COUNTY

The Sutton County Auditor certifies that Sutton County has spent \$9,845 in the previous 12 months beginning August 1, 2009, for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Sutton County Sherriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the calculation at Sutton County Appraisal District.

Mary Bustamante Chief Appraiser July 26, 2010

Notice of Public Hearing on Sutton County Appraisal Budget

The Sutton County Appraisal District will hold a public hearing on a proposed budget for the 2011 fiscal year.

The public hearing will be held on 08/27/10 at 8:00 A.M. at SuttonCo.AnnexBldg

A summary of the appraisal district budget follows:

The total amount of the proposed budget. \$ 395,044.00

The total amount of increase over the current year's budget.

s 45,800.00

The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget.

(full-time equivalent)

The number of employees compensated under the current budget.

(full-time equivalent)

The appraisal district is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the appraisal district.

If approved by the appraisal district board of directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, cities and towns served by the appraisal district.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies. A copy is also available for public inspection at the appraisal district office.

300 East Oak Street, Suite 2 (325) 387-2809