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the best Texas can muster. All faithful supporters ladened down with coolers, collaps-

David Sine, Athletic Direc- downs. However, we won 10 you are required to play 3 tor of Sonora Independent games and two of those were Continued on Page 3 School District. The concept wins over 5A San Angelo Cenwas to showcase Sonora by tral with a superb backup quar-

As the Sonora 7on7 squad inviting 7 communities to our terback leading the Broncos. along with their faithful sup- town for a football event. The Coaches Pope and Hudson porters arrived on the Texas objective was economic first, did a fine job with this team A&M campus last Thursday, football second. Funds were especially never knowing the scene was unbelievable. raised from private contribu- who was coming to play due Football fields as far as the eye tions from the great Sonora to players being on vacacould see, filled with superb- citizens to support the 7on7 tion, playing another sport or ly fit championship players campaign. Sonora defeated nursing an injury. This was representing 64 teams from all their opposing teams, host- also true for our trip to Coltowns all over Texas. All were ing and winning the First State lege Station but permitted the champions in their respective Qualifying Tournament ever coaches to bring along and State Qualifying Tournament held in the rich football history play 4 freshmen who will be and eager to compete against of Sonora. Sonora's record was future Bronco leaders. 5 wins 0 losses with Iraan comwere accompanied by their ing in second and both these with 70n7 football it requires teams then qualifying for the tremendous skill coupled State Championship. In prepa- with mental and physical ible tents and lawn chairs and ration for the State Champion- conditioning to compete at all in colors of the town team. ship we traveled each Monday a State Championship level. it." The Bronco campaign in June playing 3 games each The game tempo resembles began in the spring with the week at Angelo Stadium for a "organized chaos" playing award of a 7on7 Qualifying total June record of 10 wins and two 20 minute half's in 100+ Tournament in Sonora. The two losses. The losses were to degree temperatures with no idea and implementation was 4A Lakeview by a point and 5A time outs. That's not bad you the "brain child" of Coach San Angelo Central by 2 touch- think, but reconsider, since

For the people not familiar

SHS Students Strive To Shine



Cody Barber receives congratulations from TTU camp director Jack Barton

their summer break to attend events. camps to improve their aca-

Three Sonora High School that allowed them to work on students took time from skills in their respective UIL

Zachary and Ali attended demic skills. Cody Barber, Tech's debate camp where they Ali Castro and Zachary Leon- practiced and learned debate ard along with their sponsor techniques and then ultimately Julie Martin attended camps competed with fellow campheld at Texas Tech University ers. Zachary earned second

place experienced debater in a field of veteran state level competitors. Both Ali and Zachary were complimented for their hard work and presentations.

Cody attended the Tech Math and Science camp. The camp challenged high school students from across the state to improve their academic skills in number sense, calculator applications, mathematics and science. At the conclusion of the camp, there were competitions in each event. Cody placed 5th in number sense, 6th in mathematics ,7th in calculator applications and 10th in science while competing against 9th and 10th graders from 1A to 5A schools.

Congratulations to Cody, Zachary and Ali for representing Sonora High School so well. UIL competitions will fire up in the fall and Sonora High will have many students striving to reach the state level. Go Broncos!



Brock & Liz Mendez (formerly LMH Physical Therapy), Mary Beth Luttrell, Josie Cumpian, Nathan Favela, Raul Tucker, Ana Tucker, Jon-Michael Parker, Mark Worley.

Hospital Employees "Try a Tri"

Seven employees of LMH Hospital successfully competed this past Sunday in the San Angelo Road Lizards' Lake Nasworthy Triathlon.

The group consisted of Anna Tucker and Mark Worley, physical therapists (PT), Josie Cumpian, PT assistant; Jon-Michael Parker, RN, Director of Nurses, Mary Beth Luttrell, RN; Nathan Favela, Information Technology (IT), and Raul Tucker part-time in IT and Graduate Student at ASU.

Early this year the group made a pact to join together to race in the Nasworthy triathlon as an incentive to stay fit and healthy. The challenge came about as a spin off from the "New Year's Resolution Weight Loss Challenge" put on by the LMH Wellness Center where Jon-Michael, tied with Jimmy Sims, won for the most weight lost.

"We thought it would be a great way to keep ourselves on track," said Mary Beth Luttrell. We have been running, biking, and swimming together since early this year. Some of us have been competing in triathlons around the state, but for some it was their first ever triathlon."

"It may be worse than an addiction," Mary Beth quipped, "because we've all purchased new bikes--and they aren't cheap! But maybe it will save us in the long run from expensive cardiac surgeries or prevent diabetes. One thing's for sure, we all have benefited psychologically, socially, and spiritually from

"My kids, my parents, my husband, and my whole family are so proud of me. I think it's inspiring to them as well because they seem compelled to tell me about what they are doing exercise wise--and that's what makes it so great to me," Mary Beth contends.

"What's really cool is that even though my husband isn't doing them (triathlons), he is the best support. He's always making sure Matilda Beth (her bike) is ready to race. And I can't describe the resolve it gives me when my husband has driven me to the race, made sure my gear is ready to go, and so eagerly cheers me on to the finish."

"Jody and my step-daughter, Logan, made all the difference at my second triathlon in Kemah, on the coast. I never swam in the ocean, much less with a kagillion other people surrounding me, and I was sort of freaking out and thought 'I can't do this!' But then I thought again about how they were there watching me, how they had driven all this way to watch me...how much money it cost us to get here. I had to dig really deep, but I did it. And it ended up being one of my best

"I recently read an article in a triathlon magazine that says what we each need is someone to inspire us and encourage us. It started with Anna Tucker who really encouraged me and all the rest of us to tri. Then, of course, my family who inspire me to be a better person, to do my best in everything."

"At the Cap of Texas Triathlon I saw the wounded warriors compete. One came out of the water and was handed crutches to hobble on one leg to the transition area. I cried and we all cheered. But then a man was assisted out of the water by two men to the transition area...he was blind. I sobbed and the cheering crowd went electric. He swam a mile and a half, blind in the water," Mary Beth reflected with misty eyes.

As for Jon-Michael, this was his first triathlon and he's been training for it since early this year. "I actually felt good after the swim," he said. "After the bike portion, my legs didn't feel as dead as I thought they would. On the run back to the finish the sun started beating down a little bit, but I felt really good. But the best part of the race was seeing my sons run along side of me as I ran toward the finish line. My boys talked about it the rest of the day."

It wasn't but a few hours after the race Jon-Michael was feeling the exhilaration of his accomplishment. "I felt so thankful for all the support and dedication of my family and friends

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Senior Center Activities

Thurs. July 21 - Cooking with Kelly

July 22 - Happy Birthday Tina Capuchina Mon. July 25 - Happy Birthday Claudette Wipff

Tues. July 26 - Work on puzzle Wed. July 27 - Happy Birthday Demetrio Castro

Senior Center Menu

Thurs. July 21 - Meatloaf w/tomato sauce, bread, melon salad

black-eyed peas, honey glazed carrots, milk July 22 - Fried catfish w/tarter sauce, hominy, roll okra/tomato gumbo, apple crisp, milk

Chicken strips w/gravy, baked potato Mon. July 25 broccoli w/cheese, fruit cobbler, milk Spanish meatballs w/sauce, rice, roll Tues. July 26 -

peas, sliced tomato, pineapple rings, milk Wed. July 27 -BBQ chicken, pinto beans, potato salad cornbread, apricot/banana medley, milk

Participants in the senior nutrition program must be 60 or older. Meals are served Monday - Friday at 12:00 p.m. Donations are accepted (suggested donation for Seniors is \$2.00; \$5.00 for under 60 and all other meals-to-go).

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MEMBER

Chank You Notes

On behalf of the Dominguez and Samaniego families we would like to thank all of the community of Sonora and surrounding communities who helped with the medical expense fundraiser for Brian Dominguez, grandson of the late Jr. Dominguez.

Thanks to Brenda Sanchez for letting us have the raffle at the Charity Bash dance and thanks to KLDE radio station & Tejano y Mas for announcing the raffle.

Thanks to the Chamber of Commerce and Main Street for letting us sell tickets at their events.

Thanks to all who sold tickets and helped with monetary

Thank you and God bless you. We ask for your continued prayers for Brian in his upcoming surgeries.

The winner of the television was Veronica Hernandez from Sonora. The total amount of money raised was \$4,493.34.

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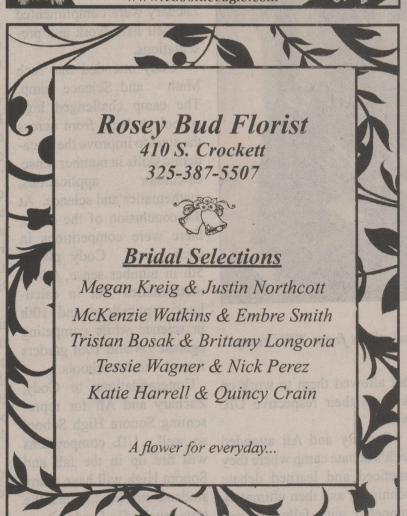
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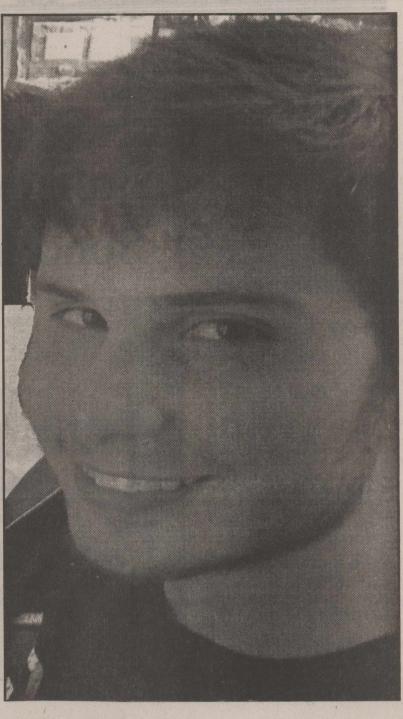
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Obituary

Jordan Lee Isenhour



On Monday, July 11, 2011, Jordan Lee Isenhour, age 22, left this world to be with his Savior, Jesus Christ. He was born September 8, 1988 in Del Rio, Texas to Rick and Helmy Isenhour. In his short wonderful life, Jordan touched many lives. His tenderness and accepting personality reflected his big heart. He enjoyed sports, mixed martial arts, music and time with his family. Jordan is the prize, pride and joy of his family. His absence will forever leave a hole in our hearts. He was preceded in death by his aunt, Denise Dager. Jordan is survived by parents, Rick and Helmy Isenhour; 3 sisters, Connie Isenhour Miller (Austin), Loren Isenhour and Rachel Isenhour; nephew, Logan Vergara; grandparents, Alberto and Bertha Dager, Richard and Jackie Isenhour; aunt, Sharon Dager; Uncle Steve and Aunt Shirley; aunt, Jacque Carraway and husband David, and numerous cousins.

Services where held Saturday, July 16 at Porter Loring Mortuary North Chapel. Pastor Joe Ricchuiti will officiate. Pallbearers will be Steve Isenhour, Lonnie Ricks, Austin Miller, Raphael Garza, Kurt Messenger and Daniel Messenger. Honorary Pall Bearers will be Al Miller, Clarence McNiel, Daniel Garza, Joseph Garza, Jesse Isenhour, Marcos Aguayo, Matthew Carraway, Craig Leonard and Gary Leonard. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in the name of Jordan Lee Isenhour to a favorite charity of your choice. You are invited to sign the Guestbook at www.porterloring.





July 21 Elsie Schwiening, Maura Weingart, Pam Bolt, Jordan Ayala

July 22 Roni Vela, Manuel Duran

July 23 Blas Solis, Armer Earwood, Jason Vitela III, Lee Bloodworth, Shelbi Johnson, Prissy Samaniego-Lira

July 24 Robert Sol Mayer, Kenna Kinney, Veronica Garcia, Madison Webb

July 25 Carolyn Samaniego, Beaver Perez, Stephen Dunn, Makenna Shaffer, Hector Ortiz, Sr., Lane Taylor, Nadine Johnson, Stephen Vickers, Marison Capuchina, Cathy Parks, Marcos Perez

July 26 Blake Esparza, Bart Vermillion, Amilkar Hernandez, Blanca Virgen, Arnoldo Mendez

July 27 Tanner Fields, W.A. Kinder, Scott Garrett, Bob Cramer, Anna Castro, Michael Castilleja

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consecutive games in one afternoon.

games on Thursday defeating three championship teams: Mathis 46-12, Crockett 42-18 and Academy 34-19 and qualifying for the Championship Bracket on Friday at 8am. We loaded up and traveled back to the hotel, showered and headed for supper at 8pm at the Texas Road House. Back to the hotel and to bed. Up at 6A.M. for an 8A.M. game with Edna which Sonora won 32 to 13 and reaching the "sweet 16 best in State". At 9A.M. we started our second game, this one against La Villa. By 9:50 we were headed for home, losing to a fine La Villa team 46 to 34.

All have heard about "the thrill of victory and the agony of defeat" but it sure hurts to experience it. I can report that your Broncos will be ready for the 2011 football campaign, they are battled hardened and will be on the field competing in December. If you yearn for basketball watch a superb Sonora lady Bronco team.... Boy's basketball will be delayed.

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Try a Tri: Continued From Front

who helped me keep my fo- Anna's mother, who donned retorts. cus in training."

Physical Therapy from Tex- women's. the water.

pace in the run.

Nathan, a 10-year veteran race in May of 2012. was so excited she said she LESS!" The camaraderie and com- running when nobody is SEVEN FINISHED! mitment of the group made chasing me. I tell 'em 'I'm has inspired her to want to practicing in case someone try it. That makes it worth does," Mary Beth jokingly everything!"

Josie's response to the experience of her first triathlon, "I had told Hailey that my goal was to finish. When I got done she came up to me and said, "You did it Mama!""

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He received his Master's in division and 4th overall voice," says Mary Beth.

working on his PhD through into this," says Raul who watched an entire triathlon, Texas Tech. Though Mark played collegiate football seeing the first one coming the group to make it out of met through a mutual friend last one! at a muddy buddy race."

a homemade Team Tucker "But seriously, why do we Mark Worley, who re- T-shirt, sister, and niece, Tri? It's hard to understand. turned to the LMH Physi- came from El Paso to cheer but the race is not against cal Therapy department in her and Raul on. Team others, but against that little The Broncos won all three early May, has been an avid Tucker faired very well as voice in your head that tells swimmer since high school Raul placed 2nd in his age you to quit when the going where he swam competi- group and 21st overall and gets hard. We Tri because tively, even into college. Anna placed 3rd in a tough we hope to hush that little

With all due respect to the as State University and is "Anna's the reason I got winners, if you've ever has never attempted a tri- and is a coach by profes- across the finish line is not athlon, he was the first in sion. "Anna and I actually as inspiring as watching the

RESULTS: Raul Tucker "He blasted through the It was this friend that got 2nd in his age group 20swimming portion," said Anna involved in triath- 29 and 21st overall; Anna Jody Luttrell. According to lons. Now Anna's infected Tucker finished 3rd in her Mark, he faired well in the a whole group of people age group 30-39 and 4th bike portion, but his knees around her with the running overall females; Mary Beth kept him from hitting a fast bug. Anna and Raul have Luttrell finished 1st in age signed up for an Ironman group 40-49 and 5th overall females: Jon-Michael Park-Marine says he's going to Anna ribs, "Tri bike...a er 74th; Mark Worley 107th; be ready for next year's Tri. thousand dollars. Tri gear... Josie Cumpian 123rd; and "When I came across that five hundred dollars. Fin- Nathan Favela 127th out finish line, my wife (Erica) ishing a Triathlon...PRICE- of 154 participants. Seven agreed to Tri, seven showed wants to do it next year. "Some ask me why I'm up for the race, and ALL

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Tarleton State Names Distinguished Students

STEPHENVILLE -- Tarleton State University has released the Distinguished Students list for the spring 2011 semester. Students on the list include freshman and sophomore students who have a minimum 3.25 grand point raito (GPR) and no grade lower than a 'C', and juniors and seniors who have a minimum 3.5 GPR with no grade lower than a 'C'. All must be in good standing with the university.

Randy Garcia of Eldorado is included on the list. He is enrolled at Tarleton's Stephenville campus and majoring in



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Eldorado Game Dinner & Drawing 11:00 AM, November 5, 2011 at the Schleicher County Civic Center on US Hwy 277 South in Eldorado. Tickets for the drawing are \$1 each and BBQ brisket and sausage plates are \$10 and include 2 raffle tickets.

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It's Time For Back-to-School Eye Exams

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Did you know that 80 percent of what we learn is acquired visually? From reading to visual mnemonics (think stop signs and multiplication tables), vision plays a critical role in your child's academic success.

That's why it's important to put a visit to the eye doctor on your back-to-school to-do list.

Surprisingly, approximately 76 percent of children under the age of 5 have never had a comprehensive eye exam, according to a recent nationwide survey of nearly 4,000 Americans by VSP Vision Care, the largest not-for-profit vision benefits and the skills to succeed.

services company in the Unites States. And since vision problems often manifest as behavioral about children accessing inap- classroom materials and reproblems or poor academic achievement, they're also often misdiagnosed. For example, a child who fidgets in his seat and does poor work because he can't read the board work may be that combining traditional and ceive real-time feedback on diagnosed with attention deficit disorder. While a good doctor would rule out vision problems before making a diagnosis, the cial in today's wired world. child may not say anything because he is unaware there is a

Children's eyes also change from year to year, as they grow. Between shopping for school clothes, updating immunizations and stocking up on supplies, parents can forget the all-important annual eye exam that children need. Moreover, parents may assume that the screenings provided by pediatricians and school nurses are enough, but they're not.

"General vision screenings are limited and overlook many potential vision problems," said Dr. Stephanie Kirschbaum, a VSP provider based in Grass Valley, Calif. "Children need to be examined annually by an optometrist for signs of astigmatism, nearsightedness and farsightedness. Their eye doctor will also examine the structure of the eye for tell-tale signs of tools. serious diseases affecting more American kids each year, including diabetes, hypertension and high cholesterol.'

Children should have their first eye assessment at 6 months of age, a comprehensive eye exam starting at age 3 before entering school and then an annual exam throughout their lives. See your eye doctor if your child:

Loses his or her place while reading

- Avoids close work
- Tends to rub his or her eyes
- Has headaches
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Health Tips For The New School Year

Submitted

As the new school year gears up and to-do lists get longer, make sure to put your child's health on the list.

Updating vaccinations, scheduling annual physicals and alerting your child's school about allergies and illnesses are crucial steps to ensure their academic success, according to the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP).

"Children need to feel their best in order to learn, and schools need to be able to provide for students' daily health issues as well as special needs, accidents and emergencies," says O. Marion Burton, MD, of the AAP.

You can ensure a safe and happy year for both parent and child with a little planning.

Vaccinations

Thanks to immunizations, most children in the United States today lead much healthier lives than generations past. And while vaccines have reduced many infectious diseases to low levels in the United States, vacationers can bring old and new diseases back into the country. Measles, for example, is still prevalent in other parts of the world and has been linked to recent outbreaks in the U.S. Unvaccinated children are at risk.

That's why routine, up-to-date vaccinations are as important today as they have ever been. There may be tears, but the pain associated with most immunizations is minor. Consult your pediatrician about keeping your child's vaccination schedule up

Food Allergies and Illnesses

If your child suffers from food allergies or other health issues that require management during the school day, be sure to contact the school nurse and update your child's health plan at school. This will ensure that proper steps are taken if the child develops symptoms while at school, and that his or her activities are not restricted unnecessarily.

A child's health can change from year to year or even month to month, so make sure the school is well aware of how to handle new conditions or restrictions. Parents should also check tions, today's youth has a host ing about the world. You can that you have provided the school with any special medications

Annual Physicals

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Make sure your athlete wears a well-fitted helmet, mouthpiece, face guard, padding, eye gear, pro­tective cup, or other equipment appropriate for the sport. Of course, regardless of whether your child is on a competitive team or not, parents accredited institutions. For berg lets you download more should promote physical activity for all kids.

For more tips for a healthy school year, visit: www.healthy-

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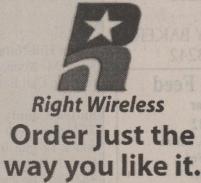
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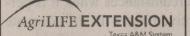
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Drought & Vitamin A Requirements Forn Cattle

By Pascual Hernandez, Sutton County Agricultural Extension Agent



Needless to say, the drought conditions we (and much of Texas) have endured are severe. These conditions have persisted for a long time in some areas. Drought always presents strong challenges for livestock managers. These usually include the decision to provide supplemental feed or reduce livestock numbers. However, one thing that comes into play during drought that is usually not a problem is Vitamin A deficiency.

Vitamin A is common in green plants in the form of betacarotene, and the body easily changes beta-carotene to vitamin A. Cattle can store from two to four months' supply of vitamin A in the liver on diets exceeding Vitamin A requirements, that is, green forage. That supply can be exhausted in a drought. So how do you supply supplemental vitamin A? Dr. Ted Mc-Collum, Extension Beef Cattle Specialist at the Texas AgriLife Center in Amarillo, recently summarized supplementation of

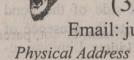
1) Most fortified range/breeder cubes fed at 1-1 1/2 lb/day for dry cows or 1 1/2 - 2 lb/day for lactating cows should provide adequate levels of vitamin A;

2) Mineral supplements, if fortified with 200,000 units vitamin A/lb, would provide adequate levels when consumed at rates of 2-4 oz/day;

3) Injectable vitamin A can be used to provide from about 1-3 months reserve, depending on the cow's stage of production and the concentration and dose of the product.

Vitamin A is essential for normal growth, reproduction and maintenance. Insufficient Vitamin A is associated with lowered fertility in both bulls and cows. Supplementation of vitamin A is relatively inexpensive & should be an integral part of drought management.

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Conservation projects such as prescribed burns, selective brush management, restoring

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and fencing livestock out of Texas Watersheds," said Ar- er watershed. riparian areas are among the lene Kalmbach, LIP Coordina- The program covers between

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50 and 75 percent of the pro-For example, the Texas Guaposed project cost with the velopment of landowner net- and other methods. Projects works for landscape conser- showing great benefit to tarvation at watershed-scales. geted species receive priority Currently funding is specifi- as do projects offering longcally available to landowners term conservation and protec-

Texas Launches Mandatory Boater Education, Additional Safety Measures

AUSTIN - A new state law carry a valid ID and docufrom the recent legislative mentation of having taken session will require mandato- and passed a boater educary boater education for more tion course. Failure to meet people in Texas, a move sup- the requirements is a Class porters say will save lives and C misdemeanor, and violamake crowded waters safer. tors have 90 days to complete

According to a legisla- a boater education course to tive report by the state's have the charges dismissed. Advisory Panel on Boat- The 82nd Texas Legislature ing Safety, the primary during its regular session clarcause of boating deaths na- ified the definition of a vessel tionally is drowning, with to encompass such craft as 543 in 2009, of which 385 standup paddle craft, kayaks were not wearing lifejack- and canoes. In Texas public ets, usually in rough weath- waters everyone onboard a er or on hazardous water, vessel that measures less than

Changes to Texas laws tar- 26-feet in length must have geting boating safety include: a life jacket available and mandatory boating safety kids under 13 must wear one. education certification for anyone born on or after Sept. 1, 1993 to operate a vessel with a motor of more than 15 horsepower or a windblown vessel measuring more than 14 feet in length. While all boaters are encouraged to take boating safety education, those born before Sept. 1, 1993, are exempt from required certification.

Previously, only 13- to 17year olds were required to complete a boating safety course to operate a vessel without adult supervision.

Texas' state-approved boater education course is available as a one-day, classroom training, as a home-study course or as an online course at www.boat-ed.com . The course takes about six hours to complete. Costs range from \$13 for classroom course to about \$25 for the home-study course. Information about boater education, including schedules of upcoming classroom courses, is available at http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/ learning/boater education/ .

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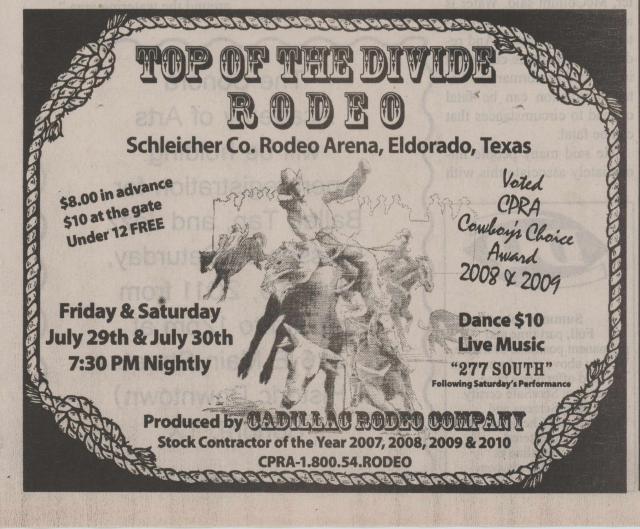
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Adult Enrichment Center to Host Fundraiser: "Under the Texas Sky"

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bell will sound to signal the and money can be a difficult maintain some independence start of the barbeque dinner, challenge to overcome. The by returning to their home at ably around 3 to 5 pounds or Cattle with no familiarity of Another problem McCollum complete with brisket, beans, alternatives to this care, nurs- the end of the day. The Center 0.4 to 0.6 gallons." potato salad, peach cobbler, ing homes and home health provides up to 10 hours of care Couple low water intake from deprivation, McCollum said. days and warm stagnant waand all the trimmings! Later care agencies, can be expen-daily and allows caregivers the in the evening, Texas story- sive for families. The Adult ability to live their own lives teller, Annalon Gilbreath of Enrichment Center provides while ensuring a good life for Lubbock will start the eve- some relief for these caregiv- the ones they care for. ning's entertainment, fol- ers by offering day care serlowed by a live auction. Then, vices for their loved ones at and the staff of the Adult En- takes on greater importance their consumption to deter- the toxins from it can be fatal. special guest and performer, a reasonable rate, and with richment Center invite you to than "normal" years or years mine if they are willing to As a result, dead animals may Grammy-nominated cowboy charitable support by the pub- attend Under the Texas Sky. balladeer, Don Edwards, will lic, the Center can keep its Tickets can be purchased at sing some well-loved cowboy fees for its services affordable. Southland Frame Center and and Old West songs. He is sure to include his most popu- Center provides respite for Center, or on the website at age is more important than when cattle over-consume centrated on the downwind lar rendition of Cattle Call.

will help supplement the ser- sionally. Respite is available contact the Center at 325-942vices that the Adult Enrich- to any family who needs a 9253. Come out and enjoy a ment Center has been pro- place to entrust their loved spectacular evening, Under the viding in San Angelo since one while working, running Texas Sky!

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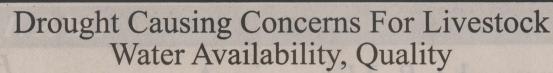
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The Adult Enrichment 40 people daily by providing er personal needs. Something Center in San Angelo is ex- transportation to and from that most people do not realize cited to host its second an- the Center; socialization with is that the Center is the optimal nual fundraiser, Under the other clients; breakfast, lunch, place for people outside of San Texas Sky. The event will be and a snack; baths to help Angelo to have their loved one held Saturday, July 23rd at families who aren't equipped cared for when they come to the Adult Enrichment Center, to provide baths to their loved town to shop and run other er-6146 Appaloosa Trail (inside ones in their own homes; rands. The Center can provide Rio Concho West). Festivities physical activities such as Tai a place for your family mem-will begin at 6:00 p.m. with a Chi and bowling on the Wii; a ber to rest, eat, and socialize low amounts of water," Mc-preferred watering location in be of concern. silent auction and an art show weekly church service; bingo; until errands have been com- Collum said. "An average a pasture.

The Adult Enrichment Center is unique in that it is one of Caring for a relative with the only facilities of its kind and donkeys. Many of Baize's a chronic illness or disability in West Texas. With the risexperiences on working Texas families fulfill each day. More home health care, the Adult to share his stories and talk themselves to be the primary be a great financial alternative caregivers for their parents, to other long-term care needs. At 7:00 p.m., the dinner and the demands on their time In addition, adults are able to

The Adult Enrichment Gallery, the Adult Enrichment



cialist, said the location of the McCollum said cattle behav- to water deprivation. with water consumption.

cow grazing green forage

from grazed forage is prob- privation may occur.

with green forage.

"The lack of water from for-

High temperatures alone can be fatal. may not a problem, but hot lem, McCollum said.

ambient temperatures com- water deprivation. ed problems is greater."

quality can all play a role. These three may act indepenterrelated.

when cattle cannot consume an adequate amount of water, McCollum said. Water is a nutrient just as protein, vitamins and minerals. And reduced water intake can result in reduced performance. Water deprivation can be fatal or lead to circumstances that can be fatal.

He said many people immediately associate this with



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concern, especially after re- ing system, or a pond or creek sibly death. cent reports of cattle deaths drying up. These certainly are in or around watering points, of great concern, but water crease, water intake is reaccording to a Texas AgriLife deprivation also can occur in duced. Salinity of water limits Extension Service specialist. circumstances when it is per- intake just as salt in feeds can Dr. Ted McCollum, AgriL- ceived there is an adequate limit intake, McCollum said. ife Extension beef cattle spe- amount of water available. Hence, water quality can lead

vised.

Water intoxication occurs she is out on the range or pasbody is disrupted and water risk of toxicity. intoxication occurs, which

typically follows water depri- McCollum said. "The risk of heat stress is vation. So, a key to avoiding

of heat stress and water-relat- cattle are dehydrated, it may out in the pasture," he said. ately consumed.

AMARILLO-As the drought a situation in which a well Total dissolved solids and tocontinues and temperatures cannot pump enough water to tal soluble salts are two water remain above normal, cattle keep up with cattle needs, the quality measures that can lead water is becoming a greater breakdown of a well or water- to poor performance and pos-

As the concentrations in-

deceased cattle suggests the ior may lead to water depri- Also, high consumption of deaths could be associated vation because they develop sodium, calcium, magnesium preferences for grazing sites salts and sulfates can lead to "Because little or no for- and loafing areas. If more failure to thrive, and in some age growth has occurred this than one watering point is cases, can be fatal, he said.

"Coupled with reduced wa-So, a grazing area with ter intake, these issues can normally consumes about 30 multiple watering points may become even more of a conto 70 pounds of water daily, appear to have an adequate cern," he said. "Water quality or about 3.5 to 8.4 gallons, supply of water, he said can indirectly affect perfor-"This year, as a result of ferred site and that site breaks ing water consumption, which tively low intake of dry for- quality declines and reduces can lead to water intoxication age, daily water consumption consumption, then water de- once cattle locate or can access palatable water."

a grazing area also can suffer pointed out is that hot sunny forage with the higher, stress- "Do not assume cattle will ter may lead to blue-green alful temperatures this summer, find water. When cattle are gae blooms. Some species of McCollum said, and intake of moved to new pastures, take blue-green algae are toxic, so The Board of Directors water from drinking sources them to water and observe consumption of the algae or with high temperatures but consume the water," he ad- be found close to the watering

Oftentimes, algae is concaregivers whose loved ones www.adultenrichmentcenter. we credit," he said. "How water, McCollum said. It side of the pond as a result of Proceeds from this event attend both daily and occa- org. For more information, many people would think of usually occurs following a wave action, he said. Dead rogoing out to work for a few period of reduced water condents, birds or fish along the hours without a jug of water sumption or increased water downwind side of the pond to drink from periodically? loss from the body. The cattle may indicate the presence of The water in the grazed for- are dehydrated and consume blue-green algae. Limiting acage is the cow's 'jug of wa- an excessive amount of wa- cess to the downwind side of ter' that rehydrates her while ter. Electrolyte balance in the the pond by cattle may reduce

Copper sulfate can be used to limit algae growth, but cau-In cases of acute water in- tion must be exercised betemperatures in combination toxication, dead cattle will be cause excess copper sulfate with lack of green grass as is found near the watering site, can lead to stream pollution the case this year, is a prob- he said. Water intoxication and harm fish and plant life,

"Also, don't rule out toxic greater because we have high water intoxication is avoiding plants that may be present around watering locations. bined with dry dead forage," Limiting water intake when The immediate area around McCollum said. "The cow's cattle are moved to a new wa- ponds and tank-overflows is 'jug of water' is relatively ter source may be next to im- disturbed, and the moisture empty this year, and the risk possible, McCollum said. If profile in the soil is better than be worth the effort to allow "Even though drought condi-He said water deprivation, them to drink, but find a way tions exist, disturbance and water intoxication and water to limit the amount immedi- moisture are conducive to weed growth. Pigweed, ko-With the concern of water chia, Russian thistle, dock, dently, but often they are in- quality, the supply of water buffalo burrs, etc. can grow in may be adequate but the cat- these areas, and they are green Water deprivation occurs tle are deprived because they and may be attractive to cattle. cannot or will not consume If cattle deaths are occurring, enough of the water, he said. see what has been grazed off around the watering area."

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