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By Ben D. Taylor

Sutton County Hospital District CEO Keith Butler recently presented the financial report for the first fiscal year since the Hospital took over operations of the EMS to the Sutton County Commissioners. He opened up his presentation by stating, “All I’ve got to report today is good news. The Transformation of the EMS has been a huge success”.

A year ago the Sutton County Commissioners voted to turn control of the county run all volunteer EMS over to the Sutton County Hospital District. The main reasons cited for the action at the time were

in order to save cost and improve service. According to Butler; both of those reasons have been validated.

“July is the end of the first fiscal year and the first year contribution from the County ended up being 25% less than what was budgeted.” Butler then went on to explain that in the second year of the transformation agreement the county will start to save even more money, “During the second year you will realize a 65% decrease in your contribution.” Butler then presented the County Commissioners with a \$96,000 check by commenting, “You [the county]

gave us [the hospital district] \$327,000 for this first year. We didn’t spend all of it so I am giving you the difference”.

Butler also stated that the current EMS is able to provide more and faster services citing faster response time, full time staff, in house billing and a new program where the EMS will provide home service to patients.

“You might have noticed the new pickup and carport at the EMS building. All of it was paid for by a grant at no cost to the taxpayer. That pickup will be essential for our new home service program”.

## Sutton County EMS Expands Services to Patients at Home

Submitted

Sutton County EMS paramedics will provide health care to patients in their home beginning in August.

The groundbreaking program is only one of a handful of such programs in the United States.

“In rural environments, we have to look for innovative ways to deliver quality health care to our citizens while maximizing our limited resources,” according to Sutton County Hospital District CEO Keith L. Butler. “The Community Paramedic Program integrates all aspects of health care in Sonora and Sutton County, fulfilling the mission and vision of the district.”

The program is designed to reduce emergency room visits

and hospital readmissions. It will provide health monitoring and screenings for a variety of conditions including diabetes, hypertension, immunizations, safety assessments and fall prevention, as well as medication reconciliation.

The program is part of an integrated monitoring system developed by the Sutton County Hospital District which includes Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital, Sonora Medical Clinic, and the Sutton County EMS. Patients will be referred from a variety of sources; all services will be monitored for quality through a multidisciplinary committee.

Paramedics will schedule home visits with patients. Studies show face-to-face con-

tact improves compliance with treatment regimens and improves safety in the home. In addition to the paramedics, a community benefits counselor will be available to assist with other social needs.

There is no cost to the patient for these services and no additional cost to local taxpayers. Vehicle and equipment costs are provided through a grant from the Texas Department of Agriculture, Rural Health Facility Capital Improvement Fund.

For more information regarding this program, please call (325) 387-5132 or by e-mail at dnichols@suttoncountymems.org.

## Sonora Women “Fight Like a Girl” at Pink Party

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

You may have asked, “What is a Friend to Friend Staying Well Together program?” In short, it is a program to educate women about mammogram and Pap test screenings. The purpose of Friend to Friend is to encourage women to have regular mammograms and Pap tests. The earlier detection of breast and cervical cancers usually leads to better outcomes. The goal is to reach as many women as possible with the message and hope that women will follow the American Cancer Society’s screening guidelines and get their mammograms and Pap tests when recommended. If the cost of the screenings is preventing a woman from getting test, there are resources available that can help.

On July 19th eighty-three women attended Sonora’s second Friend to Friend Pink



Party for Women’s Health, held at the Sutton County Civic Center and hosted by the Texas AgriLife Extension Service.

The Friend to Friend program provided up-to-date information on breast cancer and cervical cancers presented by Dr. Kristy Edwards of

Sonora Medical Clinic. Dr. Kristy discussed the importance of regular exams so that and abnormalities or changes can be detected early. Noemi Samaniego from Sonora Medical Clinic, Aliza Coro

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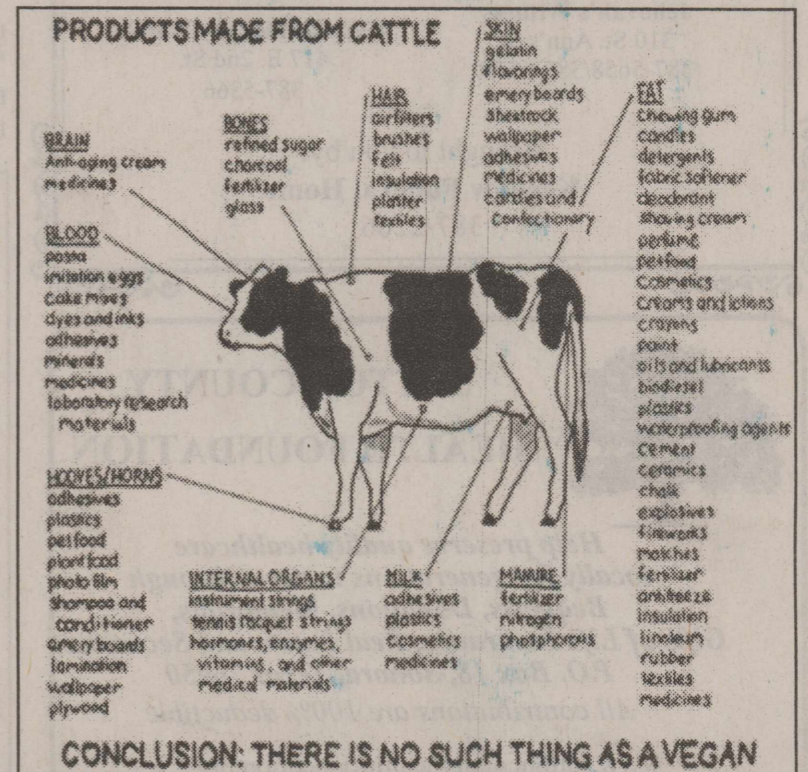


## City to Begin Tree Trimming

The City of Sonora will begin to trim trees hanging over the main travel lanes of city streets immediately and will continue for the next few weeks. The trees will be trimmed to 14 feet of clearance to allow emergency and larger vehicles to pass safely under the trees.

If a property owner would like to trim their own trees, they are more than welcome to as long as you notify City Hall, so that City staff may pick up the trimmings. For further information, you may contact City Hall at 387-2558 or 387-2559.

## Effects of Agriculture



CONCLUSION: THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS A VEGAN

By Abby Creek

Growing up in a small West Texas town you can’t drive down the road without seeing some sort of agriculture. Most people don’t realize that in some little town-just like ours-a rancher or farmer is not only responsible for the food on our tables, but for hundreds of other household objects that we use every day.

If you’re sitting there thinking that this doesn’t apply to me, well think again. 1 in 7 Americans works in agricultural related jobs, which means that 1 in every 7 is responsible for lumber, paints, brushes, tool handles, fuel, antifreeze, tires, upholstery, detergents, lubricants, paper, ink, film, shampoo, cosmetics, lotions, nail polish, toothpaste, shoes, clothes, belts and so much more.

Think about it: every morning we wake up, pull on our cotton clothing, brush our teeth with tooth paste derived from animal fats, and eat a breakfast of milk and eggs that came from a dairy and poultry farm. Then we may get into our cars that run off of ethanol, we go to work and sit behind a computer that is most likely made from plastic that comes from corn or soy beans, and then we’ll come home at night to enjoy our dinner (which is also a product of some type of agriculture-all food is) and get into our beds in our nice silk pajamas under a wool blanket. Needless to say, each and everything that we do it somehow directly affected by agriculture.

A common misconception that many people have is that the grocery store they shop at makes the food. Each farmer is responsible for feeding 129 people in the U.S. and 39 in foreign countries. Consumers spend \$547 billion for food originating on U.S. farms and ranches. Of each dollar spent on food, the farmer’s share is approximately 23 cents. The rest is for costs beyond the farm gate: wages and materials for production, processing, marketing, transportation and distribution. So next time you think about throwing out some uneaten food realize that it could be feeding someone else.

Agriculture isn’t only farming and ranching. Agriculture



### Senior Center Activities

Thurs. July 26 - Exercise Video  
 Fri. July 27 - Happy Birthday *Demetrio Castro*  
 Mon. July 30 - Happy Birthday *Nacho Romero*  
*Beatrice Arteaga*  
*Angelita Trevino*  
*Jeanne Davenport*  
 Tues. July 31 - Blood Pressure Checks  
 Wed. August 1 -

### Senior Center Menu

Thurs. July 26 - Baked turkey w/gravy, sweet potatoes, milk green beans, roll, banana cream pudding  
 Fri. July 27 - Pinto beans w/ham, spinach, corn bread citrus fruit cup, vanilla wafers, milk  
 Mon. July 30 - Beef taco, Spanish rice, seasoned corn Mandarin oranges w/topping, milk  
 Tues. July 31 - Lasagna, brussels sprouts, garlic bread pears, milk  
 Wed. August 1 -

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).

### Death Notice

## Avaline C. Nelson

Sonora- Avaline C. Nelson, 91, of Sonora died Sat. July 21, 2012 in Sonora. Funeral services will be in Port Angeles, Washington at a later date. Burial will be in Mt. Angeles Memorial Park in Port Angeles, Washington. Survivors include son Ken Nelson of Sonora.

## Lions Roar

President Carl Teaff called the meeting to order to conduct the business of Lions. He announced that the District Board Meeting would be in Mason on the 21st. He also reported that Combat Marines Outdoors would be bringing about a dozen wounded veterans to Sonora for an outing. Lions club voted to assist the program along with the Game Dinner Association. Lions received thanks for furnishing the meal and ribbons for the recent Wool Show, and Project Graduation. Lions also received a letter of gratitude from Zachery Leonard for the Lions scholarship that he received. He was one of eighteen students selected in the theater program at the University of Houston where he will be receiving an excellent education but very strenuous one in theater.

All lions are encouraged to attend our meeting on July 31st as we host our District Governor.

### Obituary



Maura Chavez, 75, loving mother of Michael Thomas Downs, Sean Patrick Downs, Llolanda and Ana Maria (James Abraham) Downs, Cherished grandmother of Kurtis, Taylor and Morgan Downs, survived by sisters Olga and brothers Jaime and Jesus. Memorial visitation Sunday July 22 4:00 pm until 9:00 pm at Drake and Son Funeral Home 5303 N. Western Ave. Chicago, IL. Memorial Mass Monday 10:00 am at St. Jerome Church 1709 W. Lunt Interment private. In lieu of flowers memorials to St. Jerome Church. For further information (773) 561-6874

## Elementary & Intermediate School Supply List

### Pre-K

- 1 FULL-SIZE backpack or school bag
- 1 towel or SMALL blanket (for naptime)
- 1 change of clothes (for any type of accident)
- 2- sets of crayons (regular, thin crayons)
- 1 pair of student scissors
- 2- 4 oz. bottles of white glue
- 1 package of 2 glue sticks
- 1 large box tissues (Kleenex)
- 1 box of "wipes" ("baby wipes")
- 2 box of quart-sized storage bags (Ziploc/other)
- 1 box of gallon-sized storage bags (any brand)
- Boys--1 package of paper plates (not foam)
- Girls--1 package of brown paper bags (lunch size)
- \* Pencil boxes/bags are not needed at this level.
- \*\* Please write your child's name on each item with a permanent marker.

### Kindergarten

- 4 - 8oz. Bottles Elmer's School glue
- 1 - 24 ct. boxes crayons
- 2 - 10 pack of #2 lead pencils (regular size, yellow only)
- 1 - blunt-end scissors (FIS-CAR only)
- 1 - large box tissue
- 1 - backpack
- 1 - pkg. assorted construction paper
- 1 - watercolor paint sets
- 1 - box (10) classic CRAYOLA markers
- 1 - set of dry erase markers
- 1 - large eraser (PINK)
- 1 - spiral notebook
- 1 - 4-pack standard size cans of play dough
- 1 - box of map pencils
- 1 - box of Ziplocs- boys-gallon, girls-quart
- \*\*\*PLEASE DO NOT write your child's name on ANY of the school supplies

### 2nd Grade

- 1 - Box of Crayola Crayons (24 count)
- 1 - 1 inch 3 ring binder (Black) (with plastic pocket on front)
- 3 - Package of pencils
- 2 - Big pink erasers
- 1 - Pair of Fiskar scissors
- 1 - Package of assorted markers
- 2 - Packages of Crayola colored pencils 24 count
- 2 - Large bottles of glue
- 3 - Boxes of Kleenex
- 1 - Plastic Pocket folders (1-blue...with holes and no brads)
- 1 - Pencil sharpener
- Please do not write your child's name on any

### 4th Grade

- \*Note: The following list is for ANY brand unless specified
- Trapper Keeper (with 3 rings)
- 1 pack Twisted Colored Pencils
- School glue
- 2 large pkgs. wide rule notebook paper (not college rule)
- Pencils (at least 30)
- Scissors with a pointed tip
- 2 pocket folders with holes for notebook
- 4 red pens for grading (not pencils)
- Large eraser
- Pencil pouch for trapper keeper
- 4 highlighters: 1 yellow, 1 blue, 1 green and 1 pink
- 2 large boxes of Kleenex
- 4 Composition books (MEAD-wide rule)
- 1 box of "wipes" ("baby wipes")
- Girls-1 box QUART sized resealable plastic bags
- Boys-1 box GALLON sized resealable plastic bags

### 3rd Grade

- \*Note: The following list is for ANY brand unless specified
- 1 pkg. crayons
- 1 pkg. map colors
- 1 pair scissors
- 2 pkgs. pencils
- 2 large pink erasers
- 2 small bottles or 1 large bottle of glue
- 1 pkg. dry erase markers (at least 2 per pack)
- 2 boxes tissues
- 2 boxes wipes
- 1 zipped pouch (no supply box please)
- 2 yellow highlighters
- 1 pkg. notebook paper
- 1 black 3 ring binder, 2" size

### 1st Grade

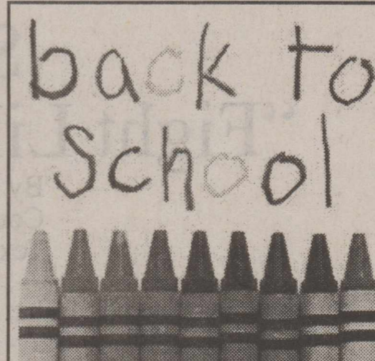
- 1 - box for supplies (no larger than 6"x9")
- 1 - zippered pencil pouch
- 1 - box 24 count CRAYOLA crayons
- 12- #2 lead pencils (regular size)
- 1 - pair metal scissors (FIS-CAR only)
- 1 - large eraser
- 1 - watercolor set (CRAYOLA or PRANG)
- 1 - large bottle ELMERS glue
- 1 - set of 12 CRAYOLA colored pencils
- 1 - large box KLEENEX
- 1 - Backpack
- Your child's name must be on each item (Each pencil, crayon, marker, etc. with a permanent marker)
- Additional items may be requested on the first day and throughout the school year.



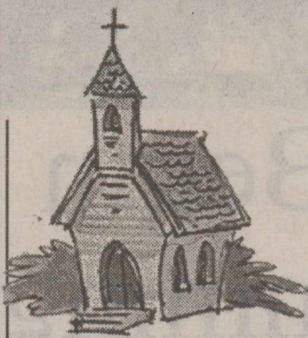
### School Supplies

### 5th Grade

- Pointed Fiskar scissors
- 50 regular #2 pencils (NO Mechanical)
- 1 bottle of Elmer's glue
- 2 red pens
- 1 box (24 count) crayons
- 1 pkg. of 8 thin markers
- 2 large boxes of tissues
- 1 pkg. notebook paper (wide ruled)
- 2-70 pg. 1 subject spiral notebooks
- 2 highlighters
- 2 pocket folders with brads (1-blue, 1 red) (PLASTIC PLEASE)
- 3 large erasers
- 1 Trapper Keeper
- 1 Mead Composition notebook



## Sonora Church Directory



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 387-2035

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 387-2466

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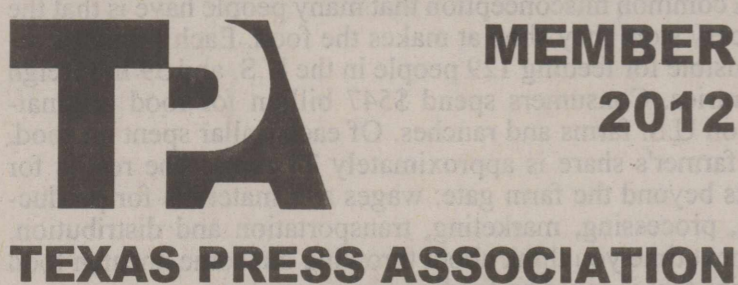
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# David Moses Painting Displayed at First National Bank of Sonora

Sonora, Texas – A painting of authentic rodeo cowboy Howard Westfall by famed artist David Moses is on display at the First National Bank of Sonora. The painting is graciously on loan from the collection of Carol Anne Adamson and depicts Mr. Westfall with his beloved horse Redman.

Howard Westfall was an authentic rodeo cowboy. He was an original member of the Cowboys' Turtle Association, which is now known as the PRCA. Along with being Ranch Foreman of the Turney Ranch for 29 years, Howard performed at rodeos for 58 years. During his long career, he appeared before the Queen of England and at Madison Square Garden. He was among the first group inducted into the Texas Rodeo Cowboy Hall of Fame in 1975.

Ms. Adamson's family ranch bordered the Turney

Ranch and years ago Carol found a picture of Mr. Westfall with his horse. By then she'd met David Moses and had an idea. She commissioned David to do the painting of Mr. Westfall and since then the painting has been displayed in the homes of the families who knew Howard Westfall best.

David Moses career spans more than thirty years as an artist with over sixty regional, national, and international awards. His years as a muralist and studio artist placed his work in institutional collections across the country. His paintings have been used by such clients as: Walt Disney, Polaroid, National Geographic, Turner Broadcasting Network, General Electric, Chrysler Corporation, Warner Brothers, Peachtree Software, AT&T, Liberty Bowl, Delta Airlines, Southwest Airlines and Holiday Inns just to name a few.

David's goal focused on fine art which would take him back to his interest in human form, the paintings of Rembrandt and his first portrait at age nine of his father. He is a past member of the Portrait Institute and a past president of the nations' second oldest Art Director's Club, which received it's original charter from the prestigious New York Art Directors Club.

Senior Vice President Kay Stewart said, "On behalf of the First National Bank, we are excited and honored to have the Howard Westfall painting displayed in our lobby. He was an iconic figure and a hero to Rodeo Cowboys everywhere."

For further information visit us at 102 E. Main Street, call (325) 387-3861 or go to [www.fnbsonora.com](http://www.fnbsonora.com).

# Gill Earns Bachelor's Degree



Shannon Gill graduated from the University of Phoenix on July 7, 2012 with a Bachelor's Degree in Science of Psychology. Her family is very proud of her accomplishments!

## Prepare for a Healthy School Year

(StatePoint) The beginning of the school year is a great time to make sure your children's vaccinations are up-to-date.

Informed parents know that immunizations save lives. But even those who vaccinated their babies and toddlers dutifully may not be aware that the recommended vaccination schedule continues through the later teen years.

Research published by the American Medical Association found that teenagers age 14 and older were much less likely to see a pediatrician than their younger-adolescent counterparts. But threats to health don't go away just because children are older.

"We live in a busy world and it's easy to forget to make appointments for an annual check-up," says Dr. Robert W. Block, MD, of the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP). "Let the new school season be your annual reminder to protect the health of your kids."

Your children's health plays an important role in their academic success. Make sure you take steps to keep him or her safe from life-threatening dangers and prepare for a healthy school year.

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July 14 - Burnet: King of the Hill Adventure Race <http://rptexas.com> (512)755-1177

July 14 - Boerne, TX: Cibolo Songs and Stories Concert [www.cibolo.org](http://www.cibolo.org) (830)249-4616

July 14 - Kyle, TX: Stock Car Racing at Thunderhill [www.thunderhillraceway.com](http://www.thunderhillraceway.com)

July 17-19 - New Braunfels, TX: Area Quilt Show Guild [www.newbraunfelsarequiltguild.org](http://www.newbraunfelsarequiltguild.org)

July 19 - Gruene, TX: Come and Taste It [www.grapevineingruene.com](http://www.grapevineingruene.com) (830)606-0093

July 19 - Cottonwood Shores, TX: Into the Woods [www.hcct.org](http://www.hcct.org) (830)798-8944

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## Sonora High School

### 2012 - 2013 Back to School Registration Dates

Monday - August 13<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade - 9:00 am - 12:00 noon  
11<sup>th</sup> grade - 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Tuesday - August 14<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> grade - 9:00 - 12:00 noon  
9<sup>th</sup> grade - 1:00 - 4:00 pm

Wednesday - August 15<sup>th</sup> - New Students - 9:00 - 12:00 noon

Parking permits will be issued at the time of registration. Cost for permit is \$10. You will need to provide proof of driver's license and liability insurance.

## F.Y.I.

Sonora PeeWee Cheerleaders uniform fitting and registration deadline is July 31 from 4:00PM - 7:00PM at the First Baptist Church. The cost is \$25 for registration and \$70 for uniform and pom. FMI contact Lisa Price 325-226-2463.

Farmer's Market will be at the corner of Concho and Main St. every Tuesday from 7:00AM - until sold out.

Sutton County Friends of NRA Pre-event raffle is underway! Tickets are \$10 each with one winner taking home five firearms and a 10 gun fire resistant safe. Tickets may be purchased at Buck N Bass/Sonora Air Cooled Engines, by contacting Tonya @ 387-3861 or 206-0454 or by contacting any committee member. The winning ticket will be drawn during our 5th Annual Auction/Banquet, Saturday, September 15, 2012. Your support is appreciated!

Viva Sonora will be selling bricks to made into a sidewalk around the new city park located on Deerwood Drive. The money that is raised will be rotated back into community projects. If you would like to reserve a permanent brick you pick up a form at the Bank and Trust or call Juanita Gomez 206-2698 or JoAnn Hernandez 206-0366.

Sonora Lions are ready to sponsor our youth who are disabled or who have TYPE 1 diabetes to attend a 1 week camp. For more information contact Col. Pete Bradley @ 387.6282 or any Lion. Further information on all Lions Camps is online @ Texas Lions Camp. Camp dates are in June for disabled and July diabetes.

Art Classes the 1st or 2nd Monday of each month from 8:00AM to 5:00PM. \$36.00 per class, lunch included. FMI call Ken Rowland 432-238-3121, Lori Stricklan 325-226-2526 or Anita Spiller 325-387-5266.

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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## Much Curiosity About Leaf Galls on Oaks

By Pascual Hernandez, Sutton County Agricultural Extension Agent



We have been receiving many questions about strange bumps and growths on oak tree twigs and leaves. These growths are known as galls, and alarming as they may seem, they do not injure the plant.

Galls are abnormal growths or swellings of plant tissue often caused by the attack of an insect. Galls on oaks are most often caused by small wasps or midges. Insects that cause galls to form are known as gallmakers. Galls grow to surround the tiny insects that form them and provide them with protection from weather, predators and parasites. The gall also provides a source of food for the insect. The insect develops and grows inside the gall during the summer and emerges as an adult either in the summer or the following spring.

Most insect galls do not seriously affect the health of well-established trees. Occasionally, a heavy gall infestation causes severe leaf or stem deformities and early leaf drop. Galls located on the twigs and branches of tree can detract from the overall appearance of the tree, but again, rarely lead to the death of the tree.

There is no way to "cure" the tree of galls once they are there. Leaf galls may not appear again the following season, but twig and stem galls will more than likely remain on the tree.

Commonly seen galls on oak include the following:

Oak apple galls are attached to the oak leaf as round light-green balls up to 2 inches in diameter and house a single wasp larva. They often have a mottled maroon pattern on the surface.

Oak bullet galls are common twig galls on our native bur oaks. Bullet galls are hard, round, and pea-to-knuckle-sized, and usually are most apparent by August.

Jumping oak galls grow on leaves and look a bit like small, round seeds or BBs. The galls fall off the oak, carrying the larva with them. The larvae in the fallen galls are active, and as they jerk around, the small galls can seem to jump on the ground (similar to "Mexican jumping beans.")

Oak pill galls are irregular, hardened swellings up to one-quarter inch in diameter on the upper surface of the leaf.

Woolly oak leaf gall look like a dense wad of wool attached to the leaf midvein. They may be as large as three-fourths of an inch and are often bright pink or yellow in color, fading to brown in the fall.

Horned oak galls are a stem gall that can be numerous on trees. There are no effective treatments.

## Too Much Time Indoors Is Bad For Kids' Health

(StatePoint) Not all American children get regular doses of fresh air. A 2012 report published in the Archives of Pediatrics & Adolescent Medicine found that only about half of U.S. preschoolers are taken outside to walk or play daily. And older kids aren't faring much better, say experts.

Too much time inside contributes to obesity, attention problems, hyperactivity and lack of appreciation for the earth's resources. By taking kids outside regularly to explore nature, you can help them get physical activity and connect to the world.

From building bird feeders to camping, discover together what makes the outdoors great. Project Learning Tree, a non-profit environmental education program, has great tips for family activities on its website to get you started. Visit [www.plt.org/outdoors](http://www.plt.org/outdoors) for ideas.

## Nationwide Study Shows Texas is #1 in Infrastructure and Transportation

AUSTIN – CNBC's 2012 Top States for Business study results are out and Texas is on top. In addition to its overall No. 1 ranking, Texas maintained the top spot in the infrastructure and transportation category for the second year in a row and the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) couldn't be more proud.

"Texas stands alone as the leader in economic development and job creation and providing the infrastructure for that activity is a daily undertaking for our team," said Texas Transportation Commission Chairman Ted Houghton. "We are moving forward with multiple mega projects across the state, including the I-35 corridor expansion and I-69 from south Texas to east Texas. Activities like these undoubtedly helped us surge to the top of the ranks."

"This recognition is a good testament that TxDOT has become more innovative in constructing our state infrastructure while continuing to address congestion, connectivity and safety needs," said Senator Tommy Williams, Chairman of the

Senate Transportation and Homeland Security Committee. "As chairman, my goal is to look for methods to maintain and fund ongoing and future projects, especially as the state population continues to grow, and I am proud of what we've accomplished in Texas."

According to CNBC, Texas racked up an impressive 1,604 points out of a possible 2,500, with top-10 finishes in six of the 10 categories of competitiveness. Of the 325 total possible points for the Infrastructure and Transportation category, Texas scored 248.

"Texas is making the proper investment in infrastructure and being recognized as a national leader proves we are on the right track," said TxDOT Executive Director Phil Wilson. "Achieving this great honor, however, would not be possible without the hard work and commitment of all TxDOT employees statewide."

Access to all modes of transportation is key to getting products to market and people on the move. CNBC measured the vitality of each state's transportation system

by the value of goods shipped by air, land and water. They also looked at the availability of air travel in each state, and the quality of the roads.

"Good transportation infrastructure is vital to achieving economic development in our state. It's nice to see our efforts are paying off here in Texas," said Representative Larry Phillips, Chair of the House Transportation Committee. "We will continue to work hard in the upcoming session to ensure good policy and funding is available to help TxDOT succeed."

"We continuously work with all of our partners to address transportation needs throughout the state--from highways to ports to rail to aviation," Wilson said. "Through the collaboration with local communities, we are able to deliver needed improvements now and provide the foundation for the future."

To read the full report or see the overall rankings of all states in each of the 10 categories, visit <http://www.cnbc.com/id/46413845/>.

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**Sonora ISD** has a vacancy in Place 3 on the SISD Board of Trustees. Qualified individuals residing in Precinct 301 that are interested in being considered for appointment may contact James Hartman, Superintendent, for more information. Phone the District Administrative Offices at 325.387.6940 x3000, or visit in person at 807 S. Concho.

### NOTICE TO BIDDERS SONORA MUNICIPAL AIRPORT TxDOT CSJ 1207SONOR

Sealed proposals for the construction of airport improvements at the Sonora Municipal Airport need to be addressed and delivered to Mr. Charles Graves, City Manager, 201 E. Main, Sonora, Texas 76950. Proposals will be received until 2:00 pm, August 21, 2012, then publicly opened and read. Any proposal received after closing time will be returned unopened.

In general, the work consists of repair apron pavement; airport drainage improvements; erosion and sedimentation controls; replace and relocate existing wind cone; install segmented circle; replace and relocate existing beacon and tower; relocate and replace fuel station; and install retaining g wall with game-proof fence.

A pre-bid conference concerning this project will be held at 11:00 am, August 10, 2012 at 1601 Airport road, Sonora, Texas 76950. Bidding documents may be examined at the area Clearing Houses; the office of O'Malley Engineers, 203 S. Jackson Street, Brenham, TX, 77833; the office of TxDOT Aviation, 150 E. Riverside Dr., 5th Floor, South Tower, Austin, TX 78704; and at Sonora Municipal Airport, 1601 Airport road, Sonora, Texas 76950.

Bidders may also view and obtain plan sets, free of charge, from Plans Online <http://www.txdot.gov/business/plansonline/plansonline.htm> on the TxDOT website. Or bidders may buy plan sets from the Reproduction companies that are listed on the website. **Bidders are responsible for checking this website regularly for any changes to the bid documents, such as Addendums.**

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and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court, 112th Judicial District, of Sutton County, Texas, by the District Clerk on said date, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I have on the 9th day of July, 2012, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in August, 2012, the same being the 7th day of said month, at the Court-house door, of said County in the City of Sonora, beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all the right, title and interest of the defendants in such suit to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Sutton and the State of Texas, to-wit:

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I have appointed the following as agent to conduct the sale, to-wit:

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At the time the sale begins, all bidders at the sale must be registered with the above named agent conducting the sale and be eligible to bid according to the Property Tax Code.

Dated at Sonora, Sutton County, Texas, this the 9th day of July, 2012.

JOE M. FINCHER  
SHERIFF, SUTTON COUNTY

### Public Notice

#### NOTICE TO BIDDERS DEMOLITION OF BUILDING

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All bids must be original and delivered by hand, Fed Ex, or mail to City of Sonora, 201 E. Main Street, Sonora, Texas; and must be received by 10:00 a.m., July 30, 2012, at which time bids will be opened and read aloud. Bids are to be sealed and clearly labeled "BID - DEMOLITION". Bids received after the time set for the bid opening will be rejected and returned unopened to the bidder. All interested parties are invited to attend.

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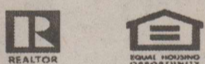
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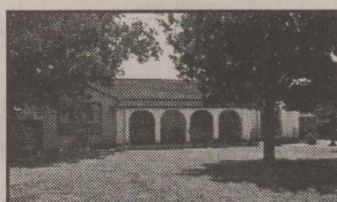


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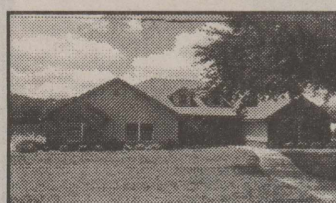


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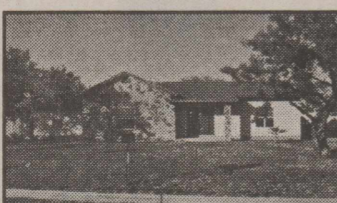


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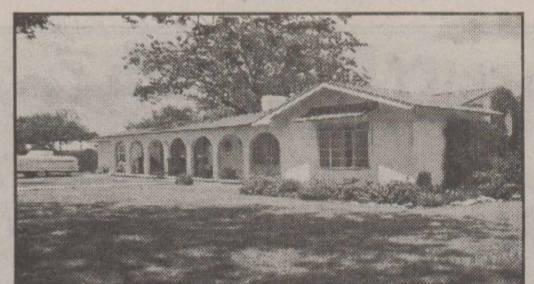
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Main Street Day event will open at 9am (following the parade) until 2pm, on Main Street and Gillis Avenue. Vendors include an array of food including brisket, goat meat, turkey legs, snow cones, kettle corn, taquitos, hamburgers, aguas frescas, tacos tapatillos, lots of ice cold drinks and more. Vendors selling things include: book sale, jewelry, purses, home décor, wooden crosses and other items. Businesses on Gillis will be open: Occasions Boutique will have sidewalk sale and West Texas Feed & Mercantile.

Entertainment of the day will include: games for kids, John Cartwright and Steve Williams doing some pickin' and Ruben Tambunga will be DJ'ing thru the rest of the day playing a variety of music. A style show will be put on by the Schleicher County Rodeo Association Rodeo Queen Candidates and Eagle Sports Fans.

Contestants can register (\$2) at the registration tent for these contests 9a-10:30a (age groups for eating contest will be posted at registration tent):

- Ms. Eldorado (for men only) \$100 Cash Prize
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We are very excited to have a variety of vendors bringing a great assortment of things to eat and sell. The sponsors for this event have been very supportive to get the 4th Main Street Day off to a great start!

The Top of the Divide Rodeo will continue on Saturday evening, crown the 2012 Rodeo Queen and a dance under the stars at the slab. FMI on rodeo or dance contact: Jim 325-650-1604. FMI on Main St Day contact Stacy 325-450-0007.

## Continued from Front Page: Pink Party

mogram appointments for Sonora Medical Center, Tamatha Humphrey, Breast Imaging Technician for Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital, Mary Durkay from Primary Health Care, Araceli Perez from Texas Dept of State Health Services and Marcie Owen the Cancer Program Specialist from AgriLife Extension were also in attendances sharing resource information with participants.

Without the support of donors, who generously provided door prizes and food for the event, our Pink Party would not have been possible. The following were "2012 Friend or Friend" contributors: Lillian M. Hudspeth Hospital, The Bank & Trust of Sonora, First National Bank of Sonora, High Mount E&P, Sonora Chamber of Commerce, Araceli Perez, Grandma's House, La Mexicana Restaurant, Sutton County Steak House, Noemi Samaneigo, Alco, EL's Light Plant Services/Steve and Kelly Thorp, Ole Sonora Trading Company, Mercantile on Main, Nubia Robles, Rosie's Café, Sutton County FCS Program, Gifts Galore and More, The Cutting Edge, Napa, Betty's

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In closing, without the support of volunteers and a committee who is passionate about women's health issues this program would not have

been possible. The 2012 Pink Committee was Dr. Kristy Edwards, Noemi Samaniego, Araceli Perez, Ada Castilleja, Gloria Lopez, Elizabeth Chavez, and Tish Roque and Kelly Thorp.

A special thank you goes out to the Pink Party Committee Noemi Samaniego, Araceli Perez, Ada Castilleja, Gloria Lopez, Tish Roque, Maria Carrasco, Dr. Kristy Edwards, Juanita Mesa, Aurora Noriega, and Chela Pena for all their hard work for making this event a big success.



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