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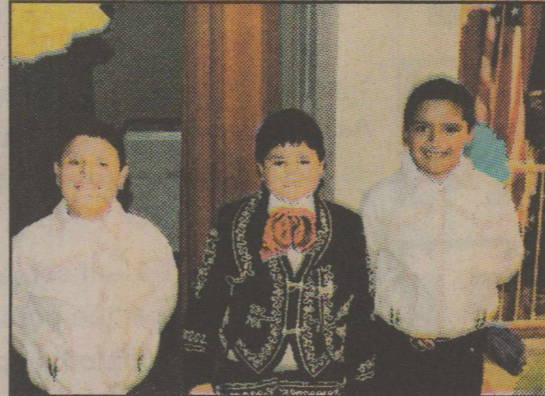
Cinco De Mayo



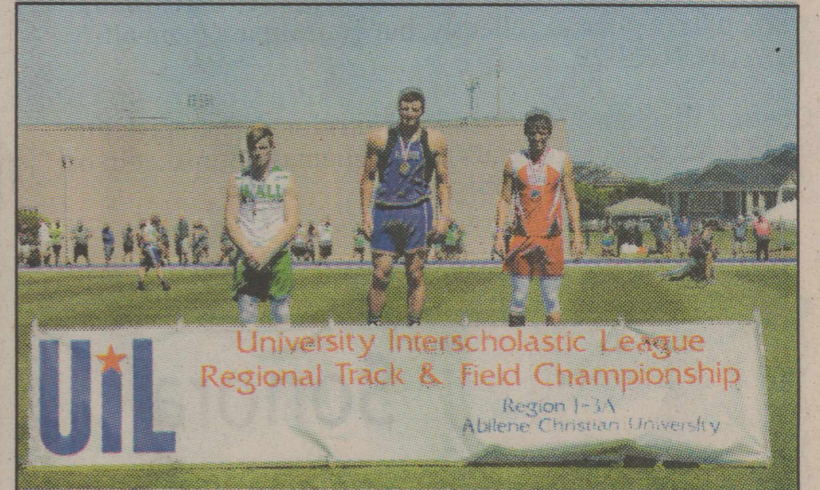
Sonora's Youth Celebrates Cinco De Mayo!



An extremely talented group of young Sonoran's showed the community what Cinco De Mayo is really all about. These students worked tirelessly on learning traditional dances (under the tutelage of Lizzie Chavez) and displayed the fruits of their labor in glorious fashion at both the Viva Sonora Cinco De Mayo Celebration and for their classmates at Sonora ISD.



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Carter Zook took Silver in the 300 M Hurdles.



Ethan Patlan took Silver and Elijah Cross took Bronze in the ShotPut.

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Cookin' for Cancer



Relay for Life may have been cancelled this year but we had a different approach this year. Even though the event was cancelled we made sure the message of American Cancer Society's biggest event still brought the same mission to the citizens of Sutton County: Helping People Get Well, Stay Well, and Fight Back Against Cancer

Viva Sonora, the committee that puts on the annual Cinco

de Mayo celebrations was kind enough to allow Relay for Life committee to share in their day this past Saturday by hosting a fundraiser to benefit the Relay For Life. Many Sonora residents came out to celebrate and part-take in both events, which were held at the Sutton County Park.

This year, Relay for Life hosted a cook-off for area residents. The cook-off was a great success and plans are be-

ing made to continue with the cook-off tradition in 2016. At this event we wanted to shine light on what is important at Relay events and events that support Relay For Life. Luminarias were displayed proudly, recognizing survivors and remembering those that have gone before us. Funds were raised to help bring wonderful programs offered by the American Cancer Society to Sutton County citizens, such as the American Cancer Society's "Look Good, Feel Better, Program", "Road to Recovery"; a program that provides rides for cancer patients to their treatments at no cost to the patient of their family, and most importantly, funding cancer research that helps everyone in their prevention efforts and the treatment provided by healthcare providers across the nation.

In March, the Relay for Life committee hosted the annual Survivor Dinner at Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital. Many survivors and caretakers came out to honor their fight and recognize their caretakers. The dinner was sponsored by the Sutton County Game Dinner Association and organized by members of

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Sonora To Host Rancher Roundup

The timely rains have benefitted our rangelands and provided optimism. The rains have also raised questions.

"Will the rains produce a flush of toxic plants? With the fair range conditions and good markets, should I stock a little heavier? Should I buy cows or raise replacement heifers? How do I select cows that'll make money? How can I best take advantage of the sheep & goat market trend?"

To that end, Texas AgriLife's will offer the annual Ranchers RoundUp. The Ranchers Roundup's Theme is "Enhancing Range and Livestock Production". The

program will be offered on Wednesday, May 20th at the Sutton County Civic Center. On-site registration begins at 8:00 a.m., and the program starts at 8:30.

Topics and speakers include: Beef Industry Update- Rick Machen Extension Livestock Specialist, Uvalde Sheep & Goat Industry Outlook- Benny Cox- Producers Livestock Auction Reducing Livestock Losses To Toxic Plants- Dr. Morgan Russell - Extension Range Management Specialist, San Angelo Antibiotics & Hormones in

Animal Production- Ron Gill, Extension Livestock Specialist, College Station

Cost to attend is \$10 per person if RSVP by Monday May 18th. The fee covers program materials, refreshments, and offers 3 CEU's for those with a pesticide applicator license.

The workshop is offered by the Texas AgriLife Extension Service in Sutton, Edwards, Schleicher, and Irion Counties. Call the Sutton County Extension Office at 325-387-3101 for registration or more information.



Dusty Holmes Takes Bronze in Pole Vault.

Sonora Broncos Region 1-3A Track and Field Results

Photos and Story by Nancy Glasscock

The Sonora Broncos finished the two-day meet at Abilene Christian University in fifth place with 34 points. The Broncos captured twenty-six points in Field events and eight points in Track(running) events.

Four Broncos advanced to the State Track and Field Championships that will be held in Austin on May 15-16: Carter Zook, Dusty Holmes, Ethan Patlan, and Elijah Cross.

Shot: 2nd place - Ethan Patlan - 55' 6.5", 3rd place - Elijah Cross 51' 8".

Pole Vault: 3rd place - Dusty Holmes - 13' 3", 6th place - Gus Barrera 12' 0".

Discus: 4th place - Michael Solis 145' 11" 6th place - H.L. James 145' 7"

300m HH: 2nd place - Carter Zook - 38.54

Cross and Holmes' third place efforts exceeded all other third place finishers in Regions Two, Three, and Four to earn them a spot in Austin.

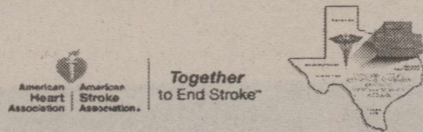


Wellness Ministry

As mothers, we are all nutritionists. We are charged with the daily task of feeding our family well. In addition to that, we are responsible for feeding them guidance, kindness, understanding, grace, wisdom, and loads upon loads of love. It's a high calling, being a mom. Some moments are beautiful and some are just plain brutal. Cherish them all, for they are the sum of our work as mothers. And just as we know God provides all the nourishing foods we need for our bodies, so does He provide the strength we need for nourishing little souls. Happy Mother's Day to all who have been blessed to serve the Lord.

She looks well to the ways of her household and does not eat the bread of idleness. Her children rise up and call her blessed; and her husband also, and he praises her: "Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all." Proverbs 31:27-29

Chelsea Blackbird is a Certified Nutritional Therapist. For more info contact chelsea@thechristiannutritionist.com or www.thechristiannutritionist.com.



Concho Valley Regional Advisory Council 325-456-2370

What is Stroke?

Stroke is a disease that affects the arteries leading to and within the brain. It is the No. 4 cause of death and a leading cause of disability in the United States.

A stroke occurs when a blood vessel that carries oxygen and nutrients to the brain is either blocked by a clot or bursts (or ruptures). When that happens, part of the brain cannot get the blood (and oxygen) it needs, so it and brain cells die.

What are the types of stroke?

Stroke can be caused either by a clot obstructing the flow of blood to the brain (called an **ischemic stroke**) or by a blood vessel rupturing and preventing blood flow to the brain (called a **hemorrhagic stroke**). A **TIA** (transient ischemic attack), or "mini stroke", is caused by a temporary clot.

What are the effects of stroke?

The brain is an extremely complex organ that controls various body functions. If a stroke occurs and blood flow can't reach the region that controls a particular body function, that part of the body won't work as it should.

THINK YOU ARE HAVING A STROKE? CALL 9-1-1 IMMEDIATELY!

F.A.S.T. is an easy way to remember the sudden signs of stroke. When you can spot the signs, you'll know that you need to call 9-1-1 for help right away. F.A.S.T. is:

F
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Face Drooping – Does one side of the face droop or is it numb? Ask the person to smile. Is the person's smile uneven?


Arm Weakness – Is one arm weak or numb? Ask the person to raise both arms. Does one arm drift downward?

Speech Difficulty – Is speech slurred? Is the person unable to speak or hard to understand? Ask the person to repeat a simple sentence, like "The sky is blue." Is the sentence repeated correctly?

Time to call 9-1-1 – If someone shows any of these symptoms, even if the symptoms go away, call 9-1-1 and get the person to the hospital immediately. Check the time so you'll know when the first symptoms appeared.

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Sonora Church Directory

<p>Primera Iglesia Bautista 504 Santa Clara 387-2035</p> <p>The Church of the Good Shepherd Presbyterian 319 E. Mulberry 387-2616</p> <p>Lighthouse Community Church 1705 N. Crockett 387-9100</p> <p>St. Ann's Catholic Church 311 W. Plum 387-2278</p> <p>Jehovah's Witness 310 St. Ann's St 387-5658/387-5518</p> <p>Faith Apostolic Church 120 N. Concho Ave. 206-0277</p>	<p>Church of Christ 304 N. Water 387-3190</p> <p>First Baptist Church 11 E. Oak 387-2951</p> <p>St. John's Episcopal Church 404 E. Poplar 387-2955</p> <p>First United Methodist Church 201 N. Water 387-2466</p> <p>Casa Del Altarero Asamblea De Dios 306 W. 4th St 325-226-1789</p>
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the Presbyterian Church. The Sonora Volunteer Fire Department also partook in the festivities by helping cook for our survivors.

The American Cancer Society and Mary Payton, Community Manager would like to take this opportunity to thank all the sponsors and volunteers who made this event possible:

- Marissa and Santiago Faz
- Robert and Sarah Teaff
- Robert Webb
- Gabriel Arredondo
- Ashley Arredondo
- Tammy Fisher Law Office
- Double T Ranch
- Sew Addicted
- Sonora Bank
- Sonora Chamber of Commerce
- JMC Transport
- XChem
- Glen and Linda Fisher
- Carl and Melissa Teaff
- Adkins Septic
- The Sutton County Game Dinner
- Sonora Volunteer Fire Department

2015 4-H District Events & Results

By Jessica Stapper

It was a busy week for Sutton County 4-Hers! District 10 had a total of three contests this past week, where we had participants from Sutton County in District Judging, District Fashion Show, and District Roundup!

On April 29th Sutton County had good representation at District Judging Events in Junction, TX. In all of the contests youth compete according to age categories, they are as follows:

Juniors: Aiden Leamon, Cassia Hernandez
 Intermediates: Cara Hernandez, Catarina Hernandez, Skylar Mogford, Alyssa Martinez, Madalyn Fisher, Kodi Davis, Kadee Petty, Abby Bennie
 Seniors: Christina Hernandez, Danny Pechacek, Bryndon Robles, Tate Shannon, Summer Hall, Lillian Kent, Briana Palacios, Amber Freeman
 Range science participants learn rangeland ecology and practical decision-making that is essential to range management. They also learn to identify plants, determine longevity (annual or perennial), season of growth, origin, grazing values, and which plants are toxic. Results are as follows:

Jrs.: Aiden Leamon-1st; Cassia Hernandez- 3rd
 Int.: Cara Hernandez-2nd; Catarina Hernandez-3rd.

Team (Cara, Catarina, Skylar Mogford, Alyssa Martinez)- 1st.

Srs.: Christina Hernandez- 3rd

Team (Christina, Danny Pechacek, Bryndon Robles, Tate Shannon)- 4th

Wool and mohair judging are two separate contests. Participants learn to evaluate fleeces with regard to grade, texture, length and yield.

Mohair Judging Results:

Jrs.: Aiden Leamon-3rd

Int.: Kodi Davis- 2nd; Team (Madalyn Fisher, Kodi Davis, Kadee Petty)- 2nd

Wool Judging Results:

Jrs.: Aiden Leamon-4th

Int.: Kodi Davis- 4th; Kadee Petty- 5th

Team (Kodi Davis, Kadee Petty, Madalyn Fisher)- 2nd

We also had representation at District Fashion Show and District Roundup on May 1st and May 2nd at the Texas A&M-San Antonio Campus.

District Fashion Show Results:

Jrs: Isabella Arispe: 1st place in Construction Everyday Living with her dress, 1st place in the Textile Show with her apron in the Kitchen Item category, and 2nd Place in the Textile Show with her necklace, bracelet, and ear rings in the Jewelry Item category

Int.: Madalyn Fisher- 5th

place in the Construction Every Day Living category with her romper, and 3rd Place with her necklace, bracelet, and ear rings in the Jewelry Item Category. District Roundup Results: In the Educational Presentation Category:

Int.: Cara Hernandez & Catarina Hernandez did a duo presentation on "Sack Gardening" and placed 5th
 Sr.: Danny Pechacek did a presentation on "GMO's" and placed 8th place

Sr.: Christina Hernandez & Summer Hall did a duo presentation on "How to Make a Boutonniere" and placed 4th

In the Share The Fun Category:

Int.: Anly Palacios & Taryn Mitchell did a duo Poetry/Prose skit and placed 2nd

Int.: Rebeckah Owen played piano piece and she placed 2nd

Sr.: Delaney Ramsdell played the guitar and sang. She placed 1st which means she will be attending State this summer in College Station!

We are proud of you all! Thanks to David and Tammy Fisher for coaching wool and mohair teams, and thank you Stacy Fisher for being the sewing leader and helping the girls with Fashion Show! Congratulations to everyone!

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Property Owners Should Soon Start Receiving Appraisal Notices for the 2015 Tax Year

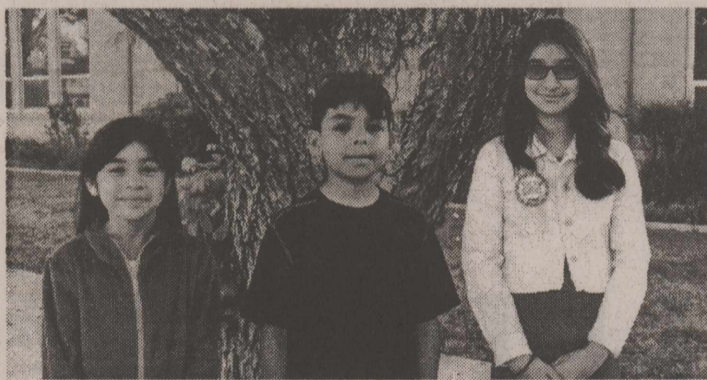
If your property value increased in the last year, you will soon receive an appraisal notice from the Sutton County Appraisal District. The appraisal district mailed about 4717 appraisal notices on May 04, 2015. Your city, county, school district and other local taxing units will use the appraisal district's value to set your 2015 property taxes.

Under Texas law, county appraisal districts are required to notify property owners about changes in their property's value. The notice contains important information about the property's location, ownership and property tax exemptions that have been applied to the property. It must also include an estimate of 2015 taxes by local taxing units.

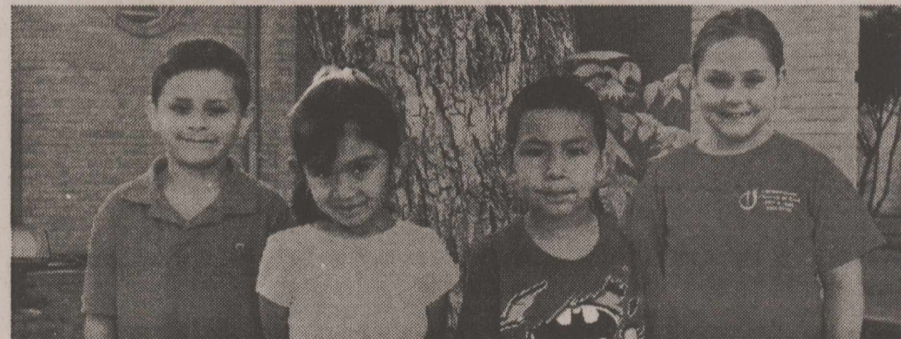
Property owners who disagree with the appraised value of their property, the exemptions or any other action by the appraisal district have the right to appeal to the Sutton County Appraisal Review Board (ARB). The ARB is an independent panel of citizens responsible for hearing and settling property owner protests. The notice of appraised value includes instructions on how and when to file a protest, a protest form and the Comptroller's *Property Taxpayer Remedies*. The deadline for filing a protest with the ARB is May 31, 2015 or 30 days after the appraisal district mailed your notice of appraised value, whichever is later.

The Comptroller's publication, *Property Taxpayer Remedies*, explains in detail how to protest your property appraisal, what issues the ARB can consider and what to expect during a protest hearing. The publication also discusses the options of taking your case to court, the State Office of Administrative Hearings or binding arbitration if you are dissatisfied with the outcome of your ARB hearing.

Property Taxpayer Remedies is available from the Sutton County Appraisal District at 800 E. Oak St., Suite 2, Sonora, Texas 76950. The publication is also available on the Comptroller's Property Tax Assistance Division's website at comptroller.texas.gov/taxinfo/proptax/.



3rd - Jolene Pasillas-Galaviz, 4th - Fabian Lira
 5th - Diya Kumar



PreK - Mariselda Martinez, Kinder - Kielan Villasana,
 1st - Gavin Covarrubiaz, 2nd - Hope James

Students of The Week

WHERE

Lighthouse Community Church
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 Fun & Games 11:00-5:00

RSVP Turn in to Sonora Middle School or
 Question? Contact Michelle Hall at 325-206-2262

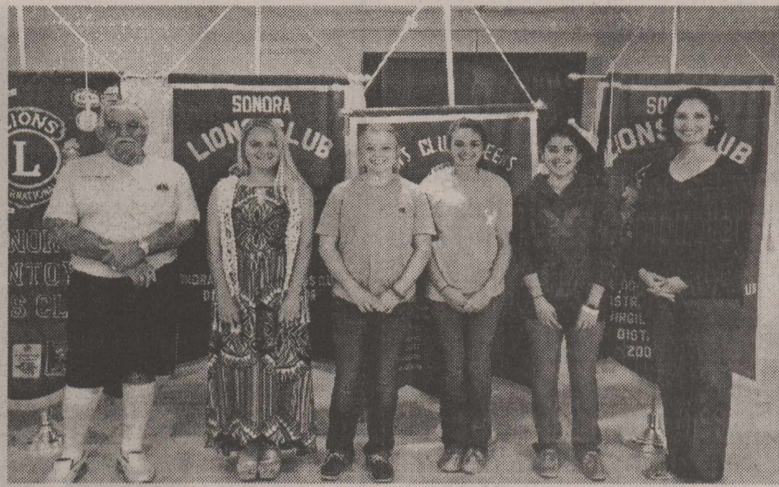
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Lions Roar

Keep SONORA Beautiful

The Proclamation was read and proclaimed by our very own Mayor, Wanda Shurley. April 24, 2015 was Arbor Day in Sonora! The Fifth graders of Sonora Intermediate School came together first thing Friday morning in the Auditorium and learned the Arbor Day Poster Contest winner was Carolina Elizondo. All the students were presented with a t-shirt with her drawing on the front. These shirts were made possible by the support of two sponsors; The Bank and Trust and EnerVest. After this presentation this large group of students was off to plant eleven Eastern Redbud trees at the Cemetery. This was the largest tree planting for Keep Sonora Beautiful and the Fifth grade students to date. A BIG thanks goes

out to Judge Steve Smith and the crew of the County: Standley, Robert, Pedro, and Arturo (Shorty). They got everything prepared for planting these trees and even got in on helping move dirt and whatever was needed to get the trees planted. The trees were planted and then each group had the opportunity to personalize and name their tree. They came up with some unique names like Bob, and Photosynthesis, and Love Tree, and Squeegy to name a few... It was a fun morning with a really great group of fifth graders. The memories are now made, and the students will all be able to watch their trees grow throughout the years; helping Keep Sonora Beautiful!



The tables were filled with Lions at the weekly meeting on Tuesday, May 5, 2015 in the fellowship hall of the First United Methodist Church. Guest speaker was Mrs. Sarah Teaff who spoke to us about Relay for Life, and the proposed Assisted Living Facility to be constructed on the 60 acres owned by the Hospital. She stated that the Hospital is ready to move ahead with the project, but that it will take some time to complete. Sonora Middle School students of the month joining us this week were sixth grader Aislin Nixon, seventh grader Kadee Petty, and eighth grader Perla Salazar, along with Mrs. Leamon. The Officer nominating com-

mittee gave the first reading of the 2015-2016 nominees. They are Wanda Shurley, President; Todd Munn, 1st Vice President; Roy Smalling, 2nd Vice President; Program Chairman, Eddie Smith; Secretary, Janalyn Jones; Treasurer, Ray Yourgalite; Lion Tamer, Don Surridge; Tail Twister, Lewis Allen; Camp Representative, Frank Wamble; Boy Scout Representative, Alicia Lowe; One-Year Directors Cindy Feagin and Dottie Yourgalite; Two-Year Directors Edwin Anderson and Scott Jordan; and Eye Representative, Brenda Smalling. Wanda Shurley announced that the winner of the 2015-2016 Lions Club Queen contest is Shayna Edwards and will be crowned at the May 12th meeting. The winners of the \$10,000 worth of scholarships will also be announced at the May 12th meeting at noon. The parents of the students are invited to attend.

VOTE SHANNA PETTY-CASTRO

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SONORA ISD BOARD OF TRUSTEES - AT LARGE POSITION

ELECTION DAY IS SATURDAY, MAY 9TH FROM 7AM - 7PM AT THE SISD ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

Property Owners Can Protest Property Appraisal Values

Property owners who disagree with the Sutton County Appraisal District's appraisal of their property for local taxes or for any other action that adversely affects them may protest their property value to the appraisal district's Appraisal Review Board (ARB).

A property owner must file a written notice of protest before June 1, 2015 or within 30 days after the appraisal district mails the taxpayer a notice of appraised value, whichever is later. The ARB will begin hearing taxpayer protests on July 09, 2015.

After the ARB completes its hearings and approves final property tax appraisals, taxing units will use these appraisals to set 2015 property tax rates.

The ARB is a group of citizens who live in the appraisal district. In counties with 120,000 or more population, the local administrative judge appoints ARB members. Otherwise, the appraisal district's board of directors appoints them. Property owners may protest any of the following issues to the ARB:

- the appraised or market value of the property;
- unequal appraisal of the owner's property;
- inclusion of the property on the appraisal records;
- denial of a partial exemption, such as a homestead exemption;
- denial of special appraisal, such as agricultural or timber productivity appraisal;
- determination that agricultural or timber land has had a change of use and is subject to a rollback tax;
- identification of the taxing unit or taxing units in which the property is located;
- determination that the taxpayer is the owner of the property; or
- any other action of the appraisal district office that adversely affects the owner.

The ARB schedules a hearing and sends the protesting property owner written notice of the date, time and place of the hearing. The law contains specific timelines and procedures for both the owner and the ARB throughout the appraisal protest process. These are detailed in the Comptroller's publication, *Property Taxpayer Remedies*. Copies are available from Sutton County Appraisal District at 300 E. Oak St., Suite 2, Sonora, Texas 76950. The publication is also available on the Comptroller's Property Tax Assistance Division's website at comptroller.texas.gov/taxinfo/proptax/.

Texas Comptroller's Office Helps Property Taxpayers Stay Informed of their Rights with Updated Publication

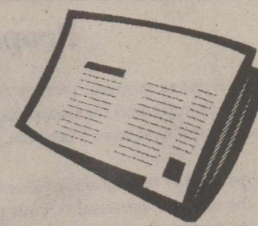
The Texas Comptroller's office has released the publication *Property Taxpayer Remedies*, a reference guide for property taxpayers which addresses property tax basics, providing a step by step guide on preparing for a protest hearing and what they can do if they are dissatisfied with an appraisal review board's decision.

Property Taxpayer Remedies also provides key dates so property owners know what they must do and when they are required to act to exercise their right to protest.

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All real estate advertising in this newspaper is subject to the Fair Housing Act which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, or an intention, to make any such preference, limitation or discrimination." Familial status includes children under the age of 18 living with parents or legal custodians, pregnant women and people securing custody of children under 18. This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. Our readers are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised in this newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis. To complain of discrimination call HUD toll-free 1-800-669-9777. The toll-free telephone number for the hearing impaired is 1-800-927-9275.

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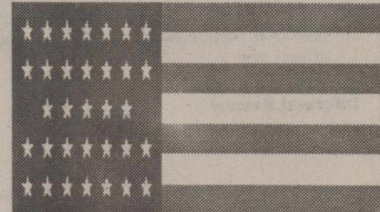
Want Ad

Notice is hereby given that Sutton County is now accepting applications for a part time position in the Road & Bridge Department. Experience in Road & Bridge maintenance and equipment operation is preferred. Applicant must have a valid Texas CDL license. Duties include labor connected with general maintenance including paving of roads.

Mungia Heating & A/C
Now Hiring Helpers. 325-387-2665. Email: Mungia33@yahoo.com

Sutton County Road & Bridge is hereby requesting sealed bids on the following R&B Materials:

Will buy old or unwanted horses. FMI call George at (325) 446-6081.



Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

**CITY OF SONORA
TEXAS CAPITAL FUND
PROGRAM**

The City of Sonora is giving notice of the City's intent to submit a Community Development Fund application for a grant from the Texas Capital Fund Program. The grant application is for \$750,000 to be used for water and sewer improvements, necessary to accommodate a business development at Interstate 10 and FM 864 in Sonora, Texas. The application will be available for review during regular business hours at the Sonora City Hall located at 201 E Main, Sonora, TX 76950 (325) 387-2558.

(Para más información en español, comuníquese con Edward al 325-387-2558)



Each applicant is required to submit an application for employment with pertinent information regarding training and experience. Sutton County EEO.

Applications can be obtained at auditor's office. Completed application must be returned to Auditor's office by April 10, 2015.

Notice is hereby given that Sutton County Road & Bridge Department is now accepting applications for two (2) full time positions. Experience in Road & Bridge maintenance and equipment operation is preferred. Applicants must have a valid Texas CDL license. Duties include labor connected with general maintenance including paving of roads.

Each applicant is required to submit an application for employment with pertinent information regarding training and experience. Full time positions includes insurance, vacation and sick leave benefits. Sutton County is EEO.

Applications can be obtained at Auditor's Office. All completed applications **must** be returned to Auditor's office at the Courthouse Building by May 7, 2015.

EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

Eaton Hill Nature Center is seeking an Executive Director. Please email Lorie Powers at lpoz59@gmail.com for Job Description and information.



R&B MATERIALS:

- 1) Approximately 48,000 Gallons of AC-5 Asphalt
- 2) 2000 Tons of (PB4) #4 Pre-coated Gravel

Materials to be delivered to Sutton County Road & Bridge yard at 410 East Pecan in Sonora, Texas.

Sealed bids will be opened on April 27, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. at the special meeting of Commissioners Court at the Sutton County Annex. "Sealed Bids" must be delivered or mailed to Judge Steve Smith, 300 E. Oak, Suite 4, Sonora, Texas 76950. For specifications, please contact the County Road & Bridge Superintendent, Standley Clay Anderson, (325) 226-3388 or County Auditor, Maura Weingart, (325) 387-5380.

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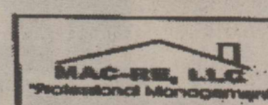
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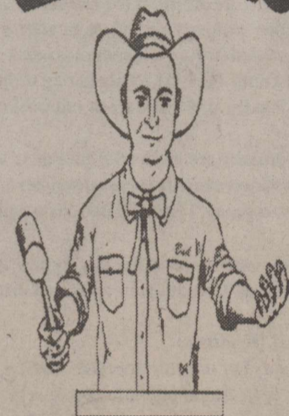
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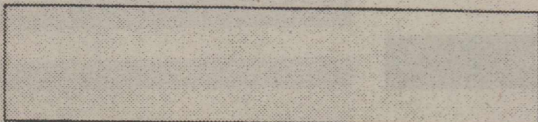
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Property Tax Protest and Appeal Procedures

The law gives property owners the right to protest actions concerning their property tax appraisals. You may follow these appeal procedures if you have a concern about:

- the market or appraised value of your property
- the unequal appraisal of your property
- the inclusion of your property on the appraisal roll
- any exemptions that may apply to you
- the qualification for an agricultural or timber appraisal
- the taxable status of your property
- the local governments which should be taxing your property
- the ownership of property
- the change of use of land receiving special appraisal
- any action taken by the chief appraiser, appraisal district or appraisal review board (ARB) that applies to and adversely affects you.

Informal Review



Review by the ARB

If you cannot resolve your problem informally with the county appraisal district (CAD) staff, you may have your case heard by the ARB.

The ARB is an independent board of citizens that reviews problems with appraisals or other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the CAD to make the necessary changes to solve problems. If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (called a notice of protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing. You will receive written notice of the time, date and place of the hearing. If necessary, you may request a hearing in the evening or on a Saturday or Sunday. Prior to your hearing, you may ask to review the evidence the CAD plans to introduce at the hearing to establish any matter at issue. The law provides that before a hearing on a protest or immediately after the hearing begins, you or your agent and the CAD shall each provide the other with a copy of any written material intended to be offered or submitted to the ARB at the hearing. To the greatest extent practicable, the hearing will be informal. You or a designated agent may appear in person to present evidence or you may send notarized evidence for the ARB to review at your hearing. The CAD representative will present evidence about your case. You may cross-

examine the CAD representative. The ARB will make its decision based on the evidence presented. In most cases, the CAD has the burden of establishing the property's value by a preponderance of the evidence presented.

In certain protests, the chief appraiser has the burden of proving the property's value by clear and convincing evidence. You should review ARB hearing procedures to learn more about evidence and related matters. You can get a copy of a protest form from the appraisal district office or from the Comptroller of Public Accounts at comptroller.texas.gov/taxinfo/taxforms/S0-132.pdf.

You should not try to contact ARB members outside of the hearing. The law requires ARB members to sign an affidavit saying that they have not talked about your case before the ARB hears it.

Review by the District Court, an Arbitrator or SOAH

After it decides your case, the ARB must send you a copy of its order by certified mail. If you are not satisfied with the decision, you have the right to appeal. If you choose to go to court, you must start the process by filing a petition within 60 days of the date you receive the ARB's order. In certain cases, as an alternative to filing an appeal in district court, you may file, not later than the 45th day after you receive notice of the ARB order, a request for binding arbitration with the county appraisal district. In certain cases, you may appeal to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH). An appeal to SOAH is initiated by, not later than the 30th day after you receive notice of the ARB's order, filing with the chief appraiser of the county appraisal district a notice of appeal. Appeals to district court, binding arbitration, or SOAH all require payment of certain fees or deposits.

Tax Payment

You must pay either the amount of taxes due on the portion of the taxable value not in dispute or the amount of taxes due on the property under the order from which the appeal is taken.

More Information

You can get more information by contacting your appraisal district at (insert appraisal district name, address, telephone number).

SUTTON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT
300 E. OAK ST., SUITE 2
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You can get a additional information on how to prepare a protest from the Comptroller's publication, *Property Tax Basics*, available on the Comptroller's Property Tax Assistance Division's website at comptroller.texas.gov/taxinfo/proptax/pdf/96-1425.pdf.

Deadline for Filing Protests with the ARB*

Usual Deadline

On or before April 30 for residence homesteads and May 31 for all other property (or 30 days after a notice of appraised value was mailed to you, whichever is later). The filing deadline is postponed until the next business day if the deadline falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal state or national holiday.

Late protests are allowed if you miss the usual deadline for good cause. Good cause is some reason beyond your control, like a medical emergency. The ARB decides whether you have good cause.

Late protests are due the day before the ARB approves records for the year. Contact your appraisal district for more information.

Special Deadlines

For change of use (the appraisal district informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal because you changed the use of your land), the deadline is not later than the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

For ARB changes (the ARB has informed you of a change that increases your tax liability and the change did not result from a protest you filed), the deadline is not later than the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

If you believe the appraisal district or ARB should have sent you a notice and did not, you may file a protest until the day before taxes become delinquent (usually Feb. 1) or no later than the 125th day after the date you claim you received a tax bill from one or more of the taxing units that tax your property. The ARB decides whether it will hear your case based on evidence about whether a required notice was mailed to you.

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