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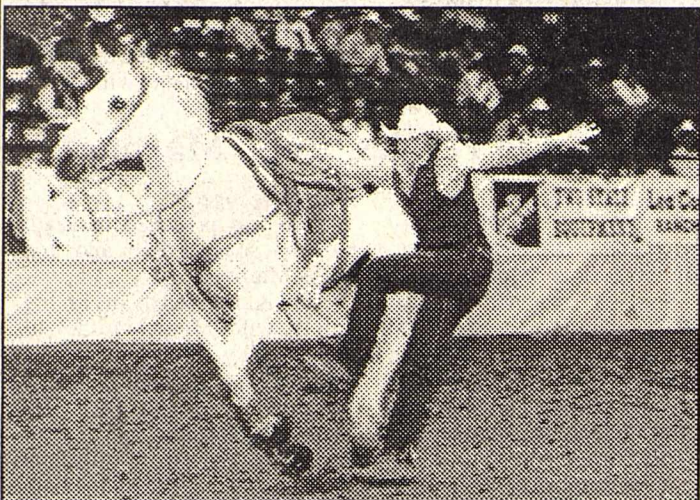
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## Jones To Compete In College National Finals Rodeo



Kendra Jones to make a run for the Goat Tying Championship.

Kendra Jones, a graduate of Sonora High School and a junior at Eastern New Mexico University, will compete in the 2003 College National Finals Rodeo (CNFR) in Casper, Wyoming. This is the first trip for Jones, who will compete in the Goat Tying event.

Every June the nation's best college cowboys and cowgirls from eleven different regions enter into the CNFR arena in an effort to win national titles in saddle bronc, bareback, bull riding, steer wrestling, calf roping, team roping, barrel racing, breakaway roping and goat tying. The students also compete for over \$200,000 in scholarships from the U.S. Smokeless Tobacco Co. Scholarships Awards Program.

The dates for the 2003 CNFR

are June 8-14. The rodeo will start on Sunday, June 8, with a special rough stock round scheduled for the afternoon. The remainder of slack will be held on Monday and Tuesday beginning at 7:00 a.m. MDT.

All performances are held at the Casper Events Center and the Saturday championship round will be televised. Check your local listings for times.

Information about event standings can be found at [www.cnfr.com](http://www.cnfr.com).

The CNFR is sponsored by the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association. For more information about the Association and the sport of college rodeo, please contact NIRA National Office at (509)529-4402.

## Sutton County EMS To Sponsor Blood Drive

The Sutton County Emergency Medical Service and United Blood Services of San Angelo are teaming up to hold a blood drive Wednesday, June 18, 2003. The drive will be held from 3:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. at the EMS Building at 211 E. 3rd.

Donors may call the EMS office at 387-5132 for appointments. Appointments are not mandatory, but help eliminate lengthy waiting periods. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments will be taken first.

Blood Donors must be 17 or older for whole blood donation and must weigh at least 110 pounds. Donors must show identification containing legal name and one of the following: date of birth, Social Security number, United Blood Services assigned donor number or Photo I.D. There must be at least 8 weeks between whole blood donations and at least 3 days between platelet, apheresis donations.

Do not donate blood if you have cold or flu symptoms on the day of donation or you do not feel well.

Do not donate blood if you have taken oral antibiotics in the last three days.

Do not donate blood if you have had hepatitis after the age of 11 years. Do not donate blood if you have had close contact with a person who has clinical hepatitis within the past 12 months.

Do not donate blood if you have a history of cancer in the past year (except some skin or in situ cancers).

Do not donate blood if you have had a tattoo, ear or skin piercing, acupuncture, accidental needle stick or come in contact with someone else's blood in the past 12 months. Ear or skin piercing and acupuncture procedures performed using single use, sterile or properly heated sterilized equipment are acceptable.

Do not donate blood if you have received a blood transfusion in the last 12 months.

Do not donate blood if you have had malaria within the last three years or traveled to a malaria risk area within the last 12 months.

Do not donate blood if you are or have been pregnant in the past six weeks.

Do not donate blood if you have used a needle to inject nonprescription drugs (including steroids).

Do not donate blood if you are at risk for HIV exposure, the virus which causes AIDS.

Please bring a complete list of medications that you have taken in the past month.

## Eaton Hill Committee Seeking Interest in Eaton House

The Eaton Hill Committee is currently considering options for the preservation of the old Eaton home at the top of Eaton Hill. The committee would like input from the community regarding the future of the home. The committee would like to incorporate a visitor center on the hill and is considering using the house for this purpose. If the house is not used in this capacity, another option would be the removal of the home and having visitor center facilities constructed on the home site.

The Eaton Hill Committee and

the Sonora Industrial Development Corporation (owners of the house and property) are sensitive to the history of the house and the significance it holds with some local citizens. The Eaton Hill Committee would like to hear input from citizens who have an interest in the renovation or possible removal of the home. Anyone interested in this project is encouraged to become involved with the Eaton Hill Committee by calling the Sonora Industrial Development Corporation office at 387-6280.

## Hospital Board Sets Special Meeting To Discuss Hospital Construction

submitted

The regular meeting of the Sutton County Hospital District, Board of Directors, was held on Monday, June 9, 2003, in the Annex at the Hospital. The following directors were present: Lewis Allen, President; Sherrill Dannheim, Vice-President; Preston Faris, Mike Healy, Maria Carrasco and Lenora Pool. Also present for the meeting were Kathy Knight, Mickey Schaefer and Carolyn Lara.

The meeting was called to order and minutes from prior meetings were approved. Kathy Knight

reported for Rex Ann Friess, Chief Appraiser that due to lower mineral values the total revenue for next year will be down. Dannheim noted that there had been an increase in land appraisals.

Allen reported the need for a special called meeting for the discussion and action regarding the Medical Clinic Expansion and the architect's contract for the hospital construction. Architect Henry Schmidt will have the plans ready June 19, 2003. Dannheim moved to call the special meeting at 12:00 noon on Monday, June 23, 2003. The meeting will be held at the

## West Texas Championship Cook-off Pays Out Over \$7000

by Storie Sharp

The smoke has cleared, the coals have cooled and the pits have pulled out of town, signifying the end of the 2003 West Texas Championship Cook-off.

The West Texas Championship Cook-off Committee put in many hours and much effort to help make this year's event go down without a hitch and their hard work paid off. The predicted 80 teams didn't all make the show, but the almost 40 teams that were here said it was the best yet and they couldn't wait to come back next year. The weather even cooperated, with a perfect day and evening for outdoor fun. Over \$7000 dollars was paid out to the winners, with a \$1000 grand prize to the Overall Winner. The top ten in each event also won a custom made plaque to showcase. The committee started a new tradition this year, naming a "Committee Member of the Year" and presenting them with a plaque of appreciation for all that the volunteer has done for the growth of the West Texas Championship Cook-Off. This year's award was presented to the Lipham Family, who were detrimental in getting the cook-off started and helping it grow.

A newcomer to Sonora's cook-off took top honors this year, "Lubbock's Best" cooking team, headed by Olen Harris. Harris and his team of cooks won first in Brisket, second in Ribs, and third in Chicken, securing him the \$1000 All-Around WTBA Grand Champion given by the Shurley Family in memory of Scott Shurley, with 27 points, and the Overall Cook-off Winner given by Curtis and Lisa Lipham in memory of Jermy Brown Lipham. Harris said this was his first, but wouldn't be his last trip!

"Ashes on Fire" from Rankin, TX made their way back to Sonora this year, putting on quite a show, measuring and grading the female "ashes" that passed by and offering a "wipe" or "plug" to try. Their antics and "Big Bubba" bar-b-que pit helped them win the "Showmanship" award given by Adkin's Septic Supply and the "Best Pit" award given by Tidwell Production in memory of Tom Homra.

The "Best Camp" award given by Goldline Mechanic Service went to Sonora's own Wayne Webb and the Garden Club Cooking Team. Sonora's "Outhouse Cookers" (the Adkins) finished third in this category.

A prize was even given by CellularOne, for the "Longest Distance" traveled, and once again

went to the barefooted cooker from Alvin, Texas, "Stump".

The "Pico Piasano" eating contest, sponsored by The Sutton County Steak House, put a spark in the mouths of the contestants who gave it a try, with Edward Mata of Sonora taking the title of "fastest".

There was a consistent crowd under the shade trees, with washer-pitchin' contests going on all afternoon.

Local talent, *Bordertrash*, took to the stage after the awards ceremony, drawing everyone to the slab to start a night of dancing and fun.

Mark David Manders headlined the event and had crowds singing along with many favorites and introduced some of their new music for dancers to enjoy.

The West Texas Championship Cook-Off committee has already begun plans for next year's event, so if you missed this one, start working on that recipe for next year's winning meat or chili!

The top ten winners in all events were as follows:

**Brisket - sponsored by Sonora Chemical, The Devil's River News and Niblett's Oilfield:**

1. Olen Harris, "Lubbock's Best", Lubbock
2. Steve Taylor, "Circle T Cooking", San Angelo
3. James Timmons, "No Luck Cookers II", Crane
4. Robert Bredemeyer, "We Don't Cook Sheep", Sweetwater
5. Michael Kissire, "MK Cooking Team", Sonora
6. Ed Kelly, "Team Midland", Midland
7. Johnny Murray, "Johnny Murray Cooking Team", Odessa
8. Pat Timmons, "No Luck Cookers I", Crane
9. Tom Wilde, "Chef Boy Howdy Team", San Angelo
10. Fred Lazarus, "Sweet Meat Team", Mertzon

**Ribs - sponsored by Quickbonds, Mittle Dozing and Schlumberger:**

1. Joe Crawford, "Crawford Cooking", Midland
2. Olin Harris, "Lubbock's Best", Lubbock
3. Sue Yates, "Happy Cookers", San Angelo
4. Pat Timmons, "No Luck Cookers I", Crane
5. Ed Kelly, "Team Midland", Midland
6. Robert Bredemeyer, "We Don't Cook Sheep", Sweetwater
7. Cord Bowman, "Rough Country Cooking Team", Ballinger
8. Steve Taylor, "Circle T Cooking", San Angelo
9. Fred Lazarus, "Sweet Meat", Mertzon

## 2003 Softball All-District



Lady Bronco Softball All-District: Kali Roberts, Tamika Marshall, Adriana Castillo, Deneyra Gloria and Brea Hughes (not pictured: Debra Martinez and Ashley Parker).

The Sonora Lady Bronco Softball team had a strong season, with six girls being chosen for the All-District Teams. Kali Roberts, Debra Martinez and Deneyra Gloria were all chosen for 1st Team All-District and Ashley Parker, Brea Hughes and Tamika Marshall made 2nd Team All-District. Adriana Castillo was given an Honorable Mention.

Kali Roberts, the pitcher for the Lady Broncos, received the S.H.S. Softball Award. Congratulations to all the Lady Broncos.

Hospital Annex. Healy seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Knight gave the accounts receivable report for May, reporting that the total revenue was up again this month and the accounts receivable was down. She reminded the board that the revenue would likely be down in June due to Dr. Pajestka being on vacation and Dr. Calderon's office not being open all this month.

The financial report for April was also given by Knight. The hospital made a profit of \$13,927 for the month. Revenue remains above what was budgeted and expenses

are well under budget. Money was received for the Tobacco settlement this month. Knight said these monies most likely will not last much longer and the amounts will continue to decrease each year. Expenses are expected to increase in June due to the set up of the new doctor and the repairs to the rent houses.

The May expenditures were presented and approved and the meeting was adjourned.



Curtis Lipham (left), Lisa Lipham (far right), Miss Sutton County Koda Armke (center right), Little Mr. Sutton County Carter Zook and Little Miss Sutton County Kaitlyn Lopez (front) present Olen Harris the Overall Champion Award in memory of Jermy Brown Lipham.

10. Bunk Bowman, "Bunk Team", Uvaco
9. Scott Killam, "One Boot Team", Ozona
10. Steve Taylor, "Circle T Cooking", San Angelo
- Goat - sponsored by XS Ranch, Powell-Holman Boer Goats and SM Fence Co.:**
1. Curtis Lipham, "Flying Cabrito Bros.", Anson and Sonora
2. Sue Yates, "Happy Cookers", San Angelo
3. Rita Lipham, "Risky Rita and the Senoritas", Anson and Sonora
4. James Timmons, "No Luck Cookers II", Crane
5. Leo Cavaness, "Ashes On Fire", Rankin

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"Ashes of Fire" had a great set up and show, winning "Showmanship" and "Best Pit".

## Budget Cuts For County Include Potties At Allison Park

by Storie Sharp

The decrease in values will be affecting budgets all over Sutton County, causing cuts to be made in areas that are not revenue neutral (meaning it money is spent, but money is also earned). This is what Sutton County Judge Carla Garner explained at Monday's meeting of the County Commissioner's Court. The topic of discussion the was the cost of putting port-a-potties at Allison Park. In year's past Sutton County has paid to have four county-owned potties placed at the park during the summer months. Last year, one of the larger potties was

destroyed by a fallen limb. Another of the three remaining toilets was destroyed in a recent wind storm. Garner explained that it was entirely too costly to replace the damaged facilities and that even the two remaining toilets would cost over \$15,000 for the county to maintain this summer. A lengthy discussion was held regarding rentals of the slab area at the park and Garner said that the amount earned for the few actual rentals at the park did not come near to covering the cost to the County. Garner and the com-

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## B&H Caterers Opens For Business



B & H Catering, owned and operated by Harold & Benita Martinez, had their "Grand Opening" at 207 W. Chestnut in Sonora on Thursday, June 5th. The Sonora Chamber of Commerce greeted them with a ribbon cutting and a free year of membership as new members.

Harold and Benita treated guests to some cold lemonade and tempted their taste buds with the smell of cooking brisket on the pit. The shop was open for business at lunch, with the picnic tables filling up quickly. B & H is open daily from 7:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. with a menu of brisket, sausage, chicken, pork ribs, etc. and all the side orders.

B & H Catering expanded their facilities and their services, offering lunch and dinner and catering for parties, dances, family reunions, or any kind of gathering, be it large or small. Maria Capuchino & Betty Arredondo are on hand to help with the cooking and Amy Ramirez helps with bookings and to assist customers with menu planning. B & H Catering is a full service caterer and can help you plan the food for your next party.

Call 325/387-2528 or 325/206-1268 for more information.





## Sonora Church Directory

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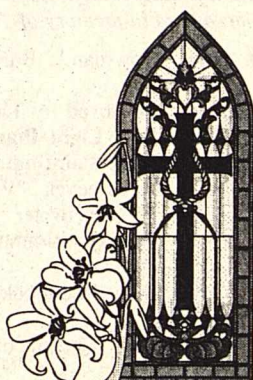
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Pastor Mike Dixon  
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**Kerbow Funeral Home**  
387-2266

## Realistic Expectations for Mars Historic Visit

Perhaps you've heard--late this summer Mars will come closer to Earth than it has been in 60 millennia. The red planet will appear larger and brighter than at any time in recorded history. It'll be an astronomical show you won't want to miss.

Now with that being said, let's put this in proper perspective. Between now and the end of August, the hype will intensify, leading to great, and maybe unrealistic, expectations.

Do you recall the 1986 visit of Halley's Comet, the famous comet that comes around every 76 years? It generated great interest and anticipation, but also considerable disappointment. Its 1910 pass was reportedly spectacular, so expectations ran high for 1986--folks anticipated an equally awesome display. But when Halley put on only a good, but not spectacular, show, many were disappointed.

So that Mars in 2003 doesn't repeat the 1986 Halley experience, let's look at what we can realistically expect this summer. At 4:51 a.m., August 27, 2003, Mars and Earth will be separated by 34,646,418 miles. According to Italian astronomer Aldo Vitagliano, an expert in orbital mechanics, the last time Mars was this close to Earth was in 57,617 BCE, back when our ancestors presumably were proverbial "cave men." When seen in telescopes, Mars will appear about half the diameter of Jupiter. For a few weeks it will be brighter than Jupiter ever gets, and second only to Venus and the Moon. So what can we expect to see? Since neither Jupiter nor Venus will be prominent this summer, the fiery red planet will dominate the naked-eye night sky on moonless nights throughout August and September, blazing brighter than any star. While binoculars won't add much, telescopes will reveal Mars as a small reddish ball. Any visible surface features will be faint and subtle. Mars' southern hemisphere is now tilted toward us, exposing its southern polar cap which will be prominent through June. But as it's now spring in Mars' southern hemisphere, the white-colored polar cap will partially thaw and grow smaller in July and August. It should still be visible, just smaller.

There are sure to be public Mars-viewing star parties hosted by local astronomy societies, so watch for announcements. And we'll be talking more about Mars, so stay tuned to this column.

**SKY CALENDAR.**  
\* 12 Thu. evening: A large gibbous Moon is above Scorpius' brightest star, Antares, in the southeast, then to the right of the star in the southwest Friday morning, and then to the star's lower left Friday evening.

\* 13 Fri.: Today is the year's only Friday the 13th, a bad-luck day but only for the superstitious.

\* 14 Sat.: Tonight's full Moon of June is called Rose Moon, Flower Moon and Strawberry Moon.

\* 19 Thu. morning: A gibbous Moon is below Mars in the southwest.

\* 21 Sat. morning: Mercury is less than a moonwidth to the lower right of Venus in the east northeast, but unfortunately they don't rise above the horizon until an hour before sunrise; binoculars will be needed.

\* 21 Sat.: The Moon is at 3rd quarter, good for evening stargazing but not morning.

\* 21 Sat.: Summer solstice--first day of summer and the year's longest day.

\* 22 Sun. morning: Mars is 3 degrees (the width of 3 fingers held at arm's length) below Uranus in the south southeast, but seeing distant Uranus will require binoculars or a telescope.

\* 26 Thu. morning: A crescent Moon is to the lower right of Taurus' Pleiades star cluster low in the east northeast.

### PLANETS.

MERCURY is to the upper right of VENUS in the morning sky near the east northeastern horizon shortly before sunrise. MARS, which dominates the morning sky, rises just before 1 a.m., while JUPITER, which dominates the evening sky, sets at midnight. SATURN is now too near the setting Sun for good viewing. NEPTUNE rises at midnight with URANUS coming up an hour later, but neither can be seen without optical aids.

Paul Derrick is an amateur astronomer who lives in Waco. Contact him at 918 N. 30th, Waco, 76707, (254) 753-6920 or pjderrick@aol.com. See the Stargazer Web site at stargazerpaul.com.

## Obituaries

### Earl Gene Hokit

Memorial services were held on Monday afternoon for Earl Gene Hokit at the Church of the Good Shepherd. Good friend and pastor, the Reverend Lewis Allen officiated the service. Prior to the service, lunch was graciously served by the congregation for the immediate family and friends.

Survivors include his wife of 24 years Helen Hokit of Sonora, three sisters, Frena Snyder of Tusahoma, OK, Beta Joe Rorberts of Okema, OK, Betty Baker of Irving TX. Sister-in-law Carolyn Hokit of Buffalo Valley, OK, adopted daughter Donna Harrison of El Paso, TX and godchild Tori

Valliant of Sonora all attended the service.

Also attending were: sister of the wife Mary Roberts, Weatherford, TX, step children, Caroline & Ray Vogt, Houston, Glynn Wood, Jacksonville, FL, Linda & Donald Johnson, San Diego, CA, Charles Harrison, El Paso, TX, step Grandson Michael Stewart, Atlanta, GA, Great Aunt Doris Wood, Talpa, TX, Long time friends of the family Tommy, Brenda, Trapper and Travis Valliant.

Our special thank you to all the people of Sonora and friends that traveled so far to share these moments with us.

### Seferino Perales "Jeff" Martinez

Martinez, Seferino Perales, "Jeff", 69, of Sterling City passed away Sunday, June 8, 2003, in Sterling City.

Funeral services were at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 11, at La Hermosa Baptist Church in Sterling City with the Reverend Edward Oliveras officiating. Interment followed in the City Cemetery.

He was born Sept. 18, 1933, to Bartolo and Concepcion Martinez in Acuna, Mexico. Jeff worked most of his life in the petroleum industry where he learned many different aspects of the business. After retiring from Canyon Pipeline, he spent his days working around the house with his family and enjoyed helping people in town. Jeff was a deeply Christian man, who firmly believed in God and attending church. He married Mary Mindieta on June 28, 1958, and they enjoyed 45 beautiful years together.

He was preceded in death by two sons, Eddie and Joe Louis Martinez.

He is survived by his loving family, wife, Mary Martinez of Sterling City, three sons, Carlos Martinez of Sonora, Mike Martinez of Waco and Roy Martinez of Waco; one daughter-in-law, Delores Martinez of Waco, five grandchildren, Veronica Rodriguez, Laura Martinez, Crystal Martinez, Joe Louis Martinez, Jr. and Jolynn Gallegos; seven great-grandchildren; two brothers, Ricardo Martinez of San Angelo and Antonio Martinez of Del Rio; two sisters, Vincenta Castillo of Mason and Virginia Martinez of Del Rio; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins; and one special friend, Leticia Birch.

The family wishes to express their heartfelt thanks and appreciation to everyone involved at Hospice.

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--William Jennings Bryan

For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord.  
They are plans for good and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.  
Jeremiah 29:11

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## Senior Center News

June 16 - Bingo after lunch.  
June 17 - CEAP Energy Assistance. Call Center for help.  
June 18 - Van to San Angelo. Call Lilia now! 387-3941  
June 20 - Volunteer to deliver meals...we need YOU!

### Senior Menu

June 16 - Chicken strips with gravy, broccoli, roll, baked potatoes, peach cobbler, milk.  
June 17 - Chopped steak with gravy, cooked carrots, parslid potatoes, cucumber/tomato salad, bread pudding, milk.  
June 18 - BBQ chicken, pinto beans, potato salad, cornbread, apricot/banana medley, milk.  
June 19 - Meatloaf with tomatoes, black-eyed peas, glazed carrots, bread, melon salad, milk.  
June 20 - Chicken fajitas, rice, pinto beans, lettuce, tomatoes, jello with fruit, milk.  
Lunch is served Monday thru Friday at 12:00 Noon.  
\$1.50 donation is suggested for those 60+ and \$4.00 for others.  
\*Menu is subject to change.\*

## Community

June 12  
Chamber of Commerce Meeting  
12:00 Noon • Sutton County Steakhouse

June 17  
City Council Meeting  
2:00 p.m. • City Hall

June 17-19  
Annual Sonora Wool & Mohair Show  
Annual National 4-H Wool Judging Contest  
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The Community Calendar

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## Calendar

June 19  
Special School Board Meeting  
10:00 a.m. • City Hall

June 23  
County Commissioners Meeting  
9:00 a.m. • Annex Bldg.

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## Ask the Historical Society

by Jo-Ann E. Palmer, Secretary  
Sutton County Historical Society

THANK YOU GOD FOR THE RAIN! It sure is nice to be able to say that two weeks in a row.

We are making a special rail around the porch to prevent splash back from the rain. If you have not given a branding iron to the society you might want to stop by and loan us one or bring your torch and put your brand on one of the boards that will be used in construction. We want to show off as many of our local brands as possible and don't want to leave anyone out!

Now we will take a little walk through some of 1928 and see what some of the locals were up to: Devil's River News January 27, 1928- W. A. Miers sustained a fractured collar bone when the Studebaker coupe he was driving swerved from the road in a dip and turned over about four miles from San Angelo on Lipan Flat about 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon of this week. Mr. Miers was taken into San Angelo by the occupants of a passing car. The bone was set and Mr. Miers was confined to his bed at the Naylor Hotel for at least a week.

Buddie Smith, former high school athlete of the Sonora High School, but now employed at the J. S. Holman ranch south of Sonora, was here today to dispose of his winter's catch of furs, most of which were skunk hides. It is reported that young Smith uses polecat hides for legal tender. Everybody knows when he is in town without even seeing him, as he carries the sweet aroma of the polecat along with him.

Devil's River News, March 2, 1928-There is much building being done in Sonora. Stites Motor Co. will remodel their present building, utilizing the brick wall of the Dew Drop Inn. They will also install a large plate glass front. The McDonald Hotel has a new addition of eight rooms with adjoining baths, the entire front of the building will be stuccoed and cement porches have already been added. Gilmore Hardware will furnish the new rooms with Simmons beds, each with the famous Simmons cold springs and mattresses, large walnut dressers, walnut writing tables, walnut grip stands, one straight chair in each room. There will be a bathroom for each two rooms in the addition. Excavation work has started on the West Texas Utilities Co. new plant here. The old Adams homestead has been torn down. The Devil's River news concluded arrangements for the purchase of a new price, having about twice the capacity of the present one.

Devil's River News, March 9, 1928-"Red" Fitzsimmons (Fambrough) continues his slugging of semi-professional boxers with a referee's decision over "Kid" Johnson of El Paso. He also won a decision in a ten round bout with Vigo Doman at Hollywood.

March 16, 1928-B. W. Hutcherson is remodeling his home by adding two rooms. T. W. Long, the contractor of Eldorado, said the



Front Row: Miss Jessie Johnson, Joyce Johnson and Henry Burkett (Game Warden); Second Row: Hutch Hutchison (Sheriff), Malcolm Bollinger (Highway Patrolman); Third Row: Clyde Henderson (Deputy Sheriff) and an unknown highway patrolman. Taken around 1949-50 on the north side of the courthouse steps.

house will have seven rooms when finished.

George Whitehead, prince of good men, was here Thursday on business and reports good rains in the Del Rio section. Reports of at least 3/4 inch of rain came in from all over the county and some had small hail in the storm on Saturday. This should be enough to make good grass and weeds. It is much better than the 32 degrees and light snow we had on Monday.

March 30, 1928-WTU buys out Eaton utility plant and will start operation of their new plant on April 1st. The newly organized Sonora Construction Co., charter for which was granted last week to W. L. Aldwell, E. F. Vander Stucken and Roy Aldwell, is the owner of a 35 by 100 ft. site on Main St. and Concho Ave., on which land the new \$70,000 First National Bank is to be built. The land was purchased for \$2,000. McDonald Hotel now has 44 rooms and the A & W Drug Store will open for business on April 2nd. Sonora will get four blocks paved.

May 18, 1928-Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Long paid \$5,000 for the 20 by 100 foot lot owned by Theo. Savell and will build a 10,000 building for their barber shop and style shop. The frame building of the E. F. Vander Stucken Co. is being torn down this week to make space for a new and modern brick and tile building. This is the first building Sonora had and was erected by Chas. Adams and known as the Supply Co. building. Vander Stucken's new building will cost \$15,000 says J. T. McClelland the contractor. J. W. Trainer announced this week that he bought a lot on Main St. formerly owned by W. C. Bryson and will erect a 20x70 building to house his gents furnishing dept. and tailor shop.

May 4, 1928-\$35,000 of damage was sustained in a fire around midnight on Monday from an explosion in the stove at the rear of the Rutledge Café. Mr. Rutledge lost all his property in the café and the building owned by Mr. Mayfield was a loss. Gilmore Hardware lost their tin shop in the rear of the hardware store but the

store was saved by a rock wall between them and the fire. The City Market, owned by Theo Savell and H. P. Cooper was destroyed as was the J. W. Trainer Friendly Store. E. S. Long lost his Barber Shop. The Stites Motor Co and A&W Drug Store were saved from damage, except for smoke, by their fire walls.

May 25, 1928- Gilmore Hardware will erect a new fire-proof building in the near future. The building will be 40 by 92 feet with a brick front, tile wall and metal ceiling. The structure will cost about \$8,000.

By listing the building that was going on in 1928 we have given you a history of many of the old buildings on Main Street. Except for the Jackson Block (1902), most of the buildings on Main St. were built in 1928. Several are from a later date and can be easily recognized by the style of architecture such as the addition to Sonora City Hall, State Farm Insurance and Team Graphics buildings.

If you wish to rent the John & Mildred Cauthorn Memorial Building (Old Depot), please call the office when we are open. If you would like to volunteer to do work with the Sutton County Historical Society, just stop by any day we are open. The Miers Home could use a good sweeping, there is filing to be done in the office and lots of things to be catalogued since our move. There are still many pictures with no names on them in the files just waiting for some of you to come by and look at them.

If you have any questions concerning Sutton County history, send them to "Ask the Historical Society," P.O. Box 885, Sonora, TX 76950-0885 or give us a call Monday, Tuesday Mornings or Friday at 325-387-5084. This Tuesday will be a little hectic as Kiser Carpet is coming down and replacing matting that was damaged when we got flooded out. A drain has been set into the concrete in front of the door, areas that hadn't been caulked and hopefully all deficiencies corrected.

## Chamber Chatter

This weeks Chamber Chatter Column is featuring La Mexicana & the 66th Annual Sonora Wool & Mohair Show.

La Mexicana Restaurante is owned and operated by Tabitha Sanchez-Abrego, daughter of Arturo "Square" & Brenda Sanchez. La Mexicana has been serving excellent Mexican and American food for fourteen years right here in Sonora. La Mexicana features a daily lunch buffet priced right and guaranteed to satisfy even the most discerning taste buds. When you order from the wide selection on the menu, large portions of piping hot Mexican food is served with a smile by the friendly and polite wait staff at La Mexicana. For those who are not a fan of Mexican food, La Mexicana has a large selection of American Food, served equally as hot and with the same smile.

For a delicious and enjoyable meal take your family to see the Sanchez family at La Mexicana, 204 Hwy. 277 North, in Sonora. Take out orders are welcome, call 325/387-3401.

For those of us who are native to Sonora, the Sonora Wool & Mohair Show holds many great memories. For those of you that were not lucky enough to grow up in this area I would like to tell you the purposes of The Wool & Mohair Show. The purposes are listed as follows: \* To encourage production of profitable livestock. \* To encourage a thorough knowledge of range vegetation. \* To encourage a profitable production and preparation of Wool & Mohair. \* To sponsor a type of club work applicable to the ranching area. I'm thankful to live in a community where these things are still promoted and taught to our youth and adults alike. The Sonora Wool & Mohair Show brings many out of town people to Sonora to learn, compete, and exchange knowledge and ideas.

Through all the different judging contests, young people not only compete but learn the value of quality products and learn to recognize plant life and vegetation. Teams will compete in Livestock judging, Range judging, and Wool & Mohair judging, for most of the day on Wednesday June 18th. On Thursday June 19th the Forty-Third National 4-H Wool Judging and the Third National FFA Wool Judging Contest will be held. During the day on Wednesday you may stop by the Wool House to view the fleeces and bags of Wool & Mohair that were entered in the open contest. Many Wool & Mohair producers from this and other areas enter their fleeces and bags to be judged against each other. The competition is usually of the highest quality. Through this wonderful tradition of competition many people, young & not so young, have learned a great deal.

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## Anniversary

### Allens Celebrate Twenty Five Years



On May 18, 2003, a celebration of the marriage of Lewis and Cyndy Allen was held.

Lewis and Cyndy were married on May 20, 1978. In recognition of their continuing commitment to each other and the union blessed by God, their children and the church family of the Presbyterian Church of the Good Shepherd honored them with a surprise party. Celebrating with them were men, women and children who they have touched with their love. People from Junction (Lewis' boyhood home) Lamesa (Cyndy's childhood home), Rocksprings (Lewis helps out in the pulpit there), Sanderson (Lewis served as pastor of the Presbyterian church there), as well as many from Sonora came and wished the couple well. In Sonora, Lewis has been active in the Lion's Club, is the treasurer of the Ministerial Alliance, is a member of the Controlled Burn Assoc., sits as Chairman of the Eaton Hill Committee on the Sonora Industrial Board, is the Scout Master and is president of the Sutton County Hospital Board of Directors.

Cyndy prefers to be a force behind the scenes and leads others through her acts of kindness, encouragement, and helpfulness. She is employed by Multi-Chem. They have blessed others, both individually and as a couple, showing the power of lives rooted and blessed by Christ.

We wish them much happiness as they continue in God's love and their love for each other, their family and so many others.

## Father's Day

His hands were callused and worn and his skin leathery from long hours in the sun. He did not have a fine suit to wear or a new car to drive. He raised his family in a small house. He did not have a job that made lots of money but somehow they raised their children on what he made. He was on time for work, a hard worker, trustworthy and honest. He had many friends and wasn't a drinker or fighter. On Sunday he would put on his best clothes and take his family to Church. He tried to live the Christian life and would never be unfaithful to his wife. He tried to be there for his family when-

ever they needed him. He prayed for each child and his wife and tried to teach them about the love of God. Many times it wasn't easy and he wanted to give up but wouldn't because there were mouths to feed and bills to pay. God is pleased when Husbands and Fathers try to live this way (Deuteronomy 4:9,10, Proverbs 20:7, Ephesians 6:1-4). Next Sunday say a special thanks to your Dad or give him a little gift or a hug if he is living, if not say a prayer of thanksgiving to God for him. See you in Church on Sunday.  
Brother J

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## Glasscock Awarded Military Morin Family Celebrates Double Graduations

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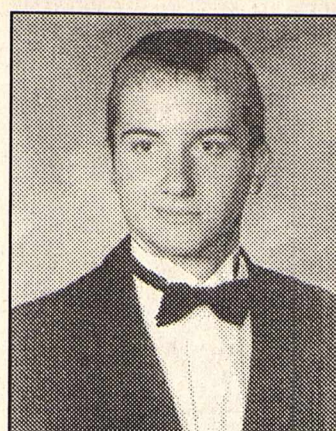
One of the military community's premier benefits has become even more valuable to 550 college and high school students. The third annual Scholarships for Military Children Program winners have been announced and the "Honor Roll" is impressive. Over 6,500 students applied for the scholarships at commissary locations worldwide.

Matthew Glasscock of Sonora is a recipient of a \$1500 college scholarship awarded at Goodfellow AFB. Goodfellow AFB is one of nearly 280 commissaries operated worldwide by the Defense Commissary Agency (DeCA). Matthew's parents are Nancy & Ray Glasscock. Matthew is enrolled at Texas A&M University. His school and community activities include National Honor Society, Student Council, Boy Scouts, FCA and Relay for Life.

The Scholarships for Military Children Program was initiated in 2000 by DeCA to award scholarships to graduating high school seniors or college-enrolled students. The scholarship program is open to qualified sons and daughters of members of the U.S. Armed Services including active duty, retirees, guards/reserves, as well as children of deceased personnel.

Applicants for the 2003 program were required to maintain a minimum 3.0 grade point average, participate in voluntary school and community activities, demonstrate leadership qualities and write an essay on "How being the child of a military service member has influenced your educational goals."

Manufacturers and organizations that do business with the commissary system funded the scholarships with money ordinarily used for various other contests and promotions. Matthew's scholarship at Goodfellow AFB was funded



Matthew Glasscock

through the generosity of Dr. Pepper/7 Up, Inc.

The Fisher House Foundation administered the Scholarships for Military Children Program through Scholarship Managers, a professional scholarship management services organizations. Fisher House is known for building the military comfort homes near military medical facilities.

Defense Commissary Agency Director Maj. Gen. Michael P. Wiedemer said, "We are excited to announce a record number of awards in 2003. The scholarship program exemplifies just one way DeCA, industry and the military community partner to create a win-win situation for everyone."

As in prior year programs, the level of competition continues to be very keen. "The cumulative GPA remains in the 3.8 range," said Bernard T. Coté, President of Scholarship Managers. "The key difference between the children of military personnel and the general population continues to be a higher level of maturity as displayed by the essays written by the applicants."

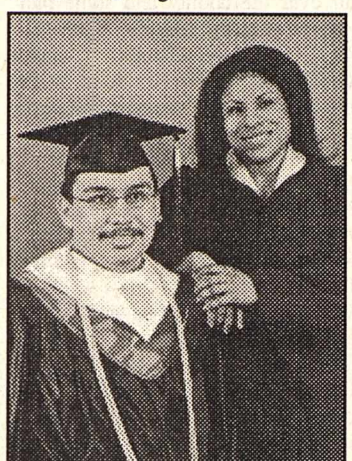
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Richard Paul Morin, son of Ricardo and Elizabeth Morin, formerly of Sonora, TX, graduated from Ropes High School in Ropesville, Texas.

Maribel Morin, daughter of Daniel and Yolanda Morin, former Sonora residents, graduated from Brownfield High School in Brownfield, Texas.

Both Richard and Maribel are the grandchildren of Jacinto and Josefa Garza of Sonora. Richard Paul's plans are to be a high school theatre arts teacher, while working on his masters degree. He would eventually like to teach at a community college. In high school he was a member of the National Honor Society and was involved in several one-act play productions.

Maribel plans to enlist in the Army, where she will be a member of the Reserves. While there she plans to be a computer personnel specialist, while studying toward a career in nursing.



Richard Paul and Maribel Morin

## F.Y.I.

A trust fund has been established for Vivian Mears at the First National Bank, to assist with medical expenses.

4-H Playdays will be 6/24, 7/8, 7/15 and 7/29 at the Sutton County arena, enter at 6:00 p.m. for a 6:30 p.m. start. Events will be pole bending, barrels, and goat tying. Age divisions are: lead line, 8 & under, 9 to 11, 12 to 15 and 16 to 19 determined by age on 6/10/03. There is a one time fee of \$25 to participate. A current negative coggins is required and will be checked with entry. Call the Sutton County Extension Office at 387-3101 for more information.

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**Jim Bowie Days 5K Run/Walk, Menard, TX, Saturday, June 21, 2003.** Registration \$15. Registration - 8:00 a.m., Race - 9:00 a.m. Each participant will receive a free T-shirt. For more information call Penny Wade at 325-396-2365.

**St. Ann's Parish Team "Castro/Duran & Friends" will be selling Menudo, Pan Dulce and Brisket Plates (brisket, beans, potato salad, dessert and tea) for \$6 on Sunday, June 22nd at St. Ann's Hall from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** If you would like to order ahead of time call Mon. - Fri. 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at 387-2278 or after 4:00 p.m. 387-3327. On June 22nd call 387-5190 - We can deliver! All money raised from the food sales will go towards the St. Ann's Parish Building Fund.

**Sutton County EMS is sponsoring an EMT-Basic course that begins August 12, 2003 and ends November 8, 2003.** The classes will be held at 211 East Third Street, in Sonora. Classes are on Tuesday and Thursday nights, starting at 6:00 p.m. and ending at 10:00 p.m. There will be two classes that will be held on a Saturday. Please contact the Sutton County EMS office at 387-5132 if interested.

**New Life Ministries is announcing a Sabbatical - there will be no services this month.** We are so thankful to all who have participated with us in worship throughout these five years, and invite anyone without a home church to join us Sunday, July 13, at 10:00 AM to "press in...in the Kingdom" through worship, as we Prepare a Place for His Presence!

## TDH Issues Hot Weather Advisory!

The Texas Department of Health Regions 9 and 10 advises are residents to take precautions during hot summer weather to reduce the risk of heat exhaustion and heat stroke.

Heat exhaustion occurs when a person has been in a very warm place, indoors or outdoors, has sweat profusely and has not replaced the fluids and salts lost during sweating. Symptoms of heat exhaustion include: confusion, dizziness, nausea, headache, stomach cramps, shallow breathing, muscle tremors and heavy sweating.

Heat stroke occurs when the body can no longer control its temperature. A person with heat stroke will have a high body temperature (up to 106°F); hot, dry skin; no sweating; a rapid heartbeat and may lose consciousness. Heat stroke can result from over exposure to sunlight or to very high temperatures (indoors and outdoors) and can result in death or permanent disability if not treated quickly.

To reduce your risk of heat stroke or heat exhaustion:

- **Drink plenty of fluids.** You need 1½ quarts of fluid each day, even if you do not feel thirsty. When you are working or exercising you need even more fluids. Choose water, fruit juice, or other non-alcoholic beverages. Avoid alcohol, caffeine and beverages with a lot of sugar.

- **Plan strenuous outdoor activities for early or late in the day when it is cooler.** Take frequent breaks when you are working outdoors.

- **Wear a hat, sun screen and light-colored, loose-fitting clothes when you are outside.** Inside, wear as few clothes as possible. Babies should also be dressed lightly, in loose-fitting clothes during hot weather.

- **Never leave a person or pet in a closed, parked vehicle.** The air temperature in a car can rise very quickly during hot weather.

- **Stay indoors in a cool environment as much as possible,** until your heat tolerance is well established. If you do not have air conditioning, use fans and lower the window shades. In a very humid environment, aim your fans through a window to blow the hot air out.

- **Check frequently on people who are elderly, ill or may need help.**

- **Make sure your pets have plenty of water and shade.**

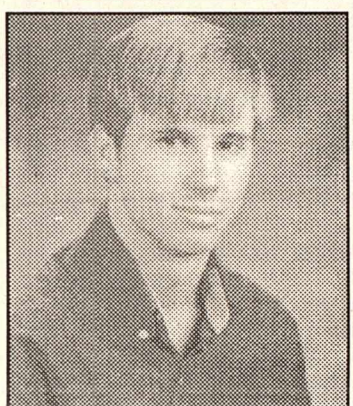
If you notice signs of heat exhaustion, move the person to a cool or shaded place and give them liquids (cool water or fruit juice). If you suspect heat stroke, cool the person rapidly in a cold water bath (not ice) or wrap in wet sheets. Call 911 for an ambulance transport to the nearest hospital. Do not give fluids if the person is unconscious.

## Texas A&M Kingsville Awards Scholarship To Benson

Nearly 200 graduating seniors from around Texas qualified to attend Texas A&M University - Kingsville this fall under the Presidential Scholarship program. The three-tiered approach allows the university to reward high academic achieving students with scholarships based on grade and test scores.

Students who meet the requirements automatically qualify for the awards. It is not a competition. The scholarships are for one year and are renewable as long as the students maintain the qualifying grade point average.

The presidential scholarship program has three tiers. The Presidential Gold award, The Presidential Silver award and The Presidential Blue award. **Shane Allen Benson of Sonora received the Presidential Blue award.** This award is for students who have at



Shane Benson

least a 3.0 grade point average and a SAT score of 970 or ACT score of 21. Blue scholarship winners received \$1,000 scholarships.

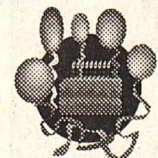
For more information on the scholarships call financial aid at 361-593-3911.

## Happy Birthday

**June 12 - Don Harris, Kaden Kinder, Ann Feagin, Jeff Welch**  
**June 13 - Lilia Cervantez, Monica Lira, Evan Gulley, Ronnie Geske**  
**June 14 - Mason Martinez, Sidney Dermody, Linda Johnson, Carolyn Earwood**  
**June 15 - Valerie Jones, Shane Mathews, Alexandra Vela, April Castillo**  
**June 16 - Sharee Johnson, Brigitte Rogers, Victoria Richardson, Cynthia Ward, Brandi Baize, Davis Jimenez, Reid Rousselot, Olga Romero, Kevin Buitron, Jacob Perez**  
**June 17 - Shainah Johnson, Suzanne Huddleston, Terry Vickers, Shane Benson, Jesse Vela, Adrian Chavez**  
**June 18 - Freddy Virgen, Anna Coronado**



## Happy Birthday! Guess Who?



**From the Whole Bunch!**

*From Wife to Mother;  
Mayor to Vice President of a Bank  
she held it all together  
and gave it all her heart  
but now she is the*  
**Big 4-0**  
*and she seems to be falling apart!*  
**Happy Birthday JoAnn!**



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Banks often unload repossessed vehicles to car dealers at rock-bottom prices - allowing dealers to re-sell them for retail value. But bargain-seekers can take heart: This week, Mitchell Buick Pontiac GMC is going to change that.

This Wednesday, June 11th through Saturday, June 14th, Mitchell Buick Pontiac GMC will offer 90 bank repossessed, lease returns, fleet returns, auction vehicles and other clean used vehicles for thousands below normal values, and pass the savings on to their customers.

"These vehicles have been acquired at incredible savings from banks (repos), auctions, and other sources," Alvin Beaty of Mitchell Buick Pontiac GMC said. "We have been asked to sacrifice this inventory immediately - regardless of loss or profit. And if that means

selling these vehicles some for thousands below normal values, then that's what we'll do."

Every bank repossessed and other pre-owned vehicles will be available for just a \$59 possession fee\* then start making payments. Payments starting at \$99 per month.\* "It's that simple," said Alvin Beaty. "To make these bargains even easier, we'll mark the pay-

ments right on the windshield. Just pick your payment and then pick your vehicle. You won't find a faster, easier way to get a great deal on a pre-owned vehicle."

Almost every type of vehicle and price range will be available, from luxury 4x4s to basic transportation. Many are still under factory warranty. "With our pre-owned inventory near an all-time high, chances are we have what you're looking for in stock and ready to drive home," Mr. Beaty added.

Trade-ins will be accepted, and customers should bring their title or payment book to expedite delivery. "The opportunity San Angelo area bargain-hunters have been waiting for happens this Wednesday through Saturday at Mitchell Buick Pontiac GMC. Every bank repo and other used vehicle is just \$59 then start making payments.\* Customers may never see savings like this again," said Mr. Beaty.

After the \$59 Super Sale ends at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 12, many of these vehicles will be sent to auction. Any questions can be directed to (325)949-1811. Mitchell Buick Pontiac GMC is located at 4105 Sherwood Way in San Angelo.

Extra sales and finance staff will be on hand to assure customers prompt, quality service and the best finance terms possible. Mr. Beaty said, "We'll have over \$4 million in financing available for this event, so chances are we can arrange financing for just about anyone who is employed, regardless of past credit history."

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We would like to thank everyone who helped make Project Graduation 2003 a success. There were over 90 students present, over 300 items were purchased at the store, and over 80 items were sold at the auction. In addition, hundreds of items, large and small, were given away in random drawings. Last but not least, computers were won by two seniors, Brittany Longoria and Justin Sims, and a \$500.00 scholarship to a vocational school was won by Judy Gutierrez. None of this would have been possible without Sonora's generosity which helps to ensure the safety of our kids on graduation night.

We would especially like to thank the high school staff and Mr. Bawcom for all of their help, all of the junior and senior parents who put in so many hours, junior students who helped with set-up and moving items,

The Bank & Trust and Ronda Hall for allowing us to store items, Teaff's for use of moving blankets,

Preston Faris for auctioneering, and everyone who donated money and items.

It's hard to imagine that the hours from 10:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. could fly by so fast.

As the old saying goes "time flies when you're having fun" and everyone, from student to parent, had fun!

So many kids, so little sleep and nothing but well behaved, polite, appreciative kids.

The future is indeed bright for the Class of 2003 and 2004!

Sandi Ainsworth and Beth Wallace, Project Graduation Chairpersons

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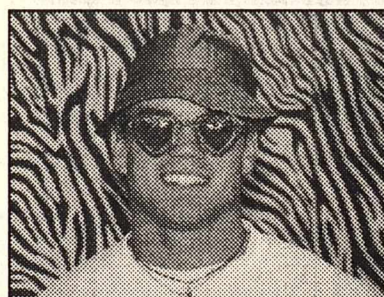
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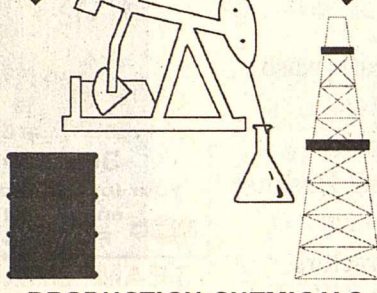
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## Vaquero Camp Teaches Respect For Outdoors and Wildlife



Camping out taught the Vaquero campers about wildlife and outdoor life.

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The 2003 Vaquero camp was held June 2nd through June 5th. The camp was a wonderful experience for eight area youths that attended the camp. Saul Benson from Ozona and seven boys are from Sonora and they are: Arnulfo Virgen, Jesse Amador, Angelo Aguayo, David Lane, Mario Oliden, Lucio Rodriguez, Diego Dominguez. Vaquero camp counselors were Ben Solis, Alex Gonzales, Refugio Martinez, and Mike Villanueva from Sonora. The camp counselor from Ozona is Charlie Lopez. The camp was held in Duval County at the Santa Rita Ranch located between Freer and Benavides, TX, where the boys learned about and participated in ranch work, completing duties expected of ranch hands. While working, the boys learned respect for adults, as well as for animals and nature. Bird watching was a new adventure for the boys, as they compiled a list and description of the birds that they saw. They were taught how to set up tents and some slept in them. Everyone enjoyed a fabulous ranch camp barbeque. The boys were taken to Padre Island at Malaquite Beach, where they collected marine

life to study. Under a Beach Ranger's guidance, they learned about collecting the samples and studying them under a microscope. The ranger informed them of the history of the beach and taught them how to measure beach temperature and wind. Next, the boys were taken to Corpus Christi where they visited the city's attractions. Among the sites were Selena's statue and her history as a singer. Another was the replicas of Columbus' three ships, the Niña, the Pinta and the Santa Maria. The boys learned first hand about the ships' history, and some of them recalled the history of Columbus and his journey in the year 1492 from the history books and prior teachers. It was another great trip. Special thanks to all the donors and supporters for the Vaquero mentorship program, Sonora ISD, St. Ann's Church, Church of the Good Shepherd, The Sutton County Child Welfare Board and Jed Davenport and the Probation Department. A special thanks goes to the parents of the children for letting them participate in this educational program.



Ben Solis and the Vaquero campers enjoy a day of learning and fun at the National Seashore in Corpus Christi, TX.

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Dominion; 8500' Duke Wilson #2109, Patterson Drilling.  
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## USDA Rural Development To Hold Forum On Available Programs

Bryan Daniel, State Director for Texas USDA Rural Development today announced a series of statewide forums to present communities with information on the many programs available from USDA Rural Development. The forums will be open to all current customers, prospective customers, and all other interested individuals and entities.

The forum for Bandera, Blanco, Gillespie, Kendall, Kerr, Kimble, Llano, Mason, Medina, Menard, Schleicher, and Sutton counties will be held on June 24, 2003, at the Upper Guadalupe River Authority Lecture Hall, 125 Lehmann Drive, Kerrville, TX from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The session will feature a presentation and discussion of all USDA Rural Development programs, in both direct and guaranteed lending opportunities, for rural utilities, community facilities, business and industry, single family housing and multi-family housing.

"USDA Rural Development is committed to making its programs and services available to all rural Texans, including individuals, small businesses, municipalities, community based organizations and tradi-

tionally underserved portions of the population. Through its support of sustainable development of communities, USDA Rural Development works to improve the quality of life in rural Texas," said Daniel.

USDA Rural Development's mission is to increase economic opportunity and improve the quality of life in rural communities throughout Texas. Through the numerous programs offered by USDA Rural Development, communities can improve the flow of capital to businesses and address the essential needs of housing, water, education and health care.

There is no cost to attend and all interested individuals are invited. To learn more or to make reservations to attend the forum, please call USDA Rural Development in Fredericksburg, Texas at (830) 997-8902, extension 4.

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## The Future of Homeland Security



### Representative Henry Bonilla

From the terrorist tragedies of September 2001 to the war in Iraq, world events have driven home the need for homeland security. Whether it is the security of our borders or the security of high-tech systems that let law enforcement agencies quickly and securely share vital information, Americans now demand that our nation deploy the most effective, proven technologies available to protect them.

As a member of the U.S. House of Representative's Appropriations Subcommittees on Defense and Foreign Operations, it has been my responsibility to help identify and fund programs and technologies to help meet our nation's homeland security objectives.

As a Texan, I'm proud of the

unique role our state has played in carrying out its responsibilities through monitoring and protecting the border and coastal areas we share with our international partner, Mexico.

As Congress and state governments consider how to establish greater homeland security, initiatives well underway in Texas should serve as a national model for the deployment of high-tech, practical security programs to defeat terrorists and prevent weapons of mass destruction from entering the country.

Law enforcement officials in Texas now employ an information network, CISAnet, established by the Criminal Information Sharing Alliance (CISA). A successful program that I have championed as a national model, this network is also used by all the Southwest states that share a border with Mexico.

Established in 1997 as a drug interdiction program, the heart of CISAnet is its ability to let local, state and federal officials share vital information securely. Prior to this network, each law enforcement agency maintained its own limited criminal information system. Because the systems were so different, from the computers they used to the security policies they had in place -- sharing of critical information was costly and often impossible.

In practice, it meant that a drug trafficker being pursued by one agency was often unknown to other law enforcement officials, creating a system full of holes that criminals could slip through.

Law enforcement officials needed to securely share informa-

tion on the criminal activities of drug offenders, regardless of state lines and jurisdictions. CISAnet was established to overcome these barriers and give law enforcement officials a vital tool for their fight in the war on drugs.

Our committee has provided funding for this project as part of several annual federal appropriations bills, and the system soon became both operational and widely successful. Law enforcement officials' ability to share information with confidence and speed led to the program being expanded to thwart money laundering and illegal weapons distribution; to develop criminal histories across multiple states and jurisdictions; and even to track missing persons.

CISAnet is fully operational in Texas, California, Arizona and New Mexico. Other states are now joining to take advantage of this successful government program.

Efforts are now underway to expand the network to other states and integrate applications with multiple federal agencies. And I will continue to support CISAnet in Congress and look forward to working with the network officials to highlight this program as national model to help achieve our nation's homeland security objectives.

We should all be proud that our Texas law enforcement officials, Information Technology professionals and technology companies are at the forefront of such cutting edge initiatives. Providing a secure information-sharing network among authorized government and law enforcement officials means a safer nation for us all.

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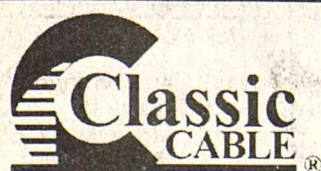


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## Cook-Off from page 1

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7. Bullet Beard, "3 'B' Bar-b-que", Del Rio  
8. Pat Timmons, "No Luck Cookers I", Crane  
9. Bunk Bowman, "Bunk Team", Uvaco  
10. Ed Kelley, "Team Midland", Midland

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1. Pat Timmons, "No Luck Cookers I", Crane  
2. Rita Lipham, "Risky Rita and the Senoritas", Anson and Sonora  
3. Fred Lazarus, "Sweet Meat", Mertzon  
4. Sue Yates, "Happy Cookers", San Angelo  
5. Louie Adams, "Quick Draw BBQ", Merkel  
6. James Timmons, "No Luck Cookers II", Crane  
7. Curtis Lipham, "Flying Cabrito Bros.", Anson and Sonora  
8. Thomas Adkins, "Outhouse Cookers", Sonora  
9. Steve Smart, "Git Ya Some A This", Sonora  
10. Leo Cavaness, "Asshes on

Fire", Rankin

**Best Camp**  
1. Wayne Webb, "Garden Club Cooking", Sonora  
2. Leo Cavaness, "Asshes on Fire", Rankin  
3. Thomas Adkins, "Outhouse Cookers", Sonora

**Showmanship**  
1. Leo Cavaness, "Asshes on Fire", Rankin  
2. Tom Wilde, "Chef Boy Howdy Team", San Angelo  
3. Wayne Webb, "Garden Club Cooking", Sonora

**Best Pit**  
1. Leo Cavaness, "Asshes on Fire", Rankin  
2. Wayne Webb, "Garden Club Cooking", Sonora  
3. Bullet Beard, "3 'B' Bar-b-que", Del Rio

**Longest Distance**  
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The Lipham family was named "Committee Members of the Year".



We don't even want to know what was in the "Outhouse Cookers" Chili!

## Commissioners from page 1

missioners discussed the fact that yes, there would be some complaints, but people would have to understand that some cuts were going to have to be made this year and this was one area that could be cut. The commissioners decided that renters of the slab would be responsible for renting their own port-a-potties. After more questions and concerns on the subject, a motion was made by Commissioner Milton Cavaness for the County to not provide port-a-potties at Allison Park this year. A second was made by Commissioner Mike Villanueva and the motion carried unanimously.

Rex Ann Friess, Chief Tax Appraiser, reported that 98.4% of the 2002 taxes had been collected. Friess said that she would not know the actual values until mid-July, with a possible decrease of approximately 12.3 million. Judge Garner informed the court that yes, drilling was currently continuing, but the wells were smaller than before and the reserves were continuing to decrease. These decreases in value will affect the tax rate.

County Auditor Maura Chavez requested that two part time summer employees be hired this year in the Courthouse. In year's past one student has been hired for the summer, and the hours have been split between the offices. Hiring two stu-

dents at 20 hours each, would allow for an additional job and the offices would not have to split personnel. The commissioners agreed to allow for two employees.

Commissioner Belia Castaneda reported that the Highway Department needed to do something about the construction material on the curve on 277 S. The materials have been there for a long time and someone is putting them out at night, causing blocked traffic and problems. It could even cause an accident to unsuspecting motorists. Judge Garner agreed to contact the department and have the problem tended to.

Commissioner Villanueva reported that he had once again been a part of the Vaquero Camp (see story page 6) and he appreciated the continued support from Sutton County.

County Attorney David Wallace reported that \$439 had been recovered from hot checks for the month of May.

Judge Garner was appointed to work with a Security Committee for Concho Valley Council of Governments. The committee will be working to implement a communication system for all the CVCOG region.

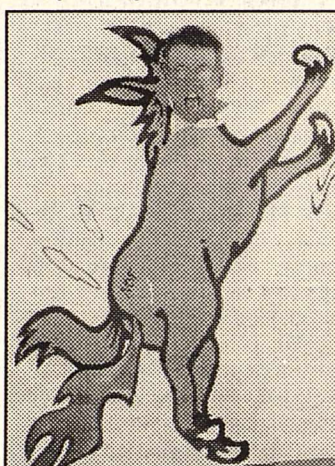
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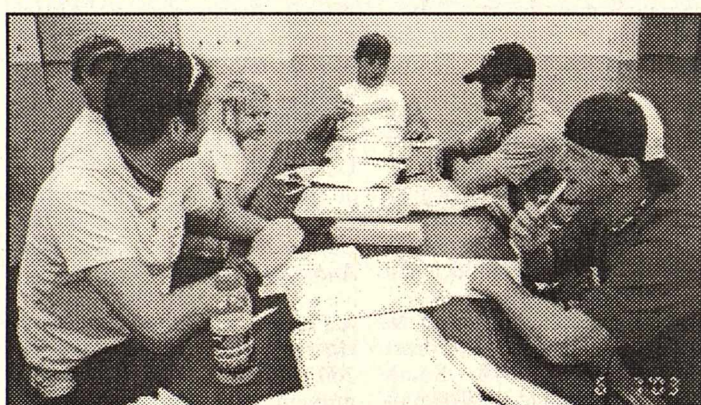
"Viagra Chili" was offered by the Chefboy Howdy Team.



Edward Mata, of Sonora, ran away with the "Pico Paisano" eating contest.



Committee President Steve Thorp, makes an "Assh" of himself!!



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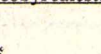


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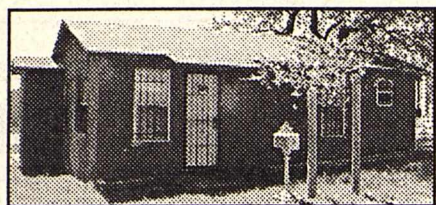


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**New Life Ministries** is announcing a Sabbathical - there will be no services this month. We are so thankful to all who have participated with us in worship throughout these five years, and invite anyone without a home church to join us Sunday, July 13, at 10:00 AM to 'press in...in the Kingdom' through worship, as we 'prepare a Place for His Presence!'

### Business Closing

**Effective immediately** Perez Wrecking Yard is no longer in business and will no longer be accepting junk cars, old appliances, and scrap metal of any kind.

Thank you, Isael Perez  
 A partir de esta fecha Perez Wrecking Yard cierra su negocio. Ya no se acepta ninguna clase de chatarra, como metal viejo, carros, estufas, refrigeradores, lavadoras; en resumen no se recibe nada de **junk de metal**.  
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**BJ Services Company** in Eldorado, TX is taking applications for Equipment Operators. Apply in person at BJ Services Company located 3 miles South of Eldorado on Highway 277. BJ Services is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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Proposals will be received by T.M. Davis Construction, Ltd., 5462 Rogers Road, San Antonio, Texas 78251-3631, or may be faxed to (210) 681-5085 before proposal time. Estimated construction value is \$6,700,000. Proposal Documents may be obtained or reviewed at T.M. Davis Construction, Ltd. (210-681-4101). They may also be reviewed at Pfluger Associates, Architects in San Antonio, TX (210) 227-2724. AGC in San Antonio, Midland, Austin & Dallas, FW Dodge; and Builder's Exchange in San Antonio.

The District highly recommends subcontractor attendance to pre-proposal conference in Sonora at the School District Administration office on June 19, 2003 at 10:00 AM A tour through the facilities to be renovated will follow.

### NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for highway improvement contracts will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

### CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE CONTRACT(S)

Dist/Div: San Angelo  
 Contract 6098-94-001 for MOWING HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY in SUTTON County, etc will be received on June 26, 2003 until 1:00 pm and opened on June 26, 2003 at 2:00 pm at the District Office for an estimate of \$57,968.40.

Contract 6101-04-001 for LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE in TOM GREEN County, etc will be opened on July 02, 2003 at 1:00 pm at the State Office for an estimate of \$344,714.00.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. Bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at [www.dot.state.tx.us](http://www.dot.state.tx.us) and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor. NPO: 10047

### State Office

Constr./Maint. Division  
 200 E. Riverside Dr.  
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 Phone: 512-416-2540

### Dist/Div Office(s)

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 4502 Knickerbocker Rd  
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DATED June 2, 2003, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Sutton County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on June 2, 2003, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in July, 2003 the same being the 1st day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Sonora, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title and interest of the defendants in such suit in and 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:

### CAUSE NUMBER 4762

### STYLING OF CASE AND PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

Sutton County Appraisal District vs. Juan Carlos Gonzales and Lilia Gonzales. Being a Part of Lot 3, Block B, Pedro Domingo Addition to the West Mexico Addition to the Town of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas (Volume 130, Page 214 of the Deed Records, Sutton County, Texas)

All of Lot 7, Block B, Pedro Domingo Addition to the West Mexico Addition to the Town of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas (Volume 122, Page 145 of the Deed Records, Sutton County, Texas)

Lot .8, Block B, Pedro Domingo Addition to the City of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas (Volume 123, Page 744 of the Deed Records, Sutton County, Texas)

**Cause Number 4813** Sutton County Appraisal District vs. Luis B. Segura, Herlinda Segura aka Linda Segura and Pacesetter Corporation dba Pacesetter Products, Inc., Lienholder (In Rem Only)

All of Lots 7, 8 and 9, SAVE AND EXCEPT the East 50 feet, Block 16A, South Heights Addition to the Town of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas (Volume 226, Page 362 of the Deed Records, Sutton County, Texas)

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest, therein to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and cost of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs. DATED June 2, 2003 at Sonora, Texas By Joe M. Fincher, Sheriff, Sutton County, Texas. Deputy Jody Harris.

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### INVITATIONS TO BIDDERS

SEALED proposals will be received by the **Sonora Independent School District** on June 18, 2003, at 11:00 AM in the **Business Office** at 807 S. Concho Avenue, Sonora, Texas, and then there opened and read aloud for the furnishing of equipment and labor for **HVAC Renovation** within the **Sonora High School**.

Sealed bids for the following include labor, material, and equipment in accordance with BID DOCUMENTS - INSTRUCTION TO BIDDERS:

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All Mechanical and Electrical work for proper operation of the designed systems and included in the Bid Documents must be incorporated into the Bid(s) received by the Owner prior to project initiation, whether incorporated into one total bid packet, or received in portion from multiple bidders. Only Sealed Bids prepared in accordance with the following "Instructions To Bidders" will be considered.

A five percent (5%) Bid Security Bond is required and must be provided with the **Bid Proposal Form** at the time of bid opening. Performance and Payment Bonds are required as per State Law.

Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive irregularity in the bids and in the bidding process.

Contract documents may be obtained at the administrative office of the School District and from the office of the project Engineer for a deposit of \$50.00, (checks made payable to Sonora ISD). These deposits will be returned to the Bidder upon return of complete Contract Documents to the school district. Contract Documents may also be viewed at the F.W. Dodge plan rooms and Associated General Contractors offices in **San Antonio & Abilene, Texas**.

**A Pre-Bid walk through of the site will be held on June 9, 2003 at 10:30 AM.** The walk through will begin with a meeting in the **Business Office** at 807 S. Concho Avenue, Sonora, Texas for a general project description and open discussion concerning the project. All interested bidders are strongly encouraged to attend.

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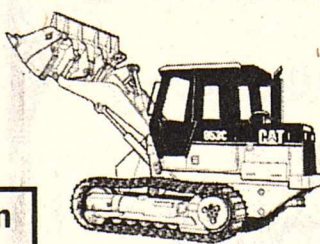
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