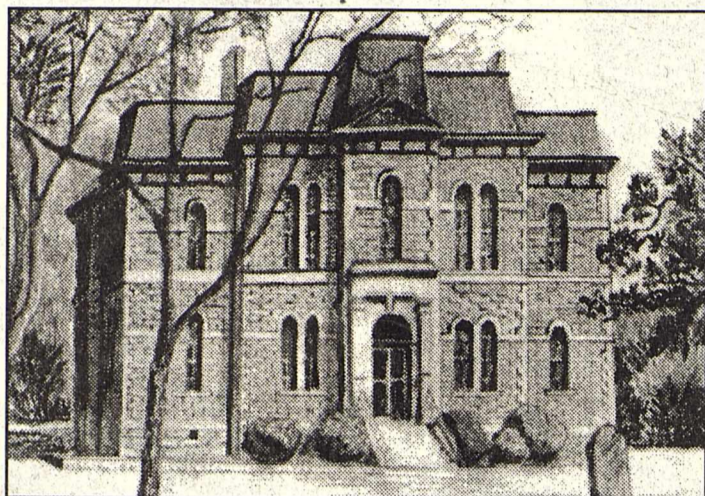


Courthouse To Be ReDedicated



Sutton County Courthouse drawing by Barbara Earwood.

submitted

Everyone is cordially invited to the Sutton County Courthouse ReDedication on Tuesday, June 11, 2002 at 11:30 a.m.

Prior to the ReDedication there will be a flag raising ceremony at the top of Eaton Hill where special guests New York Firemen Frank Riboni and Rosenbo Velev, Sonora Industrial Development Corporation and the Boy Scouts will officially raise the new 20x30 American Flag that will fly proudly over I-H 10 for all to see.

A western BBQ, provided by Harold and Benita Martinez will follow the activities on the Sutton County Courthouse Lawn. Tickets may be purchased for \$7.00/Adult and \$3.50/Children. Tickets are available at the following merchants: Tedford Jewelry, First National Bank, The Bank &

Trust, image apparel and Friends of Historic Sonora/Main Street. There will also be tickets available the day of the event on the courthouse lawn.

Honored guests who will be attending the celebration are: New York Firemen Frank Riboni and Rosenbo Velev; Rober Howden, Senior Advisor to Honorable Governor Perry; Robert Wood, Assistant Commissioner of Agriculture; a Representative from Representative Henry Bonillas office, The Honorable Harvey Hilderbran, Director of the Texas Historical Commission Architect Division, Stan Graves and Deputy Executive Director of the Texas Historical Commission, Terry Colley.

"The Veterans From All Wars Exhibit" will also be on display at the Mercantile Building on Main Street for your viewing enjoyment.

Sonora Readies For Annual Wool and Mohair Show

Sonora - The 65th Annual Wool and Mohair Show and the 42nd Annual National 4-H Wool Judging Contest are set for June 18-20 in Sonora. Activities for both events center around the Sonora Wool and Mohair Co. Warehouse and the Sutton County 4-H Civic Center.

The Sonora Wool and Mohair Show is open to sheep and goat exhibitors of all ages. It is the premier event of its type in the world. The accompanying youth-oriented contests are nationally rated as the ones to win as evidenced by the top youth teams competing here from across the nation since 1947. Teams at this year's contest are expected to hale from as far away as Wyoming and New Mexico.

The show is sponsored by the Sonora Lions Club and the Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with the Sonora Wool and Mohair Company and Texas Cooperative Extension.

A host of activities fill the three-day event. Included are an "All Texas Show for 4-H Clubs and FFA Chapters," an open show for all U.S. producers and the featured event, "The National 4-H Wool Judging Contest."

The National Wool Judging Contest was expanded last year to include the first National FFA Wool Judging Contest. The contest is expected to draw three top

New Mexico teams and three winning Texas teams.

Other changes implemented for the first time last year include: 1) a special emphasis on individual fiber fineness in the wool and mohair fleece shows with the criteria being especially encouraged in the mohair fleece competition; 2) the commercial class for individual wool fleeces is now limited to non-registered animals only; 3) there is no longer a commercial mohair fleece show in the junior or open divisions; 4) "bellies" (inferior wool shorn from underneath the animal) must be removed from all wool fleeces entries; 5) wool fleeces must no longer be tied, but must be exhibited in plastic bags (available at the Sonora Wool and Mohair Co.) similar to those currently used to exhibit mohair; 6) a meat goat class has been added to the youth livestock judging contest.

"We recognized last year that these were drastic changes for those familiar with the contests," said Preston Faris, Sutton County Extension agent and a contest coordinator. "They were made to keep up with the changes in the industry and to meet other demands of the show. The changes created no problems last year and we expect none this year. The changes were implemented so we may offer the highest quality educational experience to the youth involved

in the sheep and goat segment of agriculture."

Wool and mohair fleeces and bag entries will be weighed and tagged starting at 10 a.m. June 18 at the Sonora Wool and Mohair Company. Entrees must arrive no later than 3:30 p.m.

Activities June 19 begin at 7 a.m. with judging team registration at the Sutton County 4-H Civic Center. Livestock judging competition starts there at 8:15 a.m. Judging of the junior and open division wool and mohair entries at the Sonora Wool and Mohair Co. Warehouse also starts at 8:15 a.m. Range Judging participants will depart from the Civic Center at 10 a.m. The wool and mohair judging contest continues at 1 p.m. at the Sutton County 4-H Civic Center.

Teams needing to register for the national 4-H and FFA wool judging contests may do so until 5:00 p.m. June 18 at the Sutton County 4-H Civic Center.

The final day's activities open at 8 a.m. with the national 4-H and FFA wool judging contests at the Sonora Wool and Mohair Co. Warehouse. The day concludes with an 11:30 a.m. awards luncheon at the Sutton County 4-H civic center. The luncheon is sponsored by the Sonora Lions Club and the Sonora Chamber of Commerce.

For further information contact the Sutton County Extension office at (915)387-3101.

West Texas Championship Cook-Off Has A Smokin' Turnout

by Storie Sharp

The third annual West Texas Championship Cook-off proved to be the biggest and best cook-off Sonora has yet to see. With over 68 cooking teams, from as far away as Houston, the parking lot at the Civic Center was overflowing. Crowds were filled full with tid-bits of chicken, ribs, goat, brisket and even "ashwipes" (a special corn-on-the-cob invention from the Ashes on Fire team) from each camp as they roamed around and enjoyed the festive atmosphere. Children were kept busy with the Moon-walk, Armadillo races and snow cones provided by the Sonora Bronco Cheerleaders. If cooking or eating wasn't your thing, there was a washer pitching tournament held under the trees in the slab area and live music kept everyone entertained throughout the day.

When all the judging was done and the awards had been given out, a rockin' dance was kicked off with NDC of San Angelo. Mark David Manders followed with two sets, keeping crowds jumping and singing along to their Texas tunes.

When the final points were all tallied the results in each event were as follows:

Best Over-All Cook and All Around went to the Mesquite County Cookers of Barnhart.

Showmanship went to (1) Ashes on Fire of Rankin (2) Xtreme BBQ of San Angelo, and (3) The Outhouse Gang, Sonora's own Adkins Family.

Best Pit went to (1) Sonora's "Flying Cabrito Brothers" (the Lipham Family), (2) Ashes on Fire, and (3) The Rough Riders (Sergio Gutierrez) of Sonora.

Pies, the sweetest category of the event, was a hard one to judge, but the top three winners were: (1) Ashes on Fire, (2) Almosta Cooking Team of Waco (son of Sonora's Wayne and Barbara Webb) and (3) 7c's of San Angelo.

Margaritas was an easy event to find judges for, but they'll probably think twice about it next year, or at least they will all eat first. The top three awards went to (1) Messy Cookers of Miles, (2) Butcher Boys of Miles and (3) Almosta Cooking Team.

Chili was the next event, with the top three winners being: (1) No Luck Cookers #2 of Crane, (2) Pit Chicks of Sweetwater, and (3) Acme Racing Team of Sonora (Matt Routh and Japha Word).

Beans was not an easy event to find judges for, and we can't figure out why? Anyway, the top three winners were: (1) Happy Cookers of San Angelo, (2) No Luck Cookers #1 of Crane and (3) JBB of Sweetwater.

Chicken was next, with top honors going to: (1) Mesquite County Cookers, (2) Quick Draw BBQ of Merkel, and (3) Team Midland of Midland.

The Ribs competition went to: (1) Quick Draw, (2) Double Trouble of Snyder and (3) Lone Star Oyster Bar of Lubbock.

The Goat category was next, with (1) Sonora's Flying Cabrito Brothers taking top honors, (2) No Luck Cookers taking second and (3) "We Don't Cook Sheep" of Sweetwater took third place.

The final event, Brisket, was a big event with almost all cooking teams participating, so the competition was tough (but the winning beef wasn't). The top three winners were: (1) The Mesquite Tree Country Cookers of Barnhart, (2) The Flying Cabrito Brothers, and (3) Dogtail of San Angelo. For more cook-off fun - see page 7, and we'll see you at the pit next year.

St. Ann's 1st Softball Tournament A Big "Hit"

submitted

The St. Ann's Catholic Church held their 1st Annual Softball Tournament on May 18-19, 2002. Approximately \$4,000.00 was raised towards the Building Fund.

Thirteen teams from Sonora, Ozona, Del Rio, Austin, Campwood, Bracketville, San Angelo, Midland and Big Lake participated in the tournament.

1st place went to the Texas Guns from Sonora, 2nd place went to the Wildcats from Austin and 3rd place went to Los Amigos from Del Rio.

The winners of the raffle were as follows:

Bat - Victor Garcia from Sonora

Glove - Troy Gray from San Angelo

Game Day T-Shirts - Creek Swabbing, Mindy Castaneda, Alex Gonzales, Chelsea Martinez and Betty Hernandez.

Sponsors included the following: Perez Tiendita, Sonic, My Designs, Smitty's, Dish Network Urban & Rural Services, Sonora Chamber of Commerce, Doyle Morgan Insurance, La Mexicana, Taco Grill, Chavarria's Grocery, Sanchez Welding & Construction, Sutton County Steak House, Los Jarritos, Hernandez Tax & Financial Service, Sonora Tire Service, Chavez Barber Shop, Pepsi-Cola, Wal-Mart, Town & Country, First National Bank of Sonora, The Bank & Trust, Main Street Realty, and Cakes



Co-MVP's for the tournament were Troy House and Shaun Bevans with the Texas Guns.

by Maggie.

Last but not least, a BIG THANKS goes to the people who helped make this possible: Mike & Amparo Villanueva, Maria & Ruben Mesa, Florie Gonzales, Joe San Miguel, Joseph Jenkins, Ponciano Castillo, Pascual Castillo Jaime Castillo, Mage Mesa, Carmen Sanchez, Mindy Castaneda, Beatrice Artiga, Alex Gonzales, Teresa & Johnny Esparza, Ruben Samaniego, Tommie & Mike Sanchez, Rita & Hector Mendez, Richard Perez & family, Ram Perez & family, Tommy Van Winkle, Edward San Miguel, Johnny Rosales from Iraan, Fred Perez, Ray Lozano, Pat Villanueva, Sara Ortiz and Virginia Garza.

See winning teams page 6

Seniors "Shoot For The Moon" At Project Graduation

submitted

"Shoot for the Moon" was the theme for this year's Project Graduation. 51 seniors and 33 juniors gathered at the Sonora High School Commons Area following commencement on Friday, May 24th, for an alcohol and drug free party. Doors opened at 10:30 p.m. with games starting at 11:00 where students could earn money all evening long to purchase one of the many items in the store. Store items ranged from Sunglass Visor Clips for \$2,400 to VCR's priced at \$30,000.

Dance contests, drawings for prizes (where some of the larger items were a dorm size refrigerator, 13" TV or a DVD), and a DJ playing the students favorite music was part of the evening entertainment.

The evening ended with everyone moving to the auditorium for the Auction. Trey Rushing auctioned sixty-two items which were available for the students to bid on from money won at the games. Some of the more popular items were



Seniors Sean Fields, Tom Homra, Ricky Lumbreras play "Grab the Money", one of the many games at Project Graduation. Dealer is Chris Weingart.

TV's, Combination DVD/VCR, Palm Pilot's and the ever popular X-Box. During the auction, drawings were held for both the seniors and juniors to win more prizes.

The early morning concluded with the drawing for the Dell Desktop Computers and printers. The senior girl winner

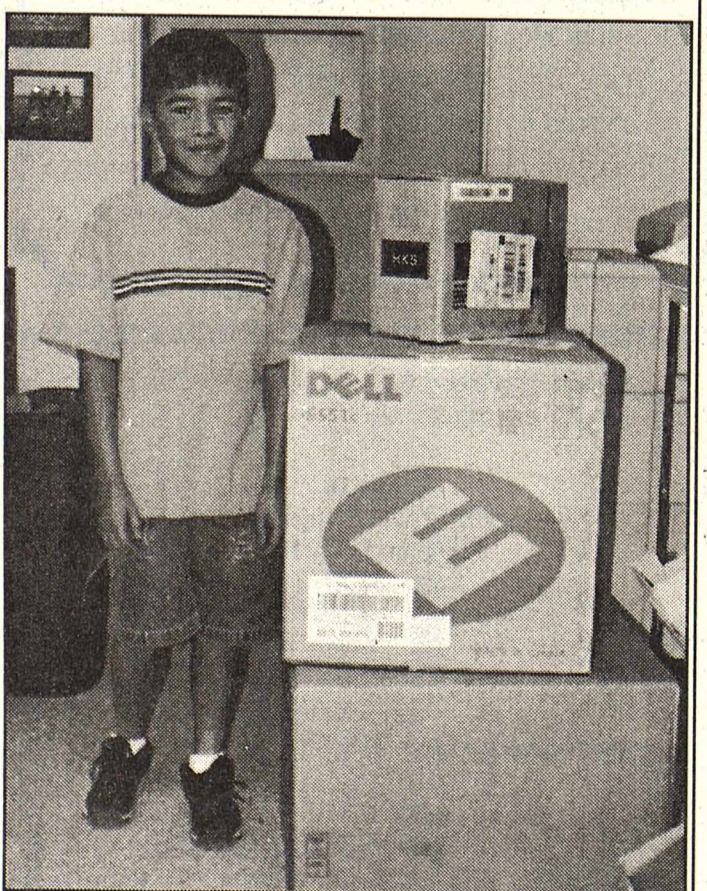
was Ashley Vickers. She will be attending Austin Community College. The senior boy winner was Justin Routh and he will attend Angelo State University.

Those attending had a fun, safe, and memorable time. Once again, thank you to the community for your support of this event.



Workers from Schlumberger and the Sonora Industrial Development Corporation worked together on Friday, May 31st to set the 60 foot flag pole on top of Eaton Hill. The flag will be raised in a special ceremony on Tuesday, June 11, 2002 at 9:30 a.m. A very special thank you goes to Jimmy Cahill and Cahill Construction for all that they have done to make this project possible.

Dude! You Just Won A Dell!



Chacho Mesa was the big winner of the Sonora City League Raffle, and was awarded a Dell Computer. Chacho is a student at Sonora Elementary School. The second place prize went to Betty Hernandez. Hernandez won a \$150 gift certificate from the Outback Steakhouse in San Angelo with a \$100 cash to spend. Uber Gonzales, of Eldorado won the third place prize of \$100 cash. Congratulations to all the winners and thank you to everyone who purchased a raffle ticket.



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232 Hwy. 277 N.
387-9127

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387-6181

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903 N. Crockett Ave.
387-2169

Cards of Thanks

Thank you so much to everyone for the prayers, phone calls and cards during my recent illness. I am feeling better everyday. I appreciate all your concern.

Jim and Margaret Garrett

Juanita Silvas Chavez and Family sincerely appreciates and thank all of you, our community friends for your immediate attention and concern during a time of crisis and illness.

A special thanks to Leslie Thorp and Staff, EMS for providing immediate services and special care.

Special thanks to Dr. Guido Calderon and Lydia Martinez at the emergency room.

Our many friends, Nilda Hernandez, Rosa Galindo, Theo and Mikey Chavez, Carmen Villareal, Petra Gonzales, Odilia Gonzales, special thanks for your calls and prayers.

We thank Viola Solis and mother for taking time to visit me at the hospital and for the beautiful flowers.

On behalf of the Chavez family, we thank our community and friends for always being there during our family crisis. All of our Sonora friends are very special.

Elida Chavez and Family

I have always held Law Enforcement, Fire Department, and Emergency Medical Personnel in high esteem, not only for the many sacrifices they face, but for the professional attitude most have for the arduous job they seem to relish.

That gratitude and esteem increased astronomically on 20 May as part of the Sonora emergency medical services group came to our aid.

Not only for the professionalism they exhibited, but for the caring and compassionate manner in which they handled a very delicate situation. They allowed as much time as necessary and were totally committed to the concerns and comfort of the family.

On behalf of my Wife, Beverly, my Mother-in-Law, Agness Arnold, and myself, I would like to pay special tribute to Pat Campbell, Monica McGee, Carol Sessom, Ada Castilleja, Deputy Oscar Chavez, and Judge Adelita Alvarez.

Thank you for making a very difficult time as comfortable as possible.

Tommy and Beverly Arnwine, and Agness Arnold

Obituary

Maurice Stennett

Maurice Stennett, 72, of Bowie died Monday, May 20, 2002, in Wichita Falls.

Services were at 10:00 a.m. Thursday at Bible Baptist Church, Bowie, with the Rev. Tom Ison, pastor, Bible Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Elmwood Cemetery under the direction of Fry Funeral Home.

Mr. Stennett was a maintenance supervisor in the chemical industry.

Survivors include his wife, Marjorie; two sons, Terry of Odessa, Texas, and Dale of Fort Stockton, Texas; two daughters, Treva McReynolds of Sonora, Texas, and Beverly Evan of Odessa; two brothers, Max of Red Oak, Texas, and Don of Amarillo; 12 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Rural Texas, 705 E. Greenwood, Bowie, TX.

Senior Center News

June 10 - Bingo!

June 12 - Blood pressure checks with Girling Health Care Inc. 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

June 14 - Father's Day at our Center! We are having a BBQ...come eat with us!

Senior Menu

June 10 - Chicken salad, sandwich, tomato soup, carrot and celery sticks, potato chips, banana.

June 11 - Steak fingers with gravy, mashed potatoes, sliced tomato, biscuit, orange juice, cake.

June 12 - Ham, cooked cabbage, sweet potato with apples, wheat roll, banana pudding.

June 13 - Chicken fried steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, carrot, roll, tossed salad, cake.

June 14 - BBQ Brisket, baked potato, green beans, coleslaw, bread, fresh fruit cup.

Lunch is served Monday thru Friday at 12:00 Noon.

\$1.50 donation is suggested for those 60+ and \$4.00 for others.

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Wedding



Cooke - Hathaway

Kathy Cooke of Sonora, TX and Chris Hathaway of Randolph, MA were married May 18, 2002 at the Courtyard at Fountain Place in Dallas, Texas with Ken Savage of Dallas, Texas officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mike and Vickie Cooke of Sonora, TX. The bridegroom is the son of Frank and Faye Hess of Randolph, MA and Prescott and Sharon Hathaway of Santa Clara, CA.

Matron of Honor was Whitney Keller of Galveston, TX, Bridesmaids were Kim Cooke of Roswell, NM, Katy Cooke of College Station, TX, Tara Orozco of San Jose, CA, Stephanie Persell and Gretel Kelly of Dallas, TX. Junior bridesmaids were Autumn Orozco and Melody Orozco, both of San Jose, CA.

Best man was David Bate and Brian Holyoke of Randolph, MA. Groomsmen were Patrick Hathaway of Santa Clara, CA, Fred Orozco of San Jose, CA, Charles McKinnies and Eddie Hagerty, both of Holbrook, MA.

Kathy wore a candlelit satin corset bridal gown with a square neck and spaghetti straps, a floor length A-line skirt with a sweep train. It was overlaid with sheer tulle, beaded with sequins and pearls. Her bouquet was cream roses studded with stephanotis colored with lemon leaf and fastened with pearl tipped pins.

Bride's attendants wore lavender satin 2-pc. dresses with floor length A-line flared skirts. The tops were trimmed with lavender beads. They carried loose spring bouquets of roses and fragrant freesia, pincushions and anemones with lilac sprays ranging from ivory to lavender hand-tied with lilac ribbon. The flower girl's dress was a candlelit satin sleeveless dress with a jewel neck and a long full skirt beaded with sequins and pearls. She carried a basket trimmed with ivory tulle and lavender flowers.

Rehearsal dinner was hosted by the grooms parents Prescott and Sharon Hathaway, Frank and Faye Hess on Friday evening at the Hoffbrau Steakhouse.

The ceremony was performed outdoors at the Fountains of Plaza Court. The courtyard was decorated with lavender tulle bows, a wrought iron arch with English ivy, white tulle, and clusters of tulips, roses, peonies, mums and narcissus, pastel rose petals were strewn to form a pathway for the bride and her father. Traditional wedding music was provided by Bows & Strings. The reception followed at Avanti Restaurant with music deejayed by Complete Music.

The bride is a 1993 graduate of Sonora High School, and graduated with an accounting degree in 1997 from Texas Tech University. She is currently employed as an auditor at the Southwest Airlines Headquarters in Dallas, TX.

The bridegroom is a 1994 graduate of Randolph High School and graduated in 2001 with a financial degree and a minor in business from the University of North Texas. He is currently employed as a financial advisor with Morgan Stanley.

After a wedding trip to Aruba, the couple will reside in Dallas, Texas.

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June 10

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June 17

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Ask the Historical Society

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

Q. When was Sonora made the county seat of Sutton County?

A. Devil's River News, November 8, 1990 - The election Tuesday last, for the county seat of Sutton County, resulted in favor of Sonora by a large and decisive majority, and although the official returns have not been received from Junction City, there is no doubt as to the election of the following officers: L. J. Dunagan, County Judge; T. B. Birtrong, O. H. Wood, E. W. Wall and J. M. Taylor, County Commissioners; J. P. McConnell, Sheriff and Tax-Collector; W. H. Sowell, Treasurer; W. S. Strader, Clerk; W. R. Rudicil, Assessor; John McNichol Surveyor; T. B. Adams, Hide and Animal Inspector; George Trawek, Justice of the Peace, precinct 1; M. Parker, Constable.

According to the votes listed in this issue, 126 votes were cast for Sonora and 38 for Wentworth. John W. Hagerlund ran against Dunagan and Pharis Hurst ran against Sowell. C. C. Hammonds and J. E. Fulcher ran against McConnell and H. Knausenberger, R. J. Bean, R. L. Herbert and H. A. Alberthal ran against Strader. R. C. Herbert and W. T. Lassiter ran against Rudicil and Thomas H. Floyd ran against McNicol. B. L. Binyon ran against T. B. Adams.

In the same issue we find the following of interest: W. F. Decker of McKavett was in town Thursday and purchased a business and residence lot in Sonora, will build at once and move his family here as soon as possible. Mr. Decker is a saddle and harness maker and will open a shop in the trading center of the Stockman's Paradise. He is also locating a ranch on Dry Devil's and stocking it with 3,000 sheep. (The saddle shop was located on Main St. at the corner of Main and Concho where Sam Dillard's office is now located.)

Barfield and Hill's Wagon Yard, next to the Trawek House, is about ready for business. (This was located on Main Street at the northwest end before you got to the draw.)

Q. When was the first Local Teacher Selected for LiftOff Summer Institute

Carol Love, a teacher at Sonora Middle School, is one of thirty teachers selected from across the nation for the prestigious LiftOff Summer Institute to be held at NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas this summer. The year 2002 marks the thirteenth consecutive year that teachers from around the country increase their knowledge of space education through the LiftOff Summer Institute.

The LiftOff Summer Institute is a collaborative effort of Texas Space Grant Consortium members and affiliates, NASA, and industry. Middle and high school teacher apply for LiftOff and selected competitively. The workshops are organized around an aerospace or space science theme drawn from NASA's diverse engineering and scientific research programs. The theme for LiftOff 2002 is *Have Spacesuit Will Travel*. The program combines the strengths of collaborators to enrich teaching and learning of science, mathematics, technology and engineering.

The competitive week-long institute features a series of workshops, hands-on activities, field trips, and featured presentations by NASA scientists working on various missions. Not only will the teachers learn about the effects of spaceflight but they will focus on the biological and physiological effects of spaceflight.

Teachers participating will tour NASA's Johnsons Space Center mission control, International Space Station laboratory, Neutral Buoyancy Lab, and learn about Advanced Life Support Systems. Teachers will also visit the NASA Educator Resource Center at Space Center Houston to receive additional educational materials for use in the classroom.

Thirty teachers from five

school in Sonora built? Was it before Wentworth built theirs?

A. In the San Angelo Standard of October 19, 1889 under Sonora Salad dated Sonora Oct. 13th 1889, "One of the noticeable buildings in our little burg is the new school just completed. It is well supplied with new and patent desks, 60 in number. Our trustees have secured the services of A. T. Moode, of Georgetown, to teach this season. Of course we have a reason to be proud in the anticipation of a very good school. There is about seventy scholars who promise to be in attendance." Sonora Salad, Oct. 25th 1889, "Our school house is completed and furnished in every respect; the school will begin on the 28th of Oct. with 50 or 60 pupils. We were lucky to secure Prof. F. A. Moode of Georgetown, as teacher. We are going to have the best school in Western Texas, second best to none.

San Angelo Standard, May 10, 1890 under Wentworth Warblings from Wentworth, Sutton Co, Texas on May 6, 1890. The material for the school house and lodge is expected in today, work ought to commence as soon as it arrives, for we need more room soon to accommodate our Sunday School which numbers now 47 scholars and I think from interested manifested will soon be largely in excess of that. On April 15 it was stated the school house is also to be changed from a small one story building to a much larger one and to be two stories high. The upper room to be used as a Masonic Lodge. San Angelo Standard, in their March 22, 1890 issue "Still Another Baby Town," Wentworth, Sutton Co., Texas dated March 18, 1890. This is the first mention of a town called Wentworth existing. While there had been a ranching settlement called Winkler's Well near Wentworth, the town of Wentworth was not started until early 1890. Most of the first settlers of Wentworth were citizens of Sonora who were fed up with the bars on Main Street and some of the wild goings on and wanted to form a "dry" county. When Wentworth failed to become the county seat most of them either moved back to town or moved to Crockett Co.

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states will come together July 15 - 19 in Houston, Texas to conduct experiments, tour facilities, and network with other teachers to share innovative lesson plans and ideas. The LiftOff workshops prove that the excitement that teachers and students feel about space science and exploration can be tapped to enrich math, science, and technology classes. The workshops also provide teachers the rare, and for some, unique - opportunity to spend a week working with professional scientist and engineers.

This nationally competitive, educational training for teachers is sponsored by the Texas Space Grant Consortium. Teachers interested in applying for LiftOff 2003 may obtain information from the internet at www.tsgc.utexas.edu.



The Dry Devil's River after a rainfall. Donated by George Brockman.

Zealand?

A. Devil's River News, June 20, 1930 - Franz Zealand, 29, a bridegroom of only a few weeks, was drowned at one o'clock Monday noon in Dry Devil's draw, about seventeen miles southwest of here when his horse reared back with him in the middle of a large hole of water. A group of about a hundred men were on the scene trying to find the body and recovery was successful at twelve o'clock that night. He was found by Cassius Taylor as the crew was coming from the water. Taylor was dragging a rake over a spot that had been searched many times when he felt Zealand's body. His body was fifty feet from where he was last seen going down under the water. The river is dry but ranged in depth of six to fifteen feet after the rains that fell Saturday night. From two to three inches of rain fell in this section putting dry creeks and draws up.

Q. Do you have any record of a livery stable fire in Ozona in September of 1900?

A. Devil's River News, September 15, 1900 - The Jeff Moore Livery and Feed Stable at Ozona was destroyed by fire early Thursday morning. All the horses excepting two belonging to W. F. Decker of Sonora were saved. The horses belonging to the stable and those of patrons who had arrived early Wednesday night had been turned out in the lot for the night, but Mr. Decker having arrived late, his team was still in the stable. The News understands that Dick Williamson's hack and harness and two buggies were also burned. All the harness, feed and hay was

burned. Fortunately there was no wind but the Kilpatrick hotel was badly scorched.

Q. Did Mr. Lowrey really save people from drowning in the draw?

A. The Lowrey residence was right next to the draw on Water Street. He or his family were usually the first ones to hear cries for help from people that had foolishly driven into or tried to walk across the draw when there was high water. In the Devils River News of May 8, 1931 there is a report of Finis Hamby being pulled from the draw by Mr. Lowrey throwing a rope to him. Mr. Lowrey's daughter, Mrs. R. Vicars, had heard Hamby's cries for help and summoned her father to help him. Dr. Blanton was called and carried the exhausted Hamby to his office where treatment of minor injuries was given.

If you have any questions concerning Sutton County history, send them to "Ask the Historical Society," P.O. Box 885, Sonora, TX 76950-0885. I will be off the computer for at least another week from carpal tunnel surgery so please no e-mails right now. You may rent the John & Mildred Cauthorn Memorial (Depot) Building or grounds by calling Al Elliott's office at 387-3529 and speaking with one of the girls there. The new office/archive building is looking better every day. Wayne Sawyer and his crews are to be commended for the fine work they have done on the building. Special thanks to the community service workers and volunteers who have put in many long days on the landscape of the building. We deeply appreciate your help.

On May 24, 2002
 Noah Higinio Marines was born 3 months premature. He weighed 1 lb. 1 oz. He is currently at Cooks Children Center in Ft. Worth where he will have to remain at least 3 months.
A fund has been started at First National Bank to financially assist the Marines Family.
Your generosity and help would be greatly appreciated.
 Noah is the grandson of Kino and Anna Marines of Sonora and the son of S.H.S. graduate Kino Marines Jr. and Magaly.

ARMENTROUT 50th Anniversary
 Mr. and Mrs. Lee Armentrout celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary with a private celebration held by their children at the couples home. Alan Lee Armentrout and Myrtle Ann McKee were married June 3, 1952 in Big Lake, Texas. Mr. Armentrout is a retired diesel mechanic and Mrs. Armentrout is retired from Westerman/Cox Drug Store. They have three children; Sheryl Williams of Amarillo, TX, Suzy Younce of Knob Noster, MO and Terry Shannon of Christoval, TX. Six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

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Bereaved Parents Support Group Starts Meetings Next Tuesday
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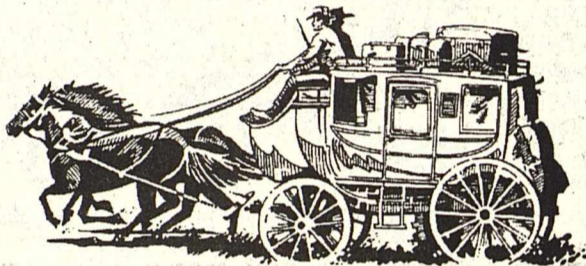
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Garrett Joins National Guard To Help Preserve Freedom

The events of September 11, 2001, have affected and changed the lives of all Americans. Such was the case with Scott Garrett as he began to think of all the freedoms we enjoy here in America. Realizing that he had done little in his life to help preserve these freedoms and wanting to do more Scott joined the Texas National Guard on November 30, 2001.



PFC James Scott Garrett

Roberta and Dod James, Margaret and Jim Garrett of Sonora, Texas.

PFC James Scott Garrett graduated May 8, 2002 from Basic Combat Training at Ft. Knox, Kentucky, a member of Company A, 2nd Battalion, 46th Infantry. Scott is assigned to Detachment 1, 1836th Transportation Company (HET), Gatesville, Texas.

A 1991 graduate of Sonora High School, Scott and his wife Donna reside in Hamilton, Texas with their children Kristin and Levi. Scott is the son of

Fleet Home Town News

Marine Corps. Cpl. Marc A. Palos, a 1993 graduate of Sonora High School, recently reported for duty with Company B Detachment, 1st Battalion, 23rd Marines, 4th Marine Division, Austin, Texas.

Proud Grandparents Earn Bragging Rights

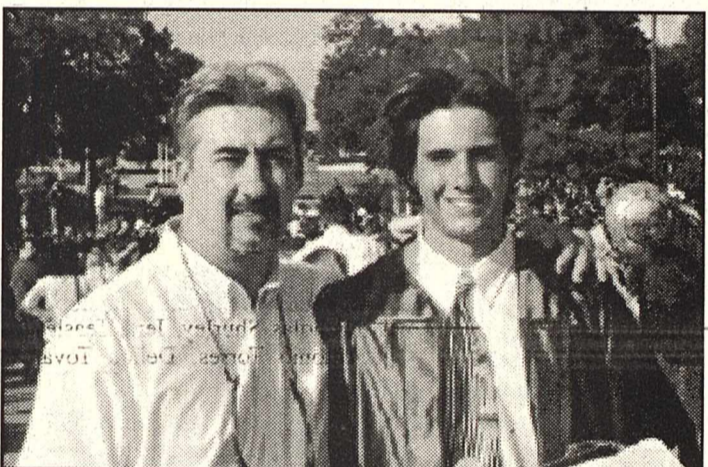
Proud grandparents, Eddie and Vanetta Smith are happy to announce that their grandson, Josh Smith, recently signed an athletic scholarship to attend Delta State University in Cleveland, MS.

Josh, a standout swimmer for Cedar Park High School in Cedar Park, Texas, recently received Gold medals in the 50 yard freestyle, the back stroke 200 yard Medley Relay and the 200 yard Freestyle Relay swim-

ming competitions at State competition in February.

Smith set the state record with a time of 21.10 in the 50 yard freestyle. Delta State University is very excited for him to be swimming for them.

Josh is the son of 1979 Sonora High School graduate, Duray and his wife Celia Smith. He is the nephew of DeVoe and Melanie Smith also of Sonora.



Duray and Josh Smith celebrate graduation.

Benson Earns Schreiner University President's List Distinction

Kerrville, TX - Schreiner University has named a student from Sonora to its President's List.

Allison Benson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Benson, was named to the roster of high-achieving students for the Spring 2002 term.

To qualify for the President's List, full-time students must have passing grades

in all classes, must earn at least a 3.7 grade point average, and have at least 12 hours' credit for the term.

Schreiner University is a primarily residential liberal arts university in Kerrville, Texas. The university is affiliated with the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

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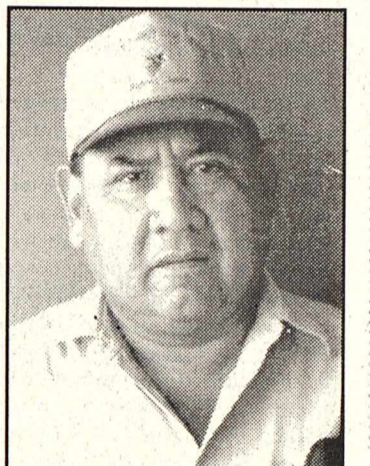
A San Angelo Quilt Show, presented by Concho Valley Quilter's Guild will be held June 14 & 15, 2002 at the Cactus Hotel, 36 East Twohigh, San Angelo, Texas. The Quilt Exhibits will be from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday and 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. on Saturday. There will be a judged show with cash awards and ribbons, a donation quilt and vendors. Admission is \$1. Entry forms are due May 31, 2002. For more information call Sharon Jasper at 915/947-5301 or email her at j4j4@worldnet.at.net

The 2002 Prom pictures have arrived. They may be picked up at the Administration Building weekdays between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. You may only pick up your own pictures.

If you have a Sonora High School Sport or Cheerleader yard sign, please drop it off at 913 E. 2nd St. or 109 Deerwood or telephone 387-5433. To replace these yard signs takes from the funds that the Booster Club raises each year for the benefit of our Middle School & High School athletic needs. Thank you for your help.

If anyone is interested in summer tennis lessons please contact Sandi Ainsworth at 387-3737. If no answer please wait and leave a message.

TxDOT Employee Retires With 33 Years of Service



Harold Martinez retired at the end of May from the Texas Department of Transportation with 33 years of service.

Martinez was a crew chief at the Sonora Maintenance Section. Employees honored their co-worker with a retirement luncheon celebration on May 30.

TxDOT Employee Recognized For 15 Years of Service



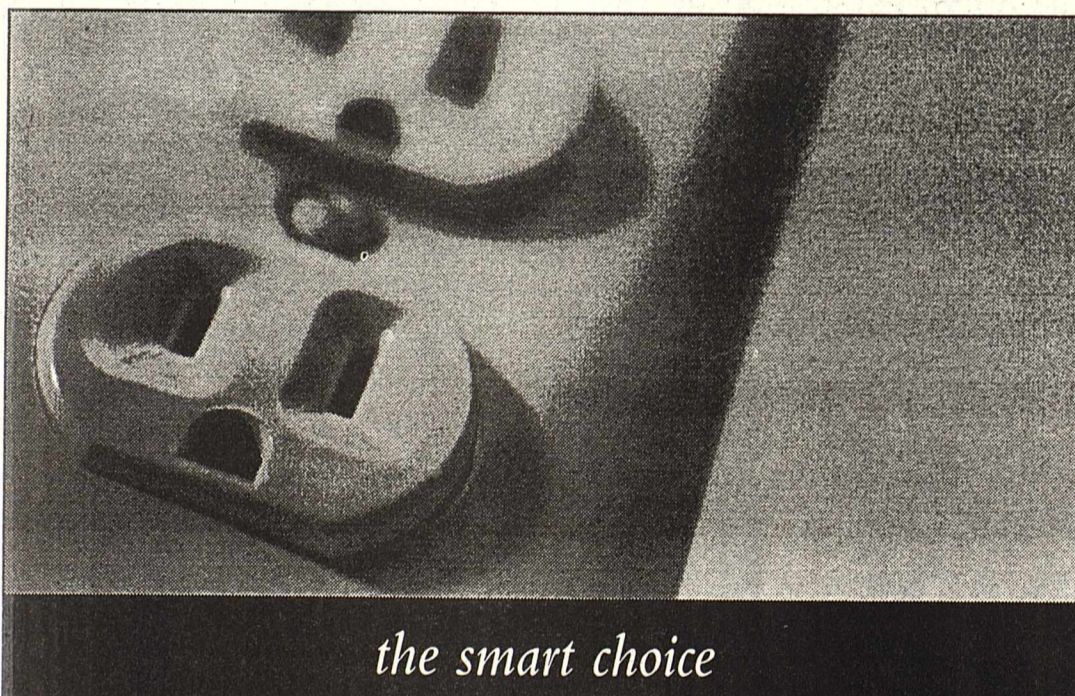
The San Angelo District of the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) recently awarded a 15-year service award to Betty Kohutek.

Kohutek is a maintenance inspector at the Sonora Maintenance Section.

Happy Birthday

- June 7 - Stephani Morris, Nancy White, John Castro, Annette Castro
- June 8 - Ross and Ryder Crites
- June 9 - Analise Perez, Olivia Deel, Faye Deel
- June 10 - Susan Mirike, Jessica Collins, Kevin Harper
- June 11 - Manuel Paredes, Jordan Paredes, JoAnn Hernandez, Cathy Fox, John Brown, Jr.
- June 12 - Don Harris, Jeff Welch, Kaden Kinder, Ann Feagin
- June 13 - Evan Gulley, Ronnie Geske, Monica Chantal Lira, Lilia Cervantez

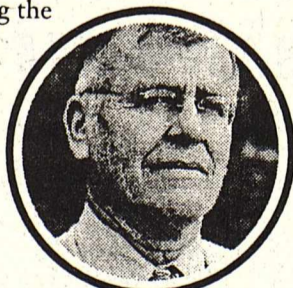
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Sonora Elementary Students Have Perfect Attendance

The Sonora Elementary School year has just ended and there was a group of students that worked very hard at being at school every day. Students having Perfect Attendance for the 2001-2002 school year were:

Kenzie Herring, Kylie Love, Macie Friess, Keanu Gamez, Valeria Ramirez, Kelsey Favila, Kory Humphrey, Rebekah Infante, Nolan Kinder, Phillip Onofre, Kevin Buitron, Trinidad Guerra, Marci Parks, Michael Sanchez, Blake Esparza, Selena Mesa, Clayton Parks, Ryan San Miguel, Garrett Smith, Phillip Stephens, Manuel Tobias, Jorge Villanueva, Jesse Amador, Adriana Buitron, Robert Hernandez, Evelyn Solis, Nathaniel Villa, and Sidney Dermody.

S.M.S. Students Awarded For TAAS and Academic Recognition

The following students were recognized at a special awards ceremony for Mastering one or more TAAS Objectives in Reading Math, Writing Science or Social Studies

5th Grade
Everett Contreras, Ross Crites, Ryder Crites, Karley Frasier, Lyndsey Frasier, Randy Garcia, Kimberly Gonzales, Amilkar Hernandez, Clinton Hudson, John Duke Hudson, Steely Ingham, Sharee Johnson, David Lane, Maria Leos, Westley Lipham, Cindy Lopez, Rachel Lozano, Richard Lozano, Michael Luttrell, Senida Martinez, Maria Moreno, Emily Newton, Steven Pacheco, Samantha Reynolds, John Roberts, Victoria Robles, Ricardo Rodriguez, Rosendo Salazar, Mikael Samaniego, Yolanda Sanchez, Jessica Snyder, Samantha Tidwell, Vickie Torres, Alberto Tovar, Monica Traylor, Derek Van Winkle, Azeneth Villanueva, Kayla Webb, Kody Word

6th grade
Zenon Acosta, Michael Chavez, Dalton Dover, J.T. Downing, Emily Earwood, Raquel Escalante, Eduardo Garcia, Kayla Garcia, Heather Hughes, Shelbi Johnson, Jose Lugo, Kimble Luna, Laura Martin, Chelsea Martinez, Kari Nicholas, Marcus Perez, Whitney Perez, Danielle Rodriguez, Elbe Samaniego, Julio Samaniego, Lauran Schaefer, Tyler Stewart, Hunt Wagner

7th grade
Andrea Alvites, Amanda Berry, Kindra Bounds, David Buitron, Emily Butler, Jose Casillas, Amanda Castilleja, Starlyn Chadwick, Candace Chandler, Chelsey Daniels, Dustin Duhon, Jamiee Duran, Allyse Edmondson, Kayla Fields, Felisha Gamez, Chasady Garcia, Jennifer Gonzales, Evan Gulley, Erica Hernandez, Marc Hernandez, Madeline Higdon, Jacob Ibarra, Marco Jimenez, Meghan Krieg, Taylor Liverman, Shane Love, Steven Lozano, Liano Luna, Ryan Martinez, Aric McGee, Brandy Neff, Aaron Nitsch, Armando Noriega, Justin Northcott, Cody Perez, Mackenzie Perez, Caleb Ramos, Abraham Rivera, Stacy Sanchez, Steven Sandoval, Nicholas Shurley, Jena Teasley, Antonio Torres, Delma Tovar, Victoria Tovar, Lito Trevino, Travis Valliant

8th grade
Desiree Alvarado, Chantel Arispe, Steven Barthelemy, Hilton Bloodworth, Desiree Boldt, Mandy Brister, Jamie Cooper, Alisha Covey, Cameron Cox, William Crittendon, Swade Draper, Steven Duhon, Nicholas Favela, Violeta Fraire, Olegario Galindo, Jesse Galvan, Filemon Garza, Justyn Gray, Jillian Gulley, John Healy, Cerissa Hedgecock, Kristina Hernandez, Michelle Hernandez, Jeb Hunt, Hillary Lawson, Anthony Longoria, Ty Love, Julia Lugo, David Luna, Christina Martinez, Mason Martinez, Danielle Matthews, Deangelina McGee, Maricela Moreno, Brandon Munn, Erin Newton, Kathryn Pacheco, Cullen Parker, Chris Perez, Trent Reiner, Ilse Rodriguez, Federico Romo, Adela Salazar, Vanessa Salazar, Kaleena Samaniego, Norberto Santana, Embre Smith, Lauren Smith, Rolind Solis, Luis Tovar, Nash Traylor, Holly Trevino, Jack Turney, Miguel Vaquera, Tissie Wagoner, Warren Wallace

8th grade Students that mastered not just one, but all areas of the TAAS test were: Desiree Boldt, Ty Love, Erin Newton, Embre Smith, Nash Traylor, and Warren Wallace

In the same ceremony students were recognized for Academic Recognition:

Reading and/or Math
5th grade
Joshua Barnes, Ross Crites, Ryder Crites, Karley Frasier, Lyndsey Frasier, Randy Garcia, Clinton Hudson, John Duke Hudson, Steely Ingham, Sharee Johnson, Maria Leos, Westley Lipham, Rachel Lozano, Maria Moreno, Steven Pacheco, Samantha Reynolds, John Roberts, Victoria Robles, Ricardo Rodriguez, Rosendo Salazar, Mikael Samaniego, Jessica Snyder, Samantha Tidwell, Vickie Torres, Monica Traylor, Derek Van Winkle and Kody Word

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7th grade
Amanda Berry, David Buitron, Emily Butler, Starlyn

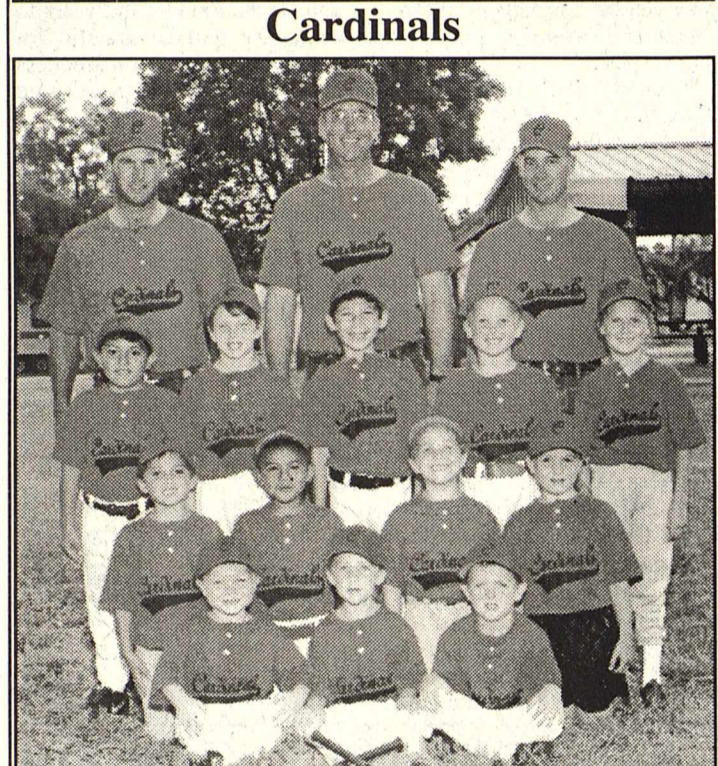
Chadwick, Candace Chandler, Chelsey Daniels, Kayla Fields, Felisha Gamez, Jennifer Gonzales, Marc Hernandez, Madeline Higdon, Jacob Ibarra, Meghan Krieg, Ryan Martinez, Aric McGee, Nathan Mungia, Justin Northcott, Cody Perez, Mackenzie Perez, Abraham Rivera, Stacy Sanchez, Steven Sandoval, Nicholas Shurley, Antonio Torres, Delma Tovar, Travis Valliant

8th graders (including Reading, Math, Writing, Science and/or Social Studies)
Desiree Alvarado, Hilton Bloodworth, Desiree Boldt, Mandy Brister, Jamie Cooper, Alisha Covey, Swade Draper, Violeta Fraire, Olegario Galindo, Justyn Gray, John Healy, Kristina Hernandez, Hillary Lawson, Anthony Longoria, Ty Love, David Luna, Mason Martinez, Danielle Matthews, Deangelina McGee, Brandon Munn, Erin Newton, Chris Perez, Adela Salazar, Kaleena Samaniego, Embre Smith, Nash Traylor, Jack Turney, Miguel Vaquera, Tissie Wagoner, Warren Wallace

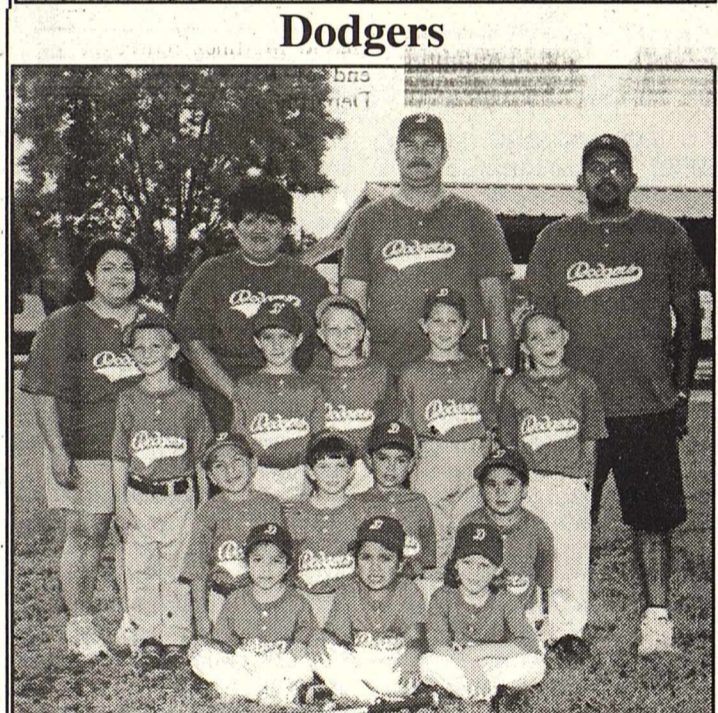
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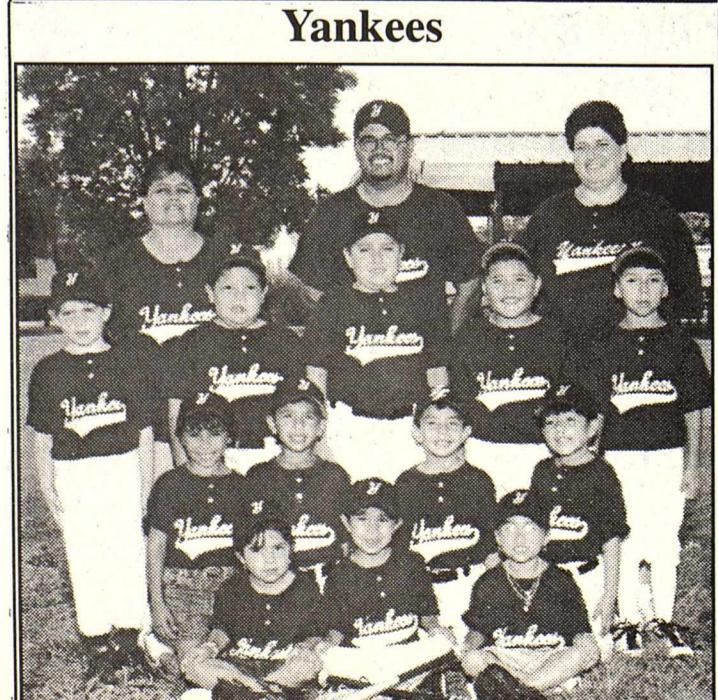
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Softball Winners from page 1
First place - Texas Guns



Ron Pruitt, Joe San Miguel, Tommy Van Winkle, Troy House, Edward San Miguel, Alex Gonzales, Lonnie Williams, Shaun Bevans, Lance Taylor, Pete Luevano, Fernando Valdez, and Manuel Ramirez.

Second Place - Wildcats



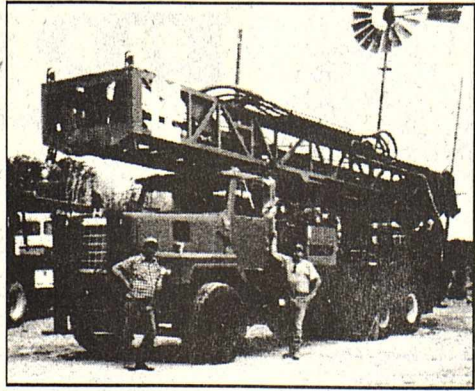
Harvey Fierro (Coach), Jesse Garza, Chris Sanchez, Alex Borrego, J.J. Lopez, Roy Martinez, Jim Esch, Freddy Rodriguez, Hector Mercado, Harvey Sanchez, Diego Pena, Paco Villareal, Jon Sanchez, Tony Nunez, Johnny Rosales and Richard Sanchez.

Third Place - Los Amigos



Jose Luis Garcia (Coach), Jaime Garcia, Joey Ochoa, Niki Ochoa, Orlando Venegas, Jerry Garcia, Marcos Lopez, Mark Ortiz, Sam Mellott, David Gutierrez, Ricky Avalos, Rogue, Ramiro Reyes, George Rubio and Tavare.

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Bonilla Announces \$4.6 Million Grant For Texas Homeland Security

 WASHINGTON, D.C. Representative Henry Bonilla proudly announced funding today to strengthen homeland security in the state of Texas.

"Our nation changed dramatically on September 11th. The events of that fateful day have opened our eyes to new threats and new opportunities for terrorist activity. There's no doubt about it, our nation's food supply is a serious target. This funding will make a tremendous difference in keeping our food supply safe and keeping our agriculture industry strong," said Mr. Bonilla.

At a recent press conference, Mr. Bonilla announced that the US Department of Agriculture (USDA) is releasing more than \$43 million in state grants to bolster food and agricultural homeland security. This funding is part of \$328 million approved by President Bush and the Congress earlier this year to strengthen USDA's homeland security preparedness.

Of the total \$43.4 million allocated by the USDA, the state of Texas will receive \$4.6 million. This funding will be used for a rapid detection and diagnostics network, which will help identify and respond to high risk biological pathogens in food and the agriculture system. The funding is also allocated for plant, pest and disease detection, animal disease response and animal disease surveillance.

"The USDA recognizes that states have the ability to help secure one of the most valuable resources in our country -- agriculture. By setting aside a specific amount for each state, the USDA is giving us the opportunity to target terrorism at the ground-level," said Mr. Bonilla. "Giving some power to the states is a smart way of doing business. I have just four words for the terrorists: Don't Mess With Texas!"

Mr. Bonilla is chairman of the Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee, which oversees funding for the USDA. He worked diligently with colleagues on his subcommittee and in the Senate to secure funding that would reduce the risk of a terrorist attack in agriculture. He was joined at today's ceremony by USDA Undersecretary Bill Hawks and Deputy Commissioner of Texas Agriculture Martin Hubert. "The benefits of this funding are too far-reaching to be measured today. But I can assure you, in the months and years to come, we will be grateful for the protection and preparedness this funding will supply," said Mr. Bonilla.

Mr. Bonilla has represented the 23rd Congressional district since his first election in 1992. In addition to chairing the Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee, Mr. Bonilla is also a member of the Defense and Foreign Operations Appropriations Subcommittees.

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Looking For Something To Do This Summer?
Visit SeaWorld's Summer Nights

SAN ANTONIO (May 21, 2002) - "Shamu Rocks Texas," a brand-new evening show featuring eye-popping special effects, electrifying music and amazing killer whale behaviors, debuts as part of SeaWorld "Summer Nights," beginning daily Memorial Day weekend through Aug. 11.

SeaWorld "Summer Nights" also features "All in A Day's Work" with comical sea lions Clyde and Seamore spoofing SeaWorld's daytime shows. Guests will also enjoy the return of "Pet Tales," starring incredible animals - many rescued from shelters. High-jumping, Frisbee-catching and weightlifting dogs, weaving "cathletes" and dog-paddling "pigsharks" star in this hilarious show.

SeaWorld San Antonio extends its operating hours for the "Summer Nights" schedule. The park opens daily at 10 a.m. with varying closing times of 9 p.m. or 10 p.m. For specific dates and times, guests can call (210) 523-3611. On July 4, SeaWorld will be open until 11 p.m.

SeaWorld's daily lineup of more than 25 attractions includes shows and exhibits, plus the Lost Lagoon Water Park and "Steel Eel" and "The Great White," two of Texas' favorite coasters.

New for 2002 is "Rockin' Ski Party," a fun frolic on the water set to rock-and-roll music. Returning is the dazzling "Vival!" show that combines the acrobatics of white whales and dolphins with the stunts of synchronized swimmers, aerialists and high divers.

Daily operation at SeaWorld San Antonio continues through Aug. 18, then weekends thereafter through Dec. 1, as well as Labor Day, Sept. 2, and the day after Thanksgiving, Nov. 29. Prices for a 1-day ticket are \$36.99 for adults (12 and over), \$26.99 for children ages 3 to 11 and children under 2 are free. 2-day ticket prices are \$41.95 for adults and \$31.95 for children. For more information you can log on to www.seaworld.com or call (210)523-3611.

SeaWorld San Antonio is an Anheuser-Busch Adventure Park.

News From The Neighbors

June 15 is the date for a talent show in Ozona to benefit the local Salvation Army unit. Entertainment starts at the Crockett County Civic Center at 5:00 p.m. Ticket prices are \$3.00 for adults and \$2.00 for senior citizens and children under 12 years. Children six and under are admitted free. There will be a concession stand, and door prizes will be given throughout the evening.

Anyone interested in performing should contact Lue Morrow at 392-9963 for entry information. There is a \$15.00 entry fee. The three age divisions are 6 and under, 7-14 and 15 and above.

Prize for the all around winner will be \$200.00 in cash and a trophy. First, second and third places in all divisions will receive cash prizes. First place receives \$50.00, second place \$25.00 and third place \$15.00.

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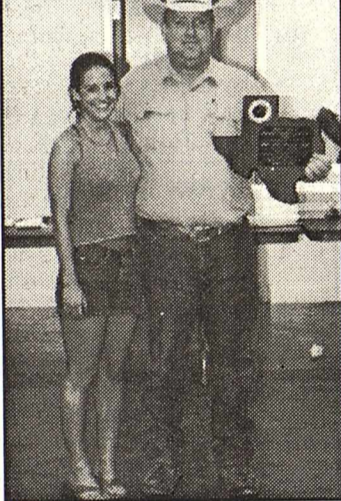
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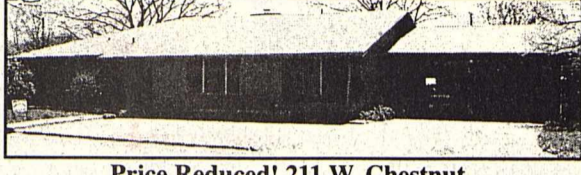
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