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## 65th Annual Sonora Wool And Mohair Show And 42nd Annual National 4-H Wool Judging Contest And 2nd Annual National FFA Wool Judging Contest

**submitted**  
The Sonora Wool and Mohair Warehouse and the 4-H Civic Center were buzzing with activity from June 18 - 20, 2002. 4-H'ers and FFA members came from all over Texas, New Mexico and even as far away as Wyoming.

The Sutton County teams fared well, placing in many of the offered events. Results for the entire show are as follows:

### JUNIOR DIVISION JUDGING CONTEST 2002

**Over-All High Novice Individuals**  
1st Anna Miller 1262 Kendall Co. 2nd Bailey Pennington 1144 Sutton Co. 3rd Caleb Miller 1134 Kendall Co. 4th Savannah Leonard 1124 Val Verde Co. 5th Steely Ingham 1101 Sutton Co.  
**AWARD:** Medals  
**DONOR:** The Bank & Trust, Sonora, Texas

**Over-All High Junior Individuals**  
1st Colt Brandenberger 1346 Kimble Co. 2nd Kelly Haile 1335 Kendall Co. 3rd Carl Whitworth 1322 Kimble Co. 4th Laura Allen 1273 Val Verde Co. 5th Craig Leonard 1252 Val Verde Co.  
**AWARD:** Medals  
**DONOR:** First National Bank, Sonora, Texas

**Over-All High Senior Individuals**  
1st Darcee Moldenhauer 1411 Kendall Co. 2nd Isaac Miller 1397 Kendall Co. 3rd Grant Giles 1394 Kendall Co. 4th Cody Kneupper 1374 Kendall Co. 5th M. J. McIntire 1321 Stephens Co.  
**AWARD:** Medals  
**DONOR:** Sonora Wool & Mohair Co., Sonora, Texas

**SWEPESTAKES AWARDS**  
**AWARD:** Plaques  
**DONOR:** Southwest Texas Federal Land Bank Association, Sonora, Texas

**BEST ALL AROUND CLUB**  
1st Kendall County 4-H (4647)  
2nd Sutton County 4-H (3991)  
Coaches: Preston Faris, Cliff Brister, & Fran Pennington  
3rd Kimble County 4-H (3970)  
4th Val Verde County 4-H (3825)

**Sonora Wool & Mohair Show Junior Division Judging Contest-2002 Wool**  
**High Novice Individuals**  
1 Anna Miller (328) Kendall 2

Savannah Leonard(321) Val Verde 3 Corley Pruneda (318) Kerr 4 Steely Ingham (305) Sutton

### High Novice Teams

1st Val Verde Co. 4-H (877)  
2nd Sutton Co. 4-H (873)  
Steely Ingham, Bailey Pennington, Cash Jennings, Hunter Jennings, alt COACH: Preston Faris  
3rd Kendall Co. (850)

### High Junior Individuals

1 Craig Leonard (360) Val Verde 2 Laura Allen (351) Val Verde 3 Kraig Chandler (350) Crockett 4 Kelly Hurley (347) Val Verde

### High Junior Teams

1st Val Verde Co. 4-H (1058)  
2nd Kimble Co. 4-H (967)  
3rd Crockett Co. 4-H (934)  
Kraig Chandler, Lucinda Birkenfeld, Dean Wadsworth  
COACHES: Judy Churchill, Donnie Laughlin, Charles Seidensticker, Stephen Zuberbueler  
4th Sutton Co. 4-H (900)  
Emily Earwood, Laura Martin, Colton Moore, Mandy Brister, alt.  
COACH: Preston Faris

### High Senior Individuals

1 Darcee Moldenhauer (357) Kendall  
2 Katie Parker (356) Crockett  
3 Caitlin Martin (352) Kerr  
3 Cassie Allen (351) Val Verde

### High Senior Teams

1st Kerr Co. 4-H (1030)  
2nd Crockett Co. 4-H (1025)  
Katie Parker, Katy Churchill, Aaron Renfro  
COACHES: Judy Churchill, Donnie Laughlin, Charles Seidensticker, Stephen Zuberbueler  
3rd Kendall Co. 4-H (1023)  
4th Brazos Co. 4-H (1017)

### Sonora Wool & Mohair Show Junior Division Judging Contest-2002 Range

**High Novice Individuals**  
1 Anna Miller (293) Kendall  
2 Caleb Miller (284) Kendall  
3 Mary Miller (275) Kendall  
4 Bailey Pennington (242) Sutton

### High Novice Teams

1st Kendall Co. 4-H (852)  
2nd Sutton Co. 4-H (682)  
Bailey Pennington, Steely Ingham, Cash Jennings, Meredith Earwood, alt.  
COACH: Fran Pennington  
3rd Val Verde Co. 4-H (383)

### High Junior Individuals

1 Colt Brandenberger (339) Kimble  
2 Kelly Haile (334) Kendall  
3 Carl Whitworth (304) Kimble  
4 Callie Whitworth (273) Kimble

### High Junior Teams

1st Kimble Co. 4-H (916)  
2nd Val Verde Co. 4-H (638)  
3rd Sutton Co. 4-H (629)  
Laura Martin, Mandy Brister, Emily Earwood, Colton Moore, alt.

### COACHES:

Fran Pennington, Cliff Brister  
4th Crockett Co. 4-H (549)  
Lucinda Birkenfeld, Dean Wadsworth, Kraig Chandler  
COACHES: Judy Churchill, Donnie Laughlin, Charles Seidensticker, Stephen Zuberbueler

### High Senior Individuals

1 Grant Giles (392) Kendall  
2 M. J. McIntire (378) Stephens  
3 Isaac Miller (355) Kendall  
4. Cody Kneupper (354) Kendall

### High Senior Teams

1st Kendall Co. 4-H (1101)  
2nd Stephens Co. 4-H (854)  
3rd Crockett Co. 4-H (603)  
Katy Churchill, Aaron Renfro, Katie Parker  
COACHES: Judy Churchill, Donnie Laughlin, Charles Seidensticker, Stephen Zuberbueler  
4th Hockley Co. 4-H (343)

### E.B. KING MEMORIAL TROPHY to the HIGH SCORING JUDGING TEAM

*Presented by: Edwards Plateau Soil and Water Conservation District*

### KENDALL COUNTY 4-H SENIOR TEAM:

Grant Giles, Isaac Miller, Cody Kneupper, and Darcee Moldenhauer, alt.  
COACHES: Robin Giles, Robert Haile, Lee Knox, and Dennis Moldenhauer

### Sonora Wool & Mohair Show Junior Division Judging Contest-2002 Livestock

### High Novice Individuals

1 Bailey Pennington (302) Sutton  
2 Meredith Earwood (285) Sutton  
3 Mary Miller (284) Kendall  
4 Sterling Love (283) Sutton

### High Novice Teams

1st Sutton Co. 4-H (870)  
Bailey Pennington, Meredith Earwood, Sterling Love, Hunter Jennings, alt.  
COACH: Preston Faris  
2nd Val Verde Co. 4-H (807)  
3rd Kendall Co. 4-H (799)

### High Junior Individuals

1 Carl Whitworth (317) Kimble  
2 Colt Brandenberger (306) Kimble  
3 Laura Martin (305) Sutton

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## Fireworks Banned In City Limits

Just a reminder... A City Ordinance banning the use of fireworks within the City Limits is in affect and prohibits the sale, firing, or use of fireworks or any other type of pyrotechnic display inside the city limits. This ordinance includes any firecracker, cannon cracker, roman candle, skyrocket, torpedo, pinwheel or any other type of fireworks (including sparklers) or any device of a pyrotechnic nature.

Please remember to use caution at all times during the 4th of July holiday and the summer months. Dry conditions allow for fires to start and spread very quickly!

## Street Seal-Coating To Begin

The City of Sonora will be kicking off the second portion of a street seal-coating project Monday, July 8th.

Sutton County Road and Bridge Department supervisor Oscar Jimenez and the City of Sonora Public Utilities Director James McLaughlin will supervise the work. This joint effort project between the city and county personnel is an ongoing effort in a long-range plan.

The plan is designed to allow all city streets to be seal coated within a three or four year cycle.

There has not been a paving project done within the city in several years. The streets are deteriorating badly.

This type of combined effort between the city and county will benefit the citizens

and the entities as well. It is an effort to minimize excessive cost.

As citizens we ask for your help and understanding by moving vehicles in preparation of the project.

The paving project will begin focusing on streets that were missed during last years first phase.

The streets are mainly in residential areas and the congestion of traffic may be difficult on some residents so please be patient.

Remember it is the plan that the entire town will be seal coated with this project.

Again, the city asks for your cooperation in dealing with the inconvenience of the project.

Thank you in advance.

## City Council Approves "Drug Free Zone"

On the 18th of June, 2002, the City Council of Sonora, Texas met in regular session with the following councilmembers present, James Stephen, Mayor, Gloria Lopez, Virgil Poloczek, James Blackman, Vivian Mearns; also present was Brent Gesch, City Manager; Beth Wallace, City Attorney; and Becky Covington, City Secretary.

Others attending all or part of the meeting were Police Chief Mike House, Tabby Sanchez, John Shinn, Arturo Sanchez, Nancy Davis, Jim Cusenbary, Joy Galbreath, James McLaughlin, Larry Lynch, Tony Lane, and Juanita Mesa.

Mayor Stephen opened the council meeting at 2:00 p.m. Judge Sessom gave the invocation and the "Pledge of Allegiance" was recited.

Councilmember Poloczek made a motion to approve the special city council meeting held on May 14, 2002. Lopez made a second and the motion carried.

Poloczek made a motion to approve the regular city council meeting held on May 21, 2002. Blackman made a second to the motion. Motion carried.

Blackman made a motion to approve the SCAD monthly tax collection report for May. The report showed \$381,567 of taxes collected for this fiscal year. Councilmember Poloczek made a second to the motion and all members present voted in favor. Motion carried.

**PLANNING & ZONING CASE NO. 342:** Jim Cusenbary, 312 Edgemont, Block 5, Lot 5 & 6, Castlehill Addition, requested a variance to pour a cement slab for a portable storage building up to side property line. Upon recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Board, Blackman made a motion to approve the variance. Poloczek made the second the motion carried unanimously.

A letter was presented from Jorge Velarde requesting the annexation of a 5.7 acre tract into the city be cancelled. Mr. Velarde explained that due to the engineering firm platting a 6.9 acre tract instead of the initial 5.7 acre tract and a portion of the construction of the house being built on a tract outside the initial 5.7 acre tract, the city attorney advised that the annexation process would have to start over to avoid any issues in the future. Mr. Velarde, therefore, requested annexation of a 6.9 acre tract that would encompass the entire property. Poloczek made a motion to accept Mr. Velarde's request to withdraw the annexation of the 5.7 acre tract and proceed with the legal annexation requirements of the 6.9 acre tract. Blackman made a second to the motion and with all members present voting in favor, the motion carried.

Tabby Sanchez, Friends of Historic Sonora, approached the council with a request to consider entering into an agreement with TxDOT to construct and install a decorative wall/planter on US 277 North and Loop 467 West in Sonora. Ms. Sanchez explained that the project would be a cost sharing project, Friends of Historic Sonora, Inc. would fund the labor and be responsible for all hardscape and landscape maintenance in the future and TxDOT would provide the materials. She explained that the wall/planter would be constructed of natural limestone obtained in Sutton County. Poloczek made a motion to approve the agreement with TxDOT and proceed with the project. Blackman made a second, and the motion carried.

Blackman made a motion to approve a RESOLUTION delegating James B. Stephen, Mayor; Brent Gesch, City Manager; and Becky Covington, City Secretary as the persons with the authority to sign the Depository/Authorized Signators Designation Form for TCDP Contract No. 721761. Mearns made a second to the

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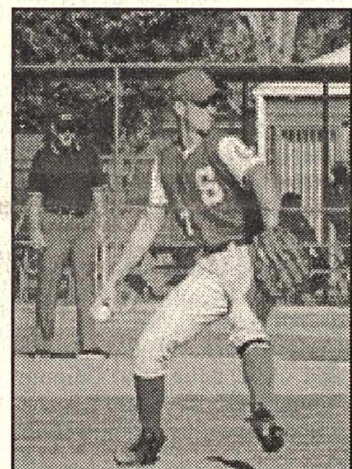
## Broncos Make 2002 All-West Texas And All -District Baseball Team

The Sonora Bronco Baseball season ended last month in a great playoff showing and the 2002 All-West Texas Team has been chosen, with two Broncos making Honorable Mention. Justin Sims a Jr. at Sonora High School was named as Honorable Mention Pitcher and Sean Fields, a recent graduate was chosen for H.M. Outfield.

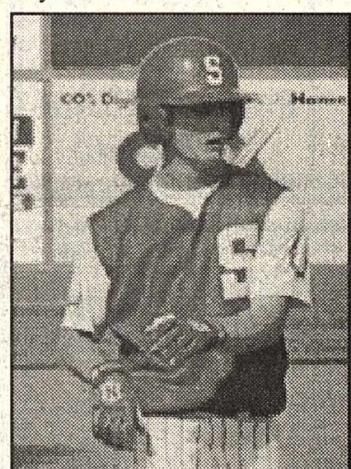
The District 2-2A All-District Baseball team was also named last week, with Sims

making All-District First Team Pitcher and Fields being named First Team Outfield. Joining these Broncos on All-District First Team were Landon Brockman, a Jr., in the Catcher position along with Manuel Lopez, a Jr., and Stetson Hall, Sr., in the Infield.

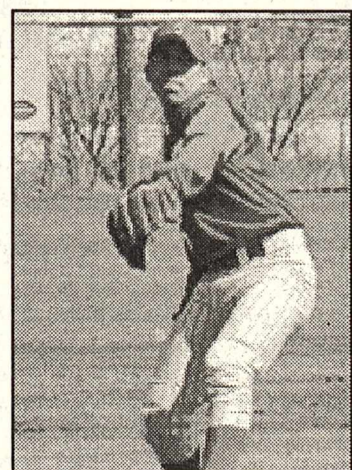
Making the All-District Second Team were Doug Yocham, a Jr. as Pitcher, Scootie Moore, Soph., in the Infield and Tan Cade, Sr. in the Outfield. Congratulations to all of these boys!



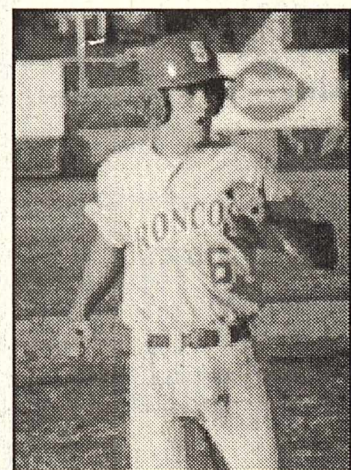
Justin Sims



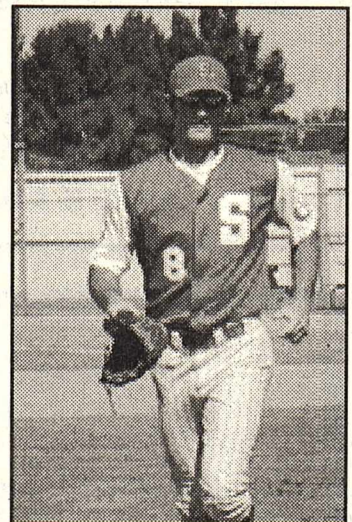
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Manuel Lopez



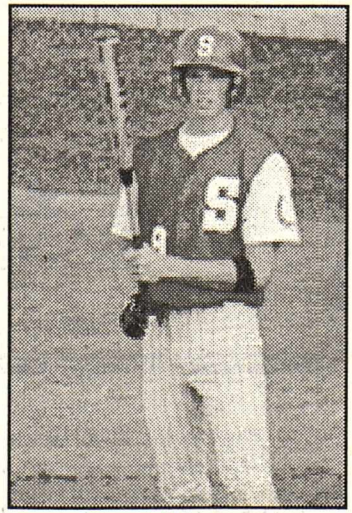
Landon Brockman



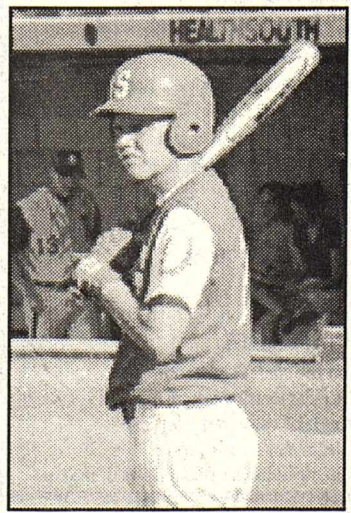
Stetson Hall



Scottie Moore



Doug Yocham



Tan Cade

All Baseball photos by Ray Glasscock.

## Two Vehicle Accident Sends One To Hudspeth



Emergency crews responded to a two vehicle accident on Crockett Ave. Monday afternoon. The accident sent one adult female to Hudspeth Hospital with minor injuries. The occupant of the other vehicle was not seriously injured and was walking around at the scene. The injured driver is reported to have pulled out in front of the West bound pick-up, causing the driver-side impact that spun the truck completely around.





### Sonora Church Directory

**PRIMERA IGLESIA BAPTISTA**  
Antonio F. Gonzales, Sr.  
504 Santa Clara  
387-2035

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Jerry Jackson  
304 N. Water  
387-3190

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
T. Wayne Price  
Pastor  
111 E Oak  
387-2951

**ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
404 E. Poplar  
387-2955

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Conrad Archer, Pastor  
201 N. Water  
387-2466

**TEMPLO JERUSALEM ASAMBLEA DE DIOS**  
Rev. Santos Beserra, Jr.  
306 W. 4th St.  
387-5713

**HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Rev. Charles Huffman  
417 E. 2nd St.  
387-5366

**NEW LIFE MINISTRY CENTER**  
Jerry & Joy Wood  
205 E. Main  
387-3241

**LA IGLESIA HISPANA PENTECOSTAL DEL NOMBRE DE JESUS, INC.**  
387-6072

**IGLESIA PENTECOSTAL UNIDA HISPANA**  
Pastor Isai Oviedo  
509 Amistad  
650-3121

**THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD PRESBYTERIAN**  
Lewis Allen, Pastor  
319 E. Mulberry  
387-2616

**LIGHTHOUSE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Don Longoria, Pastor  
707 Glasscock  
387-5886

**PENTECOSTAL CALVARY TEMPLE UNITED**  
Randy Greenwood  
Pastor  
509 Amistad  
387-5266

**ST. ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Father William DuBuisson,  
O.M.I.  
229 W. Plum  
387-2278

**JEHOVAH'S WITNESS**  
310 St. Ann's Street  
387-5658 or 387-5518

**NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Supply Pastor  
511 Cornell  
387-5207



**FORD**  
BRONCHO FORD INC.  
115 N CONCHO SONORA, TX 76950  
(915)387-2549

**Kerbow Funeral Home**  
387-2266

### Dining Out Directory

**Dairy Queen**  
134 Hwy. 277 N.  
387-2118

**La Mexicana**  
240 N. Hwy 277  
387-3401

**Pizza Hut**  
401 Hwy. 277 N.  
387-3540

**Sutton County Steakhouse**  
1306 N. Service Rd  
387-3833

**Stagecoach Grill & Cantina**  
407 South Crockett  
387-0623

**Taco Grill**  
232 Hwy. 277 N.  
387-9127

**Town & Country Subway**  
610 S. Crockett  
387-6181

**Town & Country - Country Kitchen**  
903 N. Crockett Ave.  
387-2169

### Obituaries

#### George William Brockman, Jr.

George William Brockman, 89, passed away at his residence in Sonora. Memorial services will be held at St. John's Episcopal Church in Sonora on Wednesday, June 26, 2002, at 10:30 a.m. with the Reverend Monte Jones officiating. Arrangements are by Kerbow Funeral Home.

George William Brockman, Jr. was born in San Angelo to Sophie VanderStucken Brockman and George Brockman, Sr. on July 24, 1912. He attended public school in San Angelo graduating from Central High School.

In 1931 he began college at Texas A & M graduating from there in 1935. He was a member of the Corp of Cadets, Company B of the 1st Battalion Infantry who adopted the original Reveille that would become the mascot of the Texas A & M University.

George worked for the Agriculture Adjustment Act (AAA) in Perryton, Texas. In 1936 he came to Sutton County to begin ranching taking time out to serve his country in World War II as a lieutenant in the Army Air Corp.

On January 7, 1948, he married Mary Louise Craven in San Angelo continuing ranching endeavors. He was an early active conservationist continuing to encourage and promote soil stewardship.

George was both generous and supportive of many organi-

zations throughout his life. He served on the board of the Edward's Plateau Soil Water Conservation District, and the Sutton County Underground Water District. He was a member, director, and honorary director for life of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association. He was a member of St. John's Episcopal Church having served on the vestry. He served on the Concho Valley Council of the Boy Scout's of America and received the Silver Beaver Award for his services. He was a member of the Sonora Lion's Club for over fifty years. He was a strong supporter of the Sutton County 4-H programs. George was a member of the 12th Man Foundation of Texas A & M University and was an avid Aggie supporter.

His enjoyment came from his grandchildren following their activities in Sonora, hunting, fishing, and being at the ranch. Nothing pleased him more than a lengthy visit with his friends.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Brockman in 1992.

He is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Bob and Nancy Brockman of Sonora, grandchildren, Ashley Brockman, a senior at Texas A & M, and Landon Brockman, a senior at Sonora High School.

Memorials may be made to Sutton County Civic Center or any favorite charity.

#### Noah Higinio Marines

Noah Higinio Marines, infant son of Magaly and Higinio Marines, Jr. went home to be with the Lord Monday, June 17, 2002.

Noah was born on May 24, 2002, in San Angelo, Texas, and was immediately air lifted to Cook's County Medical Center in Fort Worth. Although he was three months early, Noah defied the odds and surprised everyone. With God's help and the countless prayers of friends and family from coast to coast, he continued to grow strong until a sudden infection over took him Monday morning.

Noah is survived by his parents, Magaly and Higinio Marines Jr. of San Angelo; grandparents, Miriam and Carlos Flores of San Angelo and Ana Lilia and Higinio Marines Sr. of Sonora; great-grandparents, Ismael and Hulda

Escanio Sr. of New York, Ernestina and Francisco Marines and Juan and Hermelinda Vasquez, all of Eagle Pass. He is also survived by his aunt and uncle, Angela and Carlos Flores Jr. (Titi Ani and Uncle Flo) and his uncle, Juan Francisco Marines (Tio Kiko), all of San Angelo.

He was preceded in death by his great-grandmother, Francisca Flores of New York.

A prayer service was Wednesday, June 19, at Johnson's Funeral Home. Funeral services were Thursday, June 20, 2002 at Johnson's Funeral Home with the Reverend Jehu Hernandez officiating. Burial followed in Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens.

The family would like to thank everyone for their prayers. Without God's help, we could never have made it.

### Cards of Thanks

The Friends of Historic Sonora, Inc./Main Street Program would like to express our deepest appreciation to Sonora First National Bank, The Bank and Trust of Sutton County, Dominion, Multi-Chem, Carl J. Cahill Construction, Broncho Ford, Lee Van Tucker, Tedford Jewelry, John and Dell Tedford, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Healy, St. John's Episcopal Church, and Jimmy Cahill for your support on bringing Capt. Rosey Velez, and Frank Riboni to Sonora.

We would also like to thank the following people and businesses for their help with this event: Devil's River News, AEP WTU, KHOS Radio, Rafter W Feed, Nancy Davis, La Mexicana Restaurant, Sonora Chamber of Commerce, Dairy Queen of Sonora, Main Street Realty, Johnson Law Office, City of Sonora, Sutton County, FH Sonora Main Street, Bright Spot, David and Beth Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Epps, Mr. and Mrs. Clay Cade, Joy Galbreath, Dr. and Mrs. Gene Gibbels, B and H Catering, Business Basics, Irene Friess - Flowers by Irene, Dr. and Mrs. Phil Miller and Walter and Dorothy Pope.

A special thanks to all helpers: Rafter W Feed, Glenda Lowe, Joanna Wuest, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Wagner, Katrina Hernandez, Evangelina Martinez, Jalys Mabry and Karie Rennels.

Thanks to all those that were present and/or spoke at the event. Without you this event would not have been possible. Miss Sutton County Tori Valliant, Robert Howden, Sr. Advisor to Governor Rick Perry, Texas Historical Commission Deputy Executive Director Terry Colley, Director of the Texas Historical Commission Division of Architecture Stan Graves, Mayor Jim Stephen, Lyman Labry, Texas Historical Commission Division of Architecture, Debbi Head, PR of THC, Gabriel Lozano, Representative of U.S. Congressman Henry Bonilla, State Representative Harvey Hildebran, Volz and Associates Architects, John Volz and Joan Cabiness, Frank Riboni, Rosey Velez, Texas Historical Commission, County Commissioners: Mike Villanueva, Milton Cavaness, Belia Castaneda, John Wade, Judge Carla Garner and The Historical Society.

Our deepest thanks goes out to all in making this event a great success.

During hard times one truly relies on family and friends for prayers, support and laughter. It's so good to know Irene is blessed with all three.

We appreciate and thank you for the many thoughts, prayers, calls of concern, gifts, cards, plants, arrangements and food brought to her during this time.

We would especially like to thank Dr. Calderon and the nurses staff of the emergency room for taking such good care of Mom.

A special thank you to Michelle Villanueva for being by Mom's side at the emergency room in San Angelo, and keeping us updated while we were traveling to get there. There's not enough words to express our gratitude, so a simple thank you will have to do.

God Bless you,

Turney Friess, Clara Arredondo, Gladys, Robert and Michele Noriega and George Arredondo.

### Engagement



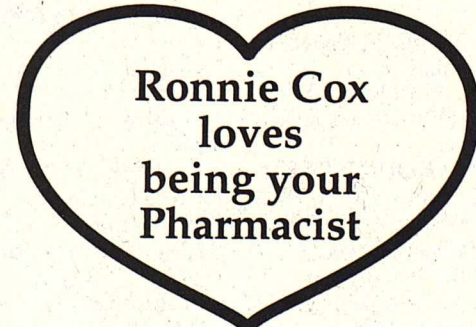
**Bean - Johnson**

Rachel Morriss Bean of Kerrville, Texas and Jason Rhett Johnson of Sonora, Texas will be married September 14, 2002 at the home of Preston and Linda Love in Sonora, Texas.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Debra Columbus of Port Neches, Texas and C. Adam Morriss III of Quitman, Texas. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Becky Tittle Hartje of Eldorado, Arkansas and the late George Johnson of Sonora, Texas.

Rachel is a 1994 graduate of Tivy High School and is a facialist at The Cutting Edge.

Her fiance is a 1994 graduate of Sonora High School and is currently employed by G & L Tool Co.



### Senior Center News

- July 1** - Bingo!
- July 3** - AAA Reports due!
- July 4** - Happy 4th. Center will be closed!
- July 5** - Run errands and pay bills after lunch.

#### Senior Menu

- July 1** - BBQ pork ribette, buns, lima beans, tossed salad, tator tots, strawberries.
- July 2** - Chicken strips with gravy, baked potato, broccoli with cheese, roll, peach cobbler.
- July 3** - Hot dog with chili, sweet potatoes, pineapple waldorf salad, brownies.
- July 4** - Center closed for Holiday! Happy 4th!
- July 5** - Soft taco with cheese, pinto beans, lettuce, tomato, corn with green peppers, mixed fresh fruit.

**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 26-27**  
First Aid Course  
EMS Bldg. • 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.

*The Community Calendar*



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### Calendar

*Have a Safe and Happy Fourth of July Holiday*

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Email us at editor@sonoratr.net



**Ask the Historical Society**

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

When John Eaton passed on we were fortunate to receive several boxes of his research as a donation to the Sutton County Historical Society. He and several others that belonged to the society in the early days had written up stories that were told to them by some of the early settlers here. The following is one of the stories we have found in his files:

Al Haley - Ed Looney - Two Friends

At the age of 21, in early manhood, Ed Looney came to Sutton County when the county seat, Sonora, was in its third year of babyhood. The country was new, unfenced and full of opportunities for every young man. In the next five years he worked at several ranches over the county and became well known to all the people. He was very popular in the crowd of young folks whose main relief from the monotony of ranch life routine was found in gatherings at neighboring ranch houses for a weekend of fun. At times these were mainly stag meetings featuring heavy drinking, racing, roping and riding. The younger crowd favored mixed gatherings like the one we find in the Devil's River News of March, 1894, favoring opportunities for courting.

The occasion was a dance at "the R. H. Wyatt ranch, six miles below Sonora." It was a small affair, or the Devil's River News did not have full information as was indicated by a general "among those present." Note the names carefully: Ed Looney, Bessie Wyatt, Pearl Haley, Jim Bean, John Allison, Mark Baugh, George Haley and E. F. Vanderstucken.

Perhaps it was here the romance budded that led to the engagement of Ed Looney to the very fascinating young lady, Bessie Wyatt. A popular young merchant, E. F. Vanderstucken, may also have been slightly wounded by cupid's dart, as he waltzed with Bessie in his arms to the strain of "Over the Waves." An early spring and a moon-lit night made the gay affair a lasting memory to each of these young friends. Life and love climaxed in a state of ecstatic bliss for Ed Looney. That night, death was eternities away.

Almost two and one-half years later, the young man has accumulated some stock with the intentions of getting a start

on a place of his own. We are glad to know that he made that last trip back home, to Cisco, to visit the old folks. After an absence of three long years it was a happy occasion. The old folks and old friends shared the pride he felt in telling of "the ranch he would some day own, and most of all, his great fortune in winning the hand of Bessie Wyatt. Glowing with youthful confidence he returned to Sonora one Sunday and hastened to tell Bessie of his trip and make plans for the big dance in the Sutton County Courthouse, Monday night.

The Devil's River News tells us Al Haley came to Sutton County in 1892, from Edwards County. He made his camp some 20 miles east of Sonora. He prospered and three years later, according to the Devil's River News of February 2, 1895: "Al Haley intends building a house at his ranch on North Llano." No doubt but what this building is the one that was used for storage at the Joe Brown Ross ranch.

Haley had mostly cattle and did a lot of trading. Looney was also doing some trading. Old timers indicate the two were friends, at least close business associates, and their trouble arose from some minor deal. Later, at Haley's trial, the defense said it all began when Looney sold a cow that belonged to Ira Wheat. Haley was agent for Ira Wheat and resented Looney's interference. Looney had stated the cow did not belong to Ira Wheat in the first place. Keep in mind this information comes from the defense in an effort to establish a basis for self defense by proving Looney used strong and threatening language. Legal trivialities add little to our story. Everything that contributes to a major tragedy of our lives, as this, fades into triviality when we look back to brood in regret.

In most small towns, especially in farming areas, Saturday was and still is the big day. As far back as I remember the custom in Sonora has been to make Monday the big day for everyone to come to town. Only one explanation has been offered for this strange contrast. The men folks figured if they came in on Saturday the women folks would make them stay over Sunday for church services. Yet the big dances were usually held on Saturday night in the Sutton County Courthouse. Mrs. Frank Turney says there was in town that Monday night of September 21, 1896, and she thinks there



Jess Barksdale, Ed Looney, Geo Haley, Frank Turney

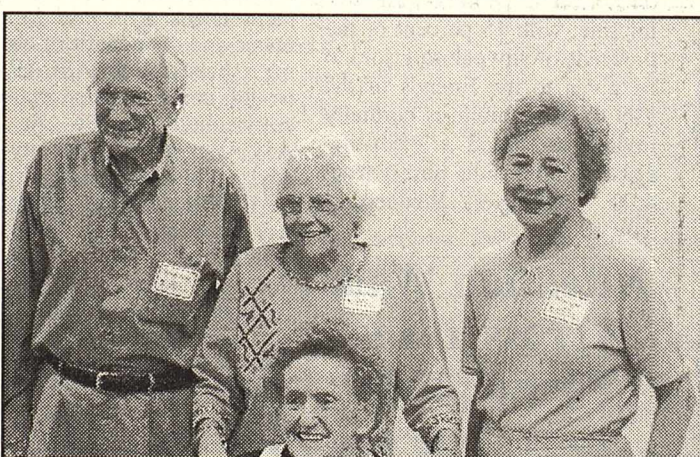
was a dance all night. She was waiting tables at the Decker Hotel. The hotel had been enlarged and remodeled with facilities to serve meals. Families, or groups sat at large tables and were fed the varied fare for that day in abundant quantities; just helped yourself to all you wanted. The two-story edifice faced the Sutton County Courthouse Square with a long porch, a spacious and comfortable area for "sitters." Unless your years number two score or more, you will not remember driving down the streets of Sonora in the cool of the evening, and waving to friends sitting on the porches of their homes. Today they are inside with air-conditioning and television.

She was Lottie Stevenson then. Today, as "Mama" Turney, she tells a much better story than most of us: "It was an awful thing; Jim was supposed to be Ed Looney's best friend and he was responsible for it all. He thought it was a good joke to tell Al Haley that Looney said one of them would not leave

town alive. "The boys from Winkler ranch, with Ed Looney, were eating at my table. Mollie Fiveash, later Mrs. Don Cooper, was waiting on the table where Al Haley and his men were eating. The dining room was full, a large crowd was in town for the dance and everyone was enjoying himself. Considerable razzing was going on between the boys at the Al Haley table and those in the Winkler group, such as the Haley boys pushing back all the necks and wings and saying the Winkler boys could eat them. Fried chicken was the main dish that night and those cowhands loved it. The boys were just feeling good; there could have been some hard feelings, but nothing bitter. Their razzing was all in friendship. To be continued next week.

If you have any questions concerning Sutton County history, send them to "Ask the Historical Society," P.O. Box 885, Sonora, Texas 76950-0885 or e-mail them to schs@sonorax.net. You may call me at 915-387-2855

**Taylor Family Reunites In Sonora**



Shown left to right: Basil Taylor, Monica Taylor, wife of Jim Taylor who was one of Robert Eli Taylor's sons, Sarah Taylor McKee, Velma Taylor, Basil's wife.

The 2002 Taylor Family Reunion was held on Saturday, June 8, 2002 at the Sonora 4-H Civic Center. Special Honorees for the reunion were Sarah Taylor McKee, 96 and Basil Halbert Taylor, 79. Sarah now resides in San Angelo and Basil makes his home in San Antonio.

Sara and Basil are the two remaining children of Robert Eli (R.E.) Taylor. R.E. was instrumental in the founding of the Texas A&M Experiment Station located in Sutton County and assisted with the formation of the Sheep and Goat Raisers association in 1919.

This gathering of family was something that "Papa Taylor" had hoped that his family would continue through the years, so as to always know each other and stay close. Blanche Lavon Taylor Babcock, daughter of Cashes and Nancy Taylor, was in charge of compiling the family history in a two volume, 900 page, bound book. Blanche worked hard to help everyone catch a glimpse into their family's past and catch up with where everyone is today. A copy of this book is available to view through the Sutton County Historical Society.

Mattie Mae McKee, daughter of Sarah Taylor

McKee was also responsible for the planning of this family reunion.

A beautiful exhibit table was on display at the reunion, featuring some of the Taylor family trophy saddles, spurs and other prizes won at rodeos. There were also pictures of past family members and a fantastic photo of the Sheep and Goat Raisers Association's first meeting, among others.

Dr. Charles "Butch" Taylor, Superintendent at the Sonora Experiment Station gave an excellent slide show and presentation that focused on the Experiment Station's origin by "Papa Taylor" and all the current activities there.

Sutton County Historian, JoAnn Palmer and her husband, Rick were introduced as special guests, representing the Sutton County Historical Society.

All of the Taylor offspring, Daymond, Verna Mae, Cashes, Sarah, Tom, R.E., Pete, John F., Hattie, Cora Belle, Jimmie, Basil and Baby Girl were represented at the reunion and both Honorees, Sarah and Basil were in attendance. There were over 70 family members present, from as far away as Washington State, Georgia, Washington D.C. and all over Texas.

Meals were provided by the Sutton County Steakhouse and everyone had a wonderful visit.

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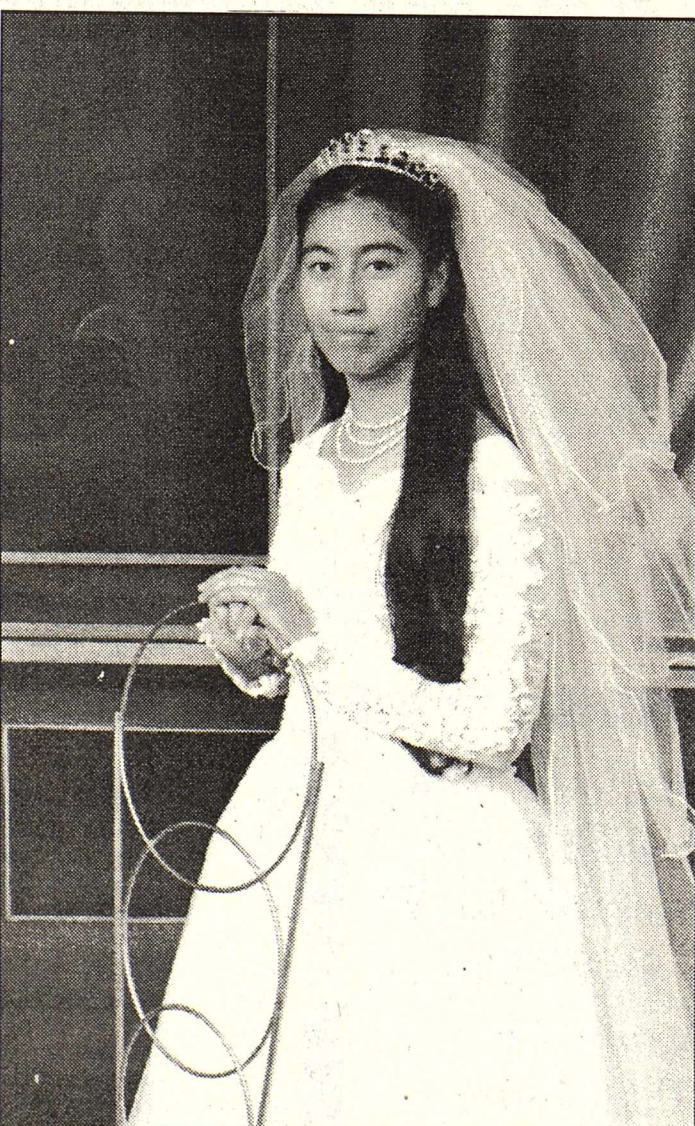
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**Wedding**

**Reyes-Juarez Wed**



Nancy Reyes, daughter of Ezequiel and Celia Reyes of Del Rio, and Edwardo Juarez, son of Aurelio and Tomasa Juarez of El Oregano, Coahuila, Mexico, were united in marriage on May 25, 2002, in El Oregano at La Iglesia de Dios Vivo. Nancy was attended by maid of honor, Ruth Reyes, and 10 other attendants. Edwardo's best man was his brother, Sixto, and 10 groomsmen.

The wedding party was entertained with live music by El Grupo Union from Odessa.

Nancy attended Sonora High School before moving to Del Rio. Edwardo finished La Escuela Secundario in El Oregano. He is employed by the Falcomex Factory in El Oregano where Nancy and Edwardo will make their home for the present time.

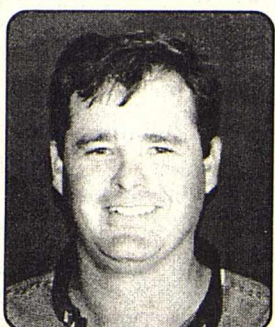


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### Nicholas To Show Art At Crockett County Public Library

by Charlotte Harrell

Friends of the Crockett County Public Library is pleased to feature the art of Ronald A. Nicholas during the months of July and August. The son of military parents, Ron was born in Moscow, Idaho, and has subsequently lived all over the world from Taipei, Formosa, to Vogelweh, Germany, where he graduated from the Kaiserslautern American High School. However, Ron decided to attend college at Sul Ross State University and has been a Texan ever since. He graduated with BS and MS degrees from that university. After six years teaching experience, Ron and his family settled in Sonora, where he is the art teacher at Sonora High School.



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Ron paints a wide variety of subjects in both watercolor and oil. Primarily a representational, or some would say impressionist, oil painter when he graduated from college, Ron took the plunge into watercolor at the age of 35. Dating back to college days, he says that Paul Cezanne's work had influenced him most. While teaching in Pasadena, Texas, he was able to attend a major exhibit of Cezanne's works from his last ten years. That experience was his first post-college fascination with watercolor. Some years later, Ron had the opportunity to take art courses through Texas Tech's extension campus in Junction, Texas. The instructor was superb, the setting was infectious, and watercolor has been his passion ever since. Incidentally, he happens to share Cezanne's January 19 birthday.

Ron has entered numerous shows in Texas and as far away as New York. He is a three-time winner in San Angelo, and has exhibited his work at SonoraArt.com. Aside from art, Ron is a member of the Association of Texas Professional Educators and Kappa Delta Pi. He is a past president of the West Texas Art Guild. Other interests are tennis and listening to Oldies Rock and Rock music. Ron and his wife, Susan, have three children, Alan, Erich, and Kari.

Ronald Nicholas' paintings on exhibit at the library are also for sale, with 15 percent of the proceeds of any painting sold to be given to the Friends of the Library. The public is cordially invited to attend a meet-the-artist evening at the library from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 10.

### Attention Walk Across Texas Participants

Due to a severe illness, Kelly Thorp has been out of commission for the past week. She asks that everyone please continue to keep up with your miles and don't give up. She is hoping to be out of the hospital by the end of next week and will catch everyone up on miles as soon as possible. Meanwhile, please keep her in your thoughts and prayers for a quick and complete recovery and KEEP WALKING!

### Letter to the Editor

On behalf of the Board of Directors and staff of Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital I would like to thank the many supporters and friends of the hospital for taking part in the open house held Sunday, June 23, 2002. The open house celebrated the hospital's 51st anniversary and the recent completion of the facility remodeling.

I was pleased to see so many people taking time out of their Sunday afternoon to share in our history and delight in our progress. The remodel completed a nine-month effort to enhance services as well as improve access for our patients. The addition of a third emergency room, complete remodeling of the lobby, providing a confidential registration area and the expansion of the physical therapy department are a few of the structural changes. All patient rooms received new guest furnishings, drapes, bedspreads and privacy curtains. The grounds were landscaped and historic photos were placed on permanent display in the downstairs hallway.

Our Vision is "To commit our compassion to significantly improving every dimension of healthcare in the community we serve". This vision can only be realized by maintaining the support of our community. Your support shown on Sunday has energized my commitment to ensuring that healthcare will always be available in Sonora. Thank you again for your time, support and encouragement.

Sincerely,  
 Keith L. Butler, CEO

### Sonora ISD Expands Enrollment of Pre-Kindergarten Program

submitted

Sonora Elementary is offering a full day Pre-Kindergarten program (8:00-2:30) to all students who will be 4 years of age on or before September 1, 2002. Tuition will be charged at an annual rate of \$2150 or \$215 per month. Tuition will only be charged to those students who would normally be considered ineligible for Pre-Kindergarten. Those students who qualify for Pre-Kindergarten as Limited English Proficient or economically disadvantaged will not be charged to attend.

Tuition includes the price of breakfast, lunch, and our after school program which is open from 2:30 to 5:15 each day. The first and last months payment will be due August 1st of this year. Eight additional payments will be due on the first of each month. Space is limited to a maximum of 15 students. Slots will be filled on a first come first serve basis. Please come by the Sonora Elementary School office at 807 S. Concho to register your child. If you have any questions, please call Louise Dermody at 387-2414.

### Sonora ISD Extiende la Matriculacion del Programa de Pre-Kindergarten

submitted

La escuela Sonora Elementary está ofreciendo un programa de Pre-Kindergarten para todo el día (8:00-2:30) a todos los estudiantes que tendrán 4 años de edad antes del primero de septiembre, 2002. El programa tendrá un precio de \$215 por mes o \$2150 por año. Este precio incluye el almuerzo, comida, y asistencia a nuestro programa despues de clases que se lleva acabo desde las 2:30 p.m. a 5:15 p.m. diario. Este precio es solamente para los estudiantes que no califican para el programa de pre-kindergarten por causa de que son limitados en la idioma de ingles o desaventajados economicamente. El primer y el ultimo pago se tendrá que pagar para el primero de agosto de este año. Ocho pagos adicionales se pagarán el primero de cada mes. El espacio está limitado para el maximo de 15 estudiantes. Los espacios se llenarán segun se vayan matriculando. Por favor venga a la oficina de la escuela Sonora Elementary at 807 S. Concho y matricule a su hijo o hija. Si tiene alguna pregunta, pongase en contacto con Louise Dermody al numero 387-2414.

### City Council from page 1

Beth Wallace, City Attorney, explained why local government needs a license to play music and the benefit of obtaining a license from ASCAP that would cover all non-dramatic copyrighted music in the ASCAP repertory. The city was advised that Ann Kay, Friends of Historic Sonora, agreed to pay the \$250.00 fee since they would benefit from the use of the city's license for parades, festivals, arts and crafts fairs, etc. After lengthy discussion, a motion was made by Poloczek to enter into an agreement with the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) for a license to use music on city property and city hosted events. Lopez made a second to the motion and all members present voted in favor.

Beth Wallace advised that state law provides for enhancement of drug offenses if they occur in "drug free zones". These zones are within 1000 feet from schools, playgrounds, or on a school bus and within 300 feet of youth centers and swimming pools. Also, she advised that state law prohibits

weapons on school premises, polling places while an election is taking place, in any government court or offices used by the court and provides for enhancement of weapons offenses if the offense is committed within 300 feet of a school or on premises where school functions take place. Beth explained the benefit of having the ordinance and a map as an official finding and record of the location or boundaries of those zones. The council directed Beth to proceed with an ordinance and map for consideration.

Mayor Stephen announced at 2:34 p.m. that the council would hold a closed executive meeting pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meeting Law, Government Code 551 to discuss the following: Personnel under Gov. Code 551.074:

Annual evaluation of city manager.

The council reconvened into open session at 3:05 p.m. and no action was taken on the evaluation of the city manager.

There being no further business Mayor Stephen closed the meeting at 3:06 p.m.

### UTSA Students Recognized

submitted

Several students from Sonora have been recognized recently for their academic achievements at the University of Texas at San Antonio. Making the College of Engineering Dean's List for the Spring 2002 semester with a GPA of 4.0 was Jason West, son of Joe David and Laura West. Named to the College of Business Dean's List for Spring 2002 with a GPA of 3.78 was Ryan Hardgrave, son of Gary and Kathy Hardgrave. Luke Healy, son of Michael and Catherine Ann Healy, was named to the Southland Conference All-Academic Team for golf.

### F.Y.I.

The Bereaved parents Support Group will meet July 9, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. at The Bank and Trust Community Room. If you have experienced the death of a child you are urged to attend. Your child is very important. Bring a picture of your child to share with everyone.

**X Bar Ranch Summer Dinner Shows 2002** Eldorado, TX June 29, July 27 and August 24. Gates open: 6:30 pm, Dinner Served around 7:30 pm, entertainment follows. Tickets: \$13 per adult, \$8 per child (6-12 years). Tickets are non-refundable but are transferable. Advance ticket sales only - tickets sold up to two days before each performance. June 29 - Jim Runge, a performance historian, July 27 - The Pards - History and music of the Old West have influenced the cowboy duo Pards, August 24 - Bill Hellen, managing General Partner of C.W. Hellen Ranches, Ltd., will share some of his family's treasured Vaquero legends, artifacts and equipment with guests of the X Bar Ranch. The Pards will also be providing music during the evening. For more information call 888-853-2688 info/reservations or 915-853-2688, www.XBarRanch.com

**The congregations of First Methodist Church, St. John's Episcopal Church and Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church invite children to "Catch the Buzz"** about God's love at Vacation Bible School this July 8-12. For more information about Bug Safari Vacation Bible School, call Lewis Allen, VBS director, at 387-2616.

**Anyone who has current addresses for any member of the SHS class of 1982** or needs information about the reunion, please notify Julie Martin at 387-5136.

**The Bronco Booster Club is hand delivering letters to all those companies and individuals who advertise in the Bronco Football Program.** Please respond as soon as possible to get your ad placed in this year's program. If you are a new company in town and would like information, please call Ray or Nancy Glasscock at 387-5617.

### Happy Birthday

**June 28** - Linda Savell, Zane Powers, Chris Perez, Ryan Cramer  
**June 29** - Tommy Gutierrez, Pedro Virgen, Angie Torres  
**June 30** - Riley Crain, Savannah Dobbs, Will Trainer, Treka Vickers, Francesca Gandar  
**July 1** - Kenny Arnwine, Juanita Buntyn, Don Seigler, Shanna Ranger  
**July 2** - Rita Liphart, David Benson, Terri Johnson, John Creek, Mary Beth Morgan  
**July 3** - Johnny Jones, Kim Geske, Cindy Chavez, Serena Duran, Trey Taylor  
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## 2002 Sonora City League Major Boys

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### Gonzales Awarded For Leadership

The United States Achievement Academy announced today that Desiree Gonzales of Sonora, Texas has been named a United States National Award Winner in Leadership.

This award is a prestigious honor very few students can ever hope to attain. In fact, the Academy recognizes fewer than 10% of all American high school students.

Desiree who attended Sonora High School, was nominated for this national award by Christy Bell, a counselor at the school.

Desiree will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.

"Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history. Certainly, United States Achievement Academy winners should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement," said Dr. George Stevens, Executive Director of the United States Achievement Academy.

The Academy selects



USAA winners upon the exclusive recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors, and other qualified sponsors and upon the Standards of Selection set forth by the Academy. The criteria for selection are a student's academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude and cooperative spirit, dependability, and recommendation from a teacher or director.

Desiree is the daughter of Alex and Norma Gonzales of Sonora. The grandparents are Alice & Pedro Virgen and Alejandro Gonzales and Rosa Sanchez, all of Sonora.

## Summer League Basketball Finale

By Ray Glasscock

On Saturday, June 15th, the team for Sonora played two games. The first game was against the Lake View team who had suffered their only loss to Sonora the week before. This time they came prepared with a very tall center who was able to improve their rebounding. We were unable to get the shots to fall and lost by a score of 54 to 43.

Justin Sims - 1 pt, 2 fouls, 4 rebounds  
 Chris Martin - 7 pts, 3 fouls, 5 rebounds  
 Caleb Gulley - 3 pts, 2 fouls, 2 rebounds  
 Justin Routh - 14 pts, 4 fouls, 5 rebounds  
 Dakota Hernandez - 6 pts, 1 foul  
 Wiley Wagoner - 1 foul, 2 rebounds  
 Juan Rodriguez - 12 pts, 1 foul, 2 rebounds  
 Emmanuel Lopez - 1 foul, 1 rebound.

In the second game against Central, Sonora won easily by a score of 74 to 52.

Caleb Gulley - 20 pts, 1 foul, 5 rebounds  
 Chris Martin - 13 pts, 1 foul, 7 rebounds  
 Wiley Wagoner - 4 pts, 2 fouls, 1 rebound  
 Justin Routh - 1 pt, 1 foul, 5 rebounds  
 Justin Sims - 7 pts, 2 fouls, 4 rebounds  
 Juan Rodriguez - 4 pts, 2 fouls  
 Dakota Hernandez - 20 pts,

2 fouls, 3 rebounds  
 Emmanuel Lopez - 7 pts, 4 fouls, 5 rebounds.

This past weekend, we finished the season with two tough losses. Due to summer vacations, we only had five players and we had to play two games back to back. Kudos to those five young men who played those games. I am so pleased on how they all stepped up. The first game was against Irion County (Mertzson). This was the only team that we were never able to beat. The game was very exciting and we lost by 52 - 50. After playing their hearts out, they had to go right into the next game without any rest. Once again, it came down to a shot at the buzzer and we lost 66 to 63. As their "coach," I thoroughly enjoyed watching you play and I am sure the Sonora Varsity will be tough to beat this season.

Statistics from the first game:

Justin Routh - 7 pts, 4 fouls  
 Stevie Hernandez - 0 pts, 2 fouls  
 Justin Sims - 16 pts, 3 fouls  
 Dakota Hernandez - 25 pts, 1 foul  
 Wiley Wagoner - 2 pts, 2 fouls.

Statistics from the second game:

Dakota - 23 pts, 1 foul  
 Justin Routh - 9 pts, 3 fouls  
 Stevie Hernandez - 7 pts, 1 foul  
 Justin Sims - 15 pts, 4 fouls  
 Wiley Wagoner - 8 pts, 3 fouls.

### Jet Skis To Be Banned At Amistad

Personal watercraft (PWCs), also known as jet skis, will be prohibited from the waters of Amistad National Recreation Area beginning September 15, 2002. The National Park Service is under a federal court order to prohibit PWCs in September as a result of a lawsuit. Park Superintendent Alan Cox said, "Only PWC use will be halted; all other boats are still welcome. We have been trying to meet the court's deadline of September 15 to complete a full environmental assessment of PWC use on the American side of Lake Amistad. The entire process is taking longer than we hoped, and we will be forced to comply with the court-imposed deadline." Cox added, "It was our intent to allow continued PWC use at Amistad, but we need to satisfy the court's requirements and demonstrate there are minimal or no impacts to Amistad's resources from PWCs."

Superintendent Cox emphasized there will be a public comment period during which the park will solicit input from the public regarding PWC use at Amistad. "I encourage everyone to give us their opinion during the comment period, which we'll announce through local and regional media outlets. We're also planning an open public meeting in Del Rio to gather comments."

### News From The Neighbors

The Sagima Saim Activity Committee is sponsoring several unique activities on Saturday afternoon, June 29 in downtown Eldorado. All residents from neighboring towns are invited to attend, and encouraged to participate in any of these events that strike their fancy.

Foremost on the list is the "Cruise the Drag," beginning at 3 p.m. on main street. Cars may begin gathering at 2 p.m. in front of the Schleicher County Hall of Fame for the judging to be held at 2:45. Distinctive trophies will be awarded to the outstanding car and outstanding club. Antiques, classics, art cars, tractors, hunt vehicles, jeeps convertibles, sportsters or any other unique vehicle is welcomed. At 3:30 other more conventional vehicles will be allowed to join the cruise.

At 1:45 p.m., the Hysterical District, at these south entrance of town, will be dedicated and at 4:45, the Roadside Parka will be so honored. To signal the beginning of the Cruise, a flyover will immediately precede the parade of vehicles. Sandwiched in

between the two dedications will be a 42 tournament, a trival pursuit tournament, a golf tournament, a class feud, the Hall of Fame dedication, a jackrabbit chasing seminar and a UFO watch. Winners of all event receive one-of-a-kind trophies, with the winner of the Class Feud receiving an actual "revolving" trophy.

At 7 p.m. the center of activity shifts to the X Bar Ranch for the first of the 2002 Summer Dinner Series, with a delicious outdoor meal and a performance historian, who will detail little known events of early Texas and Schleicher County history.

For those in neighboring towns with lots of free time on their hands, they may attend the Snipe Hunt, beginning Friday night at dusk. Participants may bring their own bag, light and secret gimmicks...or snipe hunt kits will be available at the hunt.

Entry fee for any event is one dollar. For more information, inquiries may be directed to Jim Runge at 915-853-2434 or runjini@hotmail.com

### Gov. Perry Reminds Texans That Free Gunlocks Are Available Through Project ChildSafe

AUSTIN - Gov. Rick Perry today reminded Texans that free gunlocks and safety kits are available through Project ChildSafe, a program funded by the Governor's Office that distributed 750,000 free gunlocks in Texas last year.

"Project ChildSafe helps parents make their homes safer, and I encourage all gun owners to take advantage of this prevention program," Perry said. "These safety kits include a free gunlock and important tips for safe handling and secure storage of firearms."

The Governor's Criminal Justice Division (CJD) funds Project ChildSafe through a grant to the National Shooting Sports Foundation, which provides gunlocks and firearm safety materials to police and sheriff's departments across Texas for distribution to local

residents. The cable-style gunlocks, which work similar to bicycle locks, fit many different types of firearms. Texas residents can receive a free Project ChildSafe kit by contacting their local law enforcement agency.

Each year, CJD provides more than \$130 million in grants to help Texans at the forefront of the fight against crime. CJD funds a variety of programs for juvenile justice, crime prevention and victim services grants - all aimed at making Texas a safer place.

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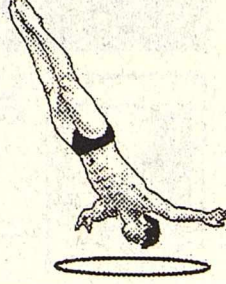
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## Oil & Agribusiness

### Sutton County Entries Win Wool Show



L to R: Glen Fisher and Rick Hanaker judged wool fleece entries during the Wool and Mohair Show held last week. Thia McKissack and Hensel Matthews were both Champion and Grand Champion Winners of their perspective divisions. See the results on page 7 for more details.

### RigDATA

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**New Dominion;** 6500' Kelly - 102 - #15, Patterson Drilling.  
**New Dominion;** 6400' Ned Dunbar #68, Patterson Drilling.  
**New Dominion;** 6350' Martin #16, Patterson Drilling.  
**New Dominion;** 6300' Davis - C - #33, Patterson Drilling.  
**New Dominion;** 6300' Ned Dunbar #71, Patterson Drilling.  
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**New Dominion;** 6100' Fields - 53 - #17, Patterson Drilling.

**Crockett County**  
**New Westport Oil & Gas;** 9000' Conoco Powell GMS Deep #8, Big Dog Drilling.  
**New RME Petro Co;** 7000' Kincaid #20, Patterson Drilling.  
**EOG Resources;** 6500' Eagle Draw - 5, #1, Big Dog Drilling.

**Terrell County**  
**Conoco;** 17100' ACU - 45 - #4 H, Nabors Drilling.  
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## West Nile Virus Found In Harris County

by Edith A. Chenault

COLLEGE STATION — Texans should be aware of, but not panic about, the first report of West Nile virus in the state, said Dr. Jim Olson, entomologist with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.

West Nile virus was found in three blue jays and a sample of mosquitoes in northwest Harris County by the Harris County Mosquito Control Division.

Olson said monitoring for West Nile virus by various mosquito control agencies, Texas A&M University and the Texas Department of Health has been intensified in various regions of the state, particularly Harris and surrounding counties in the upper Gulf Coast region. This includes testing mosquitoes, sentinel chickens, dead crows, blue jays and hawks, zoo birds and horses.

State health department officials are asking that large die-offs of birds be reported to the toll-free hotline, (800) 252-8239.

West Nile virus can cause an infection of the brain known as encephalitis. Closely related to the St. Louis encephalitis virus, West Nile is now being reported in many areas of the eastern half of the United States.

Centers for Disease Control scientists believe the virus has probably been in the eastern United States since early in the summer of 1999 and perhaps longer. The most serious manifestation of West Nile virus infection is fatal encephalitis in humans and horses, as well as mortality in certain domestic and wild birds.

In humans, less than 1 percent of those infected with West Nile virus will develop a serious illness. Of those who become severely ill, a minority will develop more severe symptoms that include meningitis or encephalitis, and death can result.

Most people with West Nile virus will show no symptoms. Those who do typically develop mild symptoms of the disease: fever, headache, body aches and skin rashes.

In order to reduce the chance of the disease, Olson said, Texans should practice personal precaution, premise clean-up and mosquito-proofing of homes.

"The first thing people need to do is get rid of all the mosquito breeding sites they can find," he said. "Anything that is collecting and holding water for longer than three days needs to be either filled in, thrown away, turned upside down, or whatever."

Dog bowls and dishes under flowerpots should be emptied at least every three days. Or, if you are trying to save water, Olson says, put a top or a screen wire across the container to keep mosquitoes from getting in it to breed and lay eggs.

To prevent mosquitoes from getting inside your home, make sure screen window frames fit up tight against the windowsills, or fill in gaps with duct tape. Also, make sure there is weather stripping around doors. The use of yellow outside lighting will also reduce the attractiveness of premises for mosquitoes.

"Make sure that when (doors) are closed, they don't allow gaps for mosquitoes to get through because they will," Olson said.

When going outdoors, do so during the brighter times of the day and stay away from shadows and wooded areas. However, if you must go out during the evening hours, wear protective clothing and a repellent of your choice.

If bitten by mosquitoes, Olson said, you should not be too concerned if the bites are infrequent. In order to prevent a secondary infection though, don't scratch the bites.

"Put some type of bactericide salve on it, and otherwise watch it in case it does become infected," he said. "But most times, within two or three days, they're down and gone."

## TALL Program Graduates Travel To Russia

by: Bud Force, COLLEGE STATION --

Twenty-five decision makers from throughout Texas agribusiness recently graduated from the seventh Texas Agricultural Lifetime Leadership (TALL) program.

TALL, which was first implemented by Texas Cooperative Extension in 1987, is a two-year adult leadership-development program that includes international study, personal skills development, seminars with agriculture experts and meetings with government leaders, said Dr. Jim Mazurkiewicz, Extension specialist and TALL director.

The classes visit with regulatory agencies and elected officials to find out how issues surface and how policy is made through the legislative and executive processes, he said.

"We also learn how broad agriculture is, yet how unique and similar it is between the industries."

Although poultry and beef producers may look at themselves as competitors, agriculture is still one industry. The overall goal is to produce the food and fiber it takes to feed and clothe the world's people, Mazurkiewicz said.

"We can never know enough about global agriculture," he said, adding that the world is changing, and some of these changes affect the economics and dynamics of our entire civilization.

"From farm and ranch to processor and supermarket, Texas agriculture faces unabated change. How it changes in response to current forces such as environmentalism, new technologies, consumer issues, governmental regulation and global markets will profoundly impact agriculture for years to come."

"It is an honor and a privilege to be a part of the TALL program, and the people are expected to take what they have learned and give back to the state of Texas," Mazurkiewicz said. "We hope they take the investment seriously and give

back on a state and national level.

"To date, 187 Texans have completed the extensive training program offered by the Extension Service as part of its commitment to total leadership development."

Recently, Mazurkiewicz and the class visited Russia and Poland to gain an international view on agriculture.

Included in the itinerary was a visit to the Russian Academy of Livestock Management. The group had the opportunity to observe cooperative farm production, meet with farmers and workers, and discuss current issues of Russian agriculture production.

The trip also included a meeting at the American Consul General's office in St. Petersburg, where the group discussed developing markets for American agricultural products.

In Poland, the class received a briefing on foreign agriculture at the U.S. Embassy, and visited three farming operations that reflect the diverse agriculture of the region, including fruit, dairy and paper production.

TALL VII graduates are: Dudley Allen of Missouri City, Zach Brady of Austin, Curry Campbell of Sonora, Sue Ann Claudon of Burleson, Wayne Cockrell of Oakwood, Debbie Danford of Cedar Creek, David Drews of McAllen, Edward K. Farmer of Austin, Bill Foxworth of College Station, Philip Mack Furlow of Tahoka, Will Grote of Devine, Rob Hosford of Fort Worth, PJ Ellison Kalil of Brenham, Tom Kelley of Sugar Land, Mandi Ligon of Midland, Lea Ann Lust of Abernathy, Mark Miller of Corpus Christi, Scott Mitchell of Sanderson, Javier Moreno of Edinburg, Paul Morris of Hubbard, James Oliver of Fort Worth, Spicer Sigman of Yancey, Rick Smathers of Marble Falls, Leslie Smith of Austin, and Martha Trubey of Dallas.

## Drought Tightens Grip on Texas

AUSTIN, Texas - State parks with lakes, rivers and ponds are expected to get more and more popular this summer as a drought heats up Texas.

May is usually the wettest month of the year in Texas, but this May was the driest in 108 years. And the past six months have collectively been the 25th driest on record. Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and other interested officials recently testified before a state committee and TPWD is reconstituting a team of employees to start tracking and reporting impacts on natural resources and options to conserve water and sustain wildlife in dry times.

The Texas Joint Committee on Water Resources met here to hear invited and public testimony regarding current drought conditions and use of water resources.

Jack Colley from the Division of Emergency Management said the major concerns are wildfires, water supply, agriculture and economic impacts.

Colley told the committee that there have been 1,753 wildfires in Texas this year. Also, 29 counties have instituted burn bans as a result of the drought. Colley said that there are currently 58 drinking water systems under water restrictions statewide. Of those, 44 are under mandatory restrictions and 14 are voluntary.

Though above-normal rainfall recently hit Houston-Galveston, the Big Bend and some areas between San Angelo and Abilene, nearly 50 percent of the state got less than half its normal precipitation in the past 30 days.

And TPWD is watching fish and wildlife carefully.

"When we have a drought, some of the first impacts will occur on fish and wildlife so we've set up a program to monitor it as well as we can," said Larry McKinney, Ph.D., TPWD senior division director and director of resource protection. McKinney testified before the committee.

"Our network is made up of our field biologists, park rangers and law enforcement personnel. They're looking for signs of drought which, for example, would be fish kills due to low oxygen or situations where rivers and waters are closed down because of stagnation or poor water quality," McKinney said.

He says the TPWD group is working closely with the Governor's Texas Drought Preparedness Council that will report to the legislature about the impact of a long-term dry spell on the state.

The drought has already had negative effects on crops. According to Texas Cooperative Extension reports, there has already been \$110 million in wheat losses statewide and officials are expecting a total of \$316 million in crop losses by June 10.

Droughts can affect wildlife both in the field and around homes, which is why TPWD officials stress the importance of using native plants in landscapes.

"Native plants are ideally suited for rigors of Texas weather. While drought does affect all plants, native plants require much less care in the summer. That in turn is what benefits native wildlife. Native plants continue to thrive and produce food and shelter for wild animals even in extreme conditions," said John Herron, head of the wildlife diversity branch at TPWD.

For more information on helping sustain wildlife by planting vegetation, visit [http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/oak\\_prairie/urban/wildscapes.htm](http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/oak_prairie/urban/wildscapes.htm)

Meanwhile, TPWD officials are gearing up for an anticipated upsurge in park attendance.

"When it gets hot people are going to want to be around water and we have a lot of good parks that still have adequate water...and in many parts of the state they may be the only place that has water," McKinney said.

To find a park near you, visit [www.tpwd.state.tx.us/park/findapark.htm](http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/park/findapark.htm).



Wool Show from page 1



The First place National FFA Wool Judging team was the James Madison Texas FFA. Team members are Michael Vann, Travis Dimler, Andrea Watts and Catherine Walk, they are coached by Mike Wallace.

4 Craig Leonard (303) Val Verde High Junior Teams  
1st Kimble Co. 4-H (905)  
2nd Sutton Co. 4-H (887) Laura Martin, Mandy Brister, Emily Earwood, Colton Moore, alt. COACH: Preston Faris  
3rd Val Verde Co 4-H (876)  
4th Crockett Co. 4-H (867) Dean Wadsworth, Adrienne Bendele, Kraig Chandler, Lucinda Birkenfeld, alt. COACHES: Judy Churchill, Donnie Laughlin, Charles Seidensticker, Stephen Zuberbueler

High Senior Individuals  
1 Isaac Miller (325) Kendall  
2 Darcee Moldenhauer (318) Kendall  
3 Chadd Smart (317) Kerr  
4 Katee Boyd (314) Kerr

High Senior Teams  
1st Kendall Co. 4-H (951)  
2nd Kerr Co. 4-H (939)  
3rd Brazos Co. 4-H (875 tie)  
4th Hockley Co. 4-H (875 tie)

JUNIOR DIVISION 2002 WOOL SINGLE FLEECE COMMERCIAL: FINEWOOL

CLASS 1 - YEARLING EWE  
1. Darcee Moldenhauer 2. Darcee Moldenhauer 3. Emily Earwood 4. Meredith Earwood 5. Cody Kneupper 6. Emily Earwood

CLASS 2 - AGED EWE  
1. Meredith Earwood 2. Meredith Earwood 3. Emily Earwood 4. Emily Earwood 5. Chelsey Lou Campbell 6. Cody Kneupper 7. Thia McKissack

CLASS 3 - YEARLING RAM  
1. Cadesman Pope 2. Emily Earwood 3. Brandi Kneupper  
CLASS 4 - AGED RAM  
1. Thia McKissack 2. Thia McKissack 3. Meredith Earwood 4. Emily Earwood 5. Meredith Earwood 6. Cadesman Pope 7. Emily Earwood

CHAMPION COMMERCIAL WOOL FLEECE:  
Thia McKissack - Sutton County 4-H  
AWARD: Rosette

REGISTERED: DELAINE  
CLASS 9 - YEARLING EWE  
1. Darcee Moldenhauer 2. Holly Moldenhauer 3. Darcee Moldenhauer  
CLASS 10 - AGED EWE  
1. Holly Moldenhauer 2. Holly Moldenhauer 3. Darcee Moldenhauer  
CLASS 12 - AGED RAM  
1. Darcee Moldenhauer

CHAMPION REGISTERED WOOL FLEECE:  
Darcee Moldenhauer-Kendall County 4-H  
AWARD: Rosette

GRAND CHAMPION WOOL FLEECE:  
Thia McKissack-Sutton County 4-H  
AWARD: Plaque & Rosette  
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BAGS OF WOOL  
CLASS 31 - BEST PUT UP BAG  
1. Grant Giles  
CLASS 32 - YEARLING EWE  
1. Grant Giles  
CLASS 33 - AGED EWE



The National 4-H Wool Judging Contest Winners were from Kerr County, Texas. The team members are Katee Boyd, Samantha Spears, Caitlin Martin and Chadd Smart. The team is coached by Fred Speck.

Earwood 3. Meredith Earwood 4. Emily Earwood 5. Hensel Matthews 6. Chance Campbell 7. Hensel Matthews  
CLASS A-3 - YEARLING RAM

1. Bob Dittmar  
CLASS A-4 - AGED RAM  
1. Hensel Matthews 2. Hensel Matthews 3. Kathleen Moore 4. Kathleen Moore 5. Emily Earwood 6. Meredith Earwood 7. Katy Karnes

CHAMPION COMMERCIAL WOOL FLEECE:  
Hensel Matthews - Sutton County AWARD: Rosette

REGISTERED: RAMBOUILLET

CLASS A-5 - YEARLING EWE  
1. Patti Strauch  
CLASS A-6 - AGED EWE  
1. Patti Strauch 2. Sheryl Strauch 3. Sheryl Strauch

CHAMPION REGISTERED WOOL FLEECE:  
Patti Strauch - Sutton County AWARD: Rosette

GRAND CHAMPION WOOL FLEECE:  
Hensel Matthews - Sutton County AWARD: Plaque & Rosette  
DONOR: Kathleen Moore, Sonora, Texas

BAGS OF WOOL TWELVE MONTHS: FINEWOOL

CLASS A-31 - BEST PUT UP BAG  
1. Carol Giles  
CLASS A-32 - YEARLING EWE  
1. Katy Karnes 2. Bill Karnes

CLASS A-33 - AGED EWE  
1. Carol Giles 2. Robin Giles 3. Patti Strauch  
CLASS A-34 - AGED RAM  
1. Carol/Robin Giles

GRAND CHAMPION BAG OF WOOL:  
Robin & Carol Giles-Kendall County AWARD: Rosette & Plaque  
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MOHAIR SINGLE FLEECE

CLASS A-24 - ADULT DOE  
1. Emily Earwood 2. Emily Earwood 3. Landon Brockman 4. Landon Brockman 5. Meredith Earwood

CLASS A-25 - YEARLING DOE  
1. H. T. Sites 2. Cindy Sites 3. Stephanie Kendrick 4. Meredith Earwood 5. Ashley Brockman 6. Cynthia Grafe 7. Shane Benson

Class A-26 - DOE KID  
1. Cynthia Grafe 2. Cynthia Grafe 3. Paul Grafe 4. Dale/Bonnie Naumann 5. Dale/Bonnie Naumann 6. Stephanie Kendrick 7. Cindy Sites

CLASS A-27 - ADULT BUCK  
1. Emily Earwood 2. Emily Earwood 3. Meredith Earwood 4. Meredith Earwood

CLASS A-28 - YEARLING BUCK  
1. Landon Brockman 2. Stephanie Kendrick 3. Meredith Earwood 4. Meredith Earwood 5. Michele Kendrick 6. Cynthia Grafe 7. Michele Kendrick

CLASS A-29 - KID BUCK  
1. Cynthia Grafe 2. H. T. Sites 3. Cindy Sites 4. Dale/Bonnie Naumann 5. Dale/Bonnie

Naumann 6. Cindy Sites 7. Meredith Earwood

CHAMPION DOE FLEECE:  
Cynthia Grafe - Kendall County AWARD: Rosette  
CHAMPION BUCK FLEECE:  
Cynthia Grafe - Kendall County AWARD: Rosette

GRAND CHAMPION MOHAIR FLEECE:  
Cynthia Grafe - Kendall County AWARD: Plaque & Rosette, DONOR: Day's Inn-Devils River-Sonora, Texas

National FFA Wool Judging Contest

1. James Madison Texas FFA - 1795  
2. Stamford Texas FFA - 1756  
3. Carlsbad New Mexico FFA - 1746  
4. Estancia New Mexico FFA - 1725  
5. Corona New Mexico FFA - 1714

High Individuals  
1. Andrea Watts - James Madison FFA - 605  
2. Travis Dimler - James Madison FFA - 596  
3. Ray Lopez - Stamford FFA - 594  
4. Michael Vann - James Madison FFA - 594  
5. Catherine Walk - James Madison FFA - 589

National 4-H Wool Judging Contest

1. Kerr County, Texas - 1826  
2. Hockley County, Texas - 1759  
3. Converse County, Wyoming - 1740

High Individuals  
1. Katee Boyd - Kerr Co., TX - 624  
2. Samantha Spears - Kerr Co., TX - 615  
3. Shane Sherrill - Hockley Co., TX - 614  
4. Troy Langley - Converse Co., Wyoming - 600  
5. Chadd Smart - Kerr Co., TX - 587

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-SPIRIT STALLION (dts)  
FOR THE CIMARRON (G) 1:10 3:20  
INSOMNIA (PG-13) 2:15  
-UNFAITHFUL (R) 4:50 7:25 8:55  
ABOUT A BOY (PG-13) 2:48  
ENOUGH (PG-13) 12:15  
Times good for the week of 6/28 thru 7/02  
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-MINORITY REPORT (dts) 4:15 7:30 10:30  
(PG-13) 4:15 7:30 10:30  
-MINORITY REPORT (PG-13) 6:30 9:45  
BAD COMPANY (PG-13) 4:45 7:10 9:50  
-SPIRIT STALLION (dts)  
FOR THE CIMARRON (G) 5:20 7:20 9:20  
INSOMNIA (PG-13) 4:50 7:25 8:55  
-UNFAITHFUL (R) 4:10 7:00 9:30  
ABOUT A BOY (PG-13) 7:40  
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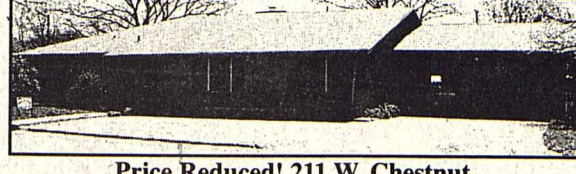
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**INVITATION FOR BIDS**  
 Notice is hereby given that the City of Sonora is now calling for bids to construct a fence to be built at the Sonora Police Department located at 609 Water Avenue. Specifications may be obtained from the City Secretary's Office, 201 E. Main, Sonora, Texas 76950. All bids must be sealed and addressed to the City Secretary. The proposal envelope must be clearly marked "BID - "Police Fence" and returned to the City Secretary's office prior to Thursday, July 11, 2002 at 10:00 a.m., at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read. The City of Sonora reserves the right to reject any and all bids. For further information contact Brent Gesch, City Manager at (915) 387-2558.

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