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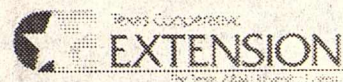
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Thursday, June 23, 2005



Sutton County 4-H Wool Show and Judging Contest participants

Sutton County makes great showing at annual wool and mohair show and judging contests



by Pascual Hernandez & Kelly Thorp

Whew! We just completed the annual Sonora Wool Show, Invitational Contests, and National Wool Contest. We all know that these events are possible because of the community. Folks donate time, labor, help, and money. Before I go out on a limb and give some thanks, please forgive me if I unintentionally overlooked mentioning someone.

So, here goes: A sincere "thank you" to Sonora Wool & Mohair, Sonora Lions Club, Sonora Chamber of Commerce, The Bank & Trust, First National Bank, Southwest Texas Agricultural Credit Association, Angelo State University, Edwards Plateau Soil & Water Conservation District. We also appreciate the show officials, coaches, leaders, scorers, tabulators, auctioneer, and meal sponsors.

You may question what benefit there might be from participating on judging teams. Well, involvement can help youth develop self-confidence through competition. They are given the opportunity to assume personal leadership skills and abilities, develop technical and management skills, acquire understanding of vocational opportunities and learn the value of the livestock industry. What's more, under proper supervision, participants can learn patience, commitment, and work ethic, but can also learn to overcome obstacles and to deal with disappointment.

In case you're wondering, Sutton County 4-H did well. Novice, junior, and senior 4-H'ers tested their skills. Highlights include: high novice team, and second high senior team in livestock judging; second high novice and junior teams in range evaluation; high novice team and second high junior team in wool evaluation; as well as high novice and junior teams in mohair evaluation. Combined division scores for each contest yielded Sutton County second in livestock judging, sixth in mohair judging, fourth in wool, and fourth in range evaluation. In the Sweepstakes, which sums and ranks total county scores for all events, Sutton finished third.

Congratulations to youth and adult participants. And a GREAT BIG THANKS to all of you who help and support the Sonora Wool Show & Contests!

Overall Results:
Junior Division - Wool Single Fleeces - twelve months
Commercial: Finewool
Class 1 - Yearling Ewe - 1. Holly Moldenhauer, 2. Holly Moldenhauer, 3. Colton Moore
Class 2 - Aged Ewe - 1. Holly Moldenhauer
Champion Commercial Wool Fleece: Holly Moldenhauer - Kendall Co. 4-H
Registered: Rambouillet
Class 5 - Yearling Ewe - 1. Chase Lantz, 2. Chase Lantz
Class 6 - Aged Ewe - 1. Chase Lantz
Registered: Delaine
Class 9 - Yearling Ewe - 1.

Holly Moldenhauer, 2. Cody Kneupper, 3. Holly Moldenhauer, 4. Cody Kneupper

Class 10 - Aged Ewe - 1. Holly Moldenhauer, 2. Cody Kneupper

Class 11 - Yearling Ram - 1. Cody Kneupper

Class 12 - Aged Ram - 1. Cody Kneupper, 2. Holly Moldenhauer

Champion Registered Wool Fleece: Holly Moldenhauer

Grand Champion Wool Fleece: Holly Moldenhauer

Donor: Texas Registered Rambouillet Sheep Breeders Assn.

Mohair Single Fleeces Commercial

Class 24 - Adult Doe - 1. Jackie Nentwich, Sabrina Nentwich 3. Jackie Nentwich

Class 25 - Yearling Doe - 1. Meredith Earwood, 2. Emily Earwood, 3. Laura Martin, 4. Laura Martin, 5. Emily Earwood, 6. Meredith Earwood, 7. Mark Holman

Class 26 - Kid Doe - 1. Laura Martin, 2. Laura Martin, 3. Emily Earwood, 4. Meredith Earwood, 5. Mark Holman, 6. Jackie Nentwich, 7. Sabrina Nentwich

Class 27 - Adult Buck - 1. Emily Earwood, 2. Meredith Earwood, 3. Emily Earwood

Class 28 - Yearling Buck - 1. Laura Martin, 2. Emily Earwood, 3. Emily Earwood, 4. Meredith Earwood, 5. Meredith Earwood, 6. Laura Martin

Class 29 - Buck Kid - 1. Cash Jennings, 2. Meredith Earwood, 3. Emily Earwood, 4. Laura Martin, 5. Mark Holman, 6. Emily Earwood, 7. Meredith Earwood

Champion Doe Fleece: Meredith Earwood

Champion Buck Fleece: Cash Jennings

Grand Champion Mohair Fleece: Meredith Earwood

Donor: Jimmy & Sharon Holman

Fred T. Earwood Memorial Trophy to the Premier Junior Mohair Exhibitor,

presented by Mr. and Mrs. Armer Earwood - Emily Earwood

Joe and W.F. Berger Memorial Trophy to the Premier Junior Wool Exhibitor,

presented by Chris & Larry Berger: Holly Moldenhauer

Open Division Wool Single Fleeces Commercial: Finewool

Class A-1 - Yearling Ewe - 1. Bill Karnes, 2. Bill Karnes, 3. Katy Karnes

Class A-4 - Aged Ram - 1. Bill Karnes, 2. Katy Karnes, 3. Bill Karnes

Champion Commercial Wool Fleece: Bill Karnes

Registered: Delaine

Class A-9 - Yearling Ewe - 1. Entry was too taggy for 1st, 2. Tamra Kott

Class A-10 - Aged Ewe - 1. Tamra Kott

Class A-11 - Yearling Ram - 1. Entry was too taggy for 1st; 2. Tamra Kott

Champion Registered Wool Fleece: Tamra Kott - Edwards Co.

Grand Champion Wool Fleece: Tamra Kott, **donor: Gerry Ingham - Kneupper**

Bags of wool Twelve Months: Finewool

Class A-32 - Yearling Ewe: 1. Bill & Katy Karnes

Grand Champion Bag of Wool: Bill & Katy Karnes, **donor: The Bank & Trust**

Mohair Single Fleeces

Class A-25 - Yearling Doe - 1. Mark Holman, 2. Mark Holman, 3. Marilyn Holman

Class A-26 - Kid Doe - 1. Meredith Earwood, 2. Marilyn Holman, 3. Meredith Earwood, 4. JCH Ranch LP, 5. Laura Martin, 6. Marilyn Holman, 7. Laura Martin

Champion Doe Fleece: Meredith Earwood

Champion Buck Fleece: Connie Dittmar

Grand Champion Mohair Fleece: Meredith Earwood, **donor: Days Inn - Devil's River Sonora Wool & Mohair Show**

Junior Division Judging Contest

Livestock High Novice Individuals:

1. Jackie Nentwich/ Kerr 298, 2. Stella Ingham/Sutton 289, 3. Madison Myers/Sutton 282, 4. Allie Black/Crockett 276

High Junior Individuals:

1. Anna Miller/Kendall 334, 2. Laura Stapper/Crockett 325, 3. Meredith Earwood/Sutton 320, 4. Caleb Miller/Kendall 311

High Senior Individuals:

1. Kelly Haile/Kendall 349, 2. Bryan Weaver/Kerr 338, 3. Bill Allen/Kimble 334, 4. Craig Leonard/Sutton - Kraig Chandler/Crockett- Emily Earwood/Sutton 331T

High Novice Teams:

1. Sutton Co. 4-H 842 (Stella Ingham, Madison Myers, Zachary Leonard, Cadesman Pope/Alt, Coach: Shawna Faris); 2. Crockett Co. 4-H 731 (Allie Black, Kelbi Renfro, Kinsey Chandler Noel Fierro/Alt, Coaches: Donnie Laughlin & Miles Dabovich)

High Junior Teams:

1. Kendall Co. 4-H 919 (Anna Miller, Mary Miller, Caleb Miller, Coaches: Robert Haile, Robin Giles); 2. Crockett Co. 4-H 914 (Laura Stapper, Linda Stapper, Trey Fierro, Lane Hale/Alt, coaches: Carlon Stapper, Kelvin Chandler, Donnie Laughlin, Miles Dabovich); 3. Sutton Co. 896 (Savannah Leonard, Steely Ingham, Meredith Earwood, Bailey Joe Pennington/Alt, Coach: Shawna Faris)

High Senior Teams:

1. Kendall Co. 986 (Kelly Haile, Holly Moldenhauer, Cody Kneupper, Heather Smith/Alt, Coaches: Robin Giles, Robert Haile, Dennis Moldenhauer); 2. Sutton Co. 978 (Craig Leonard, Emily Earwood, Mandy Brister, Laura Martin/Alt, Coach: Shawna Faris); 3. Crockett Co. 965 (Kraig Chandler, Lakin Aaron, Wilson White, Lucinda Birkenfield/Alt, Coaches: Carlon Stapper, Kelvin Chandler, Donnie Laughlin, Miles Dabovich); 4. Kimble Co 956 (Colt Brandenberger, Callie Whitworth, Bill Allen, Carl Whitworth/Alt, Coach: Dale Brandenberger

Range

See Wool Show page 8

Dry conditions could mean dangerous July 4th

With summer heat baking the Texas landscape and many areas of the state well below normal rainfall levels, Texas firefighters face the possibility of a hot, active Independence Day holiday period.

In some areas of the state, particularly in north and northeast Texas, grasses and weeds have browned, and even green vegetation has become visibly stressed. Irresponsible fireworks use during the upcoming holiday period could lead to a rash of wildfires. All outdoor fires will have a greater likelihood of escaping control, particularly during windy conditions.

In the absence of significant precipitation, fire danger levels are predicted to reach critical levels by the Independence Day holiday, according to a drought index prediction posted by the Texas Forest Service at http://www.tamu.edu/ticc/july_fourth.htm.

At the predicted July Fourth drought index values, any carelessness with outdoor fire use could lead to accidental wildfires. Firefighters can expect increased difficulty with wildfire containment efforts, as heavy accumulations of grass, weeds and brush exist across most of the state, thanks to abundant rainfall last year and early this year, according to Brad Smith, fire behavior analyst with the Texas Forest Service.

Though careless debris burning accounts for a majority of wildfires in Texas, unsafe use of fireworks could ignite numerous wildfires this year because of the presence of abundant dry grass and weeds across much of the state.

Observance of some common sense safety precautions with fireworks and other outdoor fire use can prevent many senseless wildfires and injuries. Following are wildfire prevention tips suggested by the Texas Forest Service.

Fireworks:

Use fireworks outdoors in a safe area, well away from dry grass and buildings.

Keep a bucket of water, wet towels and a garden hose nearby.

Follow directions carefully and use only with close adult supervision.

Never experiment with homemade or altered fireworks.

Outdoor fires:

Establish firebreaks down to bare dirt around all outdoor fires. Wide firebreaks down to bare soil around brush piles help prevent rolling or flying embers from getting into flammable vegetation.

Stay with campfires and other outdoor fires. Leaving fires unattended is the major act of carelessness that leads to escaped fires.

Sonora P.D. makes trafficking bust in local trailer park



Approximately 18 grams of meth were discovered in a vehicle stopped for erratic driving. Sonora Police Dept. Photo

submitted

On Sunday June 5th, 2005 at approximately 10:50 a.m., Sonora Police Officer Bryn T. Humphrey was contacted by a concerned citizen regarding a suspicious vehicle driving erratically. The citizen advised that the vehicle entered a local trailer park. Officer located and stopped the suspect vehicle exiting the trailer park.

An investigation by Officer Humphrey revealed conflicting stories and unusual behavior. Officer Humphrey was assisted by Sutton Co. Sheriff Deputy Oscar Chavez and Rio Concho Drug Task Force Officer DuWayne Castro. Investigation revealed approximately eighteen grams of methamphetamine located in the suspect vehicle along with drug paraphernalia. Two San Angelo men BOBBY DALE and CHRISTOPHER LEDEZMA, were arrested for Manufacture and Deliver of Substance in Penalty Group 1.

Appraisal Review Board to begin property owner hearings

Property owners in the Sutton County Appraisal District will have an opportunity to protest proposed appraisals of their property for local taxes. The district's appraisal review board will begin hearing taxpayer protests on July 13, 2005, at 8:00 a.m.

After the ARB completes its hearing and approves final property appraisals, local governments will use these appraisals to set 2005 tax rates.

The ARB is a group of citizens who live in the appraisal district and are appointed by the district's board of directors. Their responsibilities and qualifications are outlined in the Texas Property Tax Code.

Property owners may protest to the ARB any of the following appraisal office actions:

The appraised or agricultural value of the property;

Unequal appraisal of the taxpayer's property compared to other property in the District;

Inclusion of the property on the appraisal records;

Denial of a partial exemption, such as a homestead exemption;

Denial of agricultural-use, open-space productivity appraisal;

Determination that agricultural land has had a change of use and is subject to a rollback tax;

Identification of the taxing unit or units in which the property is located;

Determination that the taxpayer is the owner of the property;

Any other action of the appraisal office that adversely affects the owner.

Rex Ann Friess, chief appraiser for the district, outlined the steps a property owner

must take to file a protest. First, the property owner must have timely filed a written notice of protest that shows why the owner is protesting to the ARB.

Each protesting property owner may offer evidence or argument, either in person or by filing a sworn affidavit with the ARB. Property owners should know that the ARB has no authority over tax rates or spending and will not hear protests on these topics.

The ARB has scheduled hearing as property owners file protest and mailed them a notice of the time, date and place of their individual hearing at least 15 days before the hearing date. The 15 days start with the date postmarked on the notice. Property owners also have received a copy of a pamphlet called Texas Property Taxes, a copy of the ARB's hearing procedures and notice that any evidence that the appraisal district will present at the hearing is available at the appraisal office.

Rex Ann Friess said, after the hearing the ARB expects to approve the final appraisal roll on July 13, 2005. State law required the ARB to review and approve the appraisal records by July 20, or when not more than 5 percent of the total property value in the district remains under protest.

Those protesting their appraisals should not contact ARB members outside the hearing. Each ARB member must sign an affidavit that he or she has had no contact about the protest with a property owner or the appraisal office staff before the hearing.


For more information, call the Appraisal District Office at 325-387-2809 or the Texas Comptroller's office at 1-800-252-9121.

Team R.A.Z.P.A. adds to St. Ann's building fund



Team R.A.Z.P.A., with the help of all the sponsors, added to the St. Ann's Catholic Church Building Fund by donating the proceeds from the 4th Annual St. Ann's Softball Tournament. Team R.A.Z.P.A. raised \$7,175.00 towards the building fund. The Church now has a total of \$140,000 in the building fund.

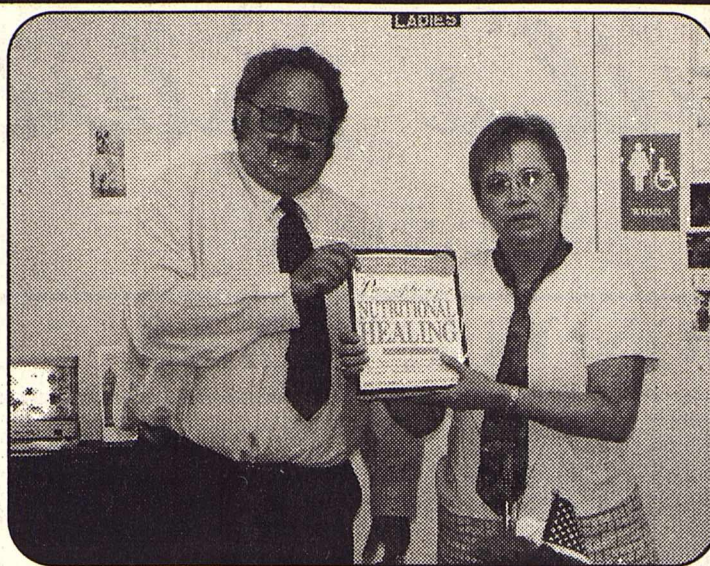
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Gus Garcia and Juanita Mesa

Senior Center gets new "Healing" literature

On Friday, June 17, 2005, Gus Garcia, a Social Security Disability Specialist with John J. Ingram & Associates of Midland, Texas visited the Sonora Senior Center. Garcia drops by once a month to discuss programs and options for senior citizens. On Friday, Garcia presented the staff at the Senior Center a book on "Prescription for Nutritional Healing." The book offers drug-free remedies using vitamins, minerals, herbs and food supplements and is available for viewing at the Senior Center. Stop by and check it out!

Sonora Senior Center honors special parents

submitted

On Saturday, May 14, 2005, the Sonora Senior Mothers were honored with a tea party at the Sonora Senior Center. Sandwiches, chips, cookies, cupcakes, punch and fruit were served for the guests of honor. In addition to enjoying the company of some of the greatest Moms in Sutton County, visitors enjoyed games and special awards given by the Senior Center Staff. Lucky winners included "Oldest Mom" honors to Lura Sawyer and special recognition for "88+ moms" went to Charlotte Wilson, Marie Aldwell, Elida Castro and Juanita Chavez.

"Youngest mom to marry" went to Lucy Ramos who got married at 15-years of age. The "Mother with the most children" was Julia Reynoso, who proudly claims 10 in her brood. "Married the most times" honors (?) went to Doris Grantland, who has had five husbands (and rumor has it that she is currently available and might be looking for #6 - watch out Elizabeth Taylor).

The "Youngest Mother" present for the special celebration was Maria Galindo.

Everyone present enjoyed



Some of Sonora's "Hot Mama's" were honored at a special Senior Center Mother's Day celebration.

Photo submitted

themselves immensely and a special thank-you goes to all who donated prizes for the party: Edna Lopez of Edna's House of Beauty, Voila Solis of Enequina's Hair Fashions, Hair Studio, Mary Lou Creek at The Cutting Edge, Angie Samaniego who gave flower baskets, Olivia Longoria who donated aprons, Maria Mesa who gave Avon products, Florie Gonzales and Sandra Luz Gonzales who gave special treats from Amis Gifts.

A very special note of appreciation goes to the staff at the Senior Center for the refreshments, and all their help with the party! Thanks for caring and making a difference in

our senior citizens' lives.

The Sonora Senior Center took time out on Friday, June 17, to celebrate Father's Day and honor some of Sutton County's best dads. A tasty lunch of BBQ brisket and all the trimmings cooked by Loujisa & Rosa Vasquez kicked off the fun, filling everyone's bellies with a great lunch.

All the "Senior" dads received cups with chocolate hugs and kisses and everyone got door prizes donated by Gifts Galore and More, Everett's Pharmacy, La Mexicana Restaurant, E.M. Hobbs, TC's Barber Shop, Holt, Maria Mesa/Avon, Cahill, Dominion,

Walsh Welding, Eddins-Walcher, and the staff at the Center. Cake and cookies were also donated by Maggie Mesa.

All the ladies wore caps and ties in honor of the dads and waited on the men so they didn't have to leave their table for their meals.

Games included "Who had the most children with one wife," "Who was married the longest to the same woman," "Who had been married more than five times," and "Who was the oldest father." A special award was even available to "Any new expectant Father!"

The men made me promise not to give the names of the winners of these awards - Sorry!

Some special "Over the hill- get rid of stress" gag gifts were handed out, including a large pacifier for the "cry baby-titty baby, Father of the Year 2005" award; and everyone agreed that this one went to Arturo Trevino!

The celebration ended with a very special female dancer, who finally showed up and did a special dance for the fathers! If you missed it, you MISSED IT! Make plans to be there next year! All in attendance agreed that this was a very good party in honor of all the Senior Fathers!



These "winners" chose to not be named, but can you place the correct dad with his "honor"?

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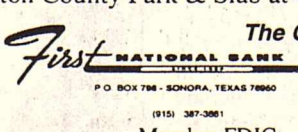

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Community Calendar

June 27 Commissioners Meeting * Annex Building 9:00 a.m.	July 11 School Board Meeting at Jr. High Snack Bar Public Meeting on Drug Testing 5:30 p.m.
July 3 Lighthouse Community Church * 4th of July celebration Sutton County Park & Slab at 4:00 p.m.	

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Ask the Historical Society

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

Q. Don't you have any old golf stories?

A. Yes! There is one old tale about George H. Neill playing the 9th hole of the old golf course and getting 165 yards in 1 1/2 strokes. Now when he teed off, the ball soared gracefully over the fairway, took one or two bounces and landed in the cup. After much back slapping and hand shaking, the ball popped out of the hole and stopped one inch from the lip. It seems there was an irate frog residing in the hole. Neill still claims he made a hole in one but the rules committee added a half stroke and ruled the frog off the course for life.

Q. Who did Nancy Eaton marry?

A. "The Devil's River News," December 5, 1952-The home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Davis was the setting Friday morning for the wedding of Miss Nancy Ruth Eaton and Norman Gene Groom, of Big Lake.

The double ring vows were read by Mr. Pat Stephenson, minister of the Sonora Church of Christ, before the fireplace banked with greenery and an arrangement of white gladioli. Flanking these decorations were tall white tapers in silver candelabra.

The bride daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Eaton, was given in marriage by her father. She wore a blue faille tweed suit with navy accessories and carried a white Bible topped with an arrangement of pink carnations and a shower of Bavarda.

Miss Betty Sue Allen was the bride's only attendant. She wore a brown faille tweed suit with brown accessories. Her corsage was of tiny bronze chrysanthemums.

Sgt. W. C. Fullerton of Fort Worth, brother-in-law of the bride-groom, was best man.

Mrs. Groom is a graduate of Sonora High School and is attending Abilene Christian College.

Groom, Son of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Groom of Fort Worth, graduated from Pascal High School in Fort Worth. He served two years in Germany with the U.S. Air Force and is employed by the Stanolind Oil Co. in Big Lake.

A reception followed the wedding ceremony. The table was laid with a white linen cloth. The four-tiered white wedding cake, topped with a miniature bride and groom and bride's bouquet, formed the centerpiece. Miss Marilyn Mittel served cake and Miss Patsy Drennan presided at the silver coffee service. Miss Lois Lu Lomax registered guests and Miss Kay Chalk served punch.

Out of town guests included Mrs. J.D. Eaton, Miss Bertha Eaton of San Angelo; Mrs. F. E. Groom, Sgt. And Mrs. W. C. Fullerton of Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Mans Hoggett of Mertzon; Mr. and Mrs. P.A. Hoggett and sons of Junction; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Edens of Eldorado; Richard M. Davidson, Bill Bailey, and Bill H. Wynn of Big Lake.

After a brief wedding trip Mrs. Groom will return to Abilene Christian College to complete the current semester. The couple will be at home after the first of the year in Big Lake.

The bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Eaton, were hosts to a rehearsal supper Thursday night. The members of the wedding party and out of town guests were present.

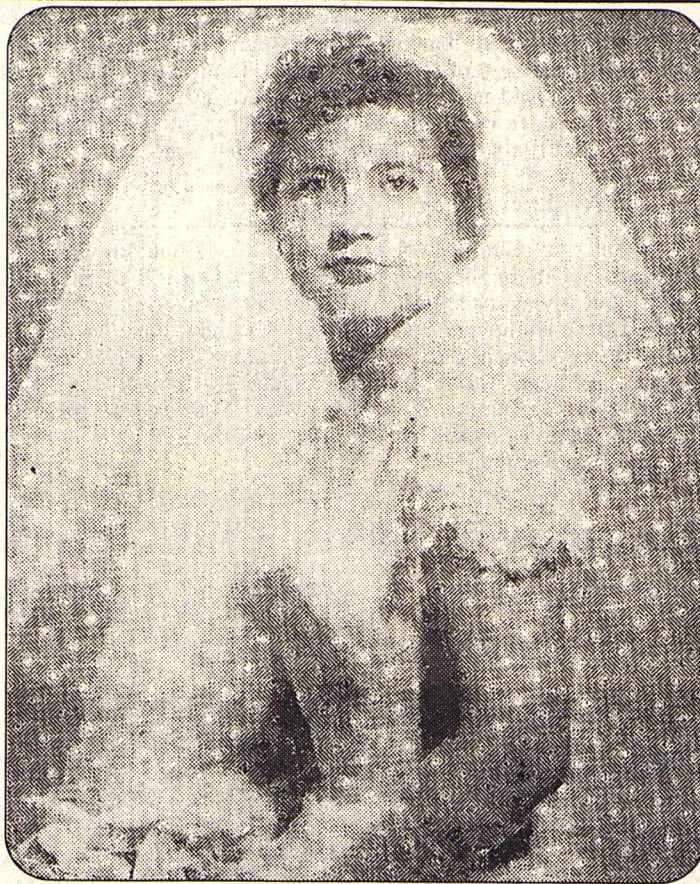
We found another bride in the August 15, 1952 issue of "The Devil's River News."

In a ceremony read at the Bruton Parish Church in Williamsburg, Virginia,

Thursday evening at 6:30 p.m., Miss Martha Josephine Moore, daughter of Andrew Moore and Mrs. W. L. Miers became the bride of Lieutenant Lawrence Jerard Finklea, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Finklea of Raymondville. Dr. A. Piece Middleton read the service.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of imported bridal lace and rustling rayon taffeta. Her snugly fitted short sleeve bodice, accented with gloves of the lace with accordion pleated band, had a sheer shoulder wide yoke. A double row of accordion pleated nylon tulle edged her ballerina length skirt. She chose a pleated bonnet of imported bridal illusion trimmed in pearls with a waist length veil for her head-dress. Her bridal bouquet was a white orchid surrounded by lilies of the valley.

Matron of honor was Mrs. Sammie Jean Espy of Sonora and bridesmaids were Miss Jane Neill of Sonora and Miss Patsy



Mrs. Lawrence Jerald Finklea

Guenter of San Antonio. John Hearn of Austin was best man.

The bride attended Hockaday School in Dallas and was graduated from Austin High School. She received her degree in home economics from the University of Texas and was a member of Delta Gamma sorority. In 1947, she was Maid to the Duchess of West Texas in the Battle of Flowers, San Antonio.

Lt. Finklea is a graduate of Texas Military Institute in San Antonio and received his degree in geology at the University of Texas. He is stationed in the army at Fort Eustis, Virginia.

Following their honeymoon in Washington, the couple will be at home in Williamsburg.

Out of town guests included, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Finklea of Raymondville, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Moore of Sonora and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ferris of McAllen and W. L. Miers of Sonora.

This was a very busy year for weddings. We found Darlene Hardesty, Peggy Street, Carlene Peoples and many others listed as brides to be in 1952. The brides and their gowns are so beautiful to see, and their pictures and stories are preserved in the pages of "The Devil's River News." If you have a family

member with an anniversary coming up don't wait till the last minute to ask us for a copy of the wedding article. Give us a few weeks advance notice so that we will have plenty of time to get the articles copied for you or print them in this column. Fifty plus years of marriage deserves a re-run in the paper.

If you have any questions concerning Sutton County history send them to "Ask the Historical Society," P.O. Box 885, Sonora, TX 76950-0885 or e-mail them to schs@sonoratax.net. You may call us at 325-387-5084 or stop in our offices at 307 Oak Street, for research or to rent the grounds of the Miers Home Museum Complex. We are open Monday, Friday and Saturday mornings from 8-12.

We could use some volunteers to help this summer. If any of you know some teenagers who might be bored with sitting at home and looking for something worthwhile to do, send them on down to the office on the days we are open and we will put them to work as volunteers. Working as a volunteer helps show experience in work ethics and can be helpful when applying for a job or scholarship.

Chamber promotes hometown fun and sharing Sonora with others



by Ruthie Bounds, COC
Executive Director

We are so excited that the Lighthouse Community Church is bringing a wonderful Fourth of July Celebration to Sonora. This is something that our community has needed for a long, long time.

On Sunday, July 3rd at the Sutton County Park & Slab beginning at 4:00 p.m. there will be an old fashioned community fair. Bring the entire family, decorate your motorcycles, tricycles, bicycles, battery operated cars for the decorated vehicle contest and tricycle races. They will be selling brisket plates with all the fixin's on a first come first served basis. You can buy your tickets in advance to make sure there will be plenty of food for everyone, by contacting any of the members of the Lighthouse Community Church or calling the church at 325/387-9100. There will be a softball game for the whole family: kids, parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins. Live music will begin at 7:30 p.m., so come on out early with your lawn chairs and cold drinks and enjoy all the fun, food and music. This sounds like a lot of fun, so put on your patriotic smiles and come celebrate our freedom at a drug and alcohol free party. Look for more details in next week's issue of the Devil's River News.

We have had so many phone calls and e-mails lately; I want to apologize if I have not responded personally. We appreciate you all letting us know how much you like the new billboard covers, the advertisements in the Texas Cop magazines, Texas Parks & Wildlife Magazine & Texas Highways. These are just a few of the places that your Sonora

Chamber of Commerce advertises to prospective tourists. A lot of thought and planning go into each of these advertisements and we are so glad that you are calling to let us know how much you like them. The Sonora Industrial Development Corporation splits the cost of these ads with the Sonora Chamber of Commerce and we are so proud of our community and what it has to offer that it is our privilege to promote Sonora to travelers. We have had very good response from these advertisements and send out tourism information on Sonora, including Motel listings, Caverns of Sonora, Eaton Hill Wildlife Sanctuary, Historic Downtown Sonora, museum & meeting facilities, Sonora Golf Course, and special events, to approximately 200 people each week. Remember to wear a smile and welcome these tourists to Sonora, so they can get a glimpse of what a wonderful place this truly is.

The Texas Historical Commission has not yet finalized their decision as to who may receive the grant this year for the designation as a Heritage Tourism Trail. Sonora Chamber of Commerce, worked with representatives from most of the 22 other counties in the Texas Pecos Trail Region and Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street Program to submit a grant application back in May. We might receive some news on this by the end of the month, so please keep a positive thought for the Texas Pecos Trail Region.

If you or anyone you know would like to have more information on Sonora or the Texas Pecos Trail Region, please contact Sonora Chamber of Commerce Office & Welcome Center at 325/387-2880 or visit our website at www.sonoratax-chamber.com.

Hamer honored with Texas Ranger marker in Del Rio

submitted

On Saturday, June 18, 2005, at Westlawn Cemetery in Del Rio a program was held honoring the late Harrison Lester Hamer. A Texas Ranger marker was unveiled and flowers were laid on the grave. A history of Hamer was given by his grandson, Harrison F. Hamer, and the Ranger Cross History was presented by Joe Davis, Retired Texas Ranger.

Harrison Lester Hamer was born to Francis A. and Lou Emma Francis Hamer on August 15, 1888 in Fairview and died August 24, 1977 in Houston. On August 10, 1907 he married Freda Inez Rainey and they had 7 children. One is Mrs. Wilna Schweining of Camp Allison.

Harrison was 30 years old in 1918 when he joined his 3 brothers as a Texas Ranger and was stationed in Santa Maria with Co. F and Co. D. He temporarily left the Texas Rangers on December 31, 1919 to work as a Mounted Customs Agent. He rejoined the Rangers on April 1, 1932 and was assigned to Co. D in Falfurrias and again left the Texas Rangers on January 18, 1933. During his life he was a Mounted Customs agent during the Prohibition, Special Ranger, Range Detective with the Cattlemen's Association, Sheep and Goat Raisers Association and held many other law enforcement positions.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

When we moved to this small town of 3,000 (6 years ago), I guess you say I never really worried about the issue of "drugs". My kids were in 1st and 3rd at the time, why should I? To my surprise, I should be terrified. When I hear students are smoking and doing drugs in the bathrooms and some even in class, hiding drugs on their bodies (because they are safe - no one is allowed to touch the student), coming to school "high" or drunk (easy with open campus problem), smell like "pot," but no one wants to do anything because of the "rights" the kids have, scares me to death and it should you too.

I guess you can say, we as parents, must start getting involved with our kids more now than ever. I will go as far as to drug test my own child if need be. If the community agrees as a whole that we have a major drug problem (which we do), and we as a community want to take control of the problem now, we must band together as a whole and put a stop to it. The city, police, sheriff, drug task force, DPS officers, teachers, coaches, school board and all parents and grown ups need to say "NO" to turning their heads to the problem - no matter who the students are.

I know the school officials are "doing something" with the use of the drug dogs... but apparently that is not enough. I agree that drug testing is not the complete solution, but just like the drug dogs, it's a start in the right direction. When people start complaining about their kids "rights" and how we have no right doing the testing, I say, what about my child's rights for attending class without smelling pot in the room, going to the bathroom safely without drug trading taking place, walking down the halls without drugs being offered, or even walking in the streets safely?

I will fight for my child's right to have a safe, clean drug-free environment while getting their education. We are becoming the known community for "drug dealing". Say YES to drug testing in our schools.

Wake up Sonora, please, our kids are priceless. They cannot be replaced. May God help our youth in this town.
Jana Dover, Sonora, TX. A concerned parent!

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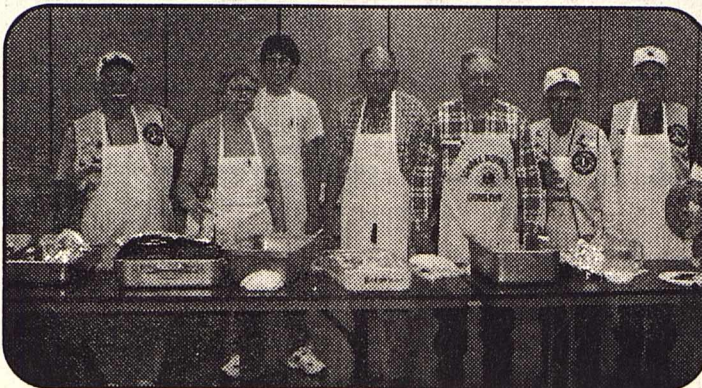
Notes of Appreciation

We would like to thank our friends, neighbors and family for their kind expression of love and support during the recent illness and loss of our Dad and Grandpa, Felix Rodriguez, Sr. We are grateful for the food, flowers and prayers that were bestowed upon us. May God Bless each and every one of you.
Sincerely,
The Rodriguez Family

Thank you to all our volunteers on the 1st Annual Invitational Tournament held in Sonora on June 11, 2005. Our softball girls had a blast and it was made possible by all our wonderful volunteers! Mary & Bryn Humphrey, Terri & Albert Alvarado, Junction Umpire Team, Reyes Sanchez, Lynn Hinsley, Sonia Castaneda, Shelly Hughes, Andrew, Adrian & Paula Sanchez, Mike Moore, Terrie Slauth, Alyssa, Tammy & Eddie Favila, Marrisfa Faz, Manuel Tobias & Sharon Creek. Thank you for your time!

God Bless you all,
Nelda Tobias & Santiago Faz

Downtown Lions Club offers service with a smile at annual wool show and judging contest



The Sonora Downtown Lions Club have been a part of the Sonora Wool and Mohair Show since it began 68 years ago. This year was no difference, acting as sponsors and special lunch hosts, the Lions served a delicious Bar-B-Que meal to all the participants and visitors at the awards banquet on Thursday, June 23, 2005. The and led The Pledge of Allegiance.

Watch for snakes as summer heats up

Snakes have slithered in uninvited at several Sonora locations in the last few weeks, including the golf course and even the Tarantella Dance. It is important that everyone be aware and educate children about snakes.

Texas is home to around 115 species and subspecies of snakes. The 15 venomous snakes in Texas make up less than 15 percent of the total number of snakes in the state. They are separated into four categories: coral snakes, copper-

heads, cottonmouths (water moccasins) and rattlesnakes.

Coral Snakes

Only one species of coral snake is native to Texas. Shy and rarely seen, it has, in order, brilliant red, yellow and black colors. (Other, harmless snakes have similar colors in a different order. The rhyme "red and yellow kill a fellow" has helped many remember that the coral snake's red and yellow colors touch, but the harmless milk snake's red and yellow don't touch.) The coral snake has a small mouth, and is usually non-aggressive. Its bites are dangerous, but extremely rare.

What is a Pit Viper?

A pit viper is a type of venomous snake. Copperheads, cottonmouths and rattlesnakes are called pit-vipers because they have a pit near each nostril which is highly sensitive to heat. This pit helps the snake in locating warm-blooded prey.

Copperheads

With their bands of gray and/or brown, the three subspecies of Texas copperheads are colored to blend in with leaf-covered forest floors. It's possible to stare right at a copperhead without seeing it. Fortunately, copperheads are the least dangerous poisonous snake. Because they are so well camouflaged, most bites occur when a snake is accidentally picked up or sat or laid on. Always use care when picking up or flipping over logs, boards, old tin or other items where copperheads may be resting.

Cottonmouths

The cottonmouth, or water moccasin, rarely strays far from water and can be found in marshes, swamps, ponds, lakes, ditches, and canals in East and Central Texas and along the Gulf coast. It is a stubby, muscular snake and can grow to nearly six feet. Moccasins can bite underwater. These snakes can be very defensive and sometimes aggressive. Swimmers, bathers and anglers on river banks should always keep an eye open for these snakes.

Rattlesnakes

Nine kinds of rattlesnakes are found in Texas, including the massasauga. Rattlesnakes usually "rattle" before striking, but if they are totally surprised, they may strike before rattling.

Preventing Snake Bites

Watching where you step, put your hands, or sit down is one of the best ways to prevent snake bites. Poisonous snakes live on or near the ground and often like rocks, wood piles and other spots that offer both a place to sun and a place to hide. Snakes avoid your huge body, but will definitely bite if stepped on or otherwise trapped. Most bites occur in and around the ankle. About 99 percent of all bites occur below the knee, except when someone accidentally picks up or falls on the snake.

Watching where you step and wearing boots in tall grass can prevent most snake bites.

Wedding Announcement

Weaver and Walsh exchange vows on Mexico beach



Carla Weaver of Dallas, Texas, and Bonner Walsh of Dallas, Texas, were married on May 14, 2005, in Cozumel, Mexico. She is an attorney with Jenkens & Gilchrist in Dallas and is the daughter of Mrs. Nora Dempsey and Mr. Carl Weaver of Sonora, Texas. The groom is a student at Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law in Dallas. He is the son of Ms. Maggie Davis and Mr. David Walsh of Sonora, Texas, and the grandson of Ms. Margaret Galbreath and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Galbreath of Sonora, Texas. The bride is a graduate of Duke University and The University of Texas School of Law. The groom is a graduate of Washington State University where he received a bachelor of science degree in physics.

The bride was escorted down the aisle by her mother and father. She wore a silk satin sheath gown with a V neck and deep V back designed by Henry Roth. In her hair were ivory roses under a two-tier veil with crystal edging. She carried a bouquet of ivory roses and pink ginger. The groom wore a custom black suit with a pink silk Hermes tie.

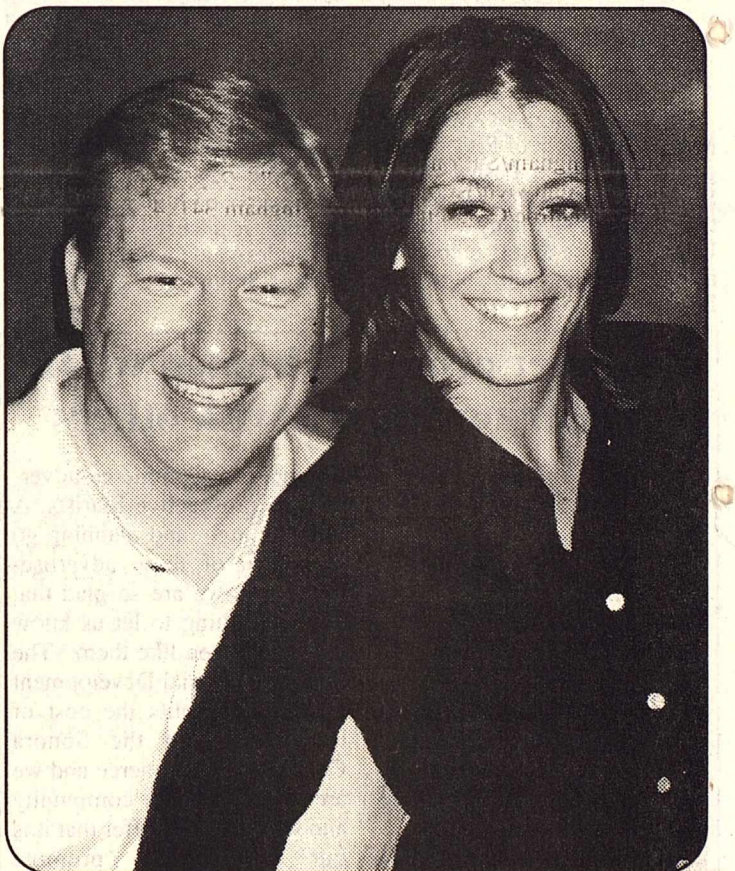
Weaver of Del Rio, Texas, were flower girl and ring bearer. Michael Luttrell, the bride's nephew, and Corley Walsh, the groom's brother, both of Sonora, were ushers.

After the ceremony, friends and family were serenaded by a mariachi band as they enjoyed dinner al fresco in a beachside garden.

The couple will reside in Dallas.

Engagement Announcement

Payton and Smart announce September wedding plans



Tom and Pam Payton of Sonora, Texas, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Erin Elizabeth Payton, to Mr. Joe Robert Smart, son of Pete and Donna Smart of Diboll, Texas. Erin and Joe will be united in holy matrimony September 3, 2005 at 121 Community Church in Grapevine, Texas.

Engagement Correction



James Evans and Heather Floyd

In the June 16, 2005 issue of The Devil's River News, the wrong name was printed under the picture of James and Heather. We apologize for the mistake and wish them the best in their upcoming marriage.

Wool Show from page 1

High Novice Individuals: 1. Cadesman Pope 167, 2. Joy Miller/Kendall 153, 3. Kelbi Renfro/Crockett 130, 4. Allie Black/Crockett 105

High Junior Individuals: 1. Anna Miller/Kendall 323, 2. Caleb Miller/Kendall 322, 3. Mary Miller/Kendall 274, 4. Bailey J. Pennington/Sutton 272

High Senior Individuals: 1. Kelly Haile/Kendall 380, 2. Cody Kneupper/Kendall 358, 3. Kraig Chandler/Crockett 342, 4. Colt Brandenberger/Kimble 284

High Novice Teams: 1. Crockett Co/333 (Kelbi Renfro, Allie Black, Lanna Stapper, Kinsey Chandler/Alt, Coaches: Carlon Stapper, Kelvin Chandler, Donnie Laughlin, Miles Dabovich); 2. Sutton Co./312 (Cadesman Pope, Stella Ingham, Zachary Leonard, coaches: Fran Pennington, Pascual Hernandez)

High Junior Teams: 1. Kendall Co/919 (Anna Miller, Mary Miller, Caleb Miller, Coaches: Robert Haile, Robin Giles); 2. Sutton Co/608 (Bailey J. Pennington, Steely Ingham, Savannah Leonard, Meredith Earwood/Alt, Coaches: Fran Pennington, Pascual Hernandez); 3. Crockett Co/535 (Laura Stapper, Linda Stapper, Erik Carrizales, Lane Hale/Alt, Coaches: Carlon Stapper, Donnie Laughlin, Kelvin Chandler, Miles Dabovich)

High Senior Teams: 1. Kendall Co/1017 ((Kelly Haile, Holly Moldenhauer, Cody Kneupper, Heather Smith/Alt, Coaches: Robin Giles, Robert Haile); 2. Kimble Co/756 (Colt Brandenberger, Callie Whitworth, Carl Whitworth, Bill Allen/Alt, Coach: Dale Brandenberger); 3. Crockett Co/626 (Lucinda Birkenfield, Wilson White, Kraig Chandler, Kyann Kothman/Alt, Coaches: Carlon Stapper, Kelvin Chandler, Donnie Laughlin, Miles Dabovich); 4. Sutton Co/596 (Emily Earwood, Justin Perez, Laura Martin, Mandy Brister/Alt, Coaches: Pascual Hernandez, Fran Pennington)

E.B. King Memorial Trophy to the High Scoring Judging Team, presented by Edwards Plateau Soil & Water Conservation District - Kendall Co. 4-H Senior Team Wool

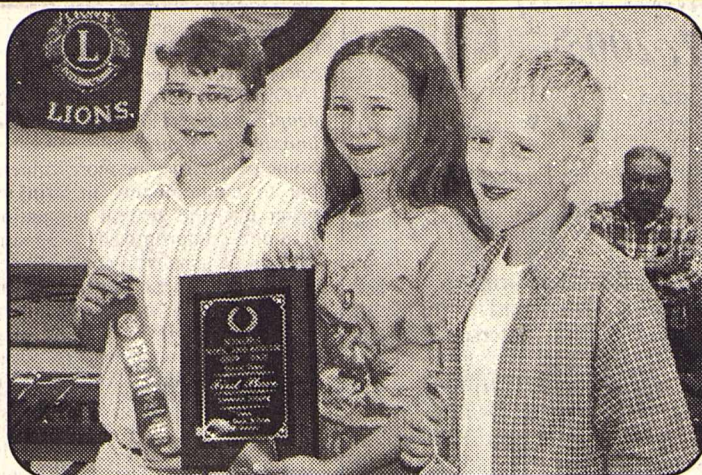
High Novice Individual: 1. Stella Ingham/Sutton 302, 2. Jackie Nentwich/Kerr 274, 3. Kelbi Renfro/Crockett 273, 4. Allie Black/Crockett 270

High Junior Individuals: 1. Laura Stapper/Crockett 337, 2. Savannah Leonard/Sutton 327, 3. Steely Ingham/Sutton 320, 4. Lane White/Crockett 317

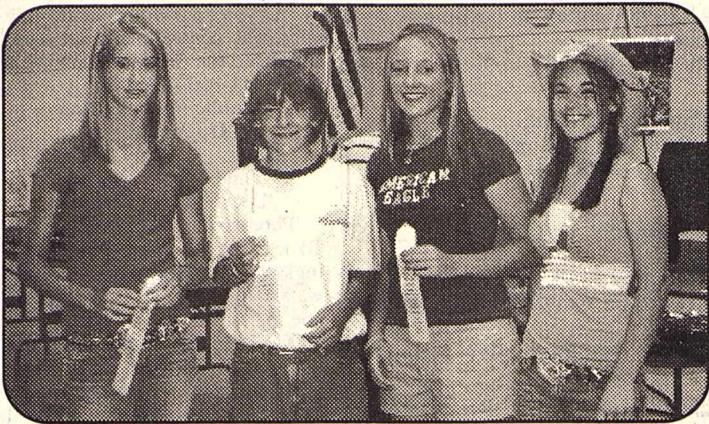
High Senior Individuals: 1. Laura Allen/Val Verde 348T, 1. Kelly Haile/Kendall 348T, 3. Craig Chandler/Crockett 338, 4. Emily Earwood/Sutton 337

High Novice Teams: 1. Sutton Co/787 (Stella Ingham, Zachary Leonard, Madison Myers, Coach: Shawna Faris); 2. Crockett Co/736 (Kelbi Renfro, Allie Black, Kinsey Chandler/Alt, Coaches: Carlon Stapper, Kelvin Chandler, Donnie Laughlin, Miles Dabovich)

High Junior Teams: 1. Crockett Co/968 (Laura Stapper, Lane White, Lane Hale, Murphy Black/Alt, Coaches: Carlon Stapper, Kelvin Chandler, Donnie



Stella Ingham, Madison Myers, and Zachary Leonard show off their novice team judging awards.



Savannah Leonard, Bailey Joe Pennington, Steely Ingham, and Meredith Earwood are proud junior team judgers.

Laughlin, Miles Dabovich), 2. Sutton Co/958 (Steely Ingham, Savannah Leonard, Meredith Earwood, Bailey J. Pennington/Alt, Coach Shawna Faris); 3. Kendall Co/854 (Anna Miller, Mary Miller, Caleb Miller, Coaches: Robert Haile, Robin Giles)

High Senior Teams: 1. Crockett Co/988 (Kraig Chandler, Lakin Aaron, Kyann Kothmann, Wilson White/Alt, Coaches: Carlon Stapper, Kelvin Chandler, Donnie Laughlin, Miles Dabovich); 2. Kerr Co/983 (Bryan Weaver, Krystal Morey, Ashley Frizzell, Chance Muehlstein/Alt, Coaches: Fred Speck, Roy Walston) 3. Kimble Co/972 (Colt Brandenberger, Carl Whitworth, Callie Whitworth, Bill Allen/Alt, Coaches: Dale Brandenberger) 4. James Madison FFA/964 (Lindsey Boyer, Caleb Elrod, Megan Walsh, Kim Dixon/Alt, Coach: Mike Wallace)

Mohair High Novice Individual: 1. Allie Black/Crockett 349, 2. Kelbi Renfro/Crockett 3, Stella Ingham 341, 4. Zachary Leonard 340

High Junior Individuals: 1. Lane White/ Crockett 382, 2. Anna Miller/Kendall 378, 3. Meredith Earwood/Sutton/366T, 4. Savannah Leonard/Sutton 366T

High Senior Individuals: 1. Laura Allen/Val Verde 391, 2. Colt Brandenberger/Kimble 388, 3. Kelly Haile/Kendall 386, 4. Callie Whitworth/Kimble 376

High Novice Teams: 1. Sutton Co/996 (Stella Ingham, Zachary Leonard, Madison Myers, Coach: Shawna Faris); 2. Crockett Co/993 (Kelbi Renfro, Allie Black, Lanna Stapper, Kinsey Chandler/Alt, Coaches: Carlon Stapper, Kelvin Chandler, Donnie Laughlin, Miles Dabovich)

High Junior Teams: 1. Sutton Co/1095 (Steely Ingham, Savannah Leonard, Meredith

Earwood, Bailey Pennington/Alt, Coach Shawna Faris); 2. Crockett Co/1090 (Laura Stapper, Lane White, Lane Hale, Murphy Black/Alt, Coaches: Carlon Stapper, Kelvin Chandler, Donnie Laughlin, Miles Dabovich), 3. Kindall Co/1030 (Mary Miller, Anna Miller, Caleb Miller, Coaches: Robin Giles, Robert Haile)

High Senior Teams: 1. Kimble Co/1137 (Colt Brandenberger, Carl Whitworth, Callie Whitworth, Bill Allen/Alt, Coaches: Dale Brandenberger); 2. Val Verde Co/1137 Laura Allen, Houston Dobbins, Alex Scharton, Coaches: John Allenes, Bill Zuberbueller); 3. Kerr Co/1112 (Krystal Morey, Bryan Weaver, Shane Albrecht, Chance Muehlstein/Alt, Coaches: Fred Speck, Roy Walston); 4. Kendall Co/1110 (Kelly Haile, Heather Smith, Cody Kneupper, Holly Moldenhauer/Alt, Coaches: Robert Haile, Robin Giles)

Junior Division Judging Contest Over-all High Novice Individuals

Donor: The Bank & Trust, Sonora
1. Stella Ingham/Sutton 1028, 2. Allie Black/Crockett 1000, 3. Kelbi Renfro/Crockett 984, 4. Zachary Leonard/Sutton 926, 5. Jackie Nentwich/Kerr 870

Over-All High Junior Individuals - Donor: First National Bank, Sonora
1. Anna Miller/Kendall 1351, 2. Laura Stapper/Crockett 1265, 3. Caleb Miller/Kendall 1240, 4. Bailey Joe Pennington/Sutton 1226, 5. Steely Ingham/Sutton 1162

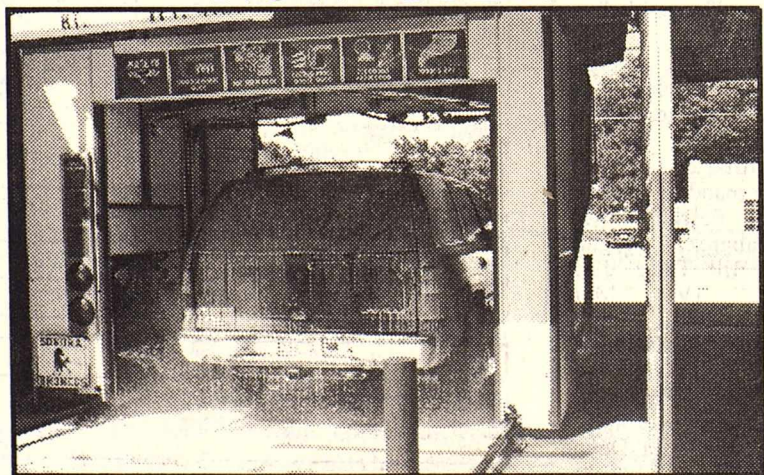
Over-All High Senior Individuals
Donor: Sonora Wool & Mohair
1. Kelly Haile/Kendall 1463, 2. Kraig Chandler/Crockett 1385, 3. Cody Kneupper/Kendall 1369, 4. Colt Brandenberger/Kimble 1326, 5. Emily Earwood/Sutton 1247

Sweepstakes Awards
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2. Kimble Co. 4060/ Coach: Dale Brandenberger
3. Sutton Co. 3934/Coaches: Shawna Faris, Fran Pennington and Pascual Hernandez
4. Crockett Co 3812/Coaches: Donnie Laughlin, Carlon Stapper, Kelvin Chandler, and Miles Dabovich



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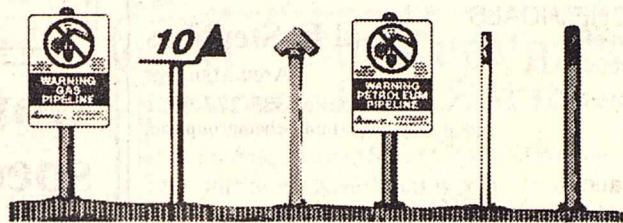
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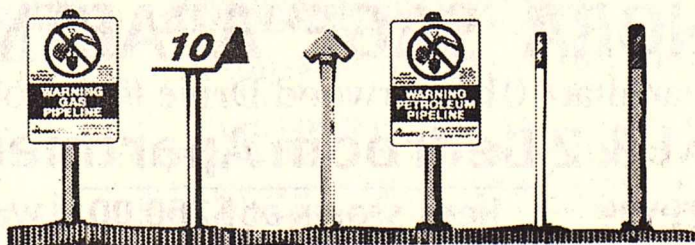
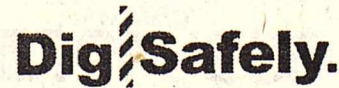
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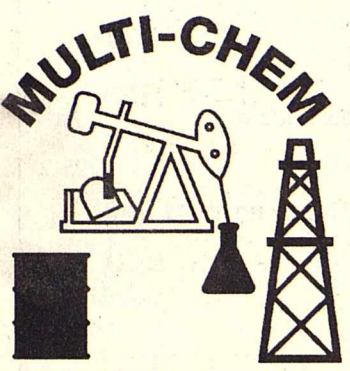
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Governor calls immediate special session

State Capital Highlights
 Texas Press Association

By Mike Cox
 AUSTIN -- Gov. Rick Perry announced June 18 that he was calling lawmakers back to Austin for a special session to solve the school finance issue left hanging during the just-ended regular session.

And just to give the call some teeth, he used his line-item veto authority to strip \$35.3 billion in public school funding from the state's new budget. That forces the Legislature to act soon or face the prospect of schools being unable to open in August.

The Legislature was scheduled to convene at noon on June 21 to come up with a plan.

"One tough grandma" enters fight...

The governor announced his veto and legislative call at noon June 18, which happened to be the same time Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn staged an event in downtown Austin to make an announcement of her own - her intention to try for Perry's job in next year's Republican primary.

"Now is the time to replace this do-nothing" drugstore cowboy with one tough grandma," she said.

Strayhorn's formalization of her long-obvious aspiration for higher office came after U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison ended speculation that she might also run for governor. The Texas senator issued a statement June 17 that she would run for another six-year term in Washington.

Reading the budgetary fine print...

Line items in the state's budget have given some state agency heads as much as \$48,000 more a year in salary.

The biggest increase will go to Col. Tommy Davis, director

of the Texas Department of Public Safety, who will see his salary jump from \$102,000 annually to \$150,000. The attorney general, comptroller, and land and railroad commissioners will get \$32,000-a-year pay hikes.

Transportation bill signed...

The governor signed into law last week a bill that gives the electorate the power to decide if an existing highway paid for with gas tax revenue can be converted into a revenue-generating toll road.

The measure also requires the Texas Department of Transportation to pick up the tab for any private land made much less valuable by a new roadway. Sponsor Rep. Mike Krusee (R-Round Rock) had said the bill and its provisions were intended in part to ease public concerns over the planned Trans-Texas Corridor.

Yellow light for red light runners...

A bill that would have prohibited cities from setting up photographic red light enforcement programs got stuck in traffic in the Legislature, with the Senate declining to take up the measure.

Accordingly, the city of Houston is planning to continue its existing program.

Proponents say the idea saves lives and prevents injuries by photographing and then fining drivers who bust red lights. Critics say traffic-signal cameras contribute to more accidents and are an invasion of privacy.

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June 28
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June 29
 Virgil Burge, Steven Harper, Pam Munn, Tommy Gutierrez, Angie Torres, Pedro Virgen, William Gutierrez

2004 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

(Consumer Confidence Report)
 City of Sonora

Special Notice for the ELDERLY, INFANTS, CANCER PATIENTS, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune problems:
 Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. The EPA/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

Public Participation Opportunities
 Date: July 19, 2005
 Time: 2:00 p.m.
 Location: City Hall
 Phone No: 325-387-2558

To learn about future public meetings (concerning your drinking water), or to request to schedule one, please call us.

Our Drinking Water meets or Exceeds All Federal (EPA) Drinking Water Requirements

This report is a summary of the quality of the water we provide our customers. The analysis was made by using the data from the most recent U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) required tests and is presented in the attached pages. We hope this information helps you become more knowledgeable about what's in your drinking water.

WATER SOURCES: The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals, and in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water before treatment include: microbes, inorganic contaminants, pesticides, herbicides, radioactive contaminants, and organic chemical contaminants.

En espanol
 Este informe incluye informacion importante sobre el agua potable. Si tiene preguntas o comentarios sobre este informe en espanol, favor de llamar al tel. (325) 387-2558 -para hablar con una persona bilingue en espanol.

Where do we get our drinking water?
 Our drinking water is obtained from Ground water sources: It comes from the following Late/River/Reservoir/Aquifer: EDWARDS-TRINITY PLATEAU. TCEQ completed an assessment of our source water and results indicate that some of our sources are susceptible to certain contaminants. The sampling requirements for our water system are based on this susceptibility and previous sample data. Any detections of these contaminants will be found in this

report. If we receive or purchase water from another system, their susceptibility is not included in this assessment. For more information on source water assessments and protection efforts at our system, please contact us.

ALL drinking water may contain contaminants.
 When drinking water meets federal standards there may not be any health based benefits to purchasing bottled water or point of use devices. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

Secondary Constituents
 Many constituents (such as calcium, sodium, or iron) which are often found in drinking water, can cause taste, color, and odor problems. The taste and odor constituents are called secondary constituents and are regulated by the State of Texas, not the EPA. These constituents are not causes for health concern. Therefore, secondaries are not required to be reported in this document but they may greatly affect the appearance and taste of your water.

About The Following
 The tables that follow list all of the federally regulated or monitored contaminants which have been found in your drinking water. The U.S. EPA requires water systems to test for up to 97 contaminants.

DEFINITIONS
Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) - The highest permissible level of a contaminant in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) - The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected health risk. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) - The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) - The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contamination.
Treatment Technique (TT) - A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
Action Level (AL) - The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

ABBREVIATIONS
 NTU - Nephelometric Turbidity Units
 MFL - million fibers per liter (a measure of asbestos)
 pCi/L - picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)
 ppm - parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/L)
 ppb - parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (ug/L)
 ppt - parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter
 ppq - parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter

Total Coliform NOT DETECTED
 Fecal Coliform NOT DETECTED

Secondary and Other Not Regulated Constituents
 (No associated adverse health effects)

Year (Range)	Constituent	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	Limit	Unit of Measure	Source of Constituent
2002	Bicarbonate	309,500	304	312	NA	ppm	Corrosion of carbonate rocks such as limestone.
2002	Calcium	75,900	71.7	77.3	NA	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element.
2002	Chloride	17,500	16	19	300	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element; used in water purification; byproduct of oil field activity.
2002	Copper	0.007	0.006	0.007	NA	ppm	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.
2002	Lead	0.750	0	3	NA	ppb	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits.
2002	Magnesium	19,025	18.5	19.2	NA	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element.
2002	pH	7.300	7.1	7.5	NA	units	Measure of corrosivity of water.
2002	Sodium	9,185	8.55	9.3	NA	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; byproduct of oil field activity.
2002	Sulfate	8,750	8	9	300	ppm	Naturally occurring; common industrial byproduct; byproduct of oil field activity.
2002	Total Alkalinity as CaCO3	253,750	249	256	NA	ppm	Naturally occurring soluble mineral salts.
2002	Total Dissolved Solids	281,000	281	281	1000	ppm	Total dissolved mineral constituents in water.
2002	Total Hardness as CaCO3	267,250	255	272	NA	ppm	Naturally occurring calcium.
2002	Zinc	7,500	0	30	5000	ppb	Moderately abundant naturally occurring element; used in the metal industry.

Inorganic Contaminants

Year (Range)	Contaminant	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	MCL	MCLG	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
2002	Barium	0.167	0.165	0.174	2	2	ppm	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits.
2002	Fluoride	0.400	0.3	0.5	4	4	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
2002	Nitrate	1,758	1.69	1.81	10	10	ppm	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits.
2002	Combined Radium 226 & 228	0.175	0	0.7	5	0	pCi/L	Erosion of natural deposits.
2002	Gross alpha	1,500	1.2	1.9	15	0	pCi/L	Erosion of natural deposits.

Organic Contaminants - NOT TESTED OR REPORTED, OR NONE DETECTED

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level

Year	Disinfectant	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	MCL	MCLG	Unit of Measure	Source of Disinfectant
2004	Chlorine	1.753	0.3	3	4	4	ppm	Disinfectant used to control microbes.

Disinfection Byproducts

Year (Range)	Contaminant	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	MCL	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
2004	Total Halocarbon Acids	18,253	5.5	25.6	40	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.
2004	Total Trihaloethanes	14,000	0	33.2	50	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.

Unregulated Contaminants

Year (Range)	Contaminant	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
2002	Bromoacetic acid	0.125	0	0.5	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.
2002	Dibromoacetic acid	0.325	0	0.7	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.

Lead and Copper

Year (Range)	Contaminant	The 90th Percentile	Number of Sites Exceeding Action Level	Action Level	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
1999	Lead	1,8000	0	15	ppb	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits.
1999	Copper	0.2220	0	1.3	ppm	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.

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LEAGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas. Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792).

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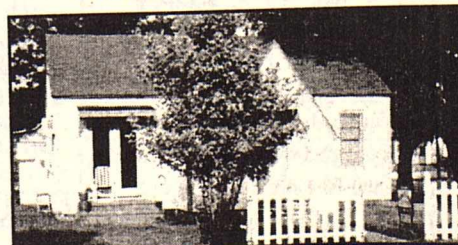


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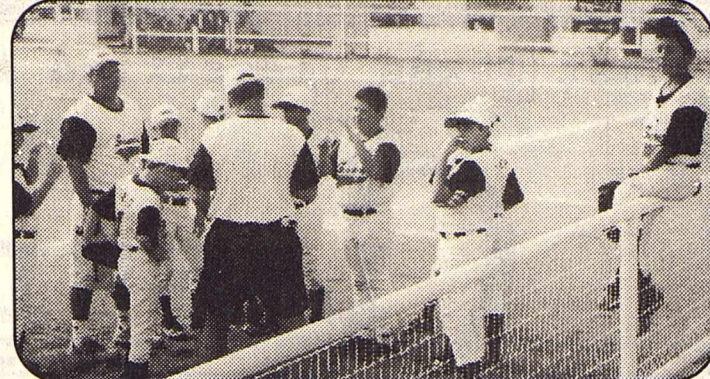
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Texas Glory Softball wins State Championships

submitted

Texas Glory 16U softball team won the South USFA State Championship held in Beaumont, Tx. and the North USFA State Championship held in Mesquite, Tx. Meghan Krieg, pitcher for the Glory, went 3-0, in Beaumont w/ 1 save giving up 1 run and went 3-1 w/ 1 save giving up 5 runs, 3 of those in the championship game which Glory won 4-3 against the Texas Hurricanes Gold team. These two championships qualifies the Glory for the National Tournament, which they will attend in Panama City Beach, Florida, July 18-22. This weekend Glory is traveling to Shreveport, La. to win the Louisiana USFA State Championship.



Sonora coaches Hinesly and Lopez talk to the boys about their game plan. Photo submitted

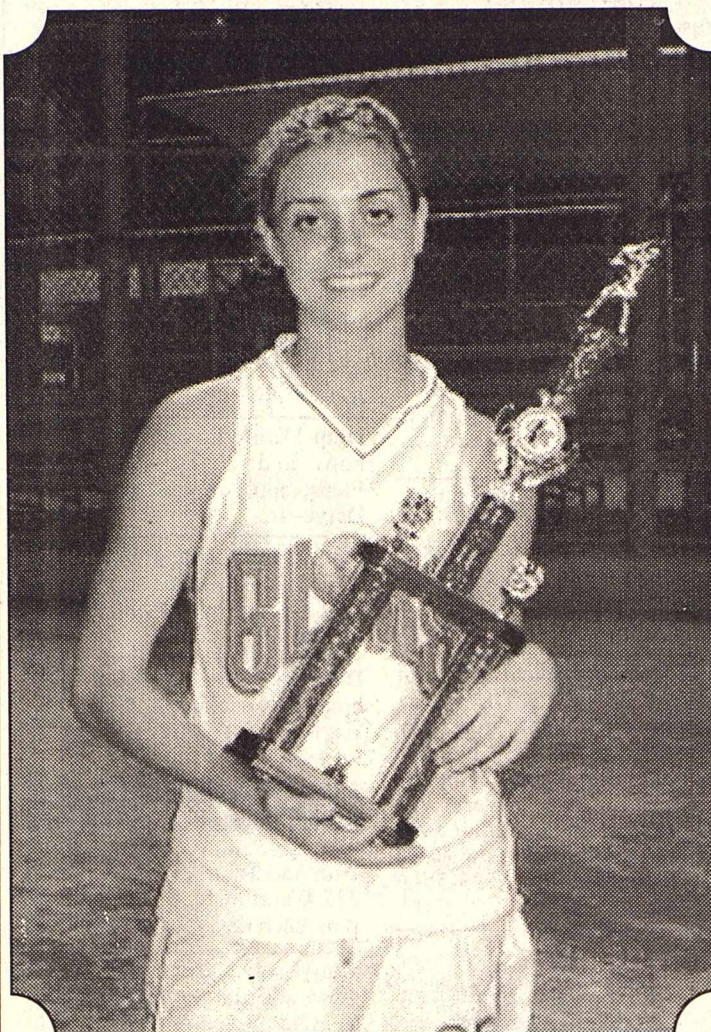
10-year-old All-Stars dominate in Eldorado



Sonora "10 Run Rules" Ozona. The MVP for the Tournament was Arron Hinesly, All-Tournament honors went to John Lopez IV and the Golden Globe award went to Jared Hinesly.

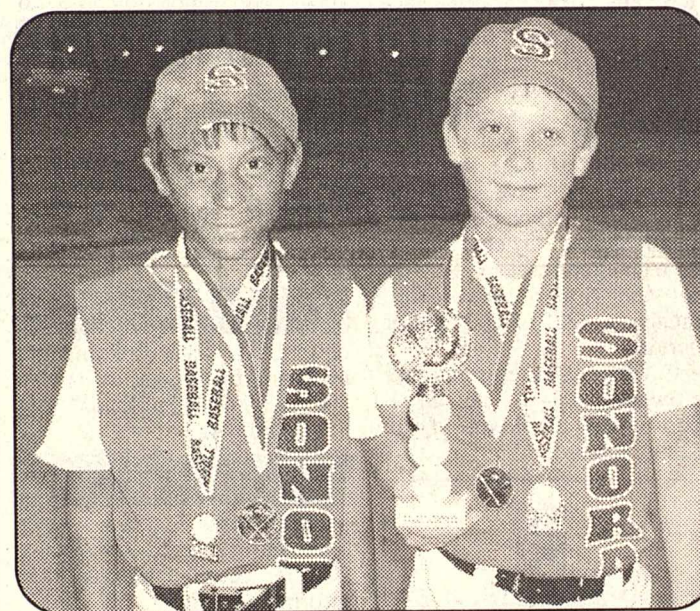
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On Saturday, June 11, Sonora played two back-to-back games in Eldorado, beating Mason 11-1 and Eldorado 12-2. The Sonora All-Stars were then set to play Ozona for the Championship game. Sonora won the toss and elected to take the field. Sonora played an outstanding offensive and defensive game. The boys knew they had a job before them and were ready to meet the challenge as a team. Quick thinking, solid hitting and the desire to win enabled the Sonora team to shut Ozona out with the score of 10-0. We're extremely proud of each and every one of our Sonora All-Star players. Way to go guys!



Meghan Krieg

Minor league All-Stars play hard in Ozona Tournament



Two boys from Sonora were chosen for the All-Tournament Team: Tyler Smith and Chance Campbell. Chance was also awarded the Golden Glove.

submitted

Sonora Minor League All-Stars took second place in the Ozona Tournament last weekend. Sonora had a successful round of games against Big Lake and Mertzon.

Sonora played a full day of games on Saturday defeated only



Back row: Coaching the All-Stars were (L to R): Curry Campbell, Johnny Esparza, Sam Hughes and Jock Dutton

Middle row: Anastacio Munoz, Scott Gonzales, Chance Campbell, Cody Barber, Will Dutton, and Tanner Esparza.

Kneeling: Nelson Black, Tanner Myers, Kaden Kinder, Tyler Smith, Andres Acevedo, Hunter Hughes, and Daniel Nicar.

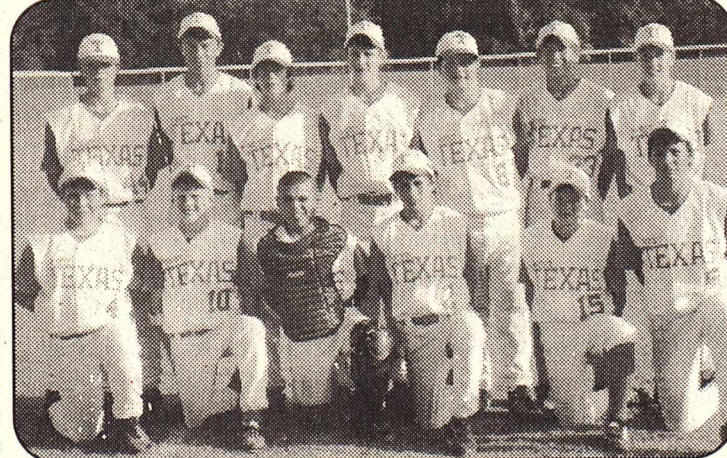
by Ozona's team early that afternoon, and winning a match up with San Angelo's White Sox at 5:00 p.m. The boys once again met Ozona's home town team that night at 7 p.m. for the championship game. Congratulations to all our minor league All-Star boys.

West Texas Longhorns win in Boerne

submitted

The West Texas Longhorns became the "Last Round-Up" AA/A Champions in Boerne last weekend, by defeating the Del Rio Crush, Bayou City Eagles, and the Cypress Astros.

Members of the West Texas Longhorns are Will Anderson, Tyler Creek, Cash Jennings, Ethan Morriss, Dustin Neff, and Michael Stephens from Sonora; Justin Yonker from Ason; Wes Brown and Garrett Lux from Eldorado; Dylan Castillo, Kyle Sewell and Jaron Vasquez from Ozona and Zac Rodriguez from Big Lake.



West Texas Longhorns

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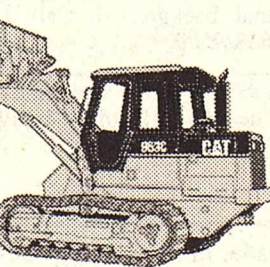
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