

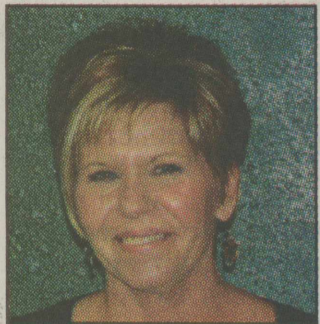
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Under New Ownership

Taylor Brothers Invest in the Community



Ben Taylor (pictured left) and Sam Taylor (pictured right) take the reigns of all companies housed in the Devil's River News Office.

By Bonnie Lou Campbell

In brief, the history of the Devil's River News takes us back to around 1890 when a couple of young brothers by the names of Mike and Steve Murphy owned and operated the Devil's River News office. They remained owners until around 1925 when a gentleman by the name of M. A. Wilson became the owner and from there, the list goes on; a number of owners and operators controlled the operations of the Devil's River News office. As time went on, the news office gained several additional entities all under one roof.

In 1994, the Devil's River News office, came under the ownership of Cam L.

Campbell, and with continuing advancements in modern technology, Cam brought the Devil's River Internet, and Cheetah Wireless, both high quality internet services to Sonora. Cam purchased an office supply company and opened what is today known as "Sonora Office Supply". In addition to the internet and office supply businesses, the UPS service was also housed under the same roof. Cam's love for computers and technology gave way to his passion for open waters as he set sail for new adventures with his bride Erika, on their 41 ft. Hans Christian sail boat, the Sea Horse.

Today, another set of asip-

iring young brothers by the names of Sam and Ben Taylor decided to embark on an adventure of their own when they recently purchased the DRN from Cam and Erika Campbell. The Taylor boys were born and raised in Sonora and graduated from Sonora ISD. They are the sons of Dr. Charles "Butch" and Cleone Taylor, and both received degrees from Texas A&M University. Sam has 2 degrees from Aggieland, and Ben also has a Masters Degree from Angelo State University. Ben had spent a few years as a Wildlife Biologist in San Angelo working for Texas A&M, and Sam had been a golf course superin-

tendent and worked for a construction company installing industrial kitchens across the continental U.S. When Sam and Ben came back to Sonora, they realized their roots had brought them back home for a reason- family and community.

As for the new DRN, Ben will remain acting editor for the newspaper, and Sam will continue his work with the internet companies. Cleone Taylor is retiring from the school district and will be helping the boys with bookkeeping, and will also be managing the office supply company. The Taylors are a family unit, and they believe strongly that, "our business plan is a little different than most. We realized early on that we are not just investing in a business opportunity, we are actually investing in a community." Ben stated, "I have wondered if this is a smart move for us given the current economic market, but this was an opportunity we couldn't pass up. It gives us a chance to work together as a family business in the town we love. If I have learned one thing this year, it is that Sonora residents have the most amazing capacity to give, and we want to be a part of something like that".

"The newspaper will continue very much like it has in the past year. All of us here at the paper will continue to publish papers that entertain as well as educate. Our goal is to report the truth, not just facts," Ben said. "We are planning on upgrading our internet equipment, increasing the reliability of our network, and allowing

us to reach farther with our internet services. We hope to start revamping everything within the next few months, allowing us to be able to add more people to the network" commented Sam. The Taylor brothers are committed to providing you, their customers, with the very best in customer service. When you call their office with problems or concerns, you will be working directly with them, and not some representative for a big company. "I also want to provide a quality product for the people in the town that I grew up in", said Sam. There will soon be some big changes with the office supply. They are planning to restock their shelves with competitively priced merchandise for the needs of modern businesses. They will also continue to ship UPS packages, and are hoping to expand the services they offer through their relationship with UPS.

On a more personal note, I am thankful for the opportunity to work with such fine young men. They have come in to positions where they have had no formal training, and have been very successful. I am proud to be a part of the "family" at the Devil's River News office. I hope our community will welcome the Taylor Brothers with open arms and support their endeavors to give Sonora the high quality products and first class customer service that we all want in our town.

2009 Sutton County Stockshow



Photo By Bonnie Lou Campbell

Exhibitors line up for a picture after the appreciation BBQ at the Sutton County Civic Center.

By Ben D. Taylor

Success is a skill. It is something that has to be learned and studied before it is attained. All too often in our society success is seen as luck. It becomes trappings of the fortunate, trophies of the lucky, and discarded not as achievement but as a matter of simple situation. I have found through personal experience that if you teach someone the skills of success early (hard

work, sacrifice, and compromise), the dividends will pay off throughout their lives. I know this because my first taste of success was showing an Angora goat (donated to me by Joe David Ross) named Cyclone at the Sutton County Livestock show. While I won several belt buckles with Cyclone, they merely were made up of metal when compared to the skills I acquired by caring

for and showing livestock. At this year's 2009 Sutton County Stockshow I was glad to see so many young exhibitors learning the same skills I did so many years ago.

This years stockshow showed an increase in total exhibitors but a decrease in overall animals showed, a trend Sutton County Extension Agent Pascual Hernandez attributes to the Sonora

High School's class of 2008, "there weren't as many animals shown per kid, which is due to the high number of kids we had graduate last year. A lot of the exhibitors this year are new, so they start out a lot with fewer animals per kid". The county sale was a bit below the mark from last year (due to the weak economy and lower number of animals for sale), but taken from a wider

view was much higher than expectations as Hernandez commented, "it's gratifying that our community comes through for these kids in these economic times". Overall, the champion animals averaged about \$1,600 a head, while a combination of the class winners and remaining show animals brought in \$1,400 each on average. The exhibitors will receive 75% of all proceeds from the sale of their animal (25% is used to fund leadership camps, judging fees, scholarships, etc.), meaning that 100% of all proceeds from the sale benefits the youth of Sutton County.

The stockshow is a cooperative effort between Sutton County 4-H and FFA clubs. Sonora High School Agricultural Sciences teacher Michael Kissire commented that, "this year, highschool students accounted for 18 of the total exhibitors at the county show". He further added that, "Angora goat exhibitors are still down, but we have some very quality animals. I'd like to see that show grow, it is still a very important part of Sutton County heritage, and people want to see that".

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Senior Center Activities

- Thur. Jan 15- Need ideas and volunteers for crafts. Call 387-5657 or come by the center.
- Fri. Jan 16- Happy Birthday **Juanita Mesa** *SCP to Angelo (Training)
- Mon. Jan 19- Center Closed
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.
- Tues. Jan 20- Happy Birthday **Anna Eustace**
City Council
- Wed. Jan 21- Van to San Angelo Medicals
Call 387-3941.

Senior Center Menu

- Thur. Jan 15- Meatloaf w/ tomato, blackeyed peas, okra, cornbread, banana pudding and milk
- Fri. Jan 16- Chicken Supreme, herb new potatoes, broccoli, green salad, rolls, cherry cobbler and milk
- Mon. Jan 19- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Center Closed
- Tues. Jan 20- Beef stew, sweet peas, cornbread, citrus fruit cup and milk
- Wed. Jan 21- Fried fish, hominy, broccoli, corn muffins, bread pudding w/raisins and milk

Participants in the senior nutrition program must be 60 or older. Meals are served Monday - Friday at 12:00 p.m. Donations are accepted (suggested donation for Seniors is \$1.50; \$4.00 for under 60 and all other meals-to-go).



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Thank You Note

I would like to say Thank you to The Caverns of Sonora & Gerry Ingham for purchasing my pig at the Sutton County Stock Show Auction. Your generosity is truly appreciated. I also want to say Thank you to Will, Peggy and Brenna Wallace for donating both Stripes and Rojo to me, your generosity goes above and beyond what anyone could have done for me and my family. I would like to personally thank Jimmy Sims for all his help in taking care of Stripes and Rojo. I want to say thank you to Paul, Greta, Darby and Delaney Ramsdell for helping take care of my pigs. Without you this would not have been possible. Thanks goes to my Grandparents Dod & Roberta James, Jim and Margaret Garrett for all your support. Thank you Levi for helping when you could. I want to thank Kylie Love for showing Rojo for me at the stock show, also Ruthie Bounds for all your help and thanks Tibba Edmondson for helping too. Thanks Pascual Hernandez for your help and guidance. Thank you daddy for fighting for our country to make all this possible, and thank you mommy for all your help and support. And thank you to the 4-H and FFA clubs of Sonora. Thank you Sonora for supporting this program.

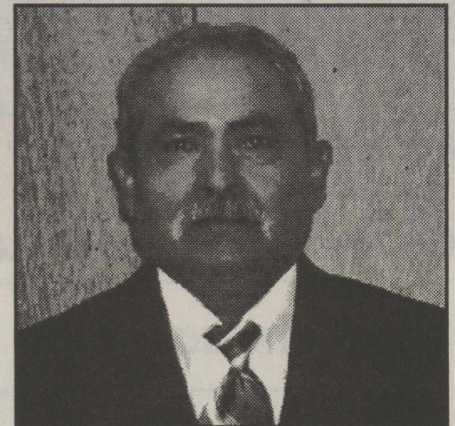
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Obituary



Delfino Acosta

Delfino Acosta of Sonora, Texas and Francisco Villa, Hidalgo, Mexico, died of an apparent heart attack on December 7, 2008 at the Jones Ranch south of Sonora.

Delfino Acosta Martinez was born December 28, 1946 in Francisco Villa, Hidalgo, Mexico to parents Hipolito Acosta Rodriguez and Pascuala Martinez Trejo. He was the oldest of fourteen children. In 1979 he married Marcela Martinez Villeda in Mexico. Delfino attended school in Mexico and began working in Texas when he was a young man. He spent most of his life working on ranches in the Southwest Texas area, but also worked in Oklahoma for a few months. Delfino worked for Frank Speck, Dickie Davis, and Buddy Joe Clark in Menard County before coming to Sutton County in 1993. At that time he began working at the Jones & Powers Ranch east of Sonora for Claire Jones and family and worked there until his death. He was a kind and trustworthy employee who always had a smile on his face and an interesting story to tell. Delfino had many family members and friends in the Sonora area and enjoyed visiting them on the weekends.

Delfino was proud to have become an American citizen on June 25, 2008.

He was preceded in death by his father, Hipolito, his sister, Lucaria, and a brother, Faucto.

Delfino is survived by his wife of 30 years, Marcela, his mother, Pascuala, four daughters Emilia, Maribel, Zenaida, and Araceli, and by a son Jesus, as well as five grandchildren, all of Francisco Villa, Hidalgo, Mexico. He is also survived by six sisters, Pompeya, Aldegunda, Maria, Paula, Margarita, and Josefina, of Mexico, and six brothers, Telesforo of Mexico, Ausencio and Gregorio of Oklahoma, and Zenon, and Eugenio of Sonora, Texas. The family remains close to the land where they were raised in Francisco Villa, Hidalgo, Mexico.

The family wishes to thank Claire Jones, Mickey Powers, Maximino and Fidela Rojo, Zacarias Rojo, Agustin Martinez Villeda, Rey Martinez Villeda, Manuel Flores, Jorge Martinez Trejo, Abel, Susie Torres, Dora Mata, Anita Hudson, Maria Isabel, Kerbow Funeral Home, and all others who helped at the time of Delfino's death and others who had the privilege of knowing Delfino. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

Services and burial were held in Francisco Villa, Hidalgo, Mexico.

Happy Birthday Tina



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"Life is a great big canvas, and you should throw all the paint on it you can."

Danny Kaye

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January 16

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January 17

David Wallace, Felipe Estrada, Tina Watkins, Ruben Garza, Lisa Slaton, Antonio Lopez

January 18

Alexis Aguirre, Allanna Aguirre, Richard Ridgeway, Jed Leal, Rose Karnes, Rene Vasquez, Colby Savell, Kent McAnally, Michael Creek, Jim Polonis

January 19

Thomas Hanson, Abb Smith, Keith Wallace, John Lopez, Sr., Mario Hernandez, Randy Knight, Alexis Guerra, Heather Lock, Kristy C. Sanchez, Rogelio Cardona,

January 20

Erin Payton, Cindy Feagin, Jesse Burris, Rusty Garner, Joshua Frank Esquivel, Weedy Zorn

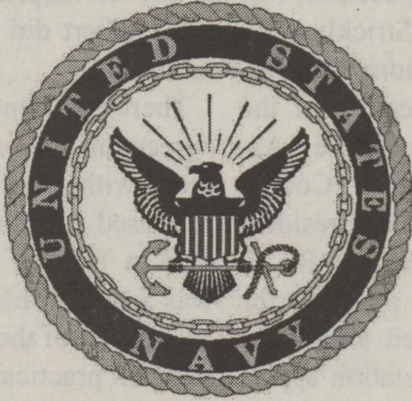
January 21

Savannah Savell, Sablan Robles, Tanner Cain, Dan Hawkins, Roy Mesa

Castro Completes Bootcamp

Submitted

Navy Seaman Recruit Danielle R. Castro, daughter of Annette and John D. Castro of Sonora, Texas, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill. During the eight-week program, Castro completed a variety of training which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, firefighting, water safety and survival, and shipboard and aircraft safety. An emphasis was also placed on physical fitness. The capstone event of boot camp is "Battle Stations". This exercise gives recruits the skills and confidence they need to succeed in the fleet. "Battle Stations" is designed to galvanize the basic warrior attributes of sacrifice, dedication, teamwork and endurance in each recruit through the practical application of basic Navy skills and the core values of Honor, Courage and Commitment. Its distinctly "Navy" flavor was designed to take into account what it means to be a Sailor. Castro is a 2008 graduate of Sonora High School of Sonora, Texas.



Chamber Chatter

By Donna Garrett

WOW, that is all I can say about the Sutton County Stock Show and auction. Once again Sonora has gone above and beyond to help the youth of the community. This was my first year to be a part of the stock show, and I was amazed with all the help and response from the citizens of Sonora. Thank you Sonora!

Calling all boys from pre-k through 8th grade! Bring your mom or your date of choice and come to the Civic Center on Friday January 16th and dance the night away at the

Mother - Son Date Nite. This year's theme is skateboarding. Please do not bring skateboards, this is just our theme. The night will begin with Memories by McBride taking pictures of the boys with their dates at 6:30 p.m. Music will be provided once again by Eclipse D.J. starting at 7:00 p.m. Cookies and punch will be served and the dance will continue until 9:00 p.m. I would like to thank the board of directors for making this and all our events possible.

Sonora PD Dispatch

January 12, 2009

Pat Howard Short Jr., 39, from Sonora, Texas was arrested for Assault Causes Bodily Injury Family Violence. Incidents:

January 5, 2009

3:43 PM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.
4:10 PM: Caller reported suspicious subjects. Officer responded.

January 6, 2009

9:00 AM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.
11:13 AM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.
2:20 PM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.

January 7, 2009

12:00 AM: Caller reported a disturbance. Officer responded.
3:30 AM: Caller reported a disturbance. Officer responded.
9:20 AM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.
10:45 AM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.
12:20 PM: Caller requested assistance with unlocking a vehicle. Officer responded.
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F.Y.I.

The Sutton County Commissioners Court has enacted a Burn Ban and a Fireworks Ban, prohibiting all outdoor burning and all fireworks until further notice.

Interested in Emergency Medical Medicine? Sutton County EMS and BSA are looking for youth between 14 and 20 years of age to participate in a local Emergency Medical Exploring Post. Exploring's purpose is to provide experiences to help young people mature and to prepare them to become responsible and caring adults in a certain career. For more information, please contact: Roberta Tanguma 325-277-7189.

Depot is now ready for rent!
For more information please call 387-5084. Tues. & Thurs. 8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

The Sutton County Historical Society needs volunteers in assisting the The Old Sonora Ice House Ranch Museum greeting visitors at the gift shop. We will be open Wed. thru Sat. from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Please call Rex Ann Friess @ 226-2122 if you are interested.

Survivors & Caregiver Registration: Sutton County Relay For Life will be on May 8 - 9, 2009. Come join us for the ACS Relay For Life Celebration for Survivors & Caregivers. If you wish to register as a Caregiver or Survivor for this event, please call Marisa Faz 325-387-2041 or Dani Dillard @ 512-633-0069.

Fundraiser for Liberty Park Veterans Memorial Wall-Buy a permanently engraved brick for the new sidewalks at Liberty Park. We are raising money for the engraving of the names to go on the Memorial Wall. 4x8 brick \$35.00, 8x8 brick \$60.00, 12x12 \$150.00-with logos. Pick up forms at The Bank & Trust or City Hall.

Liberty Park Veterans Memorial Wall-Submit a veterans name to be engraved on the wall-Include the name of the veteran, branch of service, submitted by, mailing address. Veterans must be a residents or former residents of Sonora or Sutton County. Mail to: Liberty Park Veterans Wall, PO Box 824, Sonora, TX 76950. You can also pick up a form at The Bank & Trust or City Hall.

2009 Sutton County Relay for Life - If you are interested in having a team or would like to walk at the Relay for Life, Please contact Miriah at mariah.castro@fmbsonora.com or 325-226-0680.

Mother - Son Date Nite is scheduled for January 16, 2009 at the Sutton County Civic Center Tickets: \$7 in advance, \$10 at the door. Tickets can be purchased at the Sonora Chamber of Commerce. Please call 387-2880 for more information.

A meeting to discuss a work day and the Sonora High School baseball tournament is scheduled for this Friday, January 16 at 5:30 in the Commons area of the High School. All parents of baseball players need to attend. This is also open to anybody else who would like to help the Sonora baseball program. If you have any questions feel free to call or email.

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BLAST FROM THE PAST

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SONORA EXPERIMENT STATION

SEPTEMBER 29, 1939

This story of the work preceding the establishment of the Ranch Experiment Station. Sub-station 14, is written from facts recalled by B. M. Halbert of Sonora and corroborated through correspondence on file at College Station. The facts contained herein were also corroborated by R. E. Taylor of Sonora, the other of the two surviving members of the group that began the work of founding the station.

Sunshine Matthews-Assistant Secretary-Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers' Association. "It was bighead that built Sub-Station 14-our Ranch Experiment Station," says B. M. Halbert of Sonora who was among the leaders in the work of establishing the station. And he doesn't mean "big head" brought about by man's conceit. In 1913 and 1914 West Texas ranchmen had an unusual amount of trouble with bighead in their sheep and goats. Being average, run-of-the-mill ranchmen they had no scientific explanation for the cause and no scientific knowledge that could offer a cure.

Early in 1914 two Sutton County ranchmen were talking the trouble over and one, Mr. Halbert, voiced the wish to his neighbor, R. E. Taylor, that an experiment station along the order of the series of such units in other areas of the states could be established in the sheep and goat country. There the matter stayed for a

few months-a passive idea. In the fall of 1912 Mr. Halbert and J. N. Ross had attended a meeting of the Edwards County Angora Goat Association at Rocksprings to hear a report presented by Johnston Robertson of Del Rio after a trip to Washington on tariff matters of interest to the ranchmen. Mr. Robertson was asked to repeat the report at a called meeting of the ranchmen at Sonora. Later the Stockmen's Protective Association of Sutton County was organized, with Mr. Taylor named president and Mr. Halbert secretary.

During this time while the ranchmen of the three areas-Rocksprings, Sonora, and Del Rio-were becoming better acquainted with their mutual interests and problems and becoming conscious of their strength when united, a batch of correspondence between West Texas Angora breeders and J. M. Jones and Dr. B. Youngblood of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station at College Station resulted in a meeting called at Del Rio early in 1915.

The meeting was called by Johnston Robertson and J. B. Murrah of Del Rio, V. A. Brown of Rocksprings, B. M. Halbert of Sonora, and E. E. Strickland of Juno. The session was set for January 13, 1915, with the object the discussion of scientific Angora goat breeding at A. and M. College.

Aubrey Gist of Bluffdale

was among those principally interested in furthering breeding experiments. His attitude was expressed in a letter to Dr. Youngblood, director of state experiment stations since 1911, on July 31, 1914:

"I was gratified to learn that you are keenly alive to the possibilities of improving the

diseases of their sheep and goats. R. E. Taylor turned to Dr. Youngblood and asked, "Why can't West Texas have an experiment station to work on our problems such as these just as other sections of the state have?" Dr. Youngblood replied that he knew of no reason to prevent such a station

months had brought home to these men the need of a statewide organization of their interests, so this same gathering served as the original organization of what is now known as the Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers' Association. J. B. Murrah was chosen president of the first association and Julian LaCrosse, young Del Rio attorney, was elected secretary-treasurer. The new organization also had a committee to work on the station, including Mr. Robertson, Mr. Brown, and Mr. Strickland. Returning to Sonora, Mr. Halbert called a meeting of the Stockmen's Protective Association of Sutton County and asked that the president of the organization, R. E. Taylor, took his place on the committee named to ask for the experiment station appropriation. This change was approved, with the association to care for expense incurred, and wires were sent to other members of the committee. Of the group, however, only Johnston Robertson joined Mr. Taylor at Austin. Later in February, V. A. Brown or Rocksprings and J. B. Murrah of Del Rio went to Austin.

In presenting a brief to the appropriation committee, Mr. Robertson pointed out the growth of the Angora industry in the state, told of its utilization of the "wastelands" of Texas, presented data on tariff walls raised by Turkey and South Africa on exportations of Angoras, told of the ailments of the rapidly expanding industry.

The answer to the appearance of the four West Texans by the Legislature was the appropriation of \$10,000 to establish a goat experiment station in or near Del Rio, with

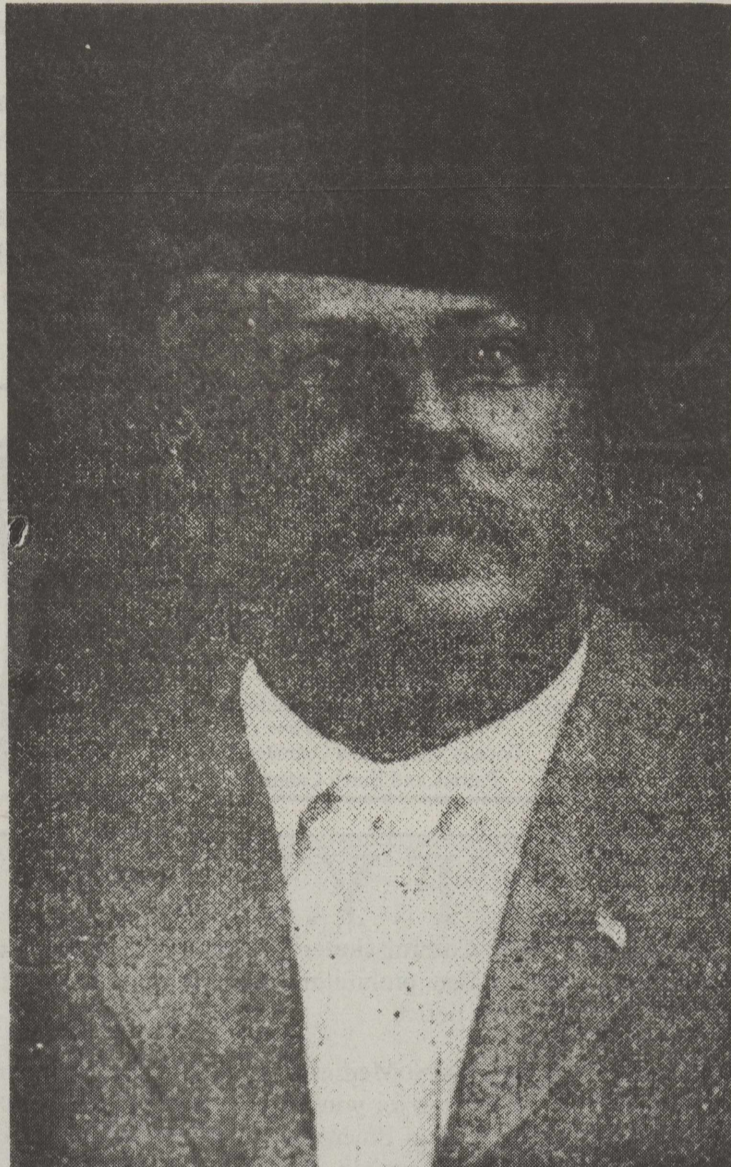
\$5,000 set aside for expenses in 1916 and 1917.

The governing board of the experiment stations was composed of P.L. Downs, Temple, Charles Rogan of Austin, J. E. Boog-Scott of Coleman, and Dr. Youngblood. This board, after an investigation, estimated that it would take \$20,000 to establish such a station and suggested that ranchmen raise the needed \$10,000 by subscription.

V. A. Brown began this work in the Rocksprings area and Mr. Halbert did similar work in Sonora.

There was considerable disagreement among the goat men with the Legislature's proposed location of the station in or near Del Rio. It was felt that this was not the true center of the goat country and that practical experiments could not be carried on there that would hold true in other sections where Angoras were run. With this in mind the Sonora list carried the restriction that the money would be used for a station located within 25 miles of Sonora.

Dr. Youngblood, J. M. Jones, J. E. Boog-Scott, and Dr. H. Schmidt were in Sonora on July 12 and 13 in 1915 in response to an invitation to attend a Trades' Day. This invitation was extended to provide an opportunity to acquaint the members of the governing board with possibilities of a station located in that area.



B. M. Halbert-as he looked in his "working days."

Angora goat and to the urgent need of concerted action with that object in view. There is not the slightest doubt in my mind about this country being able to evolve a much superior Angora that we have today, if the forces now at work are directed in the right channels." "The trouble is we are running at random and while progress is being made, it is uncertain, in that we have no standard of which is a perfect Angora. I will very much appreciate it if you will tell me the plan you have for taking up experimental breeding of Angora goats at the Experiment Station, and to what extent you hope to carry this work."

In the course of the meeting at Del Rio the conversation turned to a subject uppermost in the minds of the practical ranchmen present-current

being established.

The Ranchman named Mr. Halbert chairman of a committee to appear before the Legislature on behalf of the station. Working with him were Johnston Robertson and J. S. Gethering. An appropriation of \$15,000 was to be requested of the Legislature to establish the experimental unit.

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Summer Wildlife Camp Deadline Approaching

By Helen Holdsworth

SAN ANGELO – The sign up for Texas AgriLife Extension Service's Texas Brigades has begun for the upcoming summer camp season.

"The camps stress leadership development and conservation of our natural resources," said Dr. Dale Rollins, AgriLife Extension wildlife specialist at San Angelo and camp originator.

"The camps develop life skills such as critical thinking and team-building through fun and interesting activities that focus on a particular game species at each camp," he said. "Each camp usually has 30 youths ages 13 through 17."

This year's camps will be:
– 10th Battalion South Texas Buckskin Brigade, Carrizo Springs, June 14-18.

– 17th Battalion Rolling Plains Bobwhite Brigade, Coleman, June 20-24.

– 12th Battalion South Texas Bobwhite Brigade, Pleas-

anton, June 28 – July 2.

– 4th Battalion Bass Brigade, Mexia, July 13-17.

– 7th Battalion North Texas Buckskin Brigade, Albany, July 19-23.

– 11th Battalion East Texas Feathered Forces, Nacogdoches, July 26-30.

"Parents are very positive about the program," said Helen Holdsworth, San Antonio-based Texas Brigades executive director. "After the camps, they report positive differences in their child's work ethic, schoolwork, communication skills and attitude toward conservation," Holdsworth said. "Participating youth consistently rate the camps as being the best they have ever attended."

Rollins said the camps are ideal for youth interested in careers in wildlife sciences.

"The camps provide aspiring conservationists with a taste of their chosen profession, and introduces them to a

network of professionals who serve as valuable contacts for them in the future," he said.

The camps are co-sponsored by the Texas Wildlife Association, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service, Quail Unlimited, the National Wild Turkey Federation, local soil and water conservation districts, private businesses and landowners. Tuition is \$300 per cadet per camp, but sponsors are available to provide financial aid when needed, Rollins said.

"We're also on the lookout for highly motivated adults from 20 to 60 years of age who are willing to serve as 'covey' or 'herd' leaders," Rollins said. "They'll get a one-of-a-kind intensive workshop in the game species they choose. But better yet, they'll get a big dose of appreciation and optimism about today's youth and what a powerful impact they can have on conservation."

Applications are due by April 1. Applications and more information are available at <http://www.texasbrigades.com> or by contacting Holdsworth at 1-800-TEX-WILD or h_holdsworth@texas-wildlife.org

Cell Phone Trouble

Several men are in the locker room of a golf club. A mobile phone on a bench rings and a man engages the hands-free speaker-function and begins to talk as he puts on his golf shoes. Everyone else in the room stops to listen.

MAN: "Hello?"
WOMAN: "Honey, it's me. Are you at the club?"

MAN: "Yes."
WOMAN: "I'm at the shops now and found this beautiful leather coat. It's only 500. Is it okay if I buy it?"

MAN: "Sure, go ahead if you like it that much."

WOMAN: "Oh, thanks so very much. I also stopped by the Mercedes garage this morning and saw the new models. There was one I really, really liked."

MAN: "How much?"
WOMAN: "80,000"

MAN: "OK, but for that price I want it with all the optional extras."

WOMAN: "Great! Oh, and one more thing. The house we wanted last year is back on the market. They're asking 1,500,000."

MAN: "Well then, go ahead and make them an offer, no more than 1,250,000."

WOMAN: "OK. I'll see you later! I love you!"

MAN: "Bye, I love you, too."

The man hangs up. The other men in the locker room are looking at him in absolute astonishment. Then he smiles and asks, "Anyone know whose mobile this is?"

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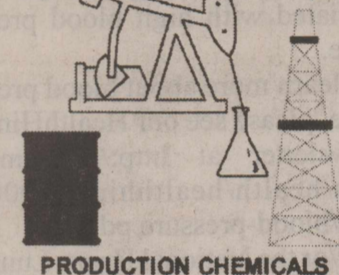
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Proctor: Water stained; 62 degrees; 4.64' low. Black bass are fair on chartreuse spinnerbaits and soft plastics. Striped bass are slow. White bass are slow. Crappie are fair on minnows and chartreuse tube jigs. Channel and blue catfish are good on frozen shad and shrimp. Yellow catfish are slow.

LBJ: Water stained; 60 degrees; 0.10' low. Black bass are fair to good on black/blue Curb's jigs and green pumpkin tubes on docks. Striped bass are slow. White bass are fair to good on silver Pirk Minnows and Spoiler Shads in the channel near the power plant. Crappie are fair on minnows in brush piles under heated docks. Channel catfish are fair on minnows and nightcrawlers. Yellow and blue catfish are slow.

Amistad: Water clear; 58 degrees; 1.53' high. Black bass are good on slabs, crankbaits, and soft plastic worms.

Striped bass are fair on slabs, crankbaits, and grubs. White bass are fair on slabs and crankbaits. Catfish are fair on shrimp, nightcrawlers, chicken livers, and cheese-bait in 60 - 90 feet. Yellow catfish are good on trotlines and droplines baited with live perch. Everyone in the boat must have a Mexico fishing license (if fishing the Mexico side) whether fishing or not.

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Submitted By:
Kelly L. Thorp, MS
County Extension Agent- FCS
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When blood pressure stays high over time, it can damage the body, resulting in serious complications. A normal blood pressure reading is 120/80 mm Hg. If you have prehypertension (a blood pressure reading between 120/80 and 140/90mm Hg) or high blood pressure (a reading of 140/90 or greater), you are at greater risk for long-term problems and serious complications, including heart failure, heart attack, aneurysms, stroke, kidney failure, impaired vision, blindness, and mild cognitive impairment. Fortunately, in most cases, high blood pressure is easy to diagnose and is usually controllable with lifestyle modifications such as diet and exercise, and medication when needed.

To prevent or control blood pressure:

- Have a doctor check your blood pressure at least every 2 years if you have normal blood pressure – more often if you have a prehypertension or high blood pressure reading.
- Make lifestyle changes including reducing overweight; selecting a low-fat, low-salt diet; beginning a regular exercise program; learning to manage stress; stopping smoking and tobacco use; and keeping al-

cohol intake in moderation. If lifestyle factors alone do not control your blood pressure, your doctor will likely prescribe medications. Be sure to take these medications exactly as directed. If you have any negative side effects, contact your doctor right away so the doctor can adjust your dosage or change your medications. Do not stop taking your medication unless your doctor tells you to do so. Stopping too quickly can cause your blood pressure to go dangerously high.

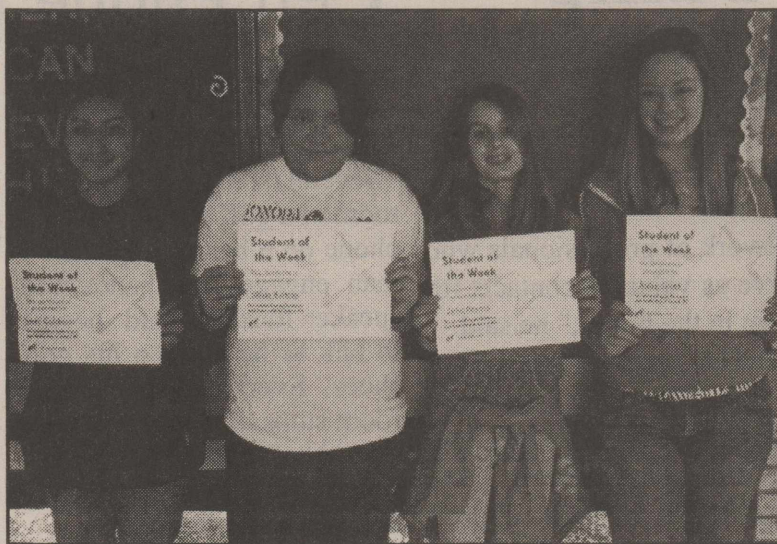
Finally, seek ongoing medical care:

- Go for medical checkups or tests as your doctor advises.
- Keep track of your blood pressure. Have your blood pressure checked on the schedule your doctor advises.
- During checkups, ask your doctor or health care team any questions you have about your lifestyle or medicine treatments.

In these ways you can prevent the long-term problems associated with high blood pressure.

To learn more about blood pressure, please see our HealthHints newsletter at <http://fcs.tamu.edu/health/healthhints/2008/dec/blood-pressure.pdf> and/or the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute at http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/dci/Diseases/Hbp/HBP_WhatIs.html.

Middle School Students of the Week



Sonora Middle School Students of the Week for January 12-16, 2009 sponsored by Sonic Drive-In. 5th Grader: Jillian Buitron, 6th Grader: Unai Calderon, 7th Grader: Zella Powers, 8th Grader: Abby Creek

High School Students of the Week



Brittany Hernandez



Cash Jennings

Juniors, Brittany Hernandez and Cash Jennings, were named Sonora High School's Students of the Week for the week of January 12, 2009.

Brittany is the daughter of Sylvia Ramon and Manuel Hernandez. Her favorite teacher is Coach Dukes and favorite class is PALS. She likes to have fun and dislikes being bored. Brittany spends most of her spare time with school clubs like Spanish Club, NHS, UIL Math and Science and with her youth group for St. Ann's. She has been a lifelong resident of Sonora, and says her favorite thing about Sonora High is just the people in it. Brittany currently plans to attend TCU after graduation for Teaching.

Cash is the son of Larry and Kate Jennings. His favorite teacher is Coach Dukes and favorite class is Ag. Cash likes to play sports and dislikes homework. He is involved in NHS and has spent time helping with community service projects to clean up Sonora and Christmas Caroling activities. He has lived in Sonora his whole life and he says his favorite thing about Sonora High is that it is not a big school. After high school Cash has plans to go to college.

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By Susan Hall

"Our deeds determine us, as much as we determine our deeds"- George Eliot.

This quotation is very relevant when it came to resolving the City's past digression with TCEQ and its subsequent fine. The fine went into a Supplemental Environment Project that Keep Sonora Beautiful was in charge of implementing. This past November 15th Sonora had a very successful cleanup for the Community. Duncan Disposal placed 10 thirty-yard dumpsters at the landfill. A trailer was provided by Teaff Oil Company for used tires. Concho Refrigeration was there to remove Freon from a/c units and refrigerators. The City had their employees out in force, and by all accounts, everything ran very smoothly. Sam Kent and Sterling Hall brought in over 640 pounds of unwanted rubbish. Each dumpster had a capacity for 12 tons of debris, and we did fill each one of them. Keep Sonora Beautiful would like to thank all these supporters and contributors for helping us with this endeavor. It is always wonderful to know the support is there when you ask for it. Your deeds were very much appreciated! Thanks Sonora for helping KSB!!

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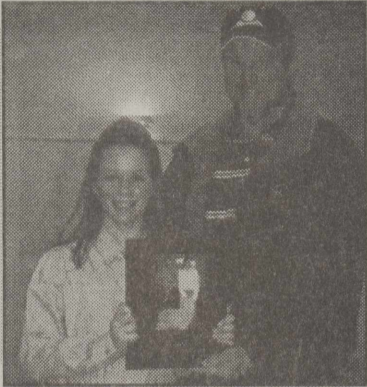
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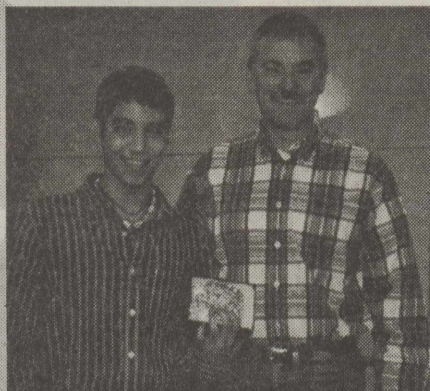
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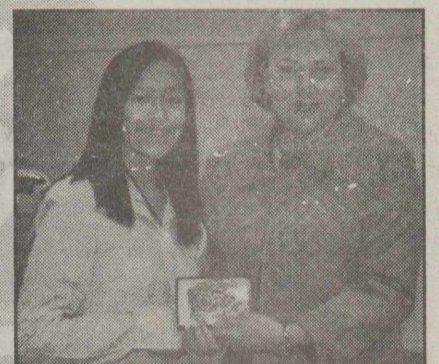
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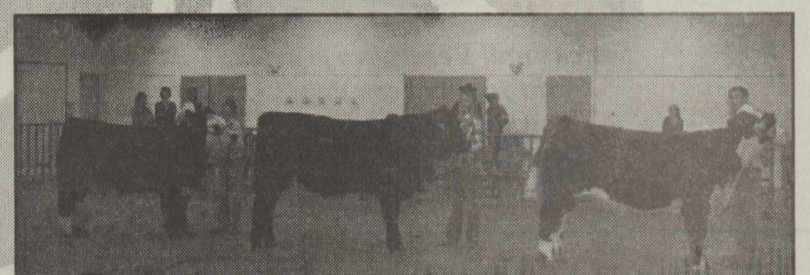
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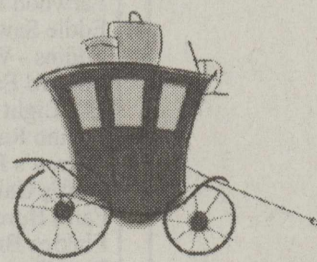


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Some T&P Trivia

By Tumbleweed Smith

During the past year, I've been working on a video documentary about the Texas and Pacific Railway. The Heritage Museum in Big Spring will have a T & P exhibit in March, and the video will be shown as part of that. I've run across some fun stuff: Gene Autry was a telegraph operator at Tioga, Texas for one of the small lines running into the T & P. The town of Allamore in far west Texas is named for a T & P telegraph operator, Alla Moore. Some say the T & P stood for Time and Patience. Jay Gould, the owner of the T & P in the 1880's, instructed his cook, Aunt Kate, to make some French-fried potatoes. He kept sending them back, telling her they were not up to his standards. So Aunt Kate took a straight razor and shaved a potato into tissue-thin slices and put them

in a kettle of boiling grease. The result was the first potato chip. Jay Gould once gave his manager in Dallas a car. But the thing caused so much consternation among horses and people he seldom drove it.

A runaway train at Baird caused a three-locomotive collision in 1947. A group of Chinese men working on the railroad died in a train accident near Odessa and were buried in a mass grave. The spot is known as Chinamen's Grave.

The railroad agent at Gordon wore a pistol in the early days of the railroad because train robberies were so common.

Between Marshall and Hallsville there is an area of small hills. In the early days of the railroad, the area was known as The Alps. Low-powered trains sometimes lost cars that would roll down

the hills. The engineer was known to sing "Nearer My God to Thee."

East of Colorado City a huge buffalo was blocking the tracks. It bowed its head like it was going to attack the steam engine. The engineer didn't want to get his locomotive scratched, so he let loose with a loud hiss of steam and the buffalo sauntered off the tracks.

In Pecos, cowboys made a roadmaster dance by shooting bullets at his feet. All along the railroad in its early years cowboys shot out lights in train stations.

Later the lights were turned off at night. One paymaster was scared because he had heard that a Texan had to kill a man before breakfast in order to enjoy his food.

In early days, railroad ties were not secured in the dirt and someone said you could grow a crop of corn in the floor of the coach.

One little place, ten miles west of Kent, is known as Borracho, probably a misspelling of the word borracho, which means drunk in Spanish. It got its name during the construction of the railroad. The crew of the T & P, building west, was beating the competing Southern Pacific, building east. It was a race to see who could reach El Paso first. The SP crew donated several wagonloads of whiskey to their rivals and took the lead while the T & P crew was sleeping off the effects of the three-day

From Eaton Hill



By Delyse Jaeger

The hermit thrush is a small, brownish gray bird with a light to white eye-ring and a speckled breast. As the name implies, it is characteristically not easily seen, keeping mostly to the wooded areas and brush covered ground as it forages for insects and fruit during the winter. Not a bird I've heard much about up until today, when I discovered the historical fame imbued to the shy little fellow by none other than the American poet Walt Whitman. In addition to a major role in one of Whitman's "greatest works", the

hermit thrush is also credited with one of the most beautiful songs in the avian repertoire. Unfortunately, we don't get to hear it often, because the male sings mostly during mating season and that takes place in forests further north. However, should you hear his song, there's no mistaking the flute-like quality and melodious notes.

In his famous elegy to Abraham Lincoln, When Lilacs Last in the Door-yard Bloom'd, Whitman describes "...the gray-brown bird, with pure deliberate notes, spreading,

filling the night." Throughout his poem of mourning for the fallen President ("the one I loved"), Whitman is accompanied by the song of a hermit thrush as he wrestles with grief and finally achieves reconciliation.

Just yesterday I watched as a hermit thrush made its way behind the sumacs to peek through an opening and dip its beak into the water before disappearing again. But today, forever changed in my imagination is the gray-brown with the beautiful song.

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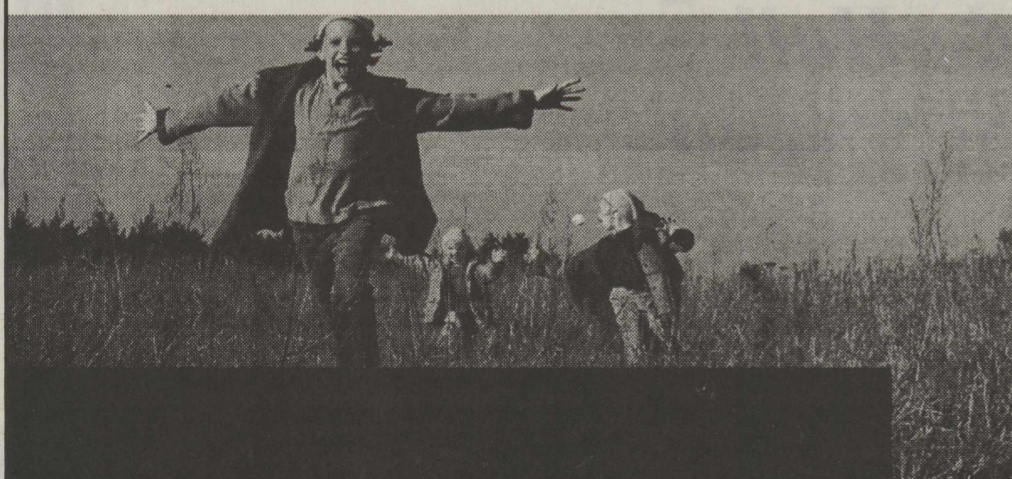
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Bronco Basketball Rolls On!!



#10 Will Dutton, #12 Chance Campbell, #44 Cody Barber, Keanu Gamez and #14 Scott Gonzales throws the ball in. 7th Grade Colts won 2nd in the tournament

All Photos By
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Savannah Leonard #12, High point player against Presidio



#12 Ethan Morriss- free throws, #34 Cash Jennings

Basketball is like photography, if you don't focus, all you have is the negative.

-- Dan Frisby



Kylie Love goes up in back for 2 points, #12 Sidney Dermody, #42 Macie Friess, and #54 Shay Holms



#43 Jamie Braly - makes free throws vs. Ozona in Reagan County Tournament, #22 Daniel Campo and #44 Cody Barber.



Lady Broncos dominated the court against the Lady Devil's from Presidio. Left to right: #3 Bianca Trevino, #4 Morgan Smith, #50 Steely Ingham

Eighth Grade Lady Colts on the Rise



By Coach Kirkland

The eighth grade Lady Colts traveled to San Angelo to defeat the San Angelo Lee Rebels B Team 50-9. The Lady Colts jumped out to a 28-3 1st half lead with tough full court team defense and an unselfish offense. In the 2nd half the Lady Colts backed up on defense, but still played aggressively. The offense continued to share the ball and keep every player involved. Avery Nolen had 12 pts.. Emilce Hernandez had 10. Jaron Falcon and Jacinda Sanchez had 8. Micaela Moore had 4. Kory Humphreys, Rebekah Infante, Abby Creek, and Taylor Hampton had 2. Kelsy Favila had 1. Paige Sykes and Adriana Faz contributed on a great defensive effort that kept Lee in single digits.

This follows Saturday's games in the Reagan Co. Tournament in which the team split a pair. After losing a hard fought game to Stanton, the Lady Colts took care of Crane 28-17 to capture 3rd place honors. Leading the way was Jacinda Sanchez with 7 pts.. Jaron Falcon, Paige Sykes, Micaela Moore and Emilce Hernandez had 4. Abby Creek, Avery Nolen, and Rebekah Infante had 2. The remaining players contributed with plays that do not make it to the scoreboard but have equal importance like assists, rebounds, steals, blocks, and great defense.

The San Angelo game was the best team effort I have seen, and should provide some great momentum moving into the district tournament. The girls have really begun to realize the power of a team versus individual players. The Lady Colts A team is now 5-3. The B team is 3-4.



Lino Villanueva, #40 Damon Evans, #50 Michael Sanchez



John Lopez with the ball, Damon Evans #40, Sam Powers #42, Blake Esparza #32, and Michael Sanchez #50



Lady Bronco Basketball Schedule



DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	JV	Varsity
1/16	Open			
1/20	*Crane	Away	5:00 p.m.	6:30 p.m.
1/23	*Kermit	Home	5:00 p.m.	6:30 p.m.
1/27	*Reagan County	Home	5:00 p.m.	6:30 p.m.
1/30	*Alpine	Away	5:00 p.m.	6:30 p.m.
2/3	*Ozona	Home	5:00 p.m.	6:30 p.m.
2/6	*Presidio	Away	5:00 p.m.	6:30 p.m.

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Boys Bronco Basketball Schedule



DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	JV	Varsity
1/16	Open			
1/20	*Crane	Away	5:00 p.m.	8:00 p.m.
1/23	*Kermit	Home	5:00 p.m.	8:00 p.m.
1/27	*Reagan County	Home	5:00 p.m.	8:00 p.m.
1/30	*Alpine	Away	5:00 p.m.	8:00 p.m.
2/3	*Ozona	Home	5:00 p.m.	8:00 p.m.
2/6	*Presidio	Away	5:00 p.m.	8:00 p.m.
2/10	Open			
2/13	*Kermit	Away	5:00 p.m.	8:00 p.m.
2/17	*Crane	Home	5:00 p.m.	8:00 p.m.

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