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2012 Sutton County Livestock Show



Photo By Bonnie Lou Campbell

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THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS



Fling Ding Moves Back to the Sonora Wool and Mohair Warehouse



By Landa Knight

The "Fling Ding", an invitation only dance, is an annual celebration that includes over 1,000 guests each year. This year's dance will be held February 4th, 2012 in the Sonora Wool and Mohair Warehouse. The Fling Ding had moved to the Civic Center last year due to a fire at the Warehouse, but has moved back to the Warehouse in order to accommodate people's "Februschedules better. ary is a time of year that's a little slower for the ranchers and even for the people with kids in sporting events." The

Fling Ding Club was original- ed through a variety of decoly organized in the late 1930's rations. with 9 members. It disbanded for a short period of time dur- their guests will enjoy muing World War II but was re- sic provided by Aspen Creek vitalized after the war. The from the Fort Worth area. Be Fling Ding Club currently has sure and check out the band ber allowed to invite 5 guests. and go to their audio section. "Fling Ding" has become a We've hired the 5 piece band highlight for many couples in which includes male and fe-Sonora and the surrounding male vocalists for a variety of area. It's an opportunity for music. The band plays mostfamily and friends to recon- ly country music with a little nect and catch up on "what's Southern rock. been going on". And it's an opportunity to dress up for the tradition of Fling Ding will mal affair. For many people dance area. People will be who have grown up in the able to bring their drinks in to Sonora area and have left, it's the dance area this year and an opportunity to return home sit and enjoy the band if they and catch up with old friends. like or dance the night away.

Giant masks will adorn Martin and Savell Shannon. the walls and the streets of New Orleans will be replicat-

135 members with each mem- at www.aspencreekbandcom

A new addition to the

"Mardi Gras" will be the Officers for this year's Fling theme of this year's extrava- Ding are: President-Randy ganza. The Sonora Wool and Knight, Vice-President-Car-Mohair Warehouse will be la Smith, Secretary-Shanna magically transformed into a Petty and Treasurer-Roberta night in New Orleans for Mar- James. Board Members indi Gras. Member of the Fling clude: Scott Garrett, Janice Ding Club will join together Carruthers, Melissa Teaff, to decorate the warehouse for Francine Hardeman, Sandy the event. Many hours will be Glover, Larry Finklea, Lee spent covering and decorat- Bloodworth, Linda Fisher, ing walls and ceilings to help Diane Keller, Mark Wilkinbring the theme of the night to son, Jimalee Dutton, Julie

Phillips-Hunnicutt Ranch Celebrates 100 Years

Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples and the Texas Department of Agriculture recognized 119 farms and ranches in 74 Texas counties at the 36th Annual Family Land Heritage ceremony in the House Chamber at the Texas State Capitol in early November 2011. The annual event recognizes families who have kept their farms and ranches in continuous agricultural production, and in the same family, for more than 100 years.

"The families we honor today continue their ancestors' legacies of nurturing and caring for the land," Staples said. "They truly represent the dreams of the pioneers who entered the Texas frontier and built the family farms and ranches that endure to this day. I congratulate these families for making Texas a leader in agriculture."

Among the properties honored was the Phillips-Hunnicutt Ranch in Sutton County, currently owned by Hope Phillips and her first cousins, Rick Hunnicutt and Gail Hunnicutt Simmons. A certificate was accepted on the House floor by Rick and Hope, signifying 100 years of ownership and agriculture production on their family ranch. Gail, along with their immediate family members also participated in the festivities.

In 1910, Samuel Byrd Phillips purchased land in the southwestern corner of Sutton County to add to his ranch holdings in Crockett County. The Sutton County property featured the only water well between Sonora and Juno, as well as the convergence of Dry Devils River and Taylor Box Draw. After his death in 1924, his estate purchased two more ranches in Val Verde County. He and his wife Lela provided a ranch for each of their five surviving children.

His second son, Hillery Marshall Phillips received the Sutton County acreage and began his ranching career raising sheep, angora goats and cattle. He retired in Fling Ding members and 1956, so he and his wife Charlotte (Rawls) could enjoy traveling the world. He divided the ranch into equal parts to be run by his two children and their families.

Hillery Marshall Jr., known to all as Buddy Phillips, received the original headquarters house and the Western half of the land to ranch with his bride Mary Elaine Willborn. The Eastern half of the ranch was provided to daughter Benny Gail Phillips and her husband John R. Hunnicutt, where they built a house on a hill across the Dry Devils River from her brother. John R. and Benny Gail built a full set of pens and barns and ranched for many years until turning the operation over to their son evening as the party is a for- be tables and chairs for the Rick. Buddy and Elaine ranched until his death in 2004, leaving the land to his daughter Hope.

> The descendents of Hillery and Charlotte Phillips at this time are: John Richard (Rick) Hunnicutt, Jr., his wife Shannon Dockery, and John Cody Hunnicutt, all of Ozona; Lacey Hunnicutt Beck, her husband Whitney and their son Ian, of Houston; Gail (Hunnicutt) Simmons, her husband Carl, Samuel Drew Simmons, and Trent Michael Simmons, all of Austin; Hillery Marshall Phillips, III who died in 1982, and Hope Elaine Phillips of San Antonio.

> At this 100 year anniversary, Hope owns the western part of the original ranch, while Rick and Gail share ownership of the Eastern part. The ranch remains a favorite spot to gather with family and friends, to enjoy and appreciate the heritage they share.

Senior Center Activities

Thurs. January 19 - Happy Birthday Pete Bradley January 20 - Volunteer to Deliver Meals January 23 - Center Closed Martin Luther King Day

January 24 - Happy Birthday Antonio Garcia January 25 - Happy Birthday Jim Polonis John Cooper

Senior Center Menu

Thurs. January 19 - Sweet & sour pork, fried rice, tossed salad mixed vegetables, fruit parfait, milk January 20 - Turkey sandwich, tomatoes, pickles, milk

lettuce, broccoli raisin salad, pineapple cake Mon. January 23 - Breaded fish on a bun, lettuce, tomato pickles, potato wedges, coleslaw, milk

green peas w/pimentos, wheat bread, apples Wed. January 25 - Lasagna, Brussels sprouts, tossed salad garlic bread, pears, milk

Tues. January 24 - Chicken & bowties, tossed salad, 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 \$2.00;

\$5.00 for under 60 and all other meals-to-go)

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Little Dribblers Sign-Up Announced

Sonora City League would like to announce the beginning of Little Dribblers program for 2012. The program will have two divisions: 3rd & 4th grade girls and boys; 5th & 6th grade girls and boys. Any students interested in playing basketball SIGN UP at the middle school campus gyms on January 22, 2012 from 3:00-6:00 p.m. The cost will be \$30.00 per player. Enrollment form & money must be turned in before your child may participate. Please accompany your child to the gym and fill out an enrollment form. We need a good turn out to have a successful program. A group practice will be held on Sunday, January 22nd for both divisions. Girls at 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.:3rd and 4th grade group practice at Middle School little gym5th and 6th grade group practice at Middle School big gymBoys at 5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m.:3rd and 4th grade group practice at Middle School little gym5th and 6th grade group practice at Middle School big gymGames are scheduled to start February 7, 2012. Volunteers will need to have their forms in on 01/22/12 to be considered for any position working with the youth. Anyone interested in volunteering or if you have any questions, contact Manuel Tobias 206-0417 or email ramirezm_45@yahoo.com.

hank You Notes

To all our long time family friends, mother's dearest friends, and mother's church family. Her sons... Mike and Mark Gilly and their families... would like to express heartfelt appreciafood, visits, floral tributes, comforting conversations, prayers and joyful remembrances that were shared were so gratifying to us, especially comforting to know that mother was so well so many in return.

> Thank You, Mike and Mark Gilly

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Social Studies: 1st place Team 1st Place Toby Garza 2nd Place Stephen Dominguez Number Sense: 4th Cody Barber Calculator: 2nd Place Team 2nd Robert Hernandez

Math 6th Cody Barber Computer Science-2nd Place Team 4th Candie Tobias

> 5th Brittany Morin 6th Christian Kenney Ready Writing 4th Paige Sykes **News Writing**

3rd Chanel Martinez Headline Writing 5th Jesse Amador

6th Robert Hernandez Editorial Writing-2nd Place Journalism Team

4th Logan Luttrell

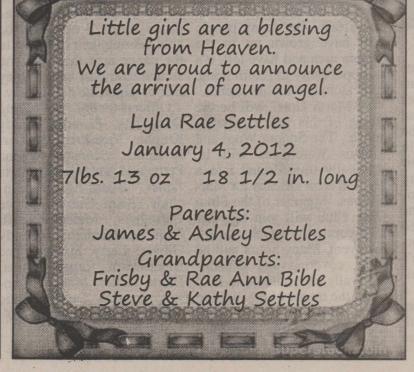
Prose: 2nd Place Clayton Parks Poetry:

2nd Place Jasmine Daniels Persuasive Speaking: 1st Ali Castro 5th Rebekah Infante

6th Kelsey Velez

Informative Speaking: 1st Zachary Leonard 3rd Whitly Hernandez 6th Sam Powers CX Debate 1st Zachary Leonard and Brittany Morin

1st place Speech Team 1st Place Overall Sweepstakes



Obituary

Hilda Smith



Sonora-Hilda Mae Smith, 86, passed away Wednesday Dec. 14, 2011 at the Crockett County Care Center in Ozona. She was a lifelong resident of Sonora. Graveside services were held Thursday Dec. 15 at 2:00 pm in the Sonora Cemetery. tion to those who attended our needs during the hours of our Arrangements are by Kerbow Funeral Home. Hilda Mae was grief and sudden loss of our mother, Mary Lou Gilly. All the born Nov. 29, 1925 in Sutton County to Jim and Katie Sykes Luckie. She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, R.C. and Vernon Luckie. She married George E. Smith on Nov. 24, 1946 in Sonora. They had one son, George regarded and loved in the Sonora community. She also loved Edward (Eddy) Smith, Jr. George preceded her on Jan. 4, 2001. Hilda graduated from Sonora High School. She was a homemaker, a substitute teacher in the Sonora School system and a faithful member of the Sonora Church of Christ. Hilda Mae is survived by her son, Eddy of Sonora and several nieces, nephews and cousins. The family wishes to thank the people who so lovingly took care of Hilda during her illness. The family requests memorials to Hospice of San Angelo P.O. Box 471 San Angelo, Texas 76902 or The Crockett County Care Center P.O. Box 640 Ozona, Texas 76943.

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Texas Will Remain Top State For Jobs

Submitted

The Texas jobs miracle has re- ton considers a multibillion- two (New Mexico and Orjobs during the same time.

The gains have been fujobs the past decade, as well ing jobs, which includes the thriving oil industry. The jury is still out whether Perry can convince voters that his success in Texas can work on a the Texas Enterprise Fund. national scale, but it remains from over.

comes to states that will add five years on a percentage basis. Total employment in Texas is forecasted to expand firm Moody's Analytics. That represents 1.6 million new

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eled by a 40 percent rise in terprise Fund to sweeten eco-think tank Pacific Research education and health services nomic development deals for Institute. Laffer found that in companies that are looking the past decade right-to-work as a 67 percent jump in min- to relocate or expand. Gen- states outperformed their eral Electric, eBay, Electronic union-shop counterparts in Arts, 3M and TD Ameritrade almost every metric. Gross have all announced expansion state product growth was 53 plans this year with help from percent versus 42 percent.

that the Texas jobs story is far not all rosy. The state's popu- for union states. Job growth lation is growing so quickly was 2.8 percent versus -1.3 Texas leads the way when it that despite the job gains, un- percent and the population employment is 8.5 percent, increase was 12 percent opthe most jobs over the next the highest in 24 years. It is posed to 6 percent. double the rate from 2007. Minimum wage jobs repre- shunning union-shop states. sented 9.5 percent of Texas' Boeing is currently battling 2.9 percent annually through hourly workforce last year the National Labor Relations 2015 according to research which is the highest rate in the Board over its right to oper-

net jobs for the state over five over the next five years is Ne- instead of Washington State. casts will expand 2.9 percent cated the plant in South Caroness friendly climate with a annually (Texas nips Nevada lina in retaliation for Boeing surging population that offers if you do not round the growth union workers in Washington a nearly unlimited supply of rates). Nevada has been deci- going on strike. Boeing cites young labor. Texas ranks sixth mated by the collapse of the lower business costs in its in our look at the Best States housing market and recession. choice of South Carolina for for Business and Careers. The Home prices are off 60 per- the plant. state has aggressively courted cent and unemployment has companies to come to Texas soared from 4.2 percent five to take advantage of these at- years ago to a recent 13.4 per-

Advertise | AdChoices Yet the Austin Chamber of Com- Nevada and the rest of the merce," says Moody's Ana- southwest remains an attraclytics chief economist Mark tive spot for businesses thanks to low business costs relative Gov. Perry sent letters to to California, an abundance of roughly 90 Washington State land and its proximity to Mexcompanies including Ama- ico. Arizona (No. 3), New zon.com, Microsoft and Star- Mexico (No. 4) and Oklahobucks last year when Wash- ma (No. 8) all expect strong

Most of the states expecting strong job gains have "As the State of Washing- one thing in common: all but

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Companies are increasingly ate a \$750 million aircraft as-The No. 2 state for job growth sembly line in South Carolina vada which Moody's fore- The NLRB claims Boeing lo-

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Sonora - Under a new law, chief appraisers of county appraisal districts, appraisal districts, and appraisal review boards may communicate electronically through email or other methods with property owners or their designated representatives. Written agreements are required for notices and other documents to delivered electronically in place of mailing.

How does it work? Certain guidelines must be followed for this local option communication:

- Written agreements with the county appraisal district must be entered first, ensuring what electronic means of delivery are acceptable. If you are interested in receiving communications in electronic format, you should contact your local appraisal district.
- · Public notice regarding the availability of agreement forms authorizing electronic communications may be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the district on or before Feb. 1 each year, or agreement forms may be delivered on or before Feb. 1 each year to property owners shown on the certified appraisal roll for the preceding tax year.
- The chief appraiser may determine the medium, format, content and method to be used for electronic communications other than notices required by Section 25.19 of the Tax Code, which are prescribed by Comptroller rule.
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Fling Ding Members Fling Ding Invitations are ready to be picked up. Please see Shanna Petty at First National Bank, 102 Main Street, to pick them up for the dance on February 4, 2012.

Viva Sonora will be selling bricks to made into a sidewalk around the new city park located on Deerwood Drive. The money that is raised will be rotated back into community projects. If you would like to reserve a permanent brick you pick up a form at the Bank and Trust or call Juanita Gomez 206-2698 or JoAnn Hernandez 206-0366.

Are you interested in praying for our country, our city, our loved ones? You are most welcome to meet in the Prayer Garden every Tuesday morning at 10:00AM. Bring a chair please. All are welcome. FMI call 325-387-3246.

Sonora Lions are ready to sponsor our youth who are disabled or who have TYPE 1 diabetes to attend a 1 week camp. For more information contact Col. Pete Bradley @ 387.6282 or any Lion. Further information on all Lions Camps is online @ Texas Lions Camp. Camp dates are in June for disabled and July diabetes.

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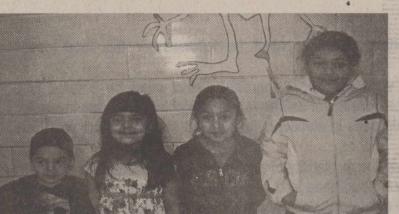
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Students of the Week

Elementary School



L to R: Riley Chavarria, Lilly Chavarria, Monsterrat DeLa L to R: Sterling Smith, Kristina Zabecki, Abigayl Portillo Fuente, Fernanda Lozano

Middle School

L to R: 8th-Juan Gamez, 7th- Samantha Castro, 6th-Marisol

Capuchin

Intermediate School



Boater Ed Now Required for Operators Born After Sept. 1, 1993

forward to operating a motor- new law, only boat opera-powered vessel, sailboat or tors ages 13-17 had to take a personal water craft on Texas boater education course. public waters this year needs to have completed a state- education law requires cerapproved boater education tification for anyone born course if born after Sept. 1, after Sept. 1, 1993 who op-

effective last year, Texas Parks or a wind-blown vessel meaand Wildlife suggests starting suring more than 14 feet in off the new year with a boater length. While all boaters are education course to make sure encouraged to take boating you're good to go when the safety education, those born water warms up and Texans before Sept. 1, 1993, are exbegin heading to the state's empt from required certificamany lakes and streams for tion. fishing or recreational boat-

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The mandatory boater erates a vessel with a motor While the new law became of more than 15 horsepower

> Texas' state-approved boater education courses are available as one-day classroom training or online.. The classroom course takes about six hours to complete and the online course has a three hour time commitment. Costs start at \$20 for both courses. Information about boater education, including schedules of upcoming classroom courses, is available at http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/ learning/boater education/.

Potential new boaters looking for bargain instruction can get the required training from a TPWD boater education employee for \$5 at the Jan. 19-22 Austin Boat Show at the Convention Center. Interested persons may call 512 389-8141 to register for the class.

Boaters falling under the boater education requirement will be required to carry a valid ID and documentation of having taken and passed a boater education course. Failure to meet the requirements is a Class C misdemeanor, and violators have 90 days to complete a boater education course to have the charges dismissed.

The 82nd Texas Legislature during its regular session also clarified the definition of a vessel to encompass such craft as standup paddle craft, kayaks and canoes.

High School



Freshman Lionel De Leon, Sophomore Logan Smith, Junior Damon Evans and Senior Brittany Morin are the Sonora High School students of the week for January 16, 2012.

Freshman Lionel De Leon is the son of Ana and Bene Garza. His favorite teacher is Mrs. Crenwelge and his favorite class is Ag. He likes shoes and dislikes pickles. Lionel is involved in all sports except cross country and golf. He has lived here all his life. Lionel's favorite thing about Sonora High is that he is close to graduation and his plan after graduation is to go to college.

Sophomore Logan Smith is the daughter of DeVoe and Melanie Smith. Her Favorite teacher is Coach Dozier and her favorite class is Coach Waites Pre AP English class. She likes sports and is in youth group. Logan has lived here all her life and her favorite thing about Sonora High is the off campus lunch. After Graduation Logan plans to go to college.

Junior Damon Evans is the son of Karen and Lamar Evans. His favorite teacher is Mr. Martin and his favorite class is Woodshop. He likes sports and is involved in 4H, Student Council, and NHS. Damon has not lived in Sonora all his life, he moved from Big Lake his 7th grade year. His favorite things about Sonora High are the nice people. His plan after graduation is to go to college.

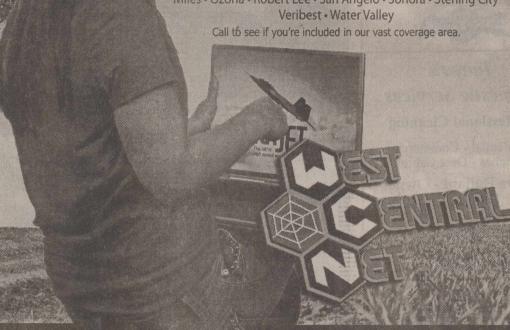
Senior Brittany Morin is the daughter of Andrew Morin. Her favorite teacher is Mr. Scroggins and her favorite class is theatre. She is involved in UIL, Spanish Club and Student Council. Brittany has not lived here all her life, she moved from Indiana to Sonora her Freshman Year. After graduation Brittany plans to go to college.



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(L to R) Res. Champion Registered Angora Goat - Sterling Hall and Champion Registered Angora Goat - Will Dutton



(L to R) Champion Commercial Angora Goat - Lane Cahill and Res. Champion Commercial Angora Goat - Will Dutton.



(L to R) Will Dutton recieves the B.M. Halbert Award for Grand Champion Angora Goat - Bloodworth/ Lee Silver Co. Presented By Madalyn Fisher.

Champion Breeding Gilt -

Delaney Ramsdell



(L to R) Lane Cahill recieves the Bill and Betty Stewart Award for Res. Champion Angora Goat - Presented by Laura



Senior Angora Showmanship Will Dutton. Sponsored by the Sonora Wool and Mohair Warehouse.



Junior Angora Showmanship - Wesley. Sponsored by the Sonora Wool and Mohair Warehouse.



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Res. Champion Market Swine - Rebeckah Owen



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Senior showmanship Meat Goat- Stella Ingham. Donated by Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Brister.



Junior showmanship Goat-Kadee Petty. Donated by Mr. Rocky and Janalyn Jones.



(L to R) Champion Finewool Lamb -Zachary Leonard and Res. Champion Finewool Lamb - Damon Evans.



Champion Crossbred Lamb -Zachary Leonard



Champion Mediumwool Lamb - Robert Chavez



Res. Champion Mediumwool Lamb - Abby Nolen



Champion Market Steer - Caleb Nolen



Senior showmanship Market Steer- Sterling Hall. Donated by Counts Inc., Mr Wayne Counts

Lamb- Christina Hernandez.

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Alderman Cave Top Hand Junior showmanship Market Award-Sterling Hall.



Lamb- Chance Campbell. Donated by Counts Inc., Mr Wayne Counts

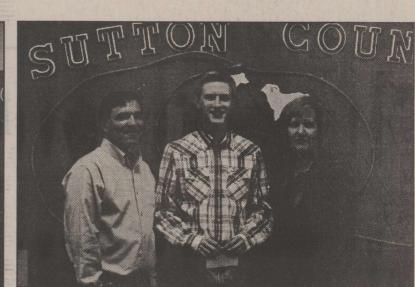


Res. Champion Market Steer - Delilah Aguero



Junior showmanship Market Steer- Caleb Nolan. Donated by Counts Inc., Mr Wayne Counts





Sutton County 4-H Club and the Sonora FFA Chapter presented Paul and Gretta Ramsdell with a special appreciation award for Senior showmanship Market their contribution to the concession stand.

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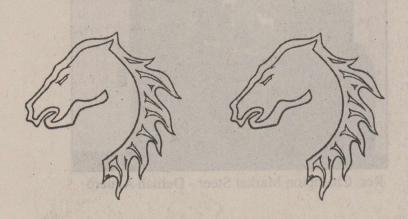
Lady Broncos Push Wall and Bounce Ozona



Photo By Ray Glasscock

Alexa Sykes fights for a rebound.

The Sonora Lady Broncos pushed Wall to the limit before losing in overtime 48-56 on Tuesday. The Running Lady Broncos used their pressure defense to force 27 turnovers and held Wall to 35% shooting (2-11 on 3 pointers). The game was tied at regulation 45-45 before Wall's free throw accuracy made the difference (8-9 in overtime). Brianah Creek (14 points) and Jaye Sanchez (12 points and 5 assists) led Sonora in scoring. Logan Smith (9 rebounds) and Kylie Love (8 rebounds and 2 blocks) controlled the paint and Brianah (9 steals), Logan (4 steals) and Abby Creek (4 steals) anchored the defense. Avery Nolen, Macie Friess, Jaye and Brianah (2) all scored from downtown for the Lady Broncos. On Friday The Lady Broncos bounced Ozona 65-21. After a slow 1st quarter the Running Lady Broncos' DEFENSE dominated the 2nd stanza. Sonora outscored Ozona 21-0 and moved the led to 35-10 at half. Brianah Creek had her best shooting game of the year with 23 points (8-11 field goals) and also had 7 rebounds. Jaye Sanchez had a solid evening with 12 points and 10 rebounds while Logan Smith also dominated with 11 points and 7 rebounds. Gracie Dozier led the pass first attack with 6 assists and Abby Creek was chipped in with 4 assists. Avery Nolen and Jaye led the defense attack that forced 45 turnovers with 5 steals each. All nine players saw significant playing time with all nine players scoring. Kylie Love (4 points & 2 blocks) Macie Friess (a 3 pointer & 3 steals), Paige Sykes (2 points & 3 steals), Gracie Dozier (2 points & 3 steals), Avery Nolen (6 points & one block), Abby Creek (2 points & 6 rebounds) rounded out the scoring. The Sonora Lady Broncos are now 18-6.



Bronco Basketball Tips Off With A Victory



Photo By Ray Glasscock

Davis Jimenez looking to pass

The tip off for District Basketball started Friday night with a 55-34 win over Ozona. The Broncos started there run in the 1st quarter and continue their full-court press. The kids played well and slowly pulled away from the Lions. D. Jimenez hit 6, I. Cross 12, W. Hudson was High pt. with 14, D. Payne 9, D. Evans 2, C.Pope 10, and K. Wimberley 2.

Jv Boys Win District Opener

The Broncos took on the Ozona Lions to open district play. The boys came out on top 33-16. Alec Samaniego led the team in scoring with 6 point. Tanner Esparza 5, Elijah Cross 5, Brett Castillo 4, Andres Acevado 4, Blake Esparza 3, Chance Campbell, John Lopez, and Hagen Kennedy 2. The Broncos season record is 7-3 and 1-0 in district. The boys will take on Grape Creek this Tuesday at home.

7th Grade Takes Ozona

The 7th Grade Colts took on the Lions of Ozona Monday Night. The Colts started out slow being tied 6-6 at the end of the first quarter. The Colts soon caught fire in the 2nd and never looked back as they defeated Ozona 45-20. The Colts play at home vs. GrapeCreek next Monday with the "Red" team playing at 5:30 and the "White" team playing at 6:30.

Leading scorers

Raully Ojeda	12 Pt
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Kade Creek	10 Pt
Michael Solis	8 Pts
Caleb Galvan	6 Pts
Isaih Lira	4 Pt
Noah San Miguel	3 Pts
Ariel Lugo	2 Pts

Little Dribblers

Sonora City League would like to announce the beginning of Little Dribblers program for 2012. The program will have two divisions: 3rd & 4th grade girls and boys; 5th & 6th grade girls and boys. Any students interested in playing basketball SIGN UP at the middle school campus gyms on January 22, 2012 from 3:00-6:00 p.m. The cost will be \$30.00 per player. Enrollment form & money must be turned in before your child may participate. Please accompany your child to the gym and fill out an enrollment form. We need a good turn out to have a successful program. A group practice will be held on Sunday, January 22nd for both divisions. Girls at 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.:3rd and 4th grade group practice at Middle School little gym5th and 6th grade group practice at Middle School big gymBoys at 5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m.:3rd and 4th grade group practice at Middle School little gym5th and 6th grade group practice at Middle School big gymGames are scheduled to start February 7, 2012. Volunteers will need to have their forms in on 01/22/12 to be considered for any position working with the youth. Anyone interested in volunteering or if you have any questions, contact Manuel Tobias 206-0417 or email ramirezm_45@yahoo.com.

Bronco Powerlifting



Photo By Nancy Glasscock

Delilah Aguero competes for the Broncos durring a recent powerlifting competition.

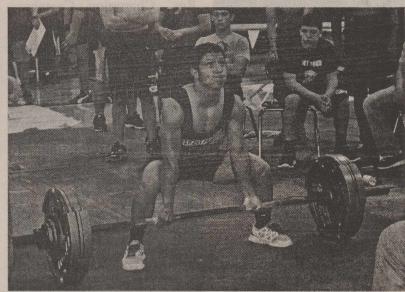


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Edward Garza digs deep at the powerlifting competition



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1st Grade

Molly Friess Daniela Lozano Trinity Luna Jake Malsbury **Madison Martin** Juan Torres-Alvarez Adilynn Woods

2nd Grade

Ariana Arispe Abby Bennie Carson Cahill Kodi Davis Christian Deluna Yailin Dominguez Abigail Duncan Christina Garcia Guillermo Garcia Abigail Gaytan Sophia Gutierrez Abigail Hernandez Fernanda Lozano Jocelyn Massey Skylar Mogford Mariana Montoya Laci Ramirez Jeliza Salazar Adam Sanchez Lane Taylor Carlynn Teaff Jacqueline Torres Melody Torres

3rd Grade

Ilze Contreras Rashel De Luna Jaci Dutton Madalyn Fisher Preston Gonzalez Savannah Harger Christopher Hernandez Alyssa Martinez Aaron Noriega Ricardo Ramirez Esmeralda Salazar Victoria Salazar

4th Grade

Harley Daniel Levi Garrett Christina Garza Deborha Hernandez Wilson Johnson Taryn Mitchell Jansen Morris Kadee Petty Isabella Samaniego Blayze Sykes Traci Vickers

5th Grade

Juan Baez Lane Cahill Wesley Dutton Cara Hernandez Mary Kyle Johnson Avery Leamon Reagan O'Brien Evan Shannon Walker Sine Dylan Taylor

All A's (cont'd) 6th Grade

Carly Brown Kristin Garrett Summer Hall Christina Hernandez Hazel Kent Delaney Ramsdell

7th Grade

Samantha Castro Kade Creek Bianca Fay Sky Jennings Jessica Paredes Kristy Sanchez Holly Sparks

8th Grade

Adrian Garcia Trent Harris Garett Jaeger Darby Ramsdell

Freshman

Gracie Dozier Julissa Esquivel Veronica Gaytan Julia Gibbens Hunter Hughes Lillian Kent Dub Latham Kali Mendez Abby Nolen Jonathan Salazar Halle Samaniego Logan Sine Alexa Sykes Selena Trevino

Sophomore

Morgan Badgett Cody Barber Chance Campbell Sidney Dermody Macie Friess Tori Harris Crystal Lopez Kassandra Medina Logan Smith Danielle Vargo Kelsey Velez Megan Yourgalite

Juniors

Mario Bonilla Melissa Freeman Stella Ingham Jacinda Sanchez

Seniors

Delilah Aguero Adriana Buitron Word Hudson Hunter Jennings Christian Kenney Zachary Leonard Brittany Morin



1st Grade

Joseph Ivan Abrego Grayson Beyers Ashley Castilleja Ignacio Coronado Koda Davis Montserrat De La Fuente Joshua Esquivel Annika Galindo Hannah Galindo Jonathan Galvan Emilio Garcia Nora Gaspar Imanol Gaytan Alexis Guerra Christian Guerrero Aidan Leamon Jonathan Lozano Jeremiah Martin Hunter O'Banon Angel Perez Jacob Perez Makinna Price Sayler Reagan Lorena Reyes Ethan Roque **Brandon Torres**

Shakira Villanueva 2nd Grade

Romeo Torres

Isabella Arispe Gavin Boggs Jessica Campa Seth Davis Jarixa Deluna Abigail Fuentes Jacqueline Galindo Catarino Hernandez Justin Hernandez Amaris Jimenez Emilio Lozano Abigail Mendoza Sean Mungia Joselyn Rodriguez Dalissa Sanchez Jessica Smith Mariah Talamantes Justin Vasquez

3rd Grade

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David Creek Kaitlyn Daniels Osbel De Luna James Fiveash Juan Garza Alexis Gaytan Martha Gonzalez Hazel Guerra Alan Hernandez Sky Hernandez Allen Jones Benjamin Kinard Adrian Longoria Miguel Montoya Michael Morales Caleb Nolen Max Ortiz Elias Perez Genaro Perez Blanca Portillo Brianna Ramirez Harmony Ramirez Matthew Roque Juan Ruiz Sebastian Silva Haley Teague Brina Trevino Alexis Velasquez Brady Vyvlecka

A/B (cont'd) 4th Grade

Braden Adams Rafael Alviso Joshua Barrera Jayde Bean Xzavier Castilleja Also Deluna Slade Dermody Shyanne Gamez Jesus Gaytan **Destiny Goforth** Angela Gonzalez Catarina Hernandez Eduardo Infante Sarah Kimbrell Victoria Klebold-Smith Allison Murphy **Analy Palacios** Kevin Ramos Acosta Luis Romero Haley Smith Jose Torres Davien Vasquez Kathryn Wardlaw Hollie Wilson Jonathon Zamora Gabriela Zapata Ashley Zook

5th Grade

Morgan Anguiano Jacqualine Baez Scarlot Banfill Trista Bush Danyse Cantu Landon Castro Noe Estrada Zayda Gloria-Gutierrez Alannah Harger Antonio Lopez Araceli Marin Logan McDonald Manuel Montoya Keeley Moore Brodey Myers Perla Salazar Sterling Smith Stevie Smith Jackilyn Sykes Alexandria Torres Wesley Wilson

6th Grade

Melanie Acevedo Savannah Castro Mark Chavez Felicia Farley Shalon Franklin **Bailey Gonzales** Sierra Herrada Donald Kimbrell Mercedes Lee Robin McGuffin Audry Nolen Elyssa Prieto Christian Ramon Caleb Ritchey Jocelinne Romero Caila Ross Omar Salazar Amber Vasquez

A/B (cont'd)

7th Grade

Bethany Aguero Autumn Ayala Grady Bush Adriana Campa Dakota Castro Joseph Delgado Angel DeLuna Netza Estrada April Fraire Caleb Galvan Jose Hernandez Juan Miguel Jimenez Cade Krieg Katelyn Lipham Ariel Lugo Bianca Mata Rafael Mendoza **Dalton Morris** Michael Mungia Marlene Ortiz Savannah Pendergrass Ronald Pincince Henry Ramos Kylie Reiner Isela Rivas Nydia Rodriguez Ramon Rodriguez Angelica Romero Tate Shannon Liam Yourgalite Robert Zapata

8th Grade Victoria Acosta Jillian Buitron James Freeman Julian Gallardo Juan Gamez Juan David Garza Omega Guerra Tyler Hampton Edgar Hernandez Marlena Hernandez Oscar Herrada Dionne Hinojosa Brianna Jarratt Sierra Kimbrell Kaitlyn Lopez Ryan Martinez Sky McGuffin McKenzie Murphy **Tanner Myers** Briana Palacios Daniel Pechacek Julia Pope Susana Robles Cip Tobias Destany Velasquez

Freshman

Skyler Wood

Alyssa Zamora

Sidney Anderson MIchael Bell Unai Calderon Pedro Campa Gumaro Castruita **Emelio Contreras** Elijah Cross Lionel DeLeon Jeremy Doran Abigail Garcia Josejuan Garza Santiago Garza Tyler Gayanich Michael Gonzalez Seth Gunn Mckayla Herrada Jackie Limon Walker Lipham Kamrie Martinez Lisette Ortiz Ethan Patlan Alison Perez Valeria Ramirez Jazmin Ramos Jose Robles Brandi Wright

A/B (cont'd)

Sophomore

Odette Barrientos Chasady Braly Daniel Campa Michael Chavez Will Dutton Erasmo Esquivel Scott Gonzalez Jomayra Gutierrez Alfredo Hernandez Shea Holmes Harley Johnson Mace Jov Kylie Love **Chanel Martinez** Maria Mata Glenna McKenzie Kassandra Monroe Jonathan Paredez Zella Powers Jomayra Ramirez Christopher Rendon Taylor Riffe Omar Salazar Alec Samaniego

Juniors

Jason Alaman Olivia Banda Ryan Contreras Abby Creek **Damon Evans** Kelsey Favila Adriana Faz Owen Friess Cassandra Garza Clarissa Hernandez **Emilce Hernandez** Kory Humphrey Leonard Ibarra Rebekah Infante Hagen Kennedy Jansen McBride Micaela Moore Avery Nolen Deatra Ortiz Marci Parks **Gunter Pennington** Sam Powers Mark Samaniego Paige Sykes Kade Wimberley

Seniors

Clarissa Acevedo Jesse Amador Sabrina Blanco Maria Camarillo Santiago Campa Johnell Casparis Robert Chavez Brianah Creek **Imoni Cross** Gerardo Garcia **Toby Garza** Erik Hernandez Robert Hernandez Davis Jimenez Logan Luttrell Selena Mesa Arlette Ortiz Kyle Patlan Michael Perez Cadesman Pope Ryan SanMiguel Bryce Smith Braxton Snyder **Evelyn Solis** Phillip Stephens Cande Tobias Kayla West

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OVERTON - "Rain or shine, wet or dry, do you want to make more money from your cows next year?" asks a Texas AgriLife Research forage scientist.

"It's possible primarily as today's high-priced corn has changed the way feedlots are doing business," said Dr. Monte Rouquette, AgriLife Research forage scientist.

Traditionally, most livestock producers in East Texas and the southeastern U.S. have stuck to cow/calf operations, Rouquette said. In the past, calves were weaned at 350 to 450 pounds and then moved directly to feedlots for finishing. Part of this traditional calf-management strategy has to do with the price of corn used in feedlot rations.

"Years ago, when it appeared as if \$2 bushel corn was going to be here forever, the feeders developed animal health programs to allow them to secure lightweight calves and place these calves directly into the feedlot at weaning," he said. "These lightweight calves would remain in the feedlot for more than 250 days!"

But corn prices have increased "dramatically" in the last few years, in part due to ethanol production, and have rocketed to as high as \$8 per bushel a few weeks ago. Prices came down in January, but were still in the \$5 to \$6 range.

The response of the feeders has been to seek heavierweight cattle for entry into feedlots, he said. For the livestock producer, "heavier-weight" cattle can mean just weaning calves later for a couple of hundred extra pounds or placing weaned calves on pastures for three

to six months to increase weight and maturity. These longermaintained cattle are commonly referred to as stockers.

These management strategies spell opportunity for livestock producers to potentially make higher profits from their cattle herd by producing the heavier cattle the feedlots now prefer, he

"There are two primary strategies for selling heavyweight cattle," Rouquette said. "You can wean heavier-weight calves and maintain or purchase lightweight calves and place them on a stocker-grazing program, or do a mixture of both.'

Rouquette noted that the Texas AgriLife Research and Extension Center at Overton, where he is based, has 30 years of data on the "pasture and animal interaction" to show what does and does not work under East Texas and southeastern U.S. climatic conditions.

as AgriLife Research and Extentiablishing winter pastures in with this last strategy is that card to play in management scesion Center in 1967, one of the the fall and some hay stocks to cattle performance in terms fundamental emphases has been carry over during cold and in- of average daily gain during forage management and animal clement weather typical during July-August often declines 600-pound calves in 2012 could performance, said Dr. Charles December and January. Long, resident director of research at the center.

weaning are produced primarily mer and weaned in the fall, he from cows that calve during the said. fall to winter period — and not during the late spring to early egy is to prepare pastures that an alternative strategy," Rou-strategic management plan, one

ter calving cows have access to forages that are the highest in calves longer or buying calves tain and so on." winter annual pasture — small dry matter and nutritive value for stockers if there is rain and vide the highest nutritive value ages that are actively growing opportunity for producers to possible for average daily gain during the winter months in ar- make more money this year." to be high for the calves. It's not eas east of I-35 to Georgia and unusual for fall calves to wean at other parts of the southeastern more than 700 pounds by early U.S.' June, he said.

depends upon good climatic onto summer annual forages." Since the inception of the Tex- conditions for planting and es-

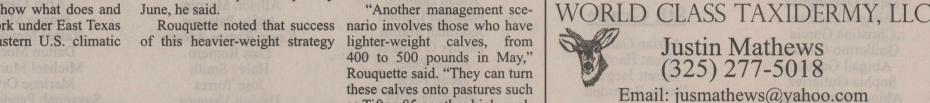
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"In this case, the best strat- in 2011, then there has to be ing strategy or another. With a summer period," Rouquette said. include small grain plus rye- quette said. "But keeping the can decide to wean early, wean This is because fall and/or win- grass," he said. "These are the possibility open of holding onto late, wean and sell, wean and regrain, ryegrass, clover — to pro- for stockers, and the only for- good forage availability means

Rouquette emphasized the He noted that one problem markets always have the trump

"The price paid for 400- to because the nutritive value of make it beneficial to sell them Another strategy is to retain warm-season grasses declines at that weight," he said. "The or purchase lightweight calves and high summer temperatures idea is to remain flexible and ready to adjust to changing con-"Of course, if we have an- ditions, including markets, and other summer of drought like not to be locked into one stock-

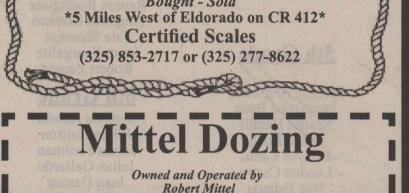


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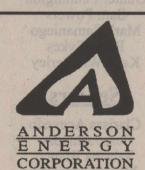
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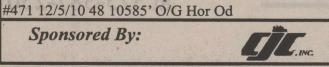
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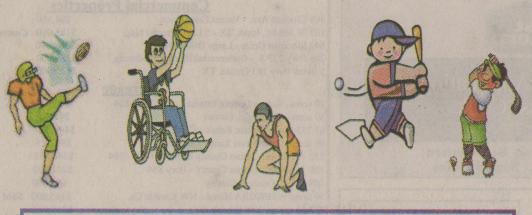
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