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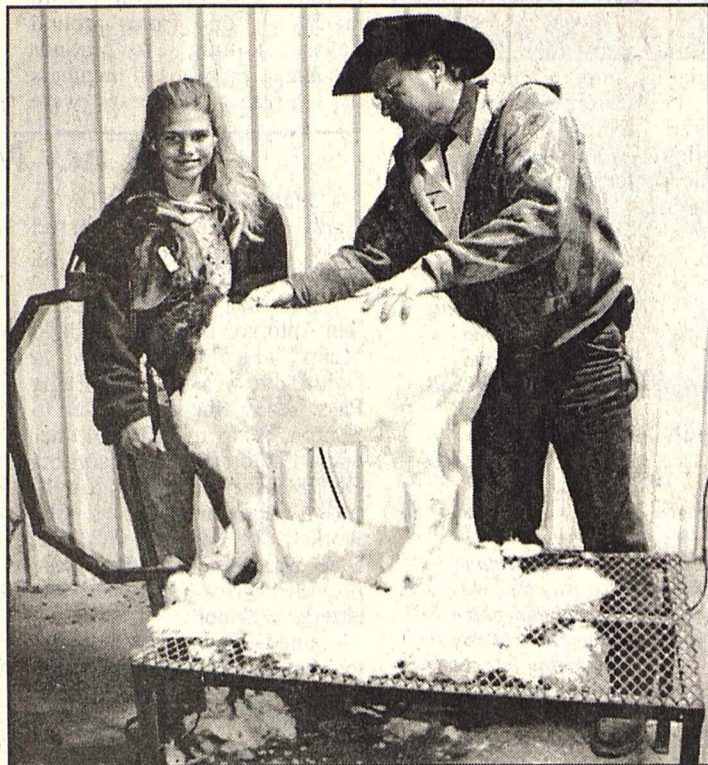
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Thursday, January 9, 2003

Livestock Show Promotes Sutton County Youth

January marks a new year and that means Livestock Shows kick off all around Texas. Preparations for the Sutton County Livestock Show began many weeks ago, but the Sutton County 4-H Civic Center has really been buzzing with activity these last few weeks. 4-H and FFA students, parents and leaders are busy with all the last minute details involved in showing at a county livestock show, including cleaning and preparing the facilities, setting the show ring, shearing, clipping, washing and general prepping of livestock. A large clean-up day was held recently that resulted in the barns looking better than they have in a long time. Over 75 exhibitors from grades 3 through 12 will show lambs, goats, swine, or cattle at the Sutton County Livestock Show which starts Thursday, January 9th (see schedule of activities). Following the last show on Saturday is the annual Buyers Appreciation BBQ and Sale. Proceeds obtained from the sale of the livestock go to the participants and upkeep of the 4-H facilities and programs. Many of these exhibitors will also participate in other stockshows this year, including Kerrville, San Antonio, Houston, Ft. Worth and San Angelo. Livestock shows allow students to learn responsibility and agricultural knowledge. Everyone is encouraged to support the youth of Sutton County and attend the 2003 Sutton County Livestock Show on Friday or Saturday.



Kylie and Carl Johnson shear a Meat Goat for the Sutton County Livestock Show.

Sutton County Livestock Show Schedule of Activities Thursday, Jan. 9, 2003

• 7:00 p.m. Arrival & weigh in deadline for Meat Goats, Market Lambs and Swine

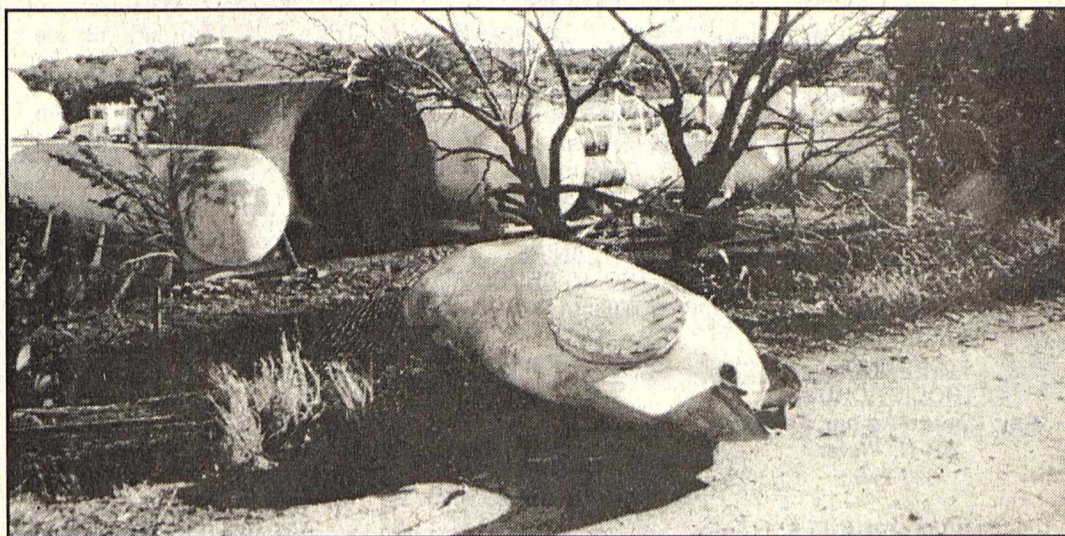
Friday, Jan. 10, 2003

• 1:00 p.m. Market Lamb Show
• 2:00 p.m. Arrival deadline for Angora goat & futurity ewe lambs
• Meat Goat Show immediately after Market Lambs
• Approx. 4:30 p.m. Swine Show (following Meat Goats)
• Ewe Lamb Futurity interviews after Swine Show

Saturday, Jan. 11, 2003

• 9:00 a.m. Angora Goat Show & Ewe Lamb Futurity judging
• approx. 12:30 p.m. Beef Cattle Show
• 6:00 p.m. Buyers Appreciation Supper
• 6:45 p.m. Premium Sale
• 8:00 p.m. Awards Presented

Tank Blow-out Rocks Sonora



The explosion blew pieces of a methanol tank onto neighboring property.

by Storie Sharp

An explosion at Eddins-Walcher's yard on Thursday, January 2, 2003 was felt and heard by people all over Sonora. Sutton County Volunteer Fire Department was called to respond to a tank fire at Eddins-Walcher Co. located on Hwy. 290 W, across from the Sutton County Rodeo Arena. The fire resulted from an explosion of a 2400 gallon Methanol tank located on the west side of the yard. Herb Jones, Branch Manager, reported that two full-time employees, David Fulton and Ruben Samaniego, were installing a gauge tube on the tank, when a spark was caused by static electricity from a screwdriver. The spark ignited, causing the explosion that blew out the back wall of the large tank, shooting it through a fence and onto neighboring property. Because of the rear explosion, neither of the two men were injured. The firemen used two



Sutton County Volunteer Firemen respond to the Eddins-Walcher explosion.

trucks on opposite sides to contain the small flames surrounding the tanks, keeping the blaze to a minimum and preventing any further ignitions.

City, County and State Patrolmen responded to the accident and kept traffic detoured from the immediate area. Residents in the J & V Mobile Home Park and students at the Sutton County 4-H Civic Center were temporarily evacu-

ated for safety precautions.

Eddins-Walcher is one of the largest propane, bulk fuels and lubricants distributors in West Texas. Jones expressed extreme gratitude to the Sutton County Volunteer Fire Department for their quick response and diligent efforts to ensure that the fire was contained and extinguished.



Seat Belts Save Family In One-Vehicle Rollover

by Storie Sharp

"Seat belts and airbags are what saved this family," stated Texas State Trooper Don Van Zandt at the scene of a one vehicle rollover on Friday, January 3, 2003. The accident occurred mid-morning about 24 miles South on RR 864 (Ft. McKavett Hwy.) It appears the driver, a 39 year-old female from Ft. Worth, TX, took a curve too fast and lost control of the maroon 2002 Ford Explorer Pickup. The vehicle flipped end-over-end several times before coming to a rest on a fence, facing the opposite direction of travel. The driver and three minor occupants, ages 12, 7, and 5 were transported by two Sutton County EMS units to Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital, where all were admitted and treated for various injuries. One victim was later transferred to San Angelo. In addition to Trooper Van Zandt, responding to the accident were Sutton County Deputy Jody Harris, Sutton County EMS and the Sutton County Volunteer Fire Department Rescue Unit. All occupants were reported to be wearing safety belts.

Prescribed Burning Workshop Coming In January

by Ray Hinnant

SONORA - Ranch owners and managers who are interested in learning about prescribed burning are invited to an Academy for Ranch Management workshop on Jan. 23-25 at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station at Sonora.

The workshop is designed to teach fire characteristics, how to plan and carry out a prescribed burn, habitat manipulation, and post-burn management.

Participants will be able to see the results of different prescribed burns at the station that have been conducted throughout the year. Attendees will develop a burning plan and par-

ticipate in a practice burn.

To assist them when they return to their ranches, participants will receive a CD-ROM that contains a burning plan worksheet and cost estimator.

Individuals are urged to register early for the workshop. The cost is \$395 which includes lodging and meals.

For more information about registration or directions to the station, contact Ray Hinnant at (979)845-5580 or rhinnant@tamu.edu

Individuals can also check out the Academy for Ranch Management Web site at <http://rangeweb.tamu.edu/arm>

January Is School Board Recognition Month

January is School Board Recognition Month and Sonora Independent School District is joining other districts across the state to gratefully acknowledge their commitment to our communities and schools.

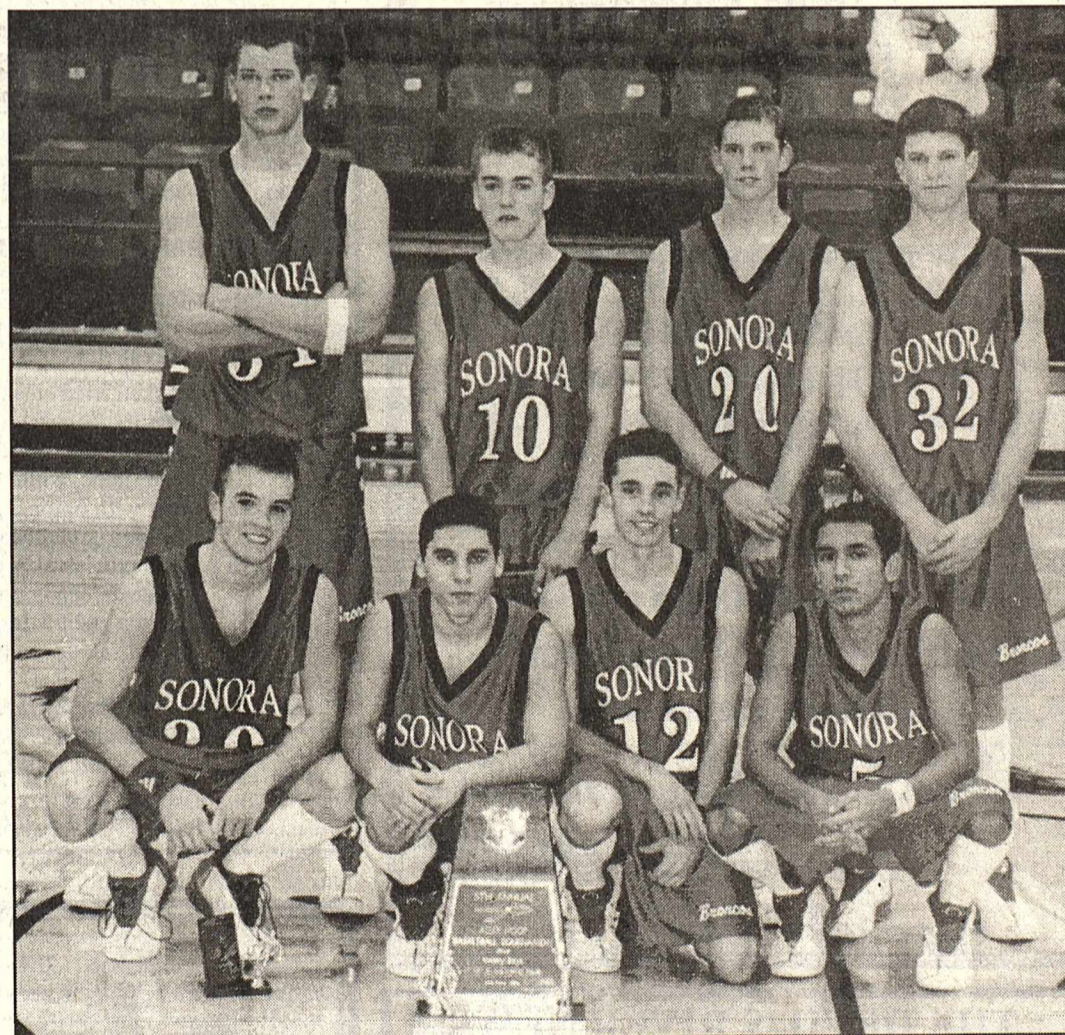
"Texans benefit every day from the dedicated energies and countless hours devoted by a group of more than 7,000 men and women across the state. These public servants are elected to serve by local citizens and receive no compensation for their tireless efforts. These men and women are the local school board members of Texas," said Brant Myers, Sonora ISD Superintendent.

"These people unselfishly contribute their time and talents toward the advancement of public education," Myers said. "They represent a continuing commitment to local citizen control and decision making in education. Even though we are making a special effort during January to show appreciation to our school board members, we recognized their contributions reflect a year round commitment on their part," Myers said.

"We proudly salute these education advocates as they provide leadership for student achievement, academic programs, district funding, and school facilities. Their service ensures that decisions about local public schools are made by those most familiar with the needs of the community's children and families," said Myers. "These individuals deserve recognition and thanks for their dedication to the continuing success of our students and schools," Myers said.

The men and women serving Sonora ISD as school trustees are: Tryon Fields, President, Scott Jacoby, Vice-President, Tammy Favila, Secretary and Jesse Bustamante, Sam David Hernandez, Barbara Jennings, and Tom Payton, members.

Sonora Broncos Win Iraan Basketball Tournament



Iraan Alley Oops Tournament Champions - Sonora Broncos - Trapper Valliant, Chris Martin, Douglas Yocham, Justin Sims, Dustin Martin, Luis Segura, Caleb Gulley, and Juan Rodriguez. Not pictured: Scottie Moore

The Sonora Broncos were the big winners at the Iraan Alley Oops Tournament on December 26 - 28, 2002. The boys started the tournament with a win against McCamey, with a win against McCamey, scoring with 16 points, followed by Douglas Yocham with 11, Juan Rodriguez and Dustin Martin each with 9, Justin Sims with 5, Scottie Moore with 4, Caleb Gulley with 2 and Luis Segura with 1.

Later that day the Broncos defeated Van Horn 56 to 35 in the second round. Moore led the scoring this time around with 10 points. Other scoring

was: Sims 9, Yocham 8, D. Martin and Trapper Valliant 7, C. Martin 6, Rodriguez 4, Gulley 3, Segura 2.

The next day, December 27th, Christoval was the next team to fall to the Bronco team, with a final score of 58 to 52 in favor of Sonora. Chris Martin was back on top with 12 points, followed close by Gulley and Yocham who each had 10. D. Martin and Valliant each had 8, Sims had 6 and Segura had 4.

The Championship match was on December 28th, with Sonora meeting up with Ft. Hancock. The Broncos continued their winning ways, defeat-

ing Ft. Hancock 61 to 47. Yocham led the way with 19 points, followed by C. Martin with 15 and D. Martin with 12. Gulley scored 7, Sims 6 and Valliant 4.

Chris Martin was voted as the MVP for the Alley Oops Tournament, averaging 12 points a game. Douglas Yocham and Dustin Martin were each chosen for the All-Tournament team, with Yocham averaging 12 points and 10 rebounds per game and Martin averaging 9 points a game.

Ask the Historical Society

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

Q. I am searching for an article on the wedding of Earl Lomax and Lois Roberts that took place in Del Rio in June of 1932 and hope you can help me?

A. Devil's River News - June 17, 1932 - Roberts-Lomax Dawn Wedding Described

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lomax, whose marriage occurred Wednesday of last week in Del Rio, returned Wednesday night from a wedding trip to El Paso, Carlsbad, and other points west, and will make their home here, where Mr. Lomax is the manager of the Piggly Wiggly store.

Concerning the wedding, the following account was carried in the Del Rio Evening News: "As the sun peeked over the horizon Wednesday, Miss Lois Roberts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Roberts, became the bride of Earl Lomax at a wedding ceremony beautiful in its simplicity at the Church of Christ, the Rev. James F. Black performing the ring ceremony in the presence of many friends of the couple.

"The altar, before which Rev. Black awaited the wedding party, was beautiful with its background of potted plants, ferns and vases of Shasta daisies. Miss Bessie Boykin and Miss Eloise Slater sang 'At Dawning' as the groom and his best man, Roy Roberts, brother of the bride, walked slowly up the aisle toward the altar, preceding the maid of honor, Miss Mildred Watts, who was attractively gowned in a yellow model of imported swiss made on straight lines with a gored skirt. Three tiny rows of ruffles stood up at the sleeves. A green sash, yellow straw hat, accessories and a bouquet of talisman roses completed the costume.

"The bride, entering last on the arm of her father, was lovely in a creation of Luxemburg rose, embroidered on the bodice and skirt, made on straight lines, and skirt flaring from the hips to instep length. Her hat was a wide brim model in shell pink and her bouquet was of pink Columbia roses. For the recessional, Miss Boykin and Miss Slater sang the chorus, 'At Dawning' as the groom and his best man, Roy Roberts, brother of the bride, walked slowly up the aisle toward the altar, preceding the maid of honor, Miss Mildred Watts, who was attractively gowned in a yellow model of imported swiss made on straight lines with a gored skirt. Three tiny rows of ruffles stood up at the sleeves. A green sash, yellow straw hat, accessories and a bouquet of talisman roses completed the costume.

"Mrs. Lomax has resided in Del Rio since 1913, attending school here and graduating in 1925. After finishing high school, she attended finishing school, she attended the following schools and universities: University of Texas; Abilene Christian College, Abilene; Sul Ross State Teachers' College, Alpine; University of California, Berkeley; Armstrong College, Berkeley. For the past two years she has taught school near Rocksprings. The groom is the son of Mrs. F. E. Lomax, Rocksprings, where he was reared.

In the same issue we found that there was a rabbit roping ruckus in Odessa that proved to be 'cruelty to cowboys.' The American Legion Post in Odessa decided to include a rabbit roping contest in their recent rodeo and didn't realize what a ruckus they were causing. Humane societies all over the country complained. The Legion was restrained from having the contest, but the Legion won a writ of injunction restraining the sheriff from stopping them when Judge Henry Webb ruled the jack-rabbit a rodent, on which humane laws do not apply. But when the contest was held, it turned out to be cruelty to the cowboys and not to the animals, because only 7 of the 105 cowboys entered could catch a rabbit, and no rabbits were hurt. Arden Ross, sheriff of Loving county, was declared champion for roping his rabbit in nine seconds.

A tenth inning rally and slugfest gave the Sonora town baseball team a 4 run edge over Eldorado's team there Sunday, and the locals took a 9-5 decision. The score was knotted in the ninth after B. Hamilton slapped on out for Sonora and brought in the tying score. In the extra inning the locals got hot. Buck Archer started on the mound for Sonora and pitched three good innings. Bud Smith finished the fight, holding the Eldorado boys down during the final seven innings.

The Sonora attack was featured by good stick work on the part of Cliff Johnson, who got three hits in four trips to the plate, and by John McClelland, whose two long drives were good for extra bases. The



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Sonora line up: Archer and Smith, pitchers; Ard, catcher; Hamilton, first base; Johnson, second; McClelland, third; G. W. Archer, shortstop; McConnell, left field; Hollmig, center; and Prater and Lancaster, right field.

Miss Lucille Leslie and J. Lee Corder, both of Sonora, were married on Wednesday of last week in Junction, with R. R. King, Kimble county judge, performing the ceremony at one o'clock in the morning of that day. Mr. and Mrs. Corder will make their home in Sonora. Mr. Corder is a windmill repair man.

The Sonora Lions Club heard jokes and more jokes Monday as each member responded to the roll call with a joke that being the feature of the entertainment for the day. First prize, an assortment of choice, fresh vegetables, was presented W. E. James after his entry had been acclaimed the best by the club membership. R. S. Covey was the chairman of entertainment for the day and inaugurated the unusual plan. Little business was transacted. A report on the Dallas state convention was made very brief, because of lack of time. President-elect Bill Gilmore announced plans for a detailed report at next Monday's luncheon.

Billy Cauthorn is confined to his bed at the Cauthorn ranch home west of Sonora with an attack of fever. He has been sick

about three weeks.

R. B. Merrell, former garage owner in San Angelo has moved to Sonora as shop man at the City Garage. He will be in charge of the shop. Mr. Merrell has worked for a number of years in San Angelo, and knows a considerable number of Sonora people.

Mr. and Mrs. John Eaton returned to Sonora late Friday, after a week's wedding trip to San Antonio and Corpus Christi. The first two days were spent in San Antonio and the remainder of the time at the latter place. The young people are at home in their new home on Eaton Hill.

Mrs. E. E. Sawyer, and her son, Wesley, and Mesdames Orion Brown, Rose Thorp, and R. A. Halbert drove to Mertzon Friday to visit the Sonora campfire girls at Camp Louis Farr, returning the same day.

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@sonorax.net. You may call me at 915-387-5084 Monday, Tuesday mornings and Fridays or at home at 915-387-2855.

The Sutton County Historical Society is a non-profit organization that is totally committed to preserving written history of the county as well as historic buildings in Sutton County.

Letter to the Editor

I wanted to stop and say thanks to the people of Sonora and a specific family in your town. My Dad and I have been coming to Sonora to hunt for almost 30 years. The past 10 years my oldest son has been coming with us. The people of Sonora are always kind and make you feel right at home. We have made some friends over the years and it has been easy because of the great community and citizens that you have. Dayton Armke and his family have been great to deal with and they have always been very friendly. My Dad is 75 now and has been coming to hunt there 3 or 4 times a year by himself for the past few years. Dayton and Pam have always made him feel like part of their family and have checked on him while he was there alone camping. He traveled to watch Chance play for the Sonora Broncos in the playoffs and to watch Koda play basketball. They always kept an eye open for him and made him feel welcome. After all these years my Dad has decided to "hang it up" and quit hunting. I don't know if me and my sons will travel that far to hunt anymore so I wanted to say thank you to this family and the town of Sonora and let the Armke's know how much they meant to my Dad. He always had a lot of stories to tell me after he visited and I know that he loves each of you like you were his own. Thank you and God bless you.

Sincerely,
Jesse Casey, Longview, TX

Dear Editor,

Each year in the U.S., approximately 150,000 babies are born with a birth defect. More than 11,000 Texas children are born with a major structural birth defect each year. Birth defects are a leading cause of disability and infant death in our state.

January is Birth Defects Prevention Month, as well as the start of a new session of the Texas Legislature. The March of Dimes will ask the Legislature for \$834,000 over two years for the Texas Birth Defects Registry and the Neural Tube Defect Recurrence Prevention Project. Increased funding for birth defect surveillance and research in Texas will allow the Texas Department of Health to improve monitoring activities and educate more women about how to prevent birth defects. We must fight to make sure that every Texas baby is born healthy.

Sincerely,
Megan Walsh, M.D.
Chair, State Public Affairs Committee
March of Dimes Texas Chapter



Michelee and Justin McGeath
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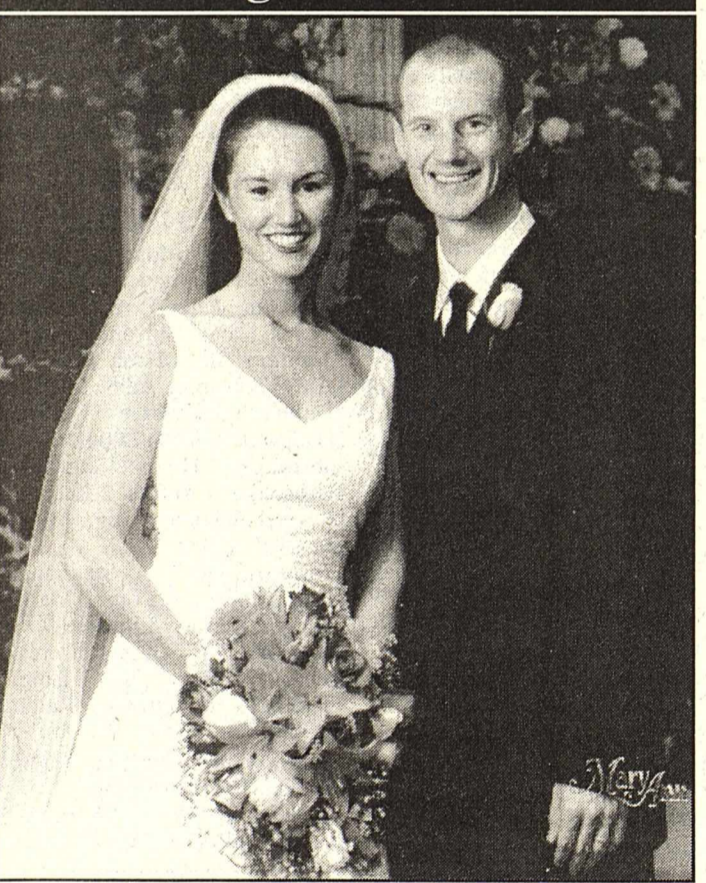
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Wedding Announcement



Lowdermilk-Mirike

Jody Rae Lowdermilk of Frisco, Texas and Andrew James Mirike of Plano, Texas, were united in marriage Saturday, October 12, 2002, at First Baptist Church in Bossier City, Louisiana. Stuart Hall officiated the seven o'clock evening ceremony. Music was provided by violinist, Tara Wiley, pianist, Tracy Ward and soloist, Cathy Lott. Following the ceremony a reception was held at the Holiday Inn in Bossier City with entertainment provided by Skyline D.J. Services.

The bride is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. David Lowdermilk of Bossier City, Louisiana. She is the granddaughter of Mary Romine of Crockett, Texas, and Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Lowdermilk of Porter, Texas. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Mirike of Sonora, Texas. He is the grandson of Elsie Mirike of Sheffield, Texas and Ann Rogers of Iraan, Texas.

Given in marriage by her parents and escorted by her father, the bride wore a sleeveless white empress satin gown by Jasmine that featured an elegant V-front neckline with wide straps at the back and a floor-length veil. The gown was accented with variegated beading on the bodice down to the A-line skirt and Tiffany train. She carried a cascading bouquet of lilies, leonadas roses, pepper berries and an arrangement of autumn hues.

Ginger Lowdermilk and Becky Cole, sisters of the bride, served as maid and matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Lauren Lott, Kasie Person and Courtney Gaskin, friends of the bride.

David Mirike and Adam Mirike, brothers of the groom, served as best men. Groomsmen and ushers were Karl Armentrout, Matt Loftis and Jason Hannam, friends of the groom.

Jody is a 1997 graduate of Airline High School and a 2001 graduate of Texas A & M University with a bachelor's degree in journalism. She is employed as a copy editor. Andrew is also a graduate of Texas A & M with a bachelor's degree in computer science. He is employed as a software developer.

Following a honeymoon in Orlando, Florida, the couple will reside in Plano, Texas.

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Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m
Worship 11:00 a.m.

School Lunch Menu • Jan. 13 - 17, 2002

Breakfast
Mon. - (2) Pancakes, assorted juice or fruit.
Tues. - Banana muffin, assorted juice or fruit.
Wed. - Biscuit with ham, assorted juice, fruit.
Thurs. - French toast sticks, syrup, assorted juice.
Fri. - Breakfast burrito, assorted juice, fruit.

Milk and cereal offered with all breakfasts.

Lunch
Mon. - Pepperoni pizza, Mexicali corn, tossed salad, rice krispie treat.
Tues. - Hot ham and cheese sandwich, celery sticks, vegetable soup, jello with fruit.
Wed. - Beef and cheese nachos, pinto beans, tossed salad, peach cobbler.
Thurs. - Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, pudding, hot roll.
Fri. - Beef burrito, tossed salad, Mexicali corn, ice cream cup.

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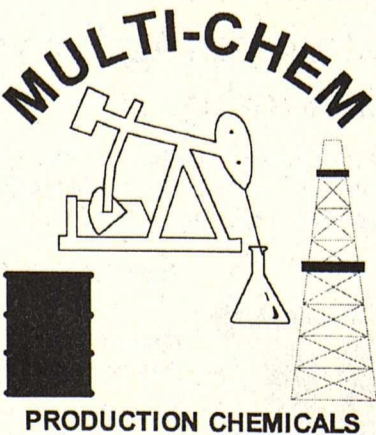
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Card of Thanks

To our family and friends in Sonora,
 We would like to express our heartfelt thanks to all who joined us with love, companionship and support during our difficult time recently. Your love, food, flowers and overwhelming generosity is greatly appreciated and will never be forgotten. Most importantly we thank you all for being there with us.
 With love and appreciation,
 The Family of Elsa Torres Galvan

Sonora Golf Team To Host Polar Bear Classic

The 5th Annual Polar Bear Classic sponsored by the Sonora High School Golf Team will be on Saturday, January 18, 2003 at the Sonora Golf Club. Tee time is 12:30 p.m. and golfers are asked to please sign up early. Entry fees are \$10.00 per person and any donations will gladly be accepted. The order of play will be 18 holes of par 3 golf (scramble). Ties will be broken with a putt off.
 Sign up in the Sonora Golf Club Pro Shop or call 387-3680. The Sonora Golf Club has waived green fees for all non members. If there is bad weather the scramble will be postponed until the next Saturday.

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Lady Broncos Basketball Schedule 2002-2003

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Jan. 10
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Jan. 14
 Ozona • There • 6:30 p.m.

JVA
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Many Projects Planned For Eaton Hill In 2003



Rufous-sided Towhee

by Delyse Jaeger
 The folks at Eaton Hill Wildlife Sanctuary are looking forward to an exciting year in 2003. Last year, enormous progress was made in developing the park. We greatly appreciate all of the volunteers who helped create the opportunity to offer a unique, educational and beautiful outdoor experience for our community and tourists alike. Over the holidays, we received a note from Teresa Eaton, granddaughter of John Eaton. Her visit to Eaton Hill recalled many fond childhood memories and she was delighted at the manner in which the property is being used.
 Projects planned for the upcoming months include the completion of the watering pools system, the addition of picnic tables, an elf owl nest box project with the Jr. High science class and a photography contest. Both the Girl Scouts and the Boy Scouts have expressed interest in planting trees in the sanctuary. We welcome community involvement and believe this support guarantees the success of the park.
 Eaton Hill continues to host abundant bird species. On your next visit, look for the **Rufous-sided Towhee** (pictured above). This colorful bird can usually be heard noisily scratching among the leaves, foraging for food. Color is similar to the robin but more striking. The black head, neck, shoulders, back and tail contrast beautifully with its cinnamon red sides and white under parts. The western race shows some white spotting on the upper wings. The female is similarly colored, but brown where the male is black and both have reddish eyes. Towhees are active, colorful and social making them easy to spot and interesting to watch. You can pick up a map and check off lists for birds and vegetation outside the Eaton house on the shelves near the carport. Eaton Hill Wildlife Sanctuary is a project of the Sonora Industrial Development Corporation and is free of charge. See you on the Hill!

Friends of Historic Sonora Staying Busy In The New Year

submitted
 The Board of Directors and staff of the Friends of Historic Sonora Inc./Main Street Program would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year. We are very busy planning our promotions and projects for the upcoming calendar year. We meet at noon on the second Wednesday of every month at our downtown office. These meetings are open to the public, so bring your lunch and come join us. We consist of a seven member board selected by the City Council, a manager, part-time assistant, and a part-time tour guide. We are open Monday through Friday during regular business hours in order that we may plan and execute events and promotions and assist tourists and travelers with information. We regularly have visitors stop by with questions about our beautiful and historic community, which gives us the opportunity to share information about the history of Sonora and information regarding food, lodging, and shopping.
 Friends of Historic Sonora Inc./Main Street Program has had a wonderful and very busy year culminating with the beautiful "Welcome To Sonora" sign and rock planter that are being built right now. The Main Street Program received a grant from the Texas Department of Transportation that will pay for over half the construction costs of the sign and planter.
 Constructed of native rock, it is a beautiful and fitting welcome for our visitors and tourists as they exit the interstate or come into town off Highway 277. The welcome sign and planter are just one example of the many projects and promotions that the Main Street Program and its staff are involved with.
 The Texas Main Street Program has recognized Sonora as a National Main Street City for the years 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003. The National Trust for Historic Preservation has recognized the Sonora Main Street Program for 2001 and 2002. The Texas Downtown Association has honored Sonora regarding many different projects and promotions. We have been awarded Best Promotion Event 2001, finalist in the category for Community Spirit, and Proud Accomplishments of Preservation and Redevelopment of Texas' Downtowns. We have also been recognized as the Best Restoration Project 2002. These are honors that are publicized either statewide or nationwide to give our community recognition, which greatly enhances the tourism appeal of Sonora.
 None of the accomplishments of our organization would be possible without the support of our community. We appreciate your support and look forward to all the events and promotions we are planning for the coming year.

Friends of the Library Presents Earwood Watercolors

by Charlotte Harrell
 The Friends of the Library are pleased to present artist Barbara Earwood's watercolor paintings during January and February. Mrs. Earwood is a New Englander by birth but has been a Texan by choice for many years. At home on the family ranch 30 miles south of Sonora, she is Mrs. Armer Earwood and the mother of three children.
 A graduate of Woodward Institute of Quincy, Massachusetts, Barbara Earwood has continued her art studies at Angelo State University and specialized in watercolors with Clay McGaughy, Ronald Thomason, John Pike, Robert E. Wood, George Post, Millard Sheets, Edgar Whitney, Bud Biggs, and Michael Frary. Although watercolor, with its tremendous challenge, is her favorite media, she also does pen and ink, scratch board, and oils. The western environment of life on a working ranch where cattle, sheep and Angora goats are raised offers unlimited ideas for her work. The beauty of the Edward Plateau where wildlife abounds is reflected in her drawings and paintings.
 Barbara Earwood is a member of the Southwest Watercolor Society, the Texas Watercolor Society, the Texas Fine Arts Association, the San Antonio Watercolor Group, the San Antonio Art League, a director of the Big Country Arts Association of Abilene, and the San Angelo Art Club. Among her commissions is a montage 12' x 5 1/2' on permanent display at the First National Bank of Sonora. Currently, she is working on a 4' x 5'8" painting for the new Sonora Public Library.
 In the past Barbara Earwood traveled to Europe with the Angelo State University Art Group for a six-week course on Baroque and Renaissance Art, increasing her art knowledge greatly. In 1991 she and nine other artists traveled in France, visiting castles, museums and churches. She says that Monet's home, Giverny, helped her understand Impressionistic art more fully.

F.Y.I.

Sonora's Thunderbird is pleased to announce as of Monday, January 6, 2003 we will be providing afternoon transportation for school children. Thunderbird would also like to announce that Tuesday, January 7, 2003 we will be located in the Sutton County Court House and our new office hours are 7:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. For further information or reservations, please call 387-2509.

Cub Scout Pack 19 Pinewood Derby will be held on Saturday, January 18th at the Sutton County 4-H Civic Center beginning at 9:00 a.m.

The Girl Scouts are collecting your used Christmas Cards! Please don't throw them out! You can leave them on the porch at the Girl Scout Hut. Or leave them at Busy Bees Daycare Center. If you prefer us to pick them up, call and leave a message with Nelda Tobias at 915-387-5390. Thanks for your help!

The next Grief Support Group will meet Tuesday, January 14th at 7:00 p.m. at The Bank & Trust Community Room. If you have experienced the death of someone close to you, you are urged to attend. For more information contact Kathy Hearn at 387-2593 or 387-2096.

Little Dribblers Practices
 3rd grade - 6th grade boys will practice from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on January 11th, 18th, & 25th. 3rd-6th grade girls will practice on the same days (1/11, 1/18 & 1/25) from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

A representative of the San Angelo Social Security Office will be in Sonora on Tuesday January 28, February 25, and March 25 from 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Your Social Security business can be handled just as quickly by telephone. Call toll free by dialing 1-800-772-1213 Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

The Depot may be rented by calling the Sutton Co. Historical Society at 387-5084. Open Mondays, Tuesday until noon and Fridays.

Happy Birthday

January 9 - Crispin Lira, Jr., Sue Smith, Mason Arispe, Mark Holman, Sheryl Bawcom, Peter Perez, Anissa Reyes, Danny Ellison
January 10 - Myrna Murillo, Amy Davenport, Adam Mirike, Delma Chevez, Cerissa Hedgecock, Jacob Lopez
January 11 - Barbara Urbanski, Nolan Kinder, Krystal Gibbens, Laura West, Michelle Lopez
January 12 - Stephanie Hulse, Kaitlyn Lopez, Maria Zaragoza, Marty Lipham
January 13 - Amy Torres, Cheryl Lock, Tim Cole, Thomas Schenkel, Ralph Mayer
January 14 - Jody Braly, Japha Word, Christian Kesinger
January 15 - Trey Wardlaw, Gary Hardgrave

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Iraan Tournament Tough On Lady Broncos

The Lady Broncos kept busy during the holiday break, traveling to Iraan on December 26th to compete in the Iraan Tournament. The Ladies started out the tournament with a win, jumping out to an early lead against Ft. Stockton and never looking back. Morgan Hobbs was the player of the game with 16 points, followed by Tamika Marshall with 15 and Brea Hughes with 13. The Ladies had a 65% free throw average, sinking 13 of 20 attempts. The final score was Sonora 67, Ft. Stockton 52.

A slow start cost the Lady Broncos the win in their second game against Alpine. Being

unable to get anything going allowed for The Lady Bucks to take the victory, 43 to 36. Hobbs and Ashley Parker each had 11 points, with Parker being named Player of the Game.

In the final game of the tournament for the Lady Broncos on December 28th, the girls met up with Christoval. The Sonora girls played a great game, but came up just a bit short at the buzzer for a final score of Christoval 52, Sonora 45. Hobbs led the game with 20 points, followed by Marshall with 19 and Parker with 8. The girls stayed strong on their free throws, shooting a 55%.

Morgan Hobbs was named to the All Tournament Team.

Lady Broncos End Pre-Season With Win Over Rankin

On December 30, for their last game of 2002, The Lady Broncos traveled to Rankin to take on the Rankin Devils before getting ready for District play. The Ladies had to play this game with out their leading scorer, Morgan Hobbs, who was out injured, having received four stitches on Monday. The Lady Broncos met the challenge and played well, defeating the Devils 50 to 37. Tamika Marshall was voted Player of the Game, leading the scoring with 14 points. Elizabeth Elliott had a strong game with 8 points and Cady Taylor, Kara Hard and Brea Hughes each had 6 points. The girls had a 66% free throw average, sinking 4 of the attempted 6 shots.

Lady Broncos J.V. "A" Work Together For Season Opening Win

The Lady Bronco J.V. "A" traveled to Reagan County on Friday, January 3, 2003 and returned with a victory for their 1st District game. It was a great team effort on the part of the Lady Broncos, with everyone contributing to the win. Savanna Hedgecock led the team with 14 points and Kali

Roberts and Tissie Wagoner followed with 6 points each. Chelsea Seaton did a great job of rebounding for the team. The Lady Bronco defense kept the Lady Owls behind in the score throughout the game, for a final score of 47 to 42. Way to go Lady Broncos!

District Opener Upset For Lady Broncos

The Lady Broncos opened up District play against the Reagan County Owls on January 3, 2003. The game started out real well for the Lady Broncos, who kept the score tied 9-9 at the end of the first quarter. The Ladies had to play the second quarter without their leading scorer who was in foul trouble. They fought hard but came up short, with Big Lake winning 52 to 42. The

Offensive Player of the game was Morgan Hobbs and the Defensive Player was Brea Hughes. Morgan Hobbs led the scoring with 14 points, followed by Tamika Marshall with 13. This starts the girls off with a District record of 0 and 1 and a season record of 11-10. The Lady Broncos play Wall on Friday at 6:30 p.m.

7th Grade Colts Fall To Reagan County Owls

The 7th grade Colts "A" and "B" teams hosted the Reagan County Owls on Monday, January 6, 2003. The "A" team started out slow, trailing in the first two quarters, 13-5 and 22-18 leaving a 4 point deficit at the half. The boys came back strong in the third quarter, catching up and having a tied game at the end of the third, 26 all. Unfortunately the boys just couldn't hold on for the final quarter which was a back and forth defensive quarter. The Colts came up short by one basket, 28 to 30. Although the Colts lost on their first game of the new year, they showed

improvement all around on the court and are building up to be a strong team. Alonzo Peña led the "A" team with 11 points and 10 rebounds, followed by Riley Sanchez with 8 points and 2 saves and Zadrían McGee with 4 points and 7 rebounds. J.T. Downing and Aaron Gaytan each had 2 points and Hunter Lawson had 1. Clayton Sahr and Colton Moore each had a rebound.

The Sonora Colts "B" team were also defeated by the Reagan County Owls, 10 to 8. Scoring for the "B" team were Fidel Acevedo with 6 and Tyler Stewart with 2.

Forty Million Children Get Involved in Organized Sports Each Year - One Third Of Them Quit The Following Year

Chino, CA--Most kids love sports and athleticism from the first time they pick up a football, or chuck a basketball and make their first haphazard basket. In fact, more than 40 million children get involved in some kind of organized sports activity each year. However, approximately one third of these kids quit the following year, and by the age of 13, nearly three-fourths of all American children quit organized sports completely.

We can't place all the blame for this progression toward athletic apathy on TV and the X Box. The reason why most kids give up on sports often has less to do with external distractions, and more to do with a lack of internal motivation.

According to Charles Norman, the owner of Coaches Vault, a youth sports store dedicated to helping youths improve their athletic skills while keep-

ing it fun, many parents and coaches provide too much external motivation. In other words, they push these budding athletes too hard too soon, burning them out before they even reach their teens. They focus too much on the need to win and forget to nurture the fun.

Fun is the reason why kids begin to play sports in the first place, but if they begin to feel too much pressure they will naturally lose that sense of enjoyment.

The reasoning behind parental pressure is understandable when one looks at the statistics. "Female high school athletes are 92% less likely to use drugs," says Norman. "They are also 80% less likely to get pregnant and 3 times more likely to graduate high school." With numbers like these, what parent wouldn't want to push their kids to succeed in sports?

TAAS Out of School Registration

Individuals who are no longer enrolled in school and who have not previously met minimum expectations on all sections of the exit level TAAS test, may retake the necessary section(s) any time that the tests are offered. The next scheduled test dates for the exit level TAAS test will be Feb. 25, 2003 (Writing), Feb. 26, 2003 (Mathematics) and Feb. 27, 2003 (Reading).

If you are no longer enrolled in a Texas public school and wish to register to retake the exit level TAAS test, pick up a registration packet from the Sonora High School counselor. The test registration form must be completed and returned in the pre-addressed envelope and **must be received** in Austin, Texas, no later than 5:00 p.m., **January 24, 2003.**

Sul Ross Students Receive Degrees at Fall Commencement

One hundred and ninety-two students received degrees during the fall commencement exercises at Sul Ross State University's Alpine campus and Rio Grande College.

Graduation ceremonies were held Saturday, December 14, at the Pete P. Gallego Center, Alpine.

Commencement for Rio Grande College was held that evening at C.C. Winn High School in Eagle Pass. Graduates from Sonora include: Chelsea Thomlinson Blackbird, MA, English; Jennifer Marie Noriega, BA, Interdisciplinary Studies.

Sonora Students Make ASU Dean's List

The Dean's List for the 2002 Fall Semester has been announced at Angelo State University in San Angelo, Texas.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must be enrolled full time and maintain a 3.25 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

The honorees, along with their majors, include the following from the Sonora area:

Mirabel Capuchina, Spanish/secondary certification; Kellie DeAnn Crain, English/secondary certification; Jennifer Gamez, interdisciplinary child development and learning; Christopher M. Green, nursing; Sarah Anne Holladay, psychology; Beau Bradley Hughes, interdisciplinary studies; Thomas Ray Jacoby, kinesiology/secondary certification; Daisy Marie Mireles, psychology; Kari J. Purvis, interdisciplinary studies; and Linda M. Villanueva, psychology.

"But it isn't just about keeping kids busy and out of trouble," says Norman. "For many parents and coaches, a young adult's career in sports is a personal pride issue. They desperately want these kids to win because that success makes a statement about their parenting and coaching."

Though parents and coaches have strong motivations behind their pushiness, it is wise to find other ways to express their enthusiasm. A child's or young adult's involvement with sports should revolve around having a good time and learning skills as much as winning.

"When kids feel like they are progressing and learning new things, it keeps the sport fun and exciting," says Norman. "Then they are more likely to stick with the sport, regardless of pushy parents and coaches."



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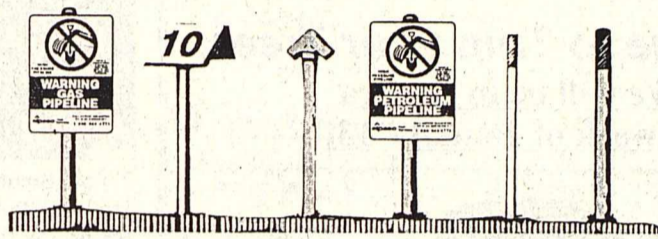
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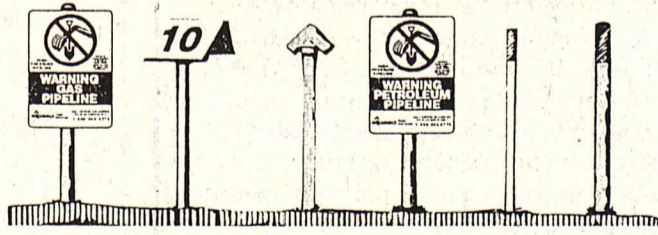
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El número telefónico One Call para Texas es el 1-800-344-8377. De ocurrir una fuga de gas llame al 1-800-644-4773. De ocurrir una fuga de petróleo llame al 1-800-895-2396.

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HOTEL/MOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX PUBLIC NOTICE PROPOSED USE HEARING

The City Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, January 21, 2003 at 2:00 p.m., City Hall, 201 E. Main, Sonora, Texas on possible uses of approximately \$160,000.00 of expected hotel occupancy tax revenue.

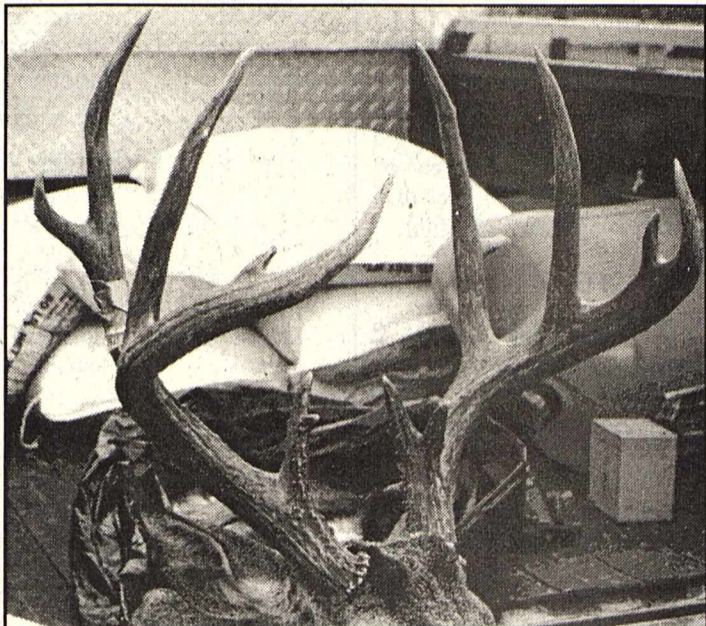
The primary and foremost qualification for the use of the hotel occupancy tax revenue is that the expenditure is spent in a manner which directly enhances and promotes tourism and the convention and hotel industry. The collected tax is allocated to six statutory expenditure categories as outlined in the Texas Local Hotel Occupancy Tax Law, and is limited to the following (1) the acquisition of sites for and the construction, improvement, enlarging, equipping, repairing, operation and maintenance of convention center facilities or visitor information centers, or both; (2) the furnishing of facilities, personnel, and materials for the registration of convention delegates or registrants; (3) advertising and conducting solicitations and promotional program and convention delegates or registrants to the municipality or its vicinity; (4) the encouragement, promotion, improvement, and application of the arts, including instrumental and vocal music, dance, drama, folk art, creative writing, architecture, design and allied fields, painting, sculpture, photography, graphic and craft arts, motion pictures, radio, television, tape and sound recording, and other arts related to the presentation, performance, execution, and exhibition of these major art forms; and (5) historical restoration and preservation projects or activities or advertising and conducting solicitations and promotional programs to encourage tourists and convention delegates to visit preserved historic sites or museums. (6) hold and promote sporting events at which a majority of the participants are tourists to the area and that will substantially increase hotel activity.

Further any citizens, organizations or businesses that request hotel occupancy tax funds will need to provide a proposed budget and a list of proposed activities, programs and/or events that will directly enhance and promote tourism and the convention and hotel industry.

Who's Baggin' The Big Bucks?



Howard Brittain (center) shot this large Axis buck while hunting Southeast of Sonora in early November with Cades Pope (left) and Curry Campbell (right).



Virgil Birnbaum of Giddings, Texas was hunting on the Ben Ingham Ranch when he got this 14 point buck that scored a 164 6/8 on the Boone & Crockett Scale.



Twelve year old McCurdy Cardwell, the grandson of Jodie and Lawrence Finklea got this 13 point buck with a 21" inside spread on Saturday, December 29, 2002 while hunting on the Marshall Cardwell Ranch in South East Sutton County. The buck scored a 155 on the Boone & Crockett Scale.

Back Talk

Chiropractic Care Questions & Answers

What Are The Common Causes Of Low Back Pain?

The most common causes of low back pain are: muscle and ligament problems such as strains, imbalance, dysfunctions, or injuries which may lead to spasm; problems associated with the small alignment joints of the spine called the facets; degenerative disc disease; intervertebral disc herniations. Low back pain can also result from birth defects, tumors, abnormalities in the blood vessels, or by problems not related to the spinal column itself, such as kidney problems, blood vessel aneurysms, tumors, diseases within the pelvis, reproductive organ problems, etc.

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Patterson Sworn In Friday With Humor and Humility

AUSTIN - Sworn in as the 24th Land Commissioner of Texas on Friday, former state senator Jerry Patterson promised to be the greatest commissioner of the General Land Office since David Dewhurst, his predecessor.

More than 500 supporters filled the Senate Chamber of the State Capitol to witness the event, which was punctuated by Aggie whoops and the hollers of former U.S. Marines in attendance.

Patterson's swearing in caps five years of effort to win the office that oversees the state's 21 million acres of public land and veterans' programs. He ran unsuccessfully for Land Commissioner in 1998.

Numerous elected officials, including Lieutenant Gov.-elect Dewhurst and state Rep. Tom Craddick attended the event. At a reception following the ceremony, Patterson stood with Dewhurst and former land commissioners Bob Armstrong and Garry Mauro for photos in front of the historic General Land Office building on the Capitol

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Oil & Agribusiness

Mohair Council of America Annual Membership Meeting To Be Held January 23

The Mohair Council of America will conduct its Annual Membership Meeting January 23, 2003 at the Clarion Inn & Suites in San Angelo. All mohair producers and those interested in the latest developments in the sheep and goat industry are invited and encouraged to attend.

The Annual Membership Meeting is held in conjunction with the Winter Meetings of the Mohair Council Executive Committee and the Texas Mohair Producers Board. These two groups will meet the afternoon of January 22. The Texas Mohair Producers Board will be swearing in three new board members, who are Lanny Leinweber of Mountain Home, Scott Mitchell of Sanderson, and Kenneth Spence of Sabinal. In addition, the Producers Board will adopt a budget for the upcoming fiscal year, and review mohair sales for the quarter ended December 31.

A reception will be held for all participants on Wednesday evening, January 22, 2003 at the home of Executive Director, Zane Willard, 3590 Country Club Rd.

The Mohair Council membership will hear reports concerning the Wool and Mohair Marketing Loan Program that is part of the new Farm Bill legislation. In addition, the newest mohair floor-covering products will be on display and market reaction to and sales for these products will be discussed. During its membership meeting, the Mohair Council will hold district caucuses to elect directors to represent mohair producers in the respective districts. The new directors will elect officers for the upcoming year. The meeting will conclude with a buffet lunch.

All those planning to attend should call the Mohair Council office at 800-583-3161 to RSVP. Anyone needing overnight accommodations should call the Clarion at 915-655-8000 for reservations.

Federal Rule Published Allowing Texas Feeder Cattle To Move Without Restrictions (For Now)

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has published its interim rule allowing Texas feeder cattle to continue to move out of state without additional restrictions, at least until September 30, 2003. Texas ranchers, feedlot operators and private practitioners have waited since June 6, 2002, to learn if, in 2003, they would have to apply USDA ear tags to their 1.5 million steers, feeder bull calves, and feeder heifers destined for out-of-state grazing or feedlots each year. The restrictions also would have required Texas feeder bull calves and feeder heifers to be tested for cattle tuberculosis (TB) prior to movement.

"In a meeting November 27, USDA representatives provided verbal notification regarding the continued free movement of Texas feeder cattle, despite our loss of cattle tuberculosis 'free' status on June 6, 2002. Also, the USDA staff is considering regulation changes that would keep Texas feeder

USDA To Hold Briefing On Available USDA Programs 2002 Farm Bill Will be highlighted by USDA Officials at Victoria, Texas

TEMPLE, TEXAS, December 23, 2002--The U.S. Department of Agriculture will hold an informational briefing January 15, 2003, in Victoria, Texas, to acquaint farmers, ranchers and other constituents with a wide array of agency services and to highlight changes and new provisions in the 2002 Farm Bill.

"This session is an important part of our ongoing implementation of the 2002 Farm Bill and commitment to reach as many people as possible about USDA programs," said Agriculture Secretary Ann M. Veneman. "Stakeholders will have the opportunity to hear from USDA experts on the many programs available to them."

The briefing will be held January 15th at the Holiday Inn in Victoria, Texas from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The session, organized by USDA Rural Development and the USDA Office of Outreach, will feature presentations on a broad array of topics including conservation programs; insurance and drought relief programs, food and nutrition programs and rural utilities, rural business and rural housing programs. Other meetings are being considered and will be announced when details are available.

"We are committed to reaching out to the full spectrum of USDA customers, including under-served customers, minorities and women, to ensure they benefit from USDA programs and services," said Assistant Secretary for Administration Lou Gallegos.

For information about the briefing, please visit USDA's Farm Bill website at <http://www.usda.gov> or call 202-720-6350 or toll free 1-800-880-4183.

Rig Locations as of January 3, 2002

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Sutton County
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Patterson Drilling.
Dominion; 8550' Mayfield - 45 - #11, Patterson Drilling.
Dominion; 8340' Simmons Ranch #30, Patterson Drilling.
New Dominion; 8180' Simmons Ranch #47, Patterson Drilling.
New Dominion; 7850' Diebitsch - 70 - #7, Patterson Drilling.
New Dominion; 7700' Lillian Bell Glasscock #3104, Patterson Drilling.
New Dominion; 6150' Vanderstucken - 69 - #1A, Patterson Drilling.
New Dominion; 6100' Davis - C - #39, Patterson Drilling.
New Dominion; 5650' Vanderstucken - 48 - #11, Patterson Drilling.
New Dominion; 5450' Canyon Ranch #9313S, Patterson Drilling.
New Dominion; 8600' Mayfield - 45 - #11, Patterson Drilling.

Crockett County
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EOG Resources; 6500' Eagle Draw - 12 - #1, Patterson Drilling.

Terrell
Tom Brown Inc.; 20000' Muleskinner #1 H, Grey Wolf Drilling.
Conoco; 16000' Culbertson - 9 - #1, H, Nabors Drilling.
Athor; 7735' Pakenam - 51 - #14 Nabors Drilling.

Edwards
EEEXE & P Company; 10500' Newby Gas Unit - 2 - #2, Patterson Drilling.
Dominion; 8000' Canyon Ranch #2142E, Patterson Drilling.

Schleicher
New Unit Petroleum; 7100' Wales #108, Heart Land Drilling.
New TXP, Inc.; 4300' Jones - A - #5, Heart Land Drilling.

