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FFA Ag Mechanics Projects On The Way To Competition

by Storie Sharp

The Sonora FFA Ag Mechanics class will be taking their projects to compete in the San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo, San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo and the Houston Stock Show and Rodeo. Brandon West, David Cook, Wylie Wagoner, Josh Hopkins and Shane Benson (top) began working on this 28 foot double decked, cage top, stock trailer in August. The project will be judged on welds, consistency, and how well the trailer is built

Shane Benson and David Cook (bottom) will also be entering this truck flat bed that they built from scratch. They also began this project last August. The boys have been graded throughout the year on their progress by Ag teacher Michael Kissire. The boys said that they would like to extend a special thank you to the S.I.S.D. Board of Directors for allowing the extension of the ramp at the Sonora High School Shop, which made it possible to complete the gooseneck project. The projects have been dedicated to the memory of Jerimy Brown, Tom Homra and Chance Armke, who were active in the Ag Mechanics class last year. Memorial plaques will be placed on each of the projects.

915 Area Code To **Change Starting** April 5

In case you have forgotten, the area code for Sutton County will be changing soon.

In February, 2002, the Commission approved a three-way split for area code 915. The El Paso region will retain area code 915, including Dell City and Fabens and some of the western tip of northern Crockett County; the Midland/Odessa region will be served by new area code, 432, including Seminole, Pecos, Fort Stockton, Fort Davis, Alpine and Van and the San Horn: Angelo/Abilene region will be served by new area code, 325, including Sonora, Ozona, Big Lake, Eldorado, San Angelo, Brady, Brownwood, Snyder, and adjoining towns.

Dates to remember: Saturday April 5, 2003 -You will be able to make calls by either dialing the new 432 and 325 codes or the old 915 code. Moreover, those customers calling into the region created by this area code split can reach you by dialing either 915 or 325. This "permissive dialing" period allows time to get in the habit of dialing the

new codes. * Sunday, October 5, 2003 The new area codes must be dialed. Callers will get a recorded message reminding them to dial the new area codes.

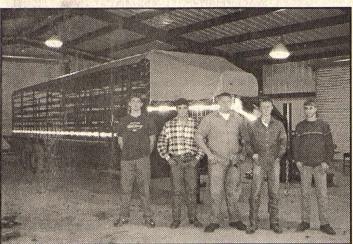
Saturday, December 6, 2003 - Your call will not go through and you will receive no reminder of the new area codes.

To do checklist: * Revise printed materials such as personal and business checks, business cards, mailing labels, advertising and promotional materials, business directories, invoices, product packaging and Internet and Web Site information to indicate your area code will change and when.

Reprogram or change burglar and fire alarm systems, automatic dialers, modems, cell phones, mobile phones, speed calling lists, fax machines and pagers to handle the new area

* Notify your friends and relatives. Businesses should inform vendors, suppliers, customers, business associates and branch offices.

If you have Extended Area Calling (EAC) or Expanded Local Service (ELCS), all these calls remain local and the rate does not change. You may have to dial ten digits to complete a call if your extended local service crosses an area code bound-



FFA Ag Mechanics Projects are complete and ready for competition.



Coaching Applications and Photo **ID Mandatory for Coaching Little** League

submitted

Sonora City League will be having a MANDATORY meeting on Monday, February 24 at 6:00 pm for any person interested in coaching or helping with T ball, Little League, Softball and Pony League baseball in the Devon office in the Mercantile Street. During this meeting, application forms must be filled out and photo ID's copied for anyone that is going to be involved in any of these programs. The Little League National Organization has made it mandatory for this information to be on file before any person can be allowed to coach in one of it's leagues. Sonora's

organization is a member of this national organization so we must abide by it's rules and regulations.

Also, the T ball field will be moved to the park between the softball and baseball fields. The City league is in need of volunteers to help with the project. There are certain procedures that must be taken to maintain all fields and this information will be shared at this meeting. Please plan to be present at this meeting if you are interested in being involved in these programs. Call Julie Martin at 387-5136 and leave a message if you want to coach and cannot attend this meeting.

Dust and Denim Debuts Thursday

You've heard the talk around town - someone you know will be making their stage debut this week. Dust and Denim - a musical salute to West Texas, benefiting the West Texas Rehabilitation Center will be Thursday, February 13, 2003 at 7:00 p.m. at the Sonora High School Auditorium. This musical review, starring your friends, neighbors and local merchants, is directed by Donna Trammell of Denton, Texas. Each song gives tribute, or tribulation, to life in West Texas.

Admission is \$15.00 per person and tickets are available at The Devil's River News, The Bank & Trust and The First National Bank. Don't miss this one-of-a-kind, made-for-Sonora show!

Sweetest Hearts



Sonora Middle School Sweetest Hearts were crowned at the Valentine's Dance on February 6, 2003. This year's Queen and King were: Kayla Fields, daughter of Tryon and Cindy Fields and Marc Hernandez, son of George and JoAnn Hernandez.

Information Needed On **Missing Lights**

by Storie Sharp

Have you noticed something missing on Eaton Hill? Look up there after dark tonight and see if you can see the American Flag that this community worked so hard for. Unless portable generators have been placed up there by the time you read this article, you won't be able to see Old Glory proudly flying over our com-

Why? Because sometime between 9:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 8th and 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 9th the light disappeared. The Sutton County Sheriff's Department reported that the lights, with an approximate value of \$1,000, were removed from the platform that they were bolted to and stolen. The person or persons that took the lights turned off the electricity at the breaker, cut the wires and then removed two of the three lights from their mounting brackets. Time must have run short for the thieves, because the third light was taken bracket and all.

Since the flag is located at the top of the hill and is in close proximity of Sonora's Airport, the unlighted pole could be dangerous. Also, the U.S. Flag Code states "... the (American) flag may only be displayed twenty-four hours a day if properly illuminated during the hours of darkness". The American Legion interprets "proper illumination" as a light specifically placed to illuminate the flag (preferred) or having a light source sufficient to illuminate the flag so it is recognizable as such by the casual observer. Replacing these lights will be costly; an expense that was not budgeted for this

If you have any knowledge of who is responsible for this act or the whereabouts of the missing lights please contact the Sutton County Sheriff's Department.

Girl Scout **Cookies Are** Here

Orders have been taken, money has been paid and now the DELIVERY begins.

All 51 Girl Scouts will be delivering cookies this week. If you forgot to order your favorite flavor, not to worry, we have extra *CARAMEL DELITES, *PEANUT BUTTER PATTIES, *SHORTBREAD, *THIN MINTS, *PEANUT BUTTER SANDWICHES, *LEMON PASTRY, *ANIMAL TREA-SURERS & *FRIENDSHIP CIRCLES. They are still \$3.00 a box. Please contact any of the following Leaders: Melissa Velez, Tammy Favila, Michelle Lipham & Lise Miller.

The Girl Scouts of Sonora would like to thank all of the businesses in town, who allowed us to place our posters in their buildings. We appreciate your continued support. Special thanks also goes to all the buvers of Girl Scout Cookies. We look forward to selling again next

On Jan. 22nd all Girl Scouts and Moms met to collect Cookie orders and money. A Gift Certificate to Team Graphics was awarded to a Mom and a Daughter for meeting the deadline for orders. Mary Arredondo was the winner for Mom and Vanessa Lopez was the winner

for Daughter. Congratulations!! All 51 Girl Scouts will receive a Patch for selling 12 boxes or more. Those who sold 100 boxes or more will also receive a special award. They are as follows: Olivia Banda, Victoria Favila, Kelsey Hernandez, Katelyn Malik, Sykes, Roxanne Talamantez, Marissa Prieto, Allison Freeman & Amber West. Congratulations!

Roxanne Talamantez will receive the highest award for selling boxes. Congratulations!

Sonora Journalism Team Wins At Home



The Journalism U.I.L. Team: Katrina Hernandez, Avangelina Martinez, Suzanna Street, Kate Higdon, Marilyn Holman, Leticia Leos, Sheryl Strauch and Allison Hidgon (not pictured: Wilson Wallace)

submitted

On Saturday, February 8th, several members of the Journalism U.I.L. Team competed in the 57th Annual Sonora Academic Meet. The papers were graded by independent judges and only identified by a number and letter so as to ensure anonymity.

In News Writing, Katrina Hernandez placed first and Evangelina Martinez placed

In Editorial Writing, Sheryl Strauch placed first and Allison Higdon placed fourth.

Sheryl Strauch placed first, and Wilson Wallace was third in Headline Writing.

In Feature Writing, Kate Higdon placed first, Leticia Leos placed third and Wilson Wallace placed sixth.

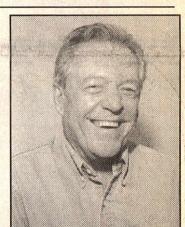
The Journalism Team placed first overall with a total of 104 points. The students are coached by Kristin Keel.

Tumbleweed Smith Blows Into Town

submitted

Tumbleweed Smith is the producer of "The Sound of Texas", a radio series which began in Big Spring, Texas and became the most widely syndicated radio show in Texas. He loves to bring the sounds and stories of Texas to radio and newspaper audiences across Texas. Ever pick up a book and find it hard to put down? That's the way "Under the Chinaberry Tree" affected me and many other folks who have had the time to sit down and enjoy a moment, when they stepped into the stories Tumbleweed Smith has written in this book. There is nothing like a Texas story.

The Friends of Historic Sonora, Inc./Main Street Program, KHOS Radio, and The Bank & Trust of Sutton County would like to invite you to come by The Bank & Trust



Tumbleweed Smith

lobby on Thursday, February 20, 2003, from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. Tumbleweed Smith will also be at the Bank & Trust of Sutton County on Friday, February 21, from 10 a.m. - 12:00 noon to sign autographs and visit with you for a spell.

Sutton County Historical Society Holds Annual Meeting

by Storie Sharp

The Sutton County Historical Society held their annual meeting at the Sutton County Steakhouse Wednesday, February 5, 2003. Members present for the meeting included: President Eddie Sawyer, Vice President Kelly Owen, Treasurer Al Elliott, Secretary JoAnn Palmer, Lura Sawyer, Preston Love, Rick Palmer, Wanda Neville, Jim Garrett, D'Arcy Wagner, Glenna Chadwick, Gretta Smith, Rosie Whitehead, Mrs. Lopez, and Linda Love.

After the meeting was called to order, Al Elliott reported on all that the Historical Society has completed since their last meeting, which was actually a very long time ago. Elliott reported that the County agreed to the usage of the old Fincher house for a 99 year lease, and with the help of the Cauthorn Trust and donations of time, money, etc. the house has been renovated and is now in use as the Sutton County Historical Society office. Elliott described the fire resistant room that was added-on to the old home, to be used for historical documents and archives.

Elliott also reported that the Sutton County Historical Society had acquired the old ice house on Water Street from did a lot of work on the area that Meeting page 3

helped confirm the acquisition. Much work will have to be done on the building and no decision has been made on what exactly to do with it yet. He then informed those in attendance that the old jail will not be able to be utilized as a museum because of the dangerous conditions for visitors.

It was reported that large contributions to the Sutton County Historical Society had been received, including a significant amount of historical information from the John Eaton Family. Elliott concluded that the most current major goals of the S.C. Historical Society had been met in the completion of these projects and there is now a historical area in Sonora that the community can be proud of.

A discussion was then held on how to acquire more funding. Elliott reported that he had approached the City Council about using some of the excess hotel/motel taxes that weren't used by the other entities in the town and had been turned down. He stated that they would need to continue to rely on dues and donations at this time. He also informed the members that in acquiring the old ice house, a vacant lot on the same block was included and that could

WTU. Rick and JoAnn Palmer See Historical Society



Sonora Church Directory

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

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387-5886

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

NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor Mike Dixon 511 Cornell 387-5207



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387-3401

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387-3833

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Earwood and Rowland to Show Work Stribling at Art Extravaganza

Barbara Earwood and Ken Rowland of Sonora will be among more than 130 artists and artisans participating in the fourth annual Stribling Art Extravaganza February 21-23 at historic Fort Concho in San Angelo. The event benefits West Texas Rehabilitation Center.

Beverly and Ben Stribling are underwriting the show and sale which features the artistic talent of current and former residents of San Angelo and the Concho Valley. Assisting with a portion of the event cost is Oliver Rainey & Wojtek LLP and First National Bank of Mertzon. Displayed works will range from oils, acrylics and watercolors to bronzes, ceramics and wood - all of which will be for

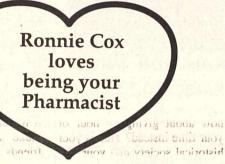
The event will be held at Fort Concho's Commissary and Quartermaster buildings. Hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Friday and Saturday, February 21 and 22 and 1-4 p.m., Sunday, February 23. Admission is free. "Not only are we pleased with the tremendous response from area and local artists," said WTRC President Woody Gilliland, "we're proud to provide an opportunity for the public to see the amount of artistic talent in the region and, at the same time, provide a source of financial support for West Texas Rehab Center facilities in Abilene, San Angelo and Ozona."

More information about the event is available by calling the Center at 915-223-6300.

Chamber "Welcome Wagon"



The Sonora Chamber of Commerce Welcome Wagon was on the roll again last week. This time they stopped at the newly opened Red Horse Feed, located at 810 Glasscock Ave. Owner and operator, Kinkead Johnston and full time employee Juan Patino were treated to a welcome bag of treats to help them get acquainted with Sonora. Not pictured is Sean Ramos who will also be working at the store. Red Horse Feed is now open Monday - Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m and on Saturdays from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Stop by and say hello!



Senior **Center News**

Feb. 17 - Center closed for President's Day! Sign up now for a Holiday Meal!

Feb. 18 - Chicken fried steak with gravy, oven French fries, carrots, rolls, pudding with fruit.

Feb. 19 - Spaghetti with meat sauce, noodles, zucchini squash, juice, garlic bread, white cake with

caramel icing. Feb. 20 - Smothered steak with onions, gravy, mashed

potatoes, green beans, roll, juice, apple crisp.

Feb. 21 - Chicken enchiladas, pinto beans, broccoli, tossed salad, crackers, fruit cup.

Senior Menu

Feb. 17 - Center closed for President's Day!

Feb. 18 - City Council 2:00 p.m.

Feb. 19 - Van to San Angelo! Call Lilia 387-3941. Feb. 20 - Answers on Aging. Area Agency on Aging. Noon.

Caregiver Center opening....

Feb. 21 - Birthday Party for February "babies". Join us for cake at noon.

Lunch is served Monday thru Friday at 12:00 Noon. \$1.50 donation is suggested for those 60+ and \$4.00 for others.

Menu is subject to change.

Obituaries Sam T. Logan

Sam T. Logan was born on February 1, 1912, on a ranch near Sonora, Texas, and was preceded in death by his parents, Joe F. and Della Jane Logan; brothers, Marvin, Alwis and Elmalea; sister, Beulah; and former wife, Marjorie.

He is survived by his wife of 54 1/2 years, Mildred; his sister, Emmalou and her husband, Walt Pennell; and his brother, Joe B. and wife, Mary Logan. Also surviving Sam are his four daughters, Carol, Linda, Jane and Sammie, their respective husbands, George Wright, Wright, husbands, Henfrey, Patrick Henderson and Hakim Wakil; a daughter in all but name, Maribeth Whitney; nine grand-children, Shane and wife, Cindy, Karen, Britt and Kurt and wife, Melissa Womelsdorf, Grant and Russell Henderson, Heather Henfrey and Sam and Anisa Wakil. In addition, four greatgrandchildren, Shane, Madison, Jacob and Annalise Womelsdorf, survive Sam. Wahida, Alia and Waheed Wakil Jacob also are counted as surviving grandchildren.

Sam graduated from Sonora High School in 1930 and enrolled at Texas A & M. He served on the livestock judging team, lettered in high jump on the A & M track team and graduated in 1934. He worked for the Triple-A program, was a county agent at Brackettville, Menard and Muleshoe before entering the Navy in 1942. He

served in the European theater and participated in D-Day, shuttling troops across the English Channel until his ship was disabled by enemy torpedoes. He then served in the Caribbean and Pacific theaters and was honorably discharged in 1945 as a lieutenant.

Sam ranched with his father briefly before accepting a position in Saudi Arabia as deputy director of King Abdul Aziz Ibn Saud Al Kharj Farms. His family joined him, and Sam spent seven and a half years as director of the Al Kharj Farms, leaving in 1959 to join USAID. While serving with USAID, Sam worked in Afghanistan, Ethiopia, and Nigeria and retired from foreign services in

From 1974 to 2000, Sam and Mildred owned and operated Logan's Lake Breeze Estate and Lake Breeze Too on Lake Buchanan. They moved to 1700 Spanish Oak Trail, Round Rock, Texas, February 1, 2002. 78681 on

Services were at 3:00 p.m. Saturday, February 8, 2003, in Climent Wilcox Funeral home in Burnet, Texas, with burial in Lakeland Hills Memorial Cemetery.

The family requests memorials be sent to the Class of 1934 Scholarship Fund, The Association of Former Students, Texas A & M University, 505 George Bush Drive, College Station, TX, 77840-2918.

Ed Martinez

Ed Martinez, 61, a retired high school band director, died Sunday, December 22, 2002, in a Fort Worth hospital.

Mass: 10:00 a.m. Friday at St. Ann Catholic Church in Burleson. Burial: Laurel Land Memorial Park. Rosary: 7:00 p.m. Thursday at Laurel Land Funeral Home.

Ed was a band director for 35 years. He was employed by the Crowley Independent School District for 20 years.

He is survived by wife, Elva Martinez of Fort Worth; sons, Armando Martinez and wife, Nancy, of Fort Worth and Edmond Martinez of Denver, Colorado; daughter, Anna Reilly and husband, Chris, of Fort Worth; brother, Ysidro Martinez of Arlington; and grandchildren, Ricky Martinez, Jeremy Calicott, Kimberly Martinez, Aaron Martinez and Sydney Reilly.

Martha Brown Keng

Martha Brown Keng, the of Karnes City, died at 7,20 a.m. Monday, January 27, 2003 at Morningside Ministries Nursing Care in San Antonio.

Mrs. Keng's ashes will be interred at graveside services to be held at 10:30 a.m. on February 14, 2003 at the Sutton County Cemetery in Sonora with Rev. Gaston Warner offici-

In lieu of flowers the family has requested that memorial donations be made to the First Baptist Church of Sonora; Habitat for Humanity of Durham, 215 N. Church Street, Durham, N.C. 27701; or a charity of choice.



School Lunch Menu • Feb. 17 - 21, 2002

Breakfast

Mon. - Scrambled eggs, toast, jelly, fruit. Tues. - Muffin, juice or fruit.

Wed.- Pancakes, syrup, juice or fruit. Thurs. - Biscuit with ham slice, fruit or juice.



Fri. - Toast with jelly, juice or fruit. Milk and cereal offered with all breakfasts.

Lunch

Mon. - Corn dog, pork & beans, carrot sticks, Rosey applesauce. Tues. - Baked chicken, scalloped potatoes, mixed vegetables, jello with fruit, biscuits.

Wed.- Soft beef taco, cheese, pinto beans, salad, brownies. Thurs. - Baked ham, macaroni & cheese, green beans, mixed fruit, biscuits. Fri. - Deli turkey on bun, potato wedges, lettuce, tomatoes,

fresh fruit.

Community

Feb. 13

West Texas Rehab "Dust & Denim" 7:00 p.m. • High School Auditorium

Feb. 18 City Council Meeting City Hall • 2:00 p.m.

The Community Calendar



Calendar

Feb. 24

Mandatory coaches and volunteer Meeting for any coach, manager or volunteers for T-Ball through Pony League, Boys & Girls. 6:00 p.m. • Devon Energy Office

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Email us at editor@sonoratx.net

Ask the Historical Society

by Jo-Ann Secretary County Historical Sutton Society

Q. Do you have any information on the Class of 1921?

A. We have the yearbook for the class of 1921 here in our archives and anyone is welcome to come look at it on a Monday or Tuesday morning or Friday while volunteers have the office

We found the following on the class in the papers: Devil's River News, February 19, 1921 - High School Notes. At the home of Mrs. G. W. Stephenson, on Monday evening, Feb. 14th, the Juniors honored the Seniors and teachers with a Masquerade party. Jewell Eaton, Grace Trainer and Curtis Edens were the entertaining committee.

The reception hall was beautifully decorated with pinks and green crepe paper and pink roses, the class colors and flowers of the Juniors. The parlor was decorated with green and gold crepe paper and sweet peas, the class colors and flowers of the Seniors.

There were clowns, a Chinaman, Little Bo-Peep, Little Boy Blue, Queen Elizabeth, several Martha Washingtons, Mother Macree, a sunflower, two daisies, two bubble girls, the Queen of Hearts, a Scottish Lassie, two Hawaiian Hula maidens, the corn girl, two Madam Nights and several others were there.

Among the amusements were three very interesting contests. The prizes were awarded to Kathleen Cocke and Evelyn Trainer; Albert Runnels and Miss Fears; Gladys McClelland and Albert Runnels, Misses Fears, Bailey, Carruth and Dyess furnished some amusements and singing.

About ten o'clock the guests were invited into the dining room which was decorated in red and white crepe paper and hearts. They were served a delicious salad course. The tables were decorated with sweet peas. Each person found his place by means of a place card. All of the Seniors ate at one table placed in the center of the room.

After the refreshments were served there was a wedding ceremony. A bathing beauty, Guila Lowrey, was married to a base ball star, Greydon Rees. John Eaton performed the ceremony. Kathleen Cocke, Bonnie Glasscock, Jewel Eaton, Pearl Hull, Horace Rees, Gladys McClelland, Winnie Wyatt and Albert Runnels gave a two act play which completed the evening of fun.

Another article in the same issue stated that "The Most Popular Boy" contest brought about \$12 into the Annual Fund. Albert Runnels received the greatest number of votes 880. The "Best All Round Girl" contest closed Wednesday Feb. 16th. This contest was put on by the "Bob Cat" staff of the High School for the benefit of the Annual. This contest netted \$12.50. The ones receiving votes were: Evelyn Trainer 703, Jewell Eaton 452, Joanna Stokes 253 and Winnie Wyatt

The Senior Class of 1921 were Kathleen Cocke, Evelyn Trainer, Bonnie Glasscock, Winnie Wyatt, Guila Lowrey, Dorothy Smith, Greydon Rees, Joanna Stokes, Lorene Rees, Pfiester, Pauline McCollum, Woodson Hebert, Rita Merck and Albert Runnels. They published an annual called "The Bobcat" volume 3, 1921.

Note: We have placed one copy of the 1919, 1920 and 1921 yearbooks in archival safe sheets in binders to make them easier for researchers or browsers to view.

A meeting of the Sutton County Historical Society was held at the Sutton County Steak House on Wednesday, February 5, 2003 at noon. Notices had been sent to all 90 members who have paid their dues. Seventeen members attended the meeting. Discussion was held concerning current projects and the need for more volunteers to help with the museum and office work. All workers at the Sutton County Historical Society offices are volunteers and receive no pay.

My own thoughts on this

are that young people of Sonora are not getting the knowledge and help that volunteer service to the society or other charitable organizations in town could



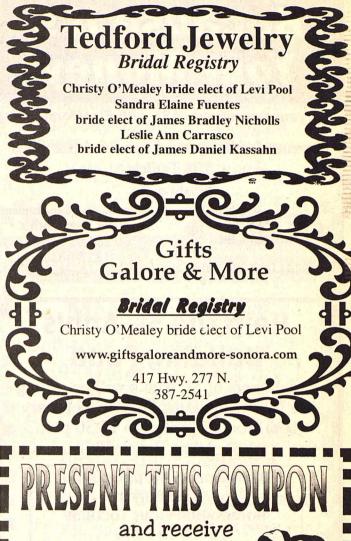
give them. When they graduate and go on job interviews, many times they are told "sorry you don't have any experience", or "we are looking for someone with experience." Organizations keep a record of your volunteer work and do give references. These records show promptness, neatness, the quality of work you do, attitude, number of hours served and experience gained in volunteer work. When you list in a resume that you volunteered so many hours for an organization and did filing, catalogued pictures and files, helped preserve artifacts, framed pictures, etc. it shows you have experience working with others. This is what many employers are looking for in their employees, good work

If you aren't a student that doesn't do office work and just want to help out, we can always use you. Right now I have a few saddles that could use some saddle soap and attention. We have weeds that need to be dug out of the yard, good projects for Boy Scouts or Girl Scouts that need to do good deeds for credit. We have lots of office work that we could use help with and files and pictures that need to be organized and catalogued so that they can be easily found by anyone. Some of you told me you couldn't give money to help the society, well how about giving an hour of your time instead? This is your historical society and your history, please help preserve it.

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@sonoratx.net. You may call the office at 387-5084 or stop by the office at 307 Oak St, the rock house right next to the Miers Home Museum, any Monday, Tuesday morning or Friday. You can call me at home on other days at 387-2855, especially if you are here from out of town and want to do research. We do try to help people that are here on a day we aren't open. We give museum tours on the days we are open, just stop in the office and we will be glad to take you on a tour of the facilities. We will be offering some research projects for people soon that some of you might be interested in working on and always have something going on.

Right now we have copied and are assembling sheriff and deputy pictures. Does anyone have a picture of J. P. George Barrow or Connie Crumley? We need them to add to the deputy collection. We would really like to have pictures of all the sheriffs and deputies, law enforcement of any kind, so that we can give a copy to the county for display at the Sheriff's offices and a back-up copy for our files. So get out those albums please and see if you have any deputy, DPS officer, Ranger, game warden or sheriffs pictures, even city marshals and night watchmen count, then come in and see if it's one we don't have. Let's make sure your relatives or friends are properly recognized for the service they have given. The pictures will be copied and returned to you if you don't have a spare.



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Historical Society Meeting from page 1

possibly be sold to help generate funding for fixing up the build-

It was stated that since there are now proper housing areas for the Sutton County Historical Society artifacts, it is important that anyone that has been holding on to property for safe keeping return it to the Society.

Eddie Sawyer stated that now that these nice buildings have been completed, it is imperative that funding be found to maintain them. This includes all the buildings, the new office, the Cauthorn Memorial Bldg. (The Depot), the restrooms on the grounds, the Meirs Home Museum, etc. People can now donate historical items and feel safe that they will be well tended to and safe.

A question was fielded regarding the use of the hotel/motel tax and why the S.C. Historical Society didn't qualify. A lengthy discussion was held regarding the rules in spending such monies, etc. and how the historical could qualify by offering historical museums to draw visitors to town. Different ideas and options were discussed at

It was suggested that the News.

To: Amy Davenport From: Jed

"You are a wonderful wife and mom!"

Happy Valentine's Day

members work together more, to get the voice of the Historical Society heard.

Eddie Sawyer suggested that maybe they should agree to the long time lease of such buildings as the Depot, to other organizations in town. This would generate funds and take the responsibility of the upkeep off one or two members. It was suggested that if this were done, that a very binding, explanatory contract be signed between the two entities.

It was decided to table officer elections until the next meet-

A motion was then made by Kelly Owen, seconded by Rick Palmer to sell the lot connected to the old ice house for the best price available for such land.

It was highly encouraged that all those present spread the word to friends and other members to become more involved A motion was then made

and approved to have quarterly meetings instead of annual and that these meetings be advertised in local media.

The next meeting will be announced in The Devil's River

Bridget Killgore and Mack Wardlaw Bridget Renae Killgore and Mack Miers Wardlaw will be married May 10, 2003 at the Forest Suites Chapel in South Lake Tahoe, California.

Engagement

The bride-elect is the daughter of Dr. Gerald and Nancy Killgore of Rosebud, Texas. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Jack David and Jessie Lem Wardlaw of Sonora, Texas. Bridget is a 1992 graduate of Rosebud-Lott I.S.D. She received

a Bachelor of Science in Agronomy and a Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Economics from Texas A&M University in 1997 and a Masters in the Plant and Soil Science Department from Texas Tech University in 2000. Bridget is currently a Lab Supervisor for Multi-Chem

Production Chemicals in the Quality Assurance/Quality Control Department. Mack is a 1992 graduate of Sonora I.S.D. He received a

Bachelor of Art in Political Science from Texas A&M University in 1996 and a Juris Doctor from the University of Tulsa in 2000. Mack is the owner of Indian Creek Logistics.

A sunset dinner and dance cruise on Lake Tahoe around Emerald Bay will follow the reception.

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Street Lady

My wife and I were visiting a major city with a large downtown shopping district. While shopping we saw a quiet little restaurant where we stopped to eat lunch. Neither of us could eat all of our lunch because the servings were big so we asked for carry out boxes. As we were walking down the street my wife pointed out an old woman sitting on the sidewalk that really had some problems. Her clothes and hair were a mess, she needed a bath and no telling what else. I walked over to her and asked her if she would like some food (Deuteronomy 15:7,11). She said, "yes". I gave her the

sack of food and she immediately started eating. I told her that God loved her and she might get some help from a local church (Psalms 69:33,72:12,82:4). As I walked away I kept thinking except for the mercy of God that could be me or my wife. I prayed for that lady and asked to help her

(Proverbs14:31,17:5,19:17,22:9,28: 27). God says for us not to look down on the unfortunate and he also tells us to help them if we can. If we fail to have mercy on them and help them he may not help us in our day of trouble. See you in Church on Sunday. Brother J

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Perez Named Distinguished **Graduate of ASU**

A distinguished graduate of Angelo State University, Amy Elizabeth Torres Perez, received her diploma in the fall commencement exercise held in December 2002. Graduating cum laude and with special honors, Amy is now ready to begin her career as a teacher.

Before graduating from Angelo State University, Amy attended Sonora High School. She graduated from the proud and mighty Sonora Bronco High School in 1998 and began her educational career in the glorious mountains at Sul Ross State University in Alpine, Texas. Soon thereafter, Amy transferred to Angelo State University in the Spring of 1999. Majoring in Education, Amy knew she had the desire to be a teacher. Upon completing her course requirements for graduation, Amy had the privilege of student teaching at Fort Concho Elementary School. She taught at the kindergarten level, under the direction of Ms. Janet Sastny, as well as the gifted and talented third grade class under Mrs. Jean Ann Gassiot. Her experiences have made Amy truly appreciate and hold in high esteem the teaching profession.

Her list of accomplishments include her induction into the Alpha Chi, a national honor society organized to recognize college graduates in their top To: Ray Lozano From: Julie

"You are my valentine because you are a great father and devoted husband! I love you with all my



Amy Torres Perez

ten percentile. She is also a member of the Kappa Delta Pi, a national honor society in the field of education.

Amy is the daughter of Ben and Josie Torres. She is married to Louie Perez. Her siblings include her brother-in-law Johnny and sister Serina, who will earn a master's degree in psychology in the spring from ASU, and brother Matthew, who is attending Texas Tech University. In addition, she has five very special nephews: Mason, Tyler, Jordan, Joshua and Jonah.

Happy Birthday

February 13 - Anna Ramos, Jessica Snyder, Craig Hudson, Jose Vela, Beverly Arnwine, Pecos Roberts, Cathy Garza, Bertha Villanueva, Emily Ellison

February 14 - Mary Beth Parkinson, Jim Gulley, John Zook, Salvador Garza, Ethan

Harper February 15 - Cody Barber,

Katelyn Ronspiez February 16 - Jerry Wallace, Jacquelyn Castillo, Johnny Arispe, Karen Fincher, Daniel Ward, Jack Turney
February 17 - Toni Vela,

George Wallace, Lisa Seaton, Debbie Buitron, April Castro, Emily Gonzales, Doug Huddleston

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To: Don Surridge From: Terry "You are my valentine because you are you!" Happy Valentine's Day

Senior Center To Host New **Sounds Free Hearing Test**

If you hear, but have trouble understanding conversation, please take advantage of New Sounds Free Hearing Test on March 20th. Come in and meet Angela Pierce, a licensed Hearing Instrument Specialist and Director of New Sound Hearing Center of San Angelo. She will look in your ears to make sure that excessive wax is not the problem, test your hearing, and give you a free consultation and information.

Call today for an appointment for a test and free demonstration of the new hearing aids that bring in the talk and screen down the noise. If you need help with your current hearing aids, please call Angela for an appointment as well. Call today! Appointments are limited! 915-949-9993 or 1-888-297-1963.

Free hearing tests will be at the Sutton County Senior Center on March 20th. Call the Center for more information at 387-5657 or

Downtown Lions Club Serves Supper at Speech Meet



The Sonora Downtown Lions Club served hamburgers and all the trimmings to participants and visitors of the 52nd Annual Speech Meet held last weekend. The burgers proved to be good fuel for the mind for Sonora who won 1st in the competition!

To: Kathleen Freeman From: Paul "You are my valentine because you cook good!" Happy Valentine's Day

Jones Makes Dean's List At Eastern University

Portales - Kendra D. Jones, Eastern New Mexico University student from Sonora majoring in family and consumer sciences, is among the 483 students on the 2002 fall semester Dean's Honor Roll.

To be eligible for the Dean's Honor Roll students must complete a minimum of 15 hours for the semester and maintain a 3.25 GPA. ENMU opened in 1934 and today has an enrollment of approximately 3,500 on its main campus in

The Sutton Unit of the American Cancer Society will meet next Monday @ 4:30 PM at the First National Bank.

A mandatory Little League, Tball, and Softball coaches meeting will be Monday. February 24th.

The Annual Lions Club Broom Sale will be held or March 18th from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in front of the Pos Office and City Hall.

Beginning Wednesday March 5, 2003, Thunderbird Transit will begin making scheduled trips to San Angelo for Medical appointments and/or shopping. The trips are scheduled for the first Wednesday of each month. The bus will start picking up passengers at 8:00 a.m. and plan to eturn from San Angelo at 2:00 p.m. This time schedule might change from month to month Please call now at 387-2509 to make reservations, seating is limited. Don't forget this includes Medicaid Medicare appointments.

GED classes are meeting at the Middle School building every Tuesday and Thursday from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. If you've come before, come on back any time! If you would like to register as a new student, please come on Tuesday! For more information, call Laura Bedwell at 387-7190.

The Scouts of Pack 19 will be hosting our annual BLUE & GOLD BANQUET February 17, 2003 at 6:30 p.m. at the 4-H Civic Center. For any further questions of nformation, please contact Jan Stephens at 387-5821.

Daisy Troop #215 will meet 2/20/03 from 5:15 p.m. -6:15 p.m. at the Girl Scout Hut.

The 2003 Yearbooks are on sale for \$35. Come to the high school or send your payment to the following address: S.H.S Yearbook Department, 807 SE Concho, Sonora, TX 76950. You can also call Kristin Keel at 387-6533 ext. 315 for more

The 2002 Varsity Football Highlight Tapes are now on sale for only \$15 from the S.H.S. Radio and T.V. Class, The tape contains all of the best plays edited to the best music We also have highlight tapes from the 96 - '01 seasons. Call Kristin Keel at 387-6533 ext 315 for more details.

Sonora Elementary is collecting Box Tops, used Cellular Telephones and used ink-cartridges. You may drop any of these items off at either elementary office.

A representative of the San Angelo Social Security Office will be in Sonora on Tuesday February 25, and March 25 from 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. 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.

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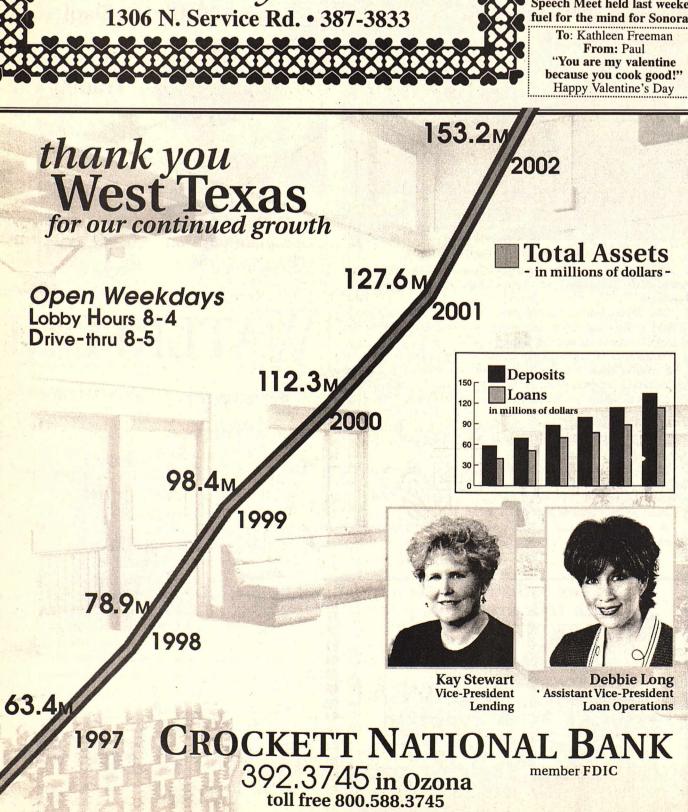
Project Graduation is an allnight, alcohol-free, drug-free party held for all Sonora High School juniors and seniors after graduation services, which provides a safe place for celebra-

Project Graduation 2003 will be held on May 30, 2003 beginning at 10:30 p.m. at Sonora High School. Students will "lock-in" for an evening of fun, food, games and an auction for valuable prizes. A store will be open for the purchase of great prizes with Project Graduation money, which the students can win during the night playing games. In addition, more prizes will be awarded throughout the night by random drawing. The kids must be present to win these prizes, which include such items as computers, televisions, VCR's, DVD's, dorm refrigerators, stereo's, etc.

The community has show tremendous support for this project during the last twelve years and your continued support is needed.



All contributions, whether large or small, are greatly appreciated. If you have been contacted by a Project Graduation committee member, please show your support and make your contribution as soon as possible. The purchase of prizes has already begun. If you have not been contacted, please send monetary donations to Project Graduation, c/o Beth Wallace, 410 SE Crockett, Sonora, TX 76950. If you would like to donate a prize, they can be delivered to The Bank & Trust (see JoAnn Hernandez) or Sonora City Hall (see Sue Moore.



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Pennies For Patients Campaign at S.H.S. Raises Over \$1400

The students at Sonora High School raised \$1405.64 in the Pennies for Patients campaign recently held over a three week period. The PALS oversaw this project. Mrs. Myers fifth period class raised the most money and won a Pizza party as they raised \$336.72. Mrs. Benson's class finished second with \$222.67 while Ms. Keel's class raised \$209.50 and came in third. Mrs. Haydon's class finished fourth with \$168.24 and Mr. Jackson's class with \$60.11 finished fifth.

All of the classes did a great job and far exceeded the PAL's expectations. The students of Sonora are to be highly commended for their generosity and effort. Thanks to all the students, especially Mrs. Myers' and Ms. Keel's classes who helped roll coins and Mari Sanchez, Kathy Lewellen, Cynthia Keel, Cleone Taylor and the ladies at The Bank & Trust for their time. This effort was a great job by a great group of young men and

To: Alexandria Torres From: Mom 'You are my valentine because you are my little angel. I love you baby girl!"
Happy Valentine's Day

Broncos Just A Bit Short Against Grape Creek

The Sonora Broncos played the Grape Creek Eagles on Tuesday, February 4, 2003. Starting out slow, the Broncos were down 7 to 10 at the end of the first quarter. The boys in Red pushed back in the second quarter, with Dustin Martin scoring a 3-pointer at the buzzer to fie the game 20 to 20 at the

Sonora stayed strong throughout the third quarter, leaving the Broncos in the lead at the buzzer, 28 to 27.

The fourth quarter stayed close, but did not have the outcome the Sonora team wished for, with Grape Creek shooting strong and winning the game, 46 to 41.

Leading the scoring for the Broncos were the Martin brothers, with Chris shooting 12 and Dustin shooting 10. Caleb Gulley had 9, Douglas Yocham 6 and Scottie Moore had 4.

D. Martin was 2 for 2 at the free throw line, followed by Gulley who was 2 for 3. Yocham shot 50% at the line, sinking 4 of 8.

Chris Martin was the Defensive Player of the Game, and Dustin was Offensive

Junior Varsity Broncos Beat Eldorado, Fall To Reagan County

by Maray Cearley

The Junior Varsity Broncos defeated the Grape Creek Eagles last week 48 to 41. The Broncos led the entire game with the biggest margin of 11 at the end of the third period.

Clint Cearley led the Red with 16 points. Austin Wagoner led rebounding with 7, while scoring 11. Cameron Cox had 8, Dustin Creek 6, Steven Duhon 5, and Embre Smith 2.

Sonora's second game of the week ended in a loss to the Reagan County Owls 44 - 58.

Cearley had 12 points which included a buzzer beating half-court shot. Smith had an excellent game with 9 points. Other scorers were Wagoner with 6, Duhon with 5, Cox 4, Chris Perez 4, and Creek and Cullen Parker each with 2.

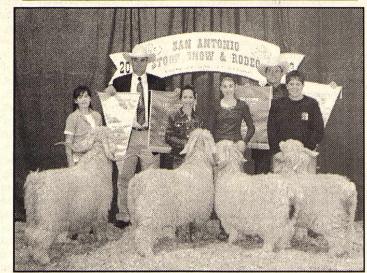
To: Brant Myers From: Tracey "You are my valentine because you are my best friend and the father of our 3 beautiful children"

To: Shane From: Shannon 'You are my valentine because you're the coolest bud!' Happy Valentine's Day

Angora Goat Show results from the San Antonio Livestock Show

The Earwood sisters had a great day showing their Angora goats at the San Antonio Livestock show. In the Junior show Emily won Champion Buck, and Meredith won Reserve Champion Buck. Emily had both Champion and Reserve Champion Does, winning a \$6000 college scholarship. Emily placed 8 goats and had the 1st place flock. Meredith was premier exhibitor, placing 10 goats, and having the 2nd place flock. Laura Martin placed 2 goats 2nd & 5th, and had the 4th place flock. Cash Jennings had a 3rd place aged buck, Landon Brockman a 3rd place doe kid, Kelsey Watkins had an 8th place yearling doe, Hunter Jennings had a 6th place aged doe. Dustin Neff also exhibited a goat.

In the Open Show Emily had Champion Buck, Champion Doe, and Reserve Champion



Meredith Earwood, Judge Eddie Holland, Kelsey Watkins, Emily Earwood, Preston Faris and Garrett Watkins proudly show the Champion and Reserve Champion Angora Bucks and

Doe. She placed 7 goats and had the 1st place flock. Meredith had the 1st place buck kid & aged buck, placing 9 goats and

having the 2nd place flock. Laura Martin had the 2nd place Aged buck, 3rd place doe kid and 3rd place flock.

Broncos Swooped By Owls

out to win against Reagan County on February 7, 2003, and took the lead by a quick 6 points. They continued to lead through the first quarter, ending it 8 points ahead at the buzzer. The Owls didn't know what hit

The second quarter saw the Broncos hit it hard, and the first half finished with the Broncos ahead 34 to 30.

Things started slipping away in the 3rd quarter, with Reagan County taking the lead by 1. The Broncos came back and tied it up and it was back and forth with the Owls leading by 5 at the end of the 3rd quarter. Turnovers by Sonora helped the Owls secure a win, even though percentage wise, the Broncos outplayed them. The Broncos shot 48% of their Foul and Valliant led in rebounds.

The Sonora Broncos came Shots, while the Owls only shot 40%. The Broncos were way ahead with Free Throws, shooting 67% compared to Reagan County's 40%. Doug Yocham, Trapper Valliant and Chris Martin got into foul trouble, so Luis Segura and Lance Roberts came off the bench to help. Both young men played very well defensively.

The final buzzer sounded with the Reagan County Owls on top, 63 to 61.

Justin Sims is still out with an injury and has been unable to play. Caleb Gulley led the Broncos with 5 three-pointers and a total of 21 points. Doug Yocham with 13 points. Dustin Martin had 12 points, with 2 three pointers, Chris Martin had 10, Trapper Valliant had 3 and Scottie Moore had 2. D. Martin

Broncos End Season With Win Over Eldorado



The Sonora Broncos ended the 2003 season on a high note, defeating the Eldorado Eagles

The Broncos took to the court strong, taking the lead in the first quarter, 13 to 10.

The Eagles proved that they were also here to play, by pushing back in the second quarter and moving ahead by 2, 26 to 24 at the end of the first half.

The game was kept close throughout the next period of play, with Eldorado barely leading, 37 to 36 at the end of the third quarter.

But the Broncos proved they wanted this win more and came back in the last quarter to secure the 59, 53 victory.

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Caleb Gulley led the Broncos with 14 points, sinking 8 of 10 attempted free throws. Dustin Martin was right on his heels, scoring 13 and brother Chris wasn't far behind, sinking the only 3-pointer for the Broncos and a total of 10 points for the game. Trapper Valliant had 9 points, Doug Yocham 8 and Scottie Moore had 5. Luis Segura, Stevie Hernandez and Lance Roberts once again came off the bench to help the Broncos with the win.

All the Bronco Defensive Players were chosen as the Defensive players of the Game and Dustin Martin and Caleb Gulley were both named Offensive Player.

2003 Sonora Bronco **Baseball Varsity**

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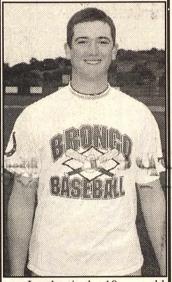
Spotlight On Sonora Bronco Baseball

The Devil's River News and State Farm Insurance Sam Dillard, want to introduce you to the 2003 Sonora Bronco Baseball Team. Each week we will spotlight one olayer, letting you put a name with a face and find out a little

bit about each young man.

The first "Spotlight"

Landon Brockman



Landon is the 18 year old son of Bob and Nancy Brockman. He is a Senior and will be behind the plate as the Bronco Catcher.

Landon's favorite food is T-bone steak, his dream car is a "Hummer" and his motto for life is "Take each day as one and have no regrets".

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Mohair Council Meets, Selects **Districts Reps**

The Mohair Council of America held it's Annual Membership Meeting January 22 & 23 in San Angelo. Highlighted at this year's meeting were the newest floor covering products being marketed throughout the country under the Christoval Carpet label. Samples of each of the product offerings were on display. Christoval Carpet currently manufactures hand-tufted rugs, Wilton carpet, and woven rugs. Each of the products is aimed at the high-end floor covering market where both quality and uniqueness are key elements. Executive Director, Zane Willard reviewed the product development process and gave attendees a taste of what the Mohair Council hopes to accomplish in the future.

Glen Fisher of Sonora reported on the final rules and regulations of the new wool and mohair marketing loan program. Mr. Fisher has worked closely with USDA in developing the regulations since the Farm Bill was passed last year.

The ten districts of the Mohair Council conducted caucuses to select district representatives for 2003. Officers for the upcoming year were also elected. Denny Ray Speck, long-time Concho County rancher, was elected President; Pierce Miller, Crockett County rancher, was re-elected Vice President; and Gwynne Lundgren, Menard County ranch woman, was re-elected Secretary/Treasurer. chosen to serve as directors for 2003 include Ginger Perner of Ozona, Neill Woodward of Ft. Stockton, Bill Zuberbueler of Comstock, Blake Lewis of Del Rio, Bill Tullos of San Angelo, and George Sultemeier of Ft. McKavett. Also selected were Edward Earwood, Jimmy

Holman, Ben Epps, and Joe David Ross, all of Sonora; Tooter Shanklin, Marty Graham, and John Davis, all of Rocksprings. Additional directors chosen were Robin Giles of Comfort, Tommy Reeh of Doss, Willie Ray Willmann of Mason, James Stotts of Llano, Mark Langford of Lampasas, Troy Duncan of Lometa, Kenneth Spence of Sabinal, Lanny Leinweber of Mt. Home, Hayden Haby of Brackettville, Mac Gilliat of Leakey, Ervin Willard of Uvalde, and Dee Hadorn of Harrah, Oklahoma. Elected to fill the at large director positions were Scott Mitchell of Sanderson, Allen Stieler of Rocksprings, Allen Belk of Winters, Fritz Kuebel of Blanco, and Tuffy Whitehead of Del Rio. Representing the Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers' Association will be Pat Jackson of Christoval. Representing the Texas Angora Goat Breeders Association will be C.E. Renfroe, also of Christoval. Representing the American Angora Goat Breeders Association will be Ron Smith, and representing the Texas Wool Mohair Warehouse and Association will be Seco

Mayfield of Sonora. Texas The Mohair Producers Board held it's Winter Meeting in conjunction with the MCA Annual Membership Meeting. Sworn in as board members were Scott Mitchell of Sanderson, Kenneth Spence of Sabinal, and Lanny Leinweber of Mt. Home. Each of these board members will serve a six-year term on the TMPB. Officers elected were Robin Giles of Comfort, President, Lanny Leinweber of Mt. Home, Vice President, and Pierce Miller of San Angelo, Secretary/Treasurer.

Out Cattin' Around



The bobcat was shot by Ryon West on Wednesday, February 5, 2003. He was at home when he heard a commotion outside, and thought that the bulls were fighting. He looked outside and saw the bobcat and grabbed his gun and ran outside to shoot it. He lives on Juno Road at the May Rae Ranch.

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Application Deadline For Federal Farm Program Fast Approaching

Wanoreck, County Executive Director the for Schleicher/Sutton/Val Verde County Farm Service Agency (FSA) reminds area farmers and ranchers to make an appointment to sign-up for the Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program (DCP). The deadline to update bases and yields is April 1, 2003. This date is outlined in

complex in nature," said Wanoreck. "Maximizing benefits received from these provisiting our offices," she said.

Wanoreck commented that sign-up for DCP is averaging at least one hour per farm. She encourages producers to avoid procrastinating and offers the following advice for preparing for a visit to FSA. If a producer is planning to update bases and yields, Wanoreck encourages using the Base and Yield Analyzer Internet tool available

http://www.fsa.usda.gov/pa s/farmbill/tools.asp.

The analyzer assists producers in evaluating a farm's historic data and enables them to

Eldorado - Jan G. make educated decisions about their specific operations.

> If electing to update yields, producers will be required to provide all production records for 1998-2000. For cash leased land, FSA requires a copy of the lease agreement if available and proof of lease payment. If no written lease agreement is provided, the landowner must sign for zero shares.

legislation and no extensions or the legislation and no extensions of the legislation and legislation chased, sold or otherwise changed their farming operation need to be prepared to report these changes to the FSA office. grams will require producers to Also, producers must certify organize and plan ahead before any 2002 crop plantings or land use changes not previously reported

"Gathering all necessary documentation and arriving at our office with a general idea of specific farm program goals, will insure accurate program decisions and better use of staff and customer time," said Wanoreck.

For more information about DCP, FSA or the farm bill provisions contact your local FSA office at 915/853-3535 in Eldorado or 915/387-3111 in Sonora or visit the national website at http://www.fsa.usda.org.

4th Annual West Texas Farm and Ranch Show Feb. 18-19 In Abilene

by: Steve Byrns

ABILENE - The Fourth Annual West Texas Farm and Ranch Show is set for Feb. 18-19 on the Taylor County Expo Center grounds.

"This year's event should be

our best yet," said Gary Bomar, Texas Cooperative Extension agent in Taylor County and an event coordinator. "Each year we continue to add commercial booth space and specific seminars that the public has asked

This year's luncheon speaker is Dr. Dale Rollins, Extension wildlife specialist at San Angelo, who will talk about communications in the wild and the world. Educational programs will

include the Town and Country Womens' Fair, a Cotton Production Conference, a Range and Wildlife Seminar, and a Beef and Forage Conference.

"It will definitely be a full two days," Bomar said. The show and seminars are

being sponsored by the Abilene Chamber of Commerce and County's Cooperative Extension Office.

The two-day event features new equipment, product demonstrations, educational meetings, a ladies program, and the opportunity to earn three Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) continuing education units (CEUs) during the educational meetings (a total of nine for all three seminars).

The Expo Center is located at South 11th and Loop 322. The show's hours are 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Feb. 18 and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Feb. 19. Admission is

Meeting during the show will be the Rolling Plains Cotton Growers Association, which has a noon membership luncheon on Feb. 18. The educational seminars start at 1:30 p.m. on Feb. 18 and 8 a.m. February 19 in the hall.

For further information concerning the West Texas Farm and Ranch Show's educational seminars, contact the Extension office in Taylor County at (915) 672-6048. Questions concerning the commercial show should be directed to the Abilene Chamber of Commerce at (915) 677-7241.

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News from the Neighbors

San Angelo Livestock Entries Increase

San Angelo - Over 7,000 animals are entered in the 71st annual San Angelo Stock Show Rodeo. This number exceeds those animals entered a year ago. The nine-day event runs February 15-23 at the San Angelo Fairgrounds.

Judges from five states will select champion animals in 25 separate livestock competitions. Competition areas include youth heifer, swine, sheep and goat shows. Judging for Boer goats, breeding sheep, wool and mohair fleece and llamas are open to any exhibitor. New shows include a Dorper sheep on February 20th and a Maine-Anjou heifer show, Sunday February 16. \$6,000 in scholarships is offered to the youth exhibitors of champion animals.

Career development events, including judging contests and an Ag Mechanics show showcase Texas 4-H and FFA members and teams. These contests are created to help young agriculturalists select and evaluate livestock, wool and mohair, wildlife, plants and horses. Plaques are awarded to the high

scoring teams and individuals.

Quarter Horses take to the competition arena on February 15 and 16, beginning each day at 8 a.m. Three separate shows will be held during the two-day event. Approximately 800 entries are expected. Kermit Wendland, general manager, explained, "That our shows are growing each year and the stock show continues to be a very competitive event, drawing excellent horsemen and horses from several states.'

Beginning in 2003, a new quarter horse show circuit has been created for San Angelo. The Silver Spur Circuit will combine points earned during the annual stock show with points earned at new show to held in the Spur Arena. Championship awards will be presented during the 2004 Stock Show and Rodeo.

Livestock and horse shows are fee with gate admission.

For further information and tickets contact the San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo office at (915)653-7785 or www.sanangelorodeo.com

Valley Concho Workforce Development Board Helps Bring "Assess for Success" To Area

San Angelo - The Concho Valley Workforce Development Board, in partnership with the Small Business Development Center, Angelo State University and the Texas Workforce Center will sponsor "Assess for Success" Employment Strategies and Learning Disability Conference. The Conference will be held at the CJ Davison Conference Center at ASU on February 18-19, 2003 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Individuals who work in the workfoce development/training, education, human resources, case management, business owners and/or any other social service arena should attend this conference.

Workshops include information on goal setting, job readiness, learning disabilities, interpreting clinical diagnostic reports, testing accommodations, equal access, self-advocacy, job coaching, transitional planning, job analysis, and a demonstration of adaptive equipment.

There is no conference fee and CEU's are available. For more information contact Teri Sosa with the Concho Valley Workforce Development Board at (915)655-2005 isnetke on b

The Concho Valley Workfoce Development Board serves Coke, Concho, Crockett, Irion, Kimble, Mason, McCulloch, Menard, Reagan, Schleicher, Sterling, Sutton and Tom Green Counties

Texas Department Of Agriculture To Host Town Hall Meetings **Across The State**

Commissioner Susan Combs announced today that she will be visiting with agricultural producers and rural communities at town hall meetings throughout the state to discuss issues impacting the agricultural industry as well as rural Texas.

The town hall meetings, hosted by the Texas Department of Agriculture, are open forums where producers and members of the community can voice their concerns as well as present their ideas and solutions to the commissioner.

Town hall meetings scheduled to date include:

Thursday, March 6

* Hudspeth County, 10:15 a.m. (MST), Dell Telephone Co-Op, 610 South Main St., Dell

Edwards County, 2:45 Rocksprings Park p.m., Building, Highway 377 North the Fairgrounds, Rocksprings.

* Zavala County, 5:15 p.m., Zavala Elderly Nutrition Center, 1210 North 7th Ave., Crystal

Thursday, March 13

Wood County, 8 a.m., Quitman Public Library Meeting Room, 202 East Goode St., Quitman.

Cooke County, 11 a.m., Gainesville Area Chamber of Commerce, Large Meeting Room, 101 South Culberson, Gainesville.

* Wilbarger County, 2 p.m., Wilbarger County Memorial Auditorium, 2100 Yamparika, Vernon.

AUSTIN — Agriculture counties, 5:00 p.m., First Bank Southwest, 115 South Main, Booker

Wednesday, March 19

Atascosa County Livestock Showgrounds Showbarn, 2209 Oaklawn, Highway 97 West, Pleasanton.

St., Yoakum. (Time and location changed)

Columbus.

"With agriculture and rural communities facing so many challenges, it is important that I know firsthand what the concerns and issues are on a local level," Combs said. "There are a lot of concerns and needs that are specific to regions of Texas, and I want to collectively work with producers, industry groups, and local, state and federal governments to address these issues to ensure agriculture remains a strong and growing industry throughout the

TDA is working with the Texas Farm Bureau, Texas Cooperative Extension Service and various commodity groups to organize these town hall meetings across Texas. The town hall meetings are free and open to the public.

TDA town hall meetings, contact John McFerrin, producer relations specialist at TDA at rin@agr.state.tx.us.

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* Atascosa County, 8 a.m.,

* DeWitt/Lavaca counties, 11:00 a.m., The Carl and Mary Welhausen Library, 810 Front

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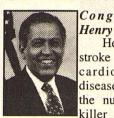
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American Heart Month - 'Get In On The Action'



Congressman Henry Bonilla Heart attack, stroke and other cardiovascular diseases remain he number one

in the

United States. On an average day in Texas, 150 Texans die due to cardiovascular diseases and stroke. Heart disease has affected my family and, chances are, it may affect many of yours

Every year since 1963, February has been designated American Heart Month. This month is the time to learn more about cardiovascular disease detection, prevention and treatment. The American Heart Association has designated this year's educational message as "Get in on the Action!," urging Americans to make physical activity a part of their daily

There are a few simple things we can all do to reduce the risk of heart disease. Exercising regularly is an important step. We all enjoy some form of exercise. So, whether it's horseback riding, jogging, walking or bike riding, help keep your heart healthy and "just do it!" Other easy approaches to control heart disease include eating a diet low in fat and high in fiber, and controlling stress.

One of the myths surrounding heart attack and stroke is that it is a "male disease." Wrong. Heart attack and stroke do not discriminate. In fact, heart attack, stroke and other cardiovascular diseases remain the number one killer of American females.

Research and education are key to battling and preventing heart disease. Today, the chances of saving a life and reducing disability from heart disease and stroke are better than ever because of research done in our lifetime. Important discoveries such as life-extending drugs, bypass surgery and pacemakers, have improved the lives of many heart patients. But the fight against heart disease is far from over.

Hopefully, with more heart disease research and better education, fewer Texans will fall victim to the disease this year. As with any other health problem, please consult a physician immediately if you, or someone you know, shows any sign of a heart problem. For now, as we remember American Heart Awareness Month this February, get in on the action and increase your physical activity!

For more information or questions concerning prevention or treatment of heart disease, please call the Texas chapter of the American Heart Association (AHA) at 512/433-7220 or the San Antonio division of AHA at 210/614-4121.

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No. 1262 **ESTATE OF** WANDA M. VAN HOOZER, DECEASED IN THE COUNTY COURT OF SUTTON COUNTY, TEXAS.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is hereby given that the original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Wanda M. Van hoozer, Deceased, were issued on the 22nd day of November, 2002, in Cause No. 1262, pending in the County Court of Sutton County, Texas, to:

MARK ALAN VAN HOOZER The residence of the Executor is in Milano, Texas, and the mailing address is: 3014 C.R. 330, Milano, Texas 76556

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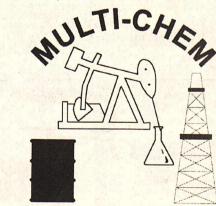
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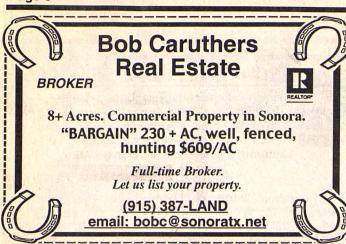
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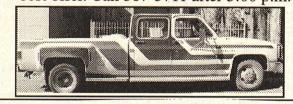
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