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Sonora Native Inducted Into OCS Army Hall of Fame



Submitted

Colonel Larry D. Cade, formerly of Sonora, was recently inducted into the Officer Candidate School (OCS) Hall of Fame for the U.S. Army. He and his wife, the former Kristin Keel, attended the official induction ceremony on March 26, 2010 at Fort Benning, Georgia.

The OCS Hall of Fame was established in January, 1958 to honor OCS graduates who display outstanding service to the nation. Only 1% of all OCS graduates are

selected for the Hall of Fame. The selection process is open to officers of all branches who have graduated from any active Army component OCS program and have attained the rank of Colonel while serving on active duty or the reserves; have been appointed or elected to a state or national office; have received state or national recognition for distinguished service; or have distinguished wartime service records.

The history of OCS began during the summer of 1940

when General George Marshall recognized the absolute importance of establishing training facilities for new officers. His vision was put into action at Fort Benning and General Omar Bradley, former Commandant of the Infantry School, is credited with establishing the foundation of training still being used in OCS today, a foundation which emphasizes rigorous training, strict discipline, and efficient organization.

Colonel Cade graduated from Sonora High School in 1974. He was the Masked Rider at Texas Tech University in 1978 and graduated in 1979. He completed a Masters Degree in Health Care Administration from Central Michigan University in 1990. Colonel Cade is currently assigned to the Army Medical Department Center and School, Fort Sam Houston, Texas as the Chief, Department of Health Services Administration. Larry and Kristin's parents are Gaile and Clay Cade and Cynthia and Bill Keel of Sonora.

City Softball Field Gets a Facelift: Community Volunteers Rally to Improve the Facility



By Ben D. Taylor

It is a strange thing that the icons that define the American Culture are typically very simple things. Apple Pie, hotdogs, and picnics at first glance seem to lack the majesty and complexity of the country they embody, but in reality they directly associate with our most basic belief. The celebration of freedom. Local volunteers have been spending all of their free time (and expense) renovating one of the most recognized American symbols.

When asked why he decided to work on the girl's softball field, Michael Ramirez simply stated, "The girls deserve to play on something just as nice as the boys do. What kid wants to play on something that looks run down. I saw it as a matter of getting out here and getting it done, so I start-

ed making calls". Those first phone calls would begin the long process of much needed upgrades to the field.

Every day for two months solid, Michael (with the help of volunteers and donors), have re-seeded the field, built a new pipe fence, and re-surfaced the infield, but they are not finished yet. "Long term I want to see this where other towns think of softball in Sonora, I want them to think of this field first, and we have gotten a little closer to that goal in the past few months. If we get some lights in here, we can play games later when it's not hot, and we can even run games into the summer for all star and select teams.

The best thing about this community is that you have un-

selfish people like this that will come in after their regular jobs, just to help out. We have had well over 20 people come out here and help. Rowdy Buell and Peter Duran have been out here every day for almost two months



Mikey Sanchez (left) and Michael Ramirez (right) install a gate at the back corner of the field.

(neither one of them have kids in the program), but we have also had people come and go."

Michael's list of donors is well over 20, and represents a mix of local and out of town individuals and businesses. When I asked him what things he still needs to continue the work he commented, "Draggers and tillers, grass seed, and I hope to have a fund for both this field and the county field to help maintain them. This is where our kids are playing; I don't want to see them run down".



Rowdy Buell finishes work on the new fence surrounding the city softball field.



Triple Crown!

Submitted

In the fall of 2009, Sonora elementary and middle school students dominated the academic district competitions. On March 25 and 27, Sonora High School students completed the sweep by outscoring all of the schools in District 4. On April 1, Sonora completed UIL competition by winning the One Act Play contest. Many hours are spent preparing for these contests and sponsors, students and parents should be commended for their hard work and commitment. Below are the results with regional qualifiers in bold. The One Act Play students will compete at the Area contest in Big Spring on Friday. The UIL students will compete in Odessa on April 24 at the Regional level to seek a spot in the state competition. GREAT JOB to all students for making Sonora proud and taking it to the next level!!

Accounting: 2nd place team

2nd place: Christina Rodriguez
4th place : Courtney James
6th place: Chacho Mesa

Calculator Applications: 2nd place team

2nd place: Chacho Mesa

Editorial Writing:

1st place: Emilce Hernandez
5th place: Ali Castro

Feature Writing:

1st place: Brittani Dover
3rd place Miles Sentena

Mathematics:

6th place: Michael Stephens

Headline Writing:

3rd Place: Robert Hernandez

Lincoln Douglas Debate

1st place: Rebecca Hudson
3rd place: Ali Castro

5th place: Christina Robbins

Literary Criticism: 1st place team

3rd place : Jesse Amador
5th place Sterling Love

6th place: Shainah Johnson

Number Sense: 2nd place team

1st place: Michael Stephens

News Writing:

4th place Gaby Ibanez

Persuasive Speaking:

1st place Kash McGee
2nd place Alex Galindo
3rd place Ali Castro

Poetry Interpretation:

1st place: Zachary Leonard

Prose Interpretation:

1st place: Colyer Dermody
2nd place: Rose Karnes
3rd place: Bailey Joe Pennington

Ready Writing:

2nd place: Paige Sykes
6th place: Sterling Love

One Act Play:

Best Tech Crew: Sonora
All Star Tech: Rebecca Hudson

Honorable Mention All Star Cast: Zachary Leonard

All Star Cast: Rose Karnes, Colyer Dermody, Clayton Parks

Journalism Team: 2nd place

Speech Team: 1st place

CX Debate Team: 1st place

Team of Kash McGee and Alexis Galindo
top 16 at State

Total Points:

Sonora: 457

Crane: 313


Alpine: 207

Ozona: 169

Kermit: 153

Reagan County: 122

Presidio: 52



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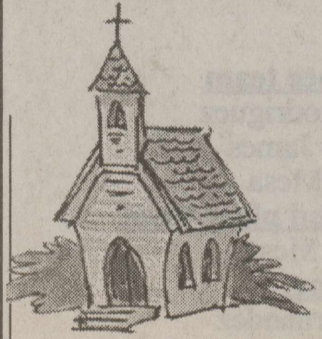
Senior Center Activities

Thur. April 8 - Work on puzzle
Fri. April 9 - Happy Birthday *Dell Tedford*,
Happy Birthday *Espy Samaniego*
Mon. April 12 - Bingo
Tues. April 13 - CEAP Energy Ass. 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Wed. April 14 - Volunteer to deliver meals call 387-5657

Senior Center Menu

Thur. April 8 - Chicken salad sandwich, tomato soup, milk carrot and celery sticks, potato chips, banana
Fri. April 9 - Roast beef/gravy, whip potatoes, milk brussel sprouts, rolls, brownie w/nuts
Mon. April 12 - Swiss steak w/gravy, peas & carrots, milk combread, muffins, tossed salad, oranges
Tues. April 13 - Chicken-rice casserole, broccoli, peach halves, rolls, cake and milk
Wed. April 14 - Chopped steak w/gravy, parsley potatoes, carrots, cuke & tomato salad, bread, tapioca pudding and milk

Participants in the senior nutrition program must be 60 or older. Meals are served Monday - Friday at 12:00 p.m.
Donations are accepted
(suggested donation for Seniors is \$2.00; \$5.00 for under 60 and all other meals-to-go).



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Lighthouse Community Church 1705 N. Crockett 387-9100	St. John's Episcopal Church 404 E. Poplar 387-2955
Pentecostal Calvary Temple United 509 Amistad 387-5266	First United Methodist Church 201 N. Water 387-2466
St. Ann's Catholic Church 229 W. Plum 387-2278	Templo Jerusalem Asamblea De Dios 306 W. 4th St 387-5713
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Obituaries

Dennie L. Hays

Coach Dennie L. Hays entered into rest March 29, 2010 in San Antonio at the age of 74. He was born November 28, 1935 in Prosper, Texas to the late Chester & Leta (Robinson) Hays. Coach Hays was a letterman at Prosper High School, student Body President and football letterman at Sam Houston State University and member of Kappa Alpha Fraternity.

He served in the Army and later coached football for over 30 years at Edna, Sonora (three State Championships), Seguin, Midland, South San, Burbank and received the prestigious award of THSCA-Texas High School Coaches Association Hall of Honor-Class of 2001. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, golfing and especially watching his grandchildren participate in various sports like, Karate, soccer, baseball and football.

He will be greatly missed by his family and friends. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 51 years Mary Lee Hays in 2008. Survivors include his son Russell Hays & wife Robin, daughter Laura Hays-Trammell & husband Marc, son Donald Hays; five grandchildren Austin Hays, Jordan Hays, Ethan Hays, Jaeger Trammell, Sasha Trammell; brother Bill Hays & wife Ann; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, April 3, 2010 at the Sunset Funeral Home, the committal service followed at the Sunset Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Methodist Mission Home or Scottish Rite Hospitals. To pay tribute to the life of Coach Hays, please log on to our website at www.sunsetfuneralhomesa.com for more information.

pilot on the record setting "Border to Border" sailplane flight of four sailplanes that flew from Mexico to Canada. He was a member of the Confederate Air Force.

Bill was a gold card member of the PRCA. He loved steer roping and team roping. He was competing in the steer roping at the Cheyenne Frontier Days Rodeo on the day of the first lunar landing.

He was a member of the Marfa School Board, Marfa TV Cable Co. Board, Presidio County Airport Board, Rio Grande Electric Board and the University of Texas McDonald Observatory Board. Bill was a long time member and held many leadership positions at the First United Methodist Church of Marfa.

Many comments have been made about Bill, but one in particular stands out from one of his friends: "He had the most beautiful smile when he told you no. You just had to like him anyway!" There was always a twinkle, a perceptible tenderness and love for his fellow man in his eyes. That will always be with us; even now that he's finally been "turned out" into his Maker's green pastures. We will miss him...

Bill is survived by his children, Michael Shurley and wife Suzanne, Patricia Shurley Bodenhamer, and Rachael Shurley Nixon and husband Gene, and his sister Derry Kay Shurley Bosch.

Grandchildren are Katheryn Shurley, Bryant Shurley and wife Christal, Emily Shurley and Benjamin Shurley; Chloe Bodenhamer Marriott and husband Derek, and Christian Bodenhamer; Hannah Jane Nixon Goodman and husband Creel, Asa Nixon, and Caleb Nixon.

Great grandchildren are Aislin Nixon, Riley Walker, Lexi Goodman, Sawyer Goodman, Kherrington Shurley, Grant Taylor-Shurley and soon to be born, Vivica Marriott. His god-child Jamie Steen also survives Bill.

Special nieces and nephews surviving "Uncle Billy" are Doug Ridge, Jane Ridge Austin, Jimmy Ridge, Becca Ridge McKibbin, Bridget Bosch Adair, and Alison Bosch.

Bill is also survived by Jane Bryant Shurley. She is the mother of his children and was a lifelong friend.

Pallbearers are Bill's grandsons Bryant, Ben, Christian, Asa, Caleb and Creel. Honorary pallbearers are Britt Webb of Marfa, Glen Richardson of Sonora, General Chuck Yeager, General Joe Engle, U.S. Senator Alan Simpson (Ret.) Wyoming, and Babe Martoglio. Also honored are his surviving University of Wyoming football teammates Leroy Pearce, Dick Campbell and George Grace.

Bill's family would like to thank the Adult Enrichment Center of San Angelo for the love and care they extended to him; Comfort Keepers for the dignity they allowed him to have while he was in their care; in particular: Anna and Aurora. The family also wishes to extend their heartfelt thanks to Dr. Chris Vanderzant and The Staff at Shannon's 6th floor Rehab who helped Daddy "beat" Parkinson's. We also want to thank Shannon Drs. Zobek, Gibson, Berger, and Buchanan for the care they gave Daddy while he was in the hospital. We want to thank Shannon's ER staff, and those caring professionals on Shannon's 5th floor, in the OR, and in the 3rd floor ICU Unit. You softened our heartbreak with your tenderness toward our father and your care for us. Thank you.

Memorials can be made to The Adult Enrichment Center, 6146 Appaloosa Trail, San Angelo, TX 76901; The West Texas Boys Ranch, 36 W. Beauregard, San Angelo, TX 76903; The Marfa EMS, the Marfa Volunteer Fire Dept. and The Marfa Public Library, Marfa, TX. 79843.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I am disappointed with the 2010 Miss Cinco de Mayo contest with only one contestant running. The contest is supposed to be for the Junior and Senior classes only. The reason I am bringing this situation up is because I wanted to run, but had made my decision too late. When I first asked two months ago if I would be able to run, I was informed that I could and was told there was still time. A committee member said I would be receiving a call, but later learned the Miss Cinco de Mayo committee had decided it was already too late to have another candidate run. I also write this letter, because only one freshman was presented the opportunity to run as queen. These are not the only issues I wanted to write this letter about. In the past, the previous Miss Cinco de Mayo candidates who ran, worked amazingly hard to do fundraisers and other events. The process the previous candidates had to go through was all hard work and stressful. The hard work paid off for the previous Miss Cinco de Mayo's earning their \$1000 scholarship. While the 2010 Miss Cinco de Mayo will be given the title, without having any competition as no one else is running against her. I am not the only one disappointed about this situation, there are other people that don't agree with this situation.

Sincerely,
Crystal Coronado

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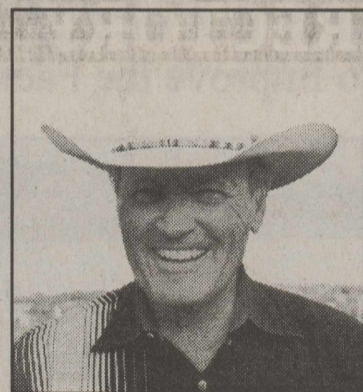
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Santos Lujan Brown

Sonora-Santos Lujan Brown went to be with the Lord on April 2, 2010 after a long and happy life. Santos was born April 20, 1922, to Jose and Manuela Lujan in Grandfalls, Texas. She married Pat Brown of Sonora, and the couple resided in Sonora, where they raised their 8 children. Santos was a dedicated housewife and mother. She occupied her time by being an avid baker, cook, and gardener. She was an excellent seamstress and sold many of her handmade quilts throughout the years to many deer hunters who requested them. Santos was a lifelong member of La Primera Iglesia Bautista of Sonora. Santos L. Brown was preceded in death by her parents, her sister Anita Gore, her brother Natividad Lujan, her husband Pat, and sons Ruben and Jim Brown. She is survived by her children Dan Brown of Odessa, TX., Pat Brown of Cisco, TX., Nita Davila of Austin, TX., Nelson Brown of Sonora, TX., Cristine Lopez of Austin, TX., and John Brown of Sonora, TX. She is also survived by 15 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren who loved her very much. Graveside services were held on Monday, April 5, 2010 in the Sonora Cemetery. Santos will be greatly missed by her family and friends.



Billy Riffe Shurley

Marfa, TX - Billy Riffe Shurley of Marfa & San Angelo, Texas died Wednesday, March 31, 2010 surrounded by his family.

Bill was born August 15, 1926 to Edgar Derry Shurley and Rae Riffe Shurley. When Bill was four years old his mother passed away. Bill's father married Ruth Tipton Shurley and they were blessed with Bill's little sister Derry Kay. They made their home on the family ranch south of Sonora, Texas. His parents, stepmother and second wife, Louellen Shurley, have preceded Bill in death.

A graveside service was held Saturday, April 3, 2010 at the Cemetery in Sonora, Texas. Arrangements were by Kerbow Funeral Home.

A memorial service will be held at the First United Methodist Church in Marfa, Texas on Saturday, April 17, 2010 at 2:00 pm.

Bill played high school football and played in the marching band for the Sonora Bronco's. He was an Eagle Scout and awarded the Order of the Arrow. He was also an accomplished pianist. Bill was in the class of '46 at Texas A&M University but was unable to graduate due to enlisting in the Army Air Corp during WWII. He served as a gunner on the B-29 Superfortress. After the war he attended the University of Wyoming and graduated with a B.S. degree in Wool Technology. While at the University, he played football for the Wyoming Cowboys and was honored as a Little All American running back. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

In 1949, he married Jane Bryant and upon his graduation, they moved to Marfa, Texas where they began a long life of West Texas ranching; during which time, he lived a very full and diverse life. Bill was recently awarded Agricultural Conservationist of the Year.

Bill passed down his love of sports, music and a sense of fun to his grandkids. "Paw Paw" was so proud of all of their accomplishments. He loved to follow them as they competed in swimming, soccer, baseball, football, band, theatre, and singing. He was always there to saddle up "Old Pinto" for horseback riding, and driving the infamous "dune buggy," and hunting mule deer, quail and coyotes. All of the grandkids cherish lessons learned and time spent with their grandfather.

Other highlights in Bill's life include his starring role as Ed Kerr in the Walt Disney movie, "Sancho The Homing Steer," narrated by Rex Allen, taken from a J. Frank Dobie short story. He was photographed as the Marlboro man for billboards and print ads. He was a model for Ralph Lauren in fashion magazines. However, his real passions were flying and being a cowboy.

Bill was a member of the AOPA since 1951 and a member of the Quiet Birdsmen Association. He set a world record for towing four sailplanes simultaneously. He was also the tow

Tax Day TEA Party II

When: Thursday, April 15, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Where: Tom Green County Courthouse Lawn
Description: The San Angelo TEA Party will be holding its second annual Tax Day TEA Party on the lawn of the Tom Green County Courthouse. Last year we had 1200-1500 participants. This year it would be great to double that number. One of our goals is to make this TEA Party the largest per capita TEA Party event in the nation! The event is currently being planned and we'll have more details as they develop.

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Landscape of the Month



Voni Van Veghel, Pro Shop Assistant, Jerry Marshall, PGA Head Golf Professional, Brian Rhodes, Golf Course Superintendent, and Juan Capuchina, Maintenance Technician

The Sonora Golf Club was chosen by the Sonora Chamber of Commerce for March 2010 Landscape of the Month. Preserving the beauty of our golf course is a year round task that requires tremendous dedication. Brian and Juan have done an excellent job maintaining the greens and fairways to accommodate visitors and members. Congratulations Sonora Golf Club!

La Elliott School Reunion

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Hunte Norment (holding steer-Brownie) Congratulations!

2010 Champion Brahman Steer Houston Livestock Show

Hunte Norment, age 8, won the Brahman Champion Steer at the Houston Livestock Show in March. He is the son of Darold and Debbie Norment of Pleasanton and grandson of Rodney and Kathy Knight. This was his first year to show. Pictured with him are his friends and family.

He also won Jr. Showmanship for his age group 8-13 years old in his county show back in January 2010.

F.Y.I.

PROJECT GRADUATION is just around the corner. ANY donations to support our seniors and juniors during this safe graduation-night-event would be greatly appreciated. Please call Bonnie Lou Campbell @ 325-650-2062 for donations of items or mail checks to: Project Graduation, P. O. Box 993, Sonora, Texas 76950. Thanks from the planning committee!

SUTTON COUNTY PREDATOR MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION MEETING Texas AgriLife Extension Service is hosting the spring meeting of the SCPMA. This meeting will be held April 21, 2010 at the Sutton County Civic Center beginning at 1:00 PM. All members and anyone interested in membership are asked to attend. All membership information was lost in the fire that destroyed the Sonora Wool & Mohair Offices. Current memberships expire in April. If you wish to continue your participation and be eligible for bounty payments, please make plans to attend this meeting or submit you payment and acreage information to: SCPMA, P.O. Box 588, Sonora, Texas 76950.

HighMount E & P 3rd annual Volleyball Tournament to benefit Relay for Life, Sunday, April 11 at 4:00 p.m., Collins Arena-Bloodworth Road, Co-Ed Teams of 5 players to a team, entry fee: \$50.00/Team. BBQ brisket sandwiches, chips, and drink \$5.00, To register call Brandi Kuykendall, 387-3588 Ext. 7310

Keep Sonora Beautiful Tree Sale: Red and White Crape Myrtle-\$50, Live Oak, Red Oak, Burr Oak, Mexican Oak, and Red Bud-\$65. KSB is selling an assortment of summer and perennials bulbs. Contact the Chamber of Commerce 325-387-2880 or Juanita Gomez 325-206-0830 to place an order or for more information.

Looking for L. W. Elliott School (La Elliott) Alumni. Register on facebook or by emailing guschavez2000@yahoo.com or juanita@sonoratx.net or by calling 325-206-0830. Everyone is encouraged to submit names. A committee is being put together to organize LA ELLIOTT SCHOOL REUNION and also to place a historical marker where the school stood. If you have any information or questions please contact us.

MICHAEL RAMIREZ, PETER DURAN, ROWDY LEE BUELL HAVE BEEN BUSY WORKING ON THE CITY SOFTBALL FIELD by the swimming pool! They are in need of helpers willing to come join them!! They are removing stickers and attempting to reseed the field!! All for the sake of our GIRLS!!! Please lend a hand!! ALL HELP IS MUCH APPRECIATED!! ANY QUESTIONS, please contact Michael Ramirez 325.650.1454 or just stop by the field!!

The 2009 Sonora Bronco Football Season Highlight DVD is now available at the high school office! For more information contact Coach Sine at 325-387-6940 x3304. The cost is \$20!!!

Relay For Life asks that you e-mail photos of those who have battled cancer to relayforlife@sonoratx.net to be added to our slideshow that is displayed during the Luminaria Ceremony at Relay For Life.

Book Sale to be held: The Sutton County Library is getting ready for their Book Sale. The book sale will run March 22 thru April 16.

Game Dinner Meeting- April 13, 2010, 6:30 p.m. at the firehall. All members and others interested are welcome.

Viva Sonora Cinco de Mayo - May 1, 2010 Featuring: United Freestyle Stunt Team-3 performances, www.unitedfreestyle.com

Need a Dunking Booth for a party or fundraiser? Sonora Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary has a dunking booth for rent. Call Tommie Sanchez at 226-8271 for availability and rates.

The Primary Purpose Group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets every Thursday at 8:00 p.m. at the St. John's Episcopal Church, 404 NE Poplar. FMI call 325-387-9765 or 325-206-1311.

Rent the Depot or Icehouse Ranch Museum for your special party or event. Call 325-387-5084 Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

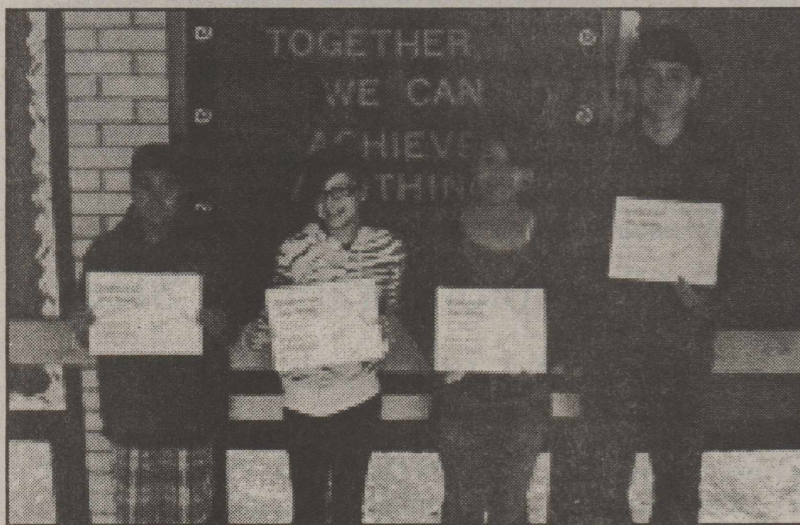


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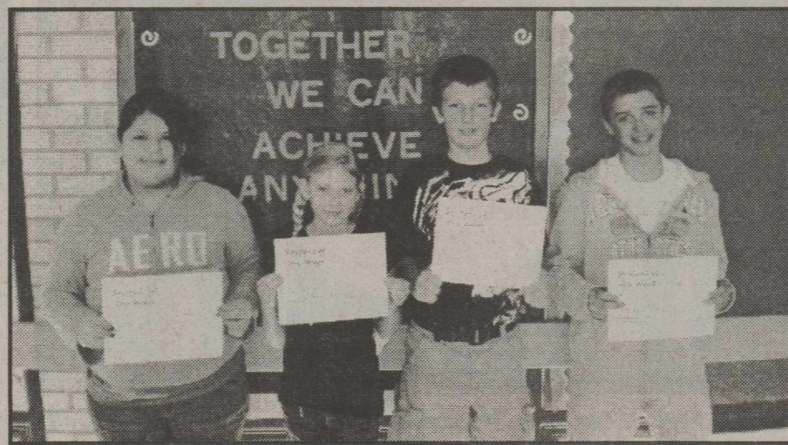
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Sonora Middle School Students of the Week March 29



5th Grade-Drew Buitron, 6th Grade-Sky McGuffin,
7th Grade-Jackie Limon, 8th Grade-Anastacio Munoz

Sonora Middle School Students of the Week March 22



Kylie Reiner - 5th Grade, Susana Robles - 6th Grade
Justin Garmon - 7th Grade, Will Dutton - 8th Grade

Sonora Elementary School Students of the Week



Back Row: Emily Hernandez, Matthew Perez, Ashley Zook
Front Row: Ashley Castilleja, Ricardo Castilleja, Justin Vasquez

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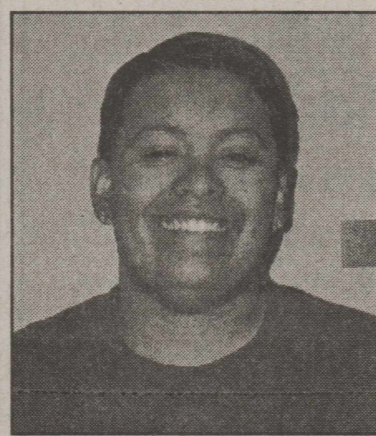
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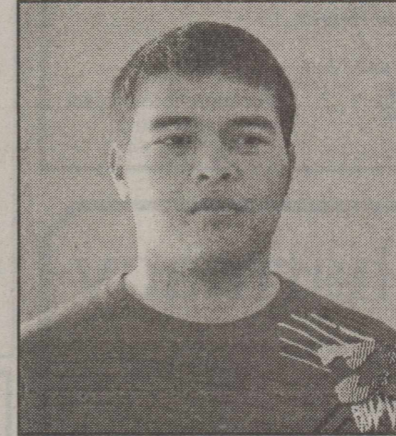
Sonora High School Students of the Week



Jessica Lopez



Juan Capuchina



Chacho Mesa



Victoria Castillo

Seniors Juan Capuchina and Jessica Lopez were selected as Sonora High's Students of the week for the week of February 8th.

Juan Capuchina is the son of Maria and Juan Capuchina. His favorite teacher is Ms. Holt and his favorite class is Woodshop. Juan likes to watch movies and dislikes homework. He is in NHS. Juan has lived in Sonora all his life and his favorite thing about school is the freedom. He plans to go to college after graduation and possibly attend ASU.

Jessica Lopez is the daughter of Patsy and Tony Lopez. Her favorite teachers are Ms. Holt and Mr. Scroggins and her favorite class is Tech Theater. She likes playing her drums and dislikes disrespectful people. Jessica is in U.I.L, band and plays softball. She has lived in Sonora all her life. Her favorite thing about high school is that the teachers are dedicated to helping students. Jessica's plans after graduation are to attend Sul Ross and major in criminal justice.

Seniors Victoria Castillo and Chacho Mesa were chosen as Sonora High School students of the week for the week of April 5, 2010

Victoria is the daughter of Pasunal and Mary Lou Castillo. Her favorite teacher is Coach Gallegos and her favorite class is anatomy. She likes to play sports, spend time with family, and hang out with her friends. She is in NHS, and the Spanish club. Victoria visits the hospitals and senior citizen centers. She has lived in Sonora all of her life and her favorite thing about Sonora high school is her friends. Victoria has already been accepted to Angelo State University and will be attending school there next year.

Chacho is the son of Maria and Ruben Mesa. His favorite teacher is Ms. Morriss and his favorite class is accounting. He enjoys playing football. He betters himself by competing in UIL Calculator. He has lived in Sonora all of his life. His favorite thing about Sonora is having fun all the time. Chacho plans to go to TSTC in Sweetwater.

"Productivity appraisal" may lower the property taxes on your farm, ranch or timberland!

Texas law allows farmers, ranchers and timber growers to pay property taxes based upon the "productivity value" of their land rather than on market value. This means qualified land is taxed based on its ability to produce crops, livestock or timber—not on its value on the real estate market. And it can mean substantial property tax savings.

When is the application deadline?

If your land has never had a productivity appraisal or you are a new owner, you must apply to your local appraisal district by April 30 to take advantage of this benefit on your 2010 property taxes. You may get up to 60 extra days if you have a good reason and ask for it by April 30. If you miss this deadline, you may still be able to apply, but you will pay a penalty. Check with your appraisal district office.

Do you need to reapply annually?

If your land already receives agricultural or timber productivity appraisal, you normally don't need to reapply unless the chief appraiser requires you to do so. If a new application is required, the appraisal district will notify you by mail.

For more information, call or come by:

SUTTON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT
300 EAST OAK STREET, SUITE 2
SONORA, TX 76950
325-387-2809

Or contact:

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs
Property Tax Assistance Division
P.O. Box 13528
Austin, Texas 78711-3528
or call: (800) 252-9121, Ext. 1



or on the Web at: www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/proptax/

A public service announcement courtesy of your county appraisal district.

Don't get hit with a penalty! "Render" your taxable property by April 15.

A "rendition" is a report to your county appraisal district that lists all the taxable property you owned or controlled on Jan. 1 of this year.

Who must file a rendition?

You must file a rendition if you own tangible personal property that is used to produce income—such as the inventory and equipment used by a business. If you render late, don't render or file an incomplete or false rendition, a 10 percent to 50 percent penalty may be imposed.

Are there any advantages to you?

The advantages of filing a rendition are:

- You give your opinion of your property's value. The appraisal district must notify you in writing of any value change and explain how you can protest that value to the appraisal review board.
- You record your correct mailing address so your tax bills will go to the right address. If your bill is mailed to the wrong address, the law still holds you responsible for paying your taxes on time or paying extra charges for late payments.
- You can also file a "report of decreased value" to notify the appraisal district of significant depreciation of the value of your property in 2009. The district will look at your property before assigning a value in 2010.

What's the deadline?

The last day for filing 2010 renditions is April 15. You can get an automatic extension to May 15 (or the next business day if a weekend) if you ask for it in writing on or before the April 15 deadline. The chief appraiser may grant an additional 15 days after May 15 for an owner who shows good cause in writing.

Where do you file?

File renditions with your local appraisal district at:

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SONORA, TX 76950
325-387-2809

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or on the Web at: www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/proptax/

A public service announcement courtesy of your county appraisal district.

A variety of homestead exemptions could lower your property taxes!

A homestead exemption lowers the property taxes on your home by lowering its taxable value. If your home is valued at \$50,000 and you receive a \$15,000 homestead exemption, your home will be taxed as if it were worth \$35,000.

Who qualifies for an exemption?

Anyone who owns a home on Jan. 1 and uses it as a primary residence on that date is entitled to a \$15,000 homestead exemption to lower school taxes this year...and it doesn't matter if your home is a house, condominium or mobile home. Counties, cities and special taxing districts may also offer homestead exemptions.

Are other exemptions available?

If you're disabled—or if you're 65 years old or older—you are entitled to an additional \$10,000 school tax exemption on your home. And if you qualify for the 65 or older or disabled exemption, you're also entitled to a permanent, locked-in "ceiling" on the school property taxes on your home. (The county, city or junior college may adopt a tax ceiling to lock in 2010 taxes as the highest amount for 65 and older or disabled homeowners.) The age 65 or older homeowners school tax ceiling transfers to the surviving spouse, if the spouse is 55 years of age or older at the time of death and lives in and owns the home. The age 65 or older homeowners (or their surviving spouses 55 years of age or older) also may transfer the percentage of school tax paid, based on their former home's school tax ceiling, to a new home.

If you're a disabled veteran who receives from the Veterans Affairs (VA)—(1) 100 percent disability compensation due to a service connected disability and (2) a rating of 100 percent disabled or a determination of individual unemployability, you are entitled to an exemption from taxation of the total appraised value of your resident homestead. A surviving spouse does not qualify.

Do I have to apply each year?

No. If you had a homestead exemption on your home in 2009, you won't need to reapply for 2010 unless your chief appraiser requires it. However, if you haven't received an exemption on your present home—or if you've moved to a new home—you'll need to file for an exemption for 2010. If you are 65 this year, you may file for the age 65 or older exemption up to one year after the date you turned 65. And if you became disabled, you need to file for the disabled person's exemption.

When and where should I file?

File applications by April 30 at your appraisal district office. If you need more time, contact us at:

SUTTON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT
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Oil & Agribusiness

Growing Tomatoes Requires Planning

By Pascual Hernandez,
Sutton County Agricultural
Extension Agent



Gardening season is finally here. To many, gardening means growing tomatoes. Growing tomatoes in the backyard can be rewarding or it can be very frustrating. A sickly tomato plant which does not produce much fruit will not boost anyone's gardening enthusiasm. So, here is some simple advice which help avoid common pitfalls.

First, select an area that receives sunlight for at least six hours a day. Otherwise, tomato plants simply will not produce maximum yields. Second, good soil is essential for good growth and high yields. Often, poor soil can be improved with liberal amounts of organic matter and by proper fertilization. Soil can be improved by working in 3 to 4 inches of decomposed organic matter where the tomatoes are to be planted. If only a few tomato plants are to be grown, a space at least 2 feet square should be prepared for each plant. The soil should be worked to a depth of at least 12 inches.

Variety selection is of utmost importance and is one of the keys to growing tomatoes successfully. Select varieties that resist many of the common diseases. Look for VFN after a variety name; this indicates that it has resistance to verticillium wilt, fusarium wilt, and nematodes. 'Bingo', 'Big Set', 'Celebrity', 'Floramerica', 'Spring Giant', 'Fantastic', 'Carnival', and 'Carmello' are top producers. A more recent arrival is BHN 444 (sometimes marketed as Sothern Star) which provides

resistance to tomato spotted wilt virus. Other old-time favorites such as 'Merced', 'Heatwave', 'Surefire', and 'SunMaster' may not be available anymore.

Plants can be started at home, although at this time in the season it is best to purchase transplants. Look for healthy, vigorous transplants. When the transplants are set in the garden, use a starter solution to assure adequate fertility during the early stages of growth. Starter solutions can be purchased, or they can be made by mixing one tablespoon of a complete garden fertilizer in a gallon of water. One cup of the solution should be applied in the planting hole prior to planting.

Optimally, the transplants should be set in the garden on cloudy days or late in the afternoon. The plants should be protected from adverse conditions such as high winds or cold temperatures for a week or so after transplanting. Cages, wrapped in row-cover fabric, can be used to control temperatures for a week or so after transplanting. Covering the plants with milk cartons also works well.

Almost all tomato varieties should be staked, trellised, or caged for best results. Any method is good if it keeps the fruit off the ground. Fruits allowed to contact the soil often develop fruit rot. People who lack the space should try growing them in a five-gallon container.

For more information, visit our website at <http://suttonco.tamu.edu>.



2010 San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo Jr. Meat Goat Show winner, Stella Ingham, placed first in division 2 class 3 meat goats out of 114 total goats in the class.

Basic Rangeland Management Workshop

Scheduled for
May 20-22 in Sonora

SONORA – The Academy for Ranch Management is offering a basic rangeland workshop targeting new ranch owners, scheduled for May 20-22 at the Texas AgriLife Research Station in Sonora. The station is located 28 miles south of Sonora on U.S. Highway 55.

"If you have recently purchased, inherited or are considering acquiring a ranch, this is the workshop for you," said Ray Hinnant, one of the instructors and an AgriLife Research senior research associate.

The workshop will cover all of the basic management activities associated with grazing management as well as

basic plant ecology and physiology, Hinnant said.

"It's been a while since we've had this type of workshop and there should be a lot of new landowners that need good, basic information on establishing a grazing management plan for their operation. This workshop will appeal to everyone."

Hinnant said they would also like to encourage spouses to attend the workshop, as many are involved in making management decisions.

Cost is \$395 and includes meals and on-site lodging.

For more information and to register, call 979-820-1778 or 325-387-3168 or visit <http://www.ranchmanagement.org>.

2010 San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo Wool and Mohair Judging Contest Winners



Stella Ingham, Delany Ramsdell, Zachary Leonard, Darby Ramsdell, and Chelsey Lou Campbell

Hi Point Mohair Individuals: 3rd Zachary Leonard, 4th Stella Ingham, 5th Chelsey Lou Campbell. **Hi Point Mohair Team:** 1st Sutton County 4-H (Stella Ingham, Zachary Leonard, Chelsey Lou Campbell). **Overall Wool & Mohair Hi Point Individuals:** 6th Stella Ingham, 7th Zachary Leonard. **Overall Wool & Mohair:** Hi Point Team 4th Sutton County 4-H (Stella Ingham, Zachary Leonard, Chelsey Lou Campbell). Also participating in the contest were Darby and Delany Ramsdell. Coached by Gary Leonard.

10 Tips for Women

1. Learn to work the toilet seat. You're a big girl.
2. Birthdays, Valentines and Anniversaries are not quests to see if we can find the perfect present yet again.
3. Sometimes we are not thinking about you - learn to live with it.
4. Sunday equals sport. It's like the full moon or the changing of the tides. Let it be.
5. Don't ever cut your hair. Long hair is always more attractive than short hair. One of the reasons guys fear getting married is that married women always cut their hair and by then you're stuck with her.
6. Shopping is not a sport and we will never think of it as such.
7. Crying is blackmail.
8. Ask for what you want. Subtle hints do not work. Strong hints do not work. Obvious hints do not work. Just say it.
9. We don't remember dates. Mark birthdays etc. on a calendar. Remind us frequently beforehand.
10. Most guys own three pairs of shoes. What makes you think we'd be good at choosing which pair, out of thirty, would look good with your dress?

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to Hold Meetings on Environmental Impacts of New Transmission Lines

Submitted by LCRA

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) will hold five scoping meetings to gather public comment as it prepares a draft environmental impact statement (EIS) that relates to potential impacts to endangered species habitat that may occur in connection with construction and operation of new transmission lines the LCRA Transmission Services Corporation (LCRA TSC) plans to build in parts of West and Central Texas. The lines are part of Texas' Competitive Renewable Energy Zones (CREZ) program to transmit wind power generated in West Texas and the Panhandle to more populated areas.

The scope of the EIS may include portions of Tom Green, Schleicher, Sutton, Mason, Menard, Kimble, Kerr, Kendall, Irion, Gillespie, Llano, Burnet, San Saba and Lampasas counties.

Here is a list of the meetings:

Monday, April 19:
SAN ANGELO
6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
La Quinta Inn and Suites -
San Angelo Room
2307 Loop 306
San Angelo, Texas 76904

Wednesday, April 21:
COMFORT
6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Comfort Park Pavilion
427 Main Street
Comfort, Texas 78013

Thursday, April 22:
JUNCTION
6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Coke R. Stevenson Memorial Center
440 North US Hwy 83
Junction, Texas 76849

Monday, April 26:
LAMPASAS

6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Holiday House
908 East Fourth Street
Lampasas, Texas 76550

Tuesday, April 27:
FREDERICKSBURG
6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Pioneer Pavilion
432 Lady Bird Drive
Fredericksburg, Texas
78624

The primary purpose of the scoping meetings is to receive suggestions and information on the scope of issues and alternatives to consider when drafting the EIS, and to identify significant issues related to the Service's potential issuance to LCRA TSC of a Section 10(a) incidental take permit under the Endangered Species Act.

The Service will accept both written and oral comments at the scoping meetings.

Staff from the Service will be present at the meetings, and court reporters will collect public comment. Comment forms also will be available at the meetings. The Service must receive any written comments by close of business on June 17, 2010.

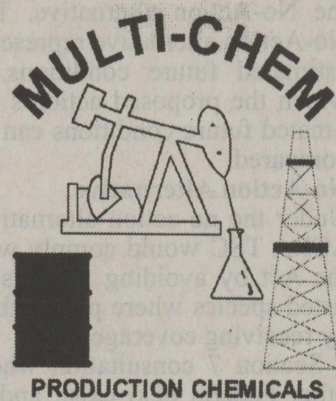
Send written comments to Field Supervisor, Austin Ecological Services Field Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 10711 Burnet Road, Suite 200, Austin, Texas 78758-4460; or fax (512) 490-0974; or e-mail Luela.Roberts@fws.gov. Note that your comments concern the LCRA TSC draft EIS.

The official notice of the scoping meetings and public comment period appeared in the Federal Register on March 19, 2010, and may be found by visiting <http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2010/pdf/2010-5944.pdf> or at 75 Federal Register

13299. LCRA TSC was awarded four CREZ "priority projects" by the Texas Public Utility Commission (PUC) and currently has two of those priority projects - the Gillespie to Newton Project and the Twin Buttes to McCamey D Project -- pending at the PUC. The two other priority projects (i.e., the McCamey D to Kendall Project and the Kendall to Gillespie Project) will be filed together in a single request for certification at the PUC on July 6, 2010. The Service's EIS is not being prepared in connection with the PUC filings. Rather, the Service will prepare an EIS in connection with LCRA TSC's application for an incidental take permit covering the golden-cheeked warbler, black-capped vireo, and potentially other federally-listed species. The federal EIS to be prepared by the Service will include all of the area involved with all of LCRA TSC's priority lines.

Since May 2009, LCRA TSC has held 18 public open houses on the projects as part of the public participation phase of the PUC's certification process. More than 3,500 people attended those meetings to give information and to learn about the projects.

As ordered by the PUC, LCRA TSC will build, own, and operate about 600 miles of new and rebuilt existing transmission lines and facilities that will total about \$700 million in costs, according to PUC estimates. This is part of a greater estimated \$4.9 billion program intended to transmit power produced from wind generators in areas of West Texas and the Panhandle to areas of high energy demand throughout the state. For more information on line routing, study area maps and more about LCRA TSC's CREZ-related projects, see <http://www.lcra.org/crez>.



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Groundwater Conference Scheduled for April 17th

SAN ANGELO—Plans have been finalized for The Texas Groundwater—Your Future Conference beginning at 8:45 a.m., Saturday, April 17 in the Texas AgriLife Research and Extension Center auditorium at San Angelo.

The center is located north on U.S. Highway 87. The meeting is free and open to the public. A complimentary noon meal will be served and a drawing for door prizes will be held at the end of the conference.

The one issue that will be addressed that will have an effect on all the people within the area beginning Sept. 1 is the legislative mandate requiring every state groundwater management area to establish goals for the pumping of groundwater.

By law, the twenty groundwater conservation districts within Groundwater Management Area 7 are required to establish the "desired future conditions" (DFCs) of the aquifers within the 32 counties included in the area by the Sept. 1 deadline. Currently, that means that the districts must set goals for the condition of each aquifer at the end of a 50 year period, including those areas not located within a groundwater district. The board then notifies each dis-

trict concerning the amount of groundwater that can be permitted for pumping to meet the 50-year goal. The implemented plans must then be reviewed and updated every five years.

Opening remarks will be given by Rep. Drew Darby and the program speakers will include: Dr. Bill Hutchinson, director of groundwater resources for the Texas Water Development Board, Greg Ellis, attorney and executive director of the Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts, Dr. Archie Ruiz, West Texas Weather Modification Assoc. consultant, Dr. Bruce Lesikar, professor and extension specialist with Texas A&M University, Scott McWilliams, Hydrogeologist with the UCRA, and former State Representative Bob Turner. Presentations will include talks on water issues, policy, law, legislation, geology, water quality, weather, rainwater harvesting, riparian areas and brush control.

By hosting the conference, the groundwater districts hope to give the general public the opportunity to better understand the water issues we're facing now and in the future. For more information contact Jim Polonis or e-mail him at: sutuwcd@sonorax.net

Gov. Perry: Texas' Economy Continues to Have a Strong Foundation

NORTH RICHLAND HILLS – Gov. Rick Perry today touted Texas' relatively strong economic environment with attracting businesses to expand in the state and create jobs for Texans. The governor spoke at a ribbon cutting for Prestige-Ameritech's new manufacturing facility, which is creating nearly 250 jobs in North Texas.

"Here in Texas, we have worked hard to create and preserve a job-friendly economic climate, where innovation is rewarded and employers have the best chance to succeed. We are seeing more fruits of those labors as we welcome the return of a key manufacturer to this area and the 250 jobs that accompany the revival of this facility," Gov. Perry said. "The jobs they are creating are part of a great overall trend for Texas, where our unemployment rate is the lowest among the nation's 10 largest states and we produced more private sector jobs than any other state in the nation over the past 10 years."

The governor credited Texas' low taxes, reasonable and predictable regulatory climate, and skilled and educated workforce with helping to attract companies that are looking to expand or relocate.

Prestige-Ameritech is the largest domestic manufacturer of surgical face masks and

disposable medical products in the U.S. The company has consolidated its three Texas facilities into a single facility in North Richland Hills known as the Global Pandemic Preparedness and Response Center. The facility will help the U.S. and other countries build surgical mask and N95 respirator stockpiles for use during pandemics, reducing the likelihood of shortages in global emergencies.

Texas' economy continues to receive national attention. Texas was recently named the number one exporting state in the nation for the eighth year in a row, and according to Moody's Economy, seven Texas metro areas are expected to be among the first to emerge from the recession. Forbes lists Texas as having one of the lowest debt burdens in the country, and a study conducted by Allied Van Lines found that more individuals and families chose to move to Texas than anywhere in the U.S. in 2009. Additionally, according to the Texas Workforce Commission, Texas created more private sector jobs than any other state in the nation over the last 10 years, and has the lowest unemployment rate among the 10 largest states in the nation

Public Notice

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR Fish and Wildlife Service [FWS-R2-ES-2010-N017; 20124-1112-0000-F2]

Lower Colorado River Authority Transmission Services Corporation; Construction, Operation, Maintenance, and Repair of Competitive Renewable Energy Zone Transmission Lines and Related Facilities

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare a draft environmental impact statement and draft habitat conservation plan; announcement of meetings; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), advise the public that we intend to prepare a draft environmental impact statement (EIS) to evaluate the impacts of, and alternatives to, the proposed issuance of an Endangered Species Act permit to the Lower Colorado River Authority Transmission Services Corporation (LCRA TSC; applicant) for incidental take of six federally listed or candidate species from activities associated with LCRA TSC's construction, maintenance, operation, and repair of four Competitive Renewable Energy Zone (CREZ) "priority" transmission lines and related facilities (i.e., substations, substation upgrades, and access roads) required to be constructed by the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) (collectively, the LCRA TSC CREZ transmission lines). We also announce plans for a series of public scoping meetings and a public comment period.

DATES: If you wish to submit written comments on alternatives and issues for us to address in the draft EIS, we must receive them by close of business on June 17, 2010. We will hold five public scoping meetings at locations throughout LCRA's proposed 14-county permit area. The scoping meetings will be noticed in local newspapers at least two weeks before each scoping meeting and on the following website: <http://www.LCRA.org>. The dates and locations for the meetings are as follows:

Monday, April 19, 2010 (6:30-8:30 PM)
San Angelo
La Quinta Inn and Suites - San Angelo Room
2307 Loop 306
San Angelo, Texas 76904

Wednesday, April 21, 2010 (6:30-8:30 PM)
Comfort

Comfort Park Pavilion
427 Main Street
Comfort, Texas 78013

Thursday, April 22, 2010 (6:30-8:30 PM)

Junction
Coke R. Stevenson Memorial Center
440 North US Hwy 83
Junction, Texas 76849

Monday, April 26, 2010 (6:30-8:30 PM)

Lampasas
Holiday House
908 East Fourth Street
Lampasas, Texas 76550

Tuesday, April 27, 2010 (6:30-8:30 PM)

Fredericksburg
Pioneer Pavilion
432 Lady Bird Drive
Fredericksburg, Texas 78624

ADDRESSES: For further information or to send written comments by mail:

Field Supervisor, Austin Ecological Services Field Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 10711 Burnett Road, Suite 200, Austin, TX 78758-4460; 512/490-0057 (phone); 512/490-0974 (fax); or Luella.Roberts@fws.gov (e-mail). Note that your information request or comments concern the LCRA TSC draft EIS/HCP.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: We publish this notice in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), and its implementing regulations (40 CFR 1506.6), and section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act; 16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.). We intend to gather the information necessary to determine impacts and alternatives to support a decision regarding the potential issuance of an incidental take permit to the applicant, and the implementation of the supporting draft HCP. We intend to prepare an EIS to evaluate the impacts of, and alternatives to, the proposed issuance of an incidental take permit under the Act. The applicant proposes to apply for an incidental take permit through development and implementation of an HCP. The proposed HCP will cover take of certain species that is incidental to activities associated with the construction, operation, maintenance, and repair of LCRA TSC's CREZ transmission lines and related facilities and will include measures necessary to minimize and mitigate impacts to covered species and their habitats to the maximum extent

practicable.

Background

Section 9 of the Act prohibits "taking" of fish and wildlife species listed as endangered under section 4 of the Act. The Act's implementing regulations extend, under certain circumstances, the prohibition of take to threatened species. Under section 3 of the Act, the term "take" means "to harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture, or collect, or to attempt to engage in any such conduct." The term "harm" is defined by regulation as "an act which actually kills or injures wildlife. Such act may include significant habitat modification or degradation where it actually kills or injures wildlife by significantly impairing essential behavioral patterns, including breeding, feeding, or sheltering" (50 CFR 17.3). The term "harass" is defined in the regulations as "an intentional or negligent act or omission which creates the likelihood of injury to wildlife by annoying it to such an extent as to significantly disrupt normal behavioral patterns which include, but are not limited to, breeding, feeding, or sheltering" (50 CFR 17.3).

Section 10(a)(1)(B) of the Act requires an applicant for an incidental take permit to prepare an HCP that describes:

(1) The impact that will result from such taking; (2) the steps the applicant will take to minimize and mitigate that take to the maximum extent practicable, and the funding that will be available to implement such steps; (3) the alternative actions to such taking that the applicant considered and the reasons why such alternatives are not being utilized; and (4) the other measures that the Service may require as being necessary or appropriate for the purposes of the plan. The Act requires us to issue an incidental take permit to an applicant when we determine that:

(1) The taking will be incidental to otherwise lawful activities; (2) the applicant will, to the maximum extent practicable, minimize and mitigate the impacts of such taking; (3) the applicant has ensured that adequate funding for the plan will be provided; (4) the taking will not appreciably reduce the likelihood of the survival and recovery of the species in the wild; and (5) the measures, if any, we require as necessary or appropriate for the purposes of the plan will be met. Regulations governing permits for endangered and threatened species are at 50 CFR 17.22 and 17.32. We

expect that the Applicant will request permit coverage for a period of 30 years.

Scoping Meetings

A primary purpose of the scoping process is to receive suggestions and information on the scope of issues and alternatives to consider when drafting the EIS, and to identify, rather than debate, significant issues related to the proposed action. In order to ensure that we identify a range of issues and alternatives related to the proposed action, we invite comments and suggestions from all interested parties.

We will conduct a review of this project according to the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act and its regulations, other relevant Federal laws, regulations, policies, and guidance, and our procedures for compliance with those regulations. Persons needing reasonable accommodations in order to attend and participate in the public meetings should contact us at the address listed in the ADDRESSES section no later than 1 week before the relevant public meeting. Information regarding this proposed action is available in alternative formats upon request. We will accept oral and written comments at the meetings. You may also submit comments to persons listed in the ADDRESSES section. Once the draft EIS and draft HCP are completed and available for review, there will be further opportunities for public comment on the content of these documents through additional public meetings and comment period.

Alternatives

The proposed action presented in the draft EIS will be compared to the No-Action alternative. The No-Action alternative represents estimated future conditions to which the proposed action's estimated future conditions can be compared.

No-Action Alternative

Under the no-action alternative, LCRA TSC would comply with the Act by avoiding impacts to listed species where practicable, by receiving coverage under a Section 7 consultation where other Federal nexi exist, and/or by applying for individual incidental take permits where federal nexus does not exist. This approach is likely to be more time-consuming and less efficient, and could result in an isolated independent mitigation approach. In addition, under this piecemeal approach, it is unlikely that LCRA TSC would be able to construct the LCRA TSC CREZ transmission lines within

the timeline mandated by the Texas Legislature and the PUC.

Proposed Alternative

The proposed action is issuance of an incidental take permit for the covered species during construction, operation, and/or maintenance of LCRA TSC's CREZ transmission lines. The proposed HCP, which must meet the requirements in section 10(a)(2)(A) of the Act, would be developed and implemented by the applicant. This alternative could allow for a comprehensive mitigation approach for authorized impacts and reduce the permit processing effort for the Service. Actions covered under the requested incidental take permit may include possible take of covered species associated with activities including, but not limited to, construction, operation, maintenance, and repair of LCRA TSC's CREZ transmission lines and all related infrastructure and facilities such as substations and access roads. The applicant expects to apply for an incidental take permit for six species listed as endangered or threatened or considered to be a candidate for listing within the proposed permit area. It is anticipated that the impacts to listed species associated with the Service's possible approval of the HCP also will be considered pursuant to the interagency consultation procedures of section 7 of the Act and that future consultation on such impacts occurring in accordance with the approved HCP will not be necessary and will not require additional measures of the Applicant. Species proposed to be covered under the requested incidental take permit include: The golden-cheeked warbler, black-capped vireo, least tern, whooping crane, and black-tailed prairie dog. Counties included in the proposed permit area include portions of Tom Green, Schleicher, Sutton, Mason, Menard, Kimble, Kerr, Kendall, Irion, Gillespie, Llano, Burnet, San Saba, and Lampasas Counties.

Species not covered by the proposed incidental take permit will also be addressed in the draft HCP as evaluation or additional species. These species include the ocelot, Concho water snake, Clear Creek gambusia, sharpnose shiner, smallmouth shiner, Bee Creek Cave harvestman, Texas hornshell, Tobusch fishhook cactus, and Texas snow-bells.

The applicant does not anticipate that covered activities will result in take of the evaluation species. The purpose of addressing these

species is to analyze and explain why the applicant believes these species will not be taken by the covered activities. Other alternatives considered will also be addressed in the draft EIS, including impacts associated with each alternative evaluated.

Public Availability of Comments

Written comments we receive become part of the public record associated with this action. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that the entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Environmental Review

The Service will conduct an environmental review to analyze the proposed action, as well as other alternatives evaluated and the associated impacts of each. The draft EIS will be the basis for the impact evaluation for each species covered and the range of alternatives to be addressed.

The draft EIS is expected to provide biological descriptions of the affected species and habitats, as well as the effects of the alternatives on other resources such as vegetation, wetlands, wildlife, geology and soils, air quality, water resources, water quality, cultural resources, land use, recreation, water use, local economy, climate change, and environmental justice. Following completion of the environmental review, the Service will publish a notice of availability and a request for comments on the draft EIS and the Applicant's permit application, which will include the draft HCP. The draft EIS and draft HCP are expected to be completed and available to the public in early to mid-2010.

Thomas L. Bauer,
Acting Regional Director, Region 2, Albuquerque, New Mexico. [FR Doc. 2010-5944 Filed 3-18-10; 8:45 am]

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Broncos At The Next Level

John Duke Hudson-'09 Sonora graduate, College of Charleston, Fr., golf—John Duke led the College of Charleston's men's golf team to a 15th place finish in the Hootie at Bulls Bay Intercollegiate at Bulls Bay Golf Club in Awendaw, S.C. The Cougars finished with a 921 after 54 holes of golf. John Duke shot a 3 day total of 79-72-77—228. The Cougars return to action at the Wolfpack Intercollegiate April 12-13 at the Lonnie Pool Golf Club in Raleigh, N.C.

Meghan Krieg-'07 Sonora graduate, Louisiana Tech, Jr., softball—Meghan went 3-0 on the week with a .70 ERA. Having pitched 20 innings, 3 complete games, last week Meghan gave up just 2 hits, 2 earned runs while striking out 22 holding batters to a .174 batting average. Techsters began the week with a shutout victory against Centenary in which Meghan struck out 9. San Jose entered the

conference match up over the weekend hitting .312 as a team. Meghan held them to 6 hits and only one run in 13 innings. Meghan pitched a one hit 2-0 victory on Friday then came back with a 9-1(6) win on Saturday. Meghan was named the WAC Pitcher of the Week. The Techsters (17-11, 4-2 WAC) will play a mid week game against UTA on Tuesday and then return to conference play on Friday and Saturday hosting New Mexico State.

Kimble Luna-'08 Sonora graduate, Howard Payne, So., softball—The Lady Jackets went 2-2 against American Southwest Conference's Texas Lutheran University over the weekend. Friday losing 1-3 and 3-4 Kimble was 0/3 with a walk in game one and 2/3 with 2 RBI's in game 2. The Lady Jackets swept TLU on Saturday 8-3, 5-3. Kimble was 1/3 with a walk in game one and game two. Kimble is now batting .328 on the year with 24 hits (3 doubles, 1

triple and 5 RBI's) out of 74 at bats. The Lady Jackets are 9-14 and 6-8 ASC West. The Lady Jackets will play next weekend at home in a 4 game series against Hardin-Simmons. Lady Jackets will play next weekend back at home in a four-game series against Hardin-Simmons. Lady Jackets will play next weekend back at home in a four-game series against Hardin

Bronco Golf Team Hits the Hill Country

Submitted by Coach Hanson

On Tuesday, March 23, Liz Chavarria went to participate in the Llano Girls Golf Tournament. Liz won second medalist with a score of 80.

On Monday, March 29, Liz Chavarria went to participate in the Fredericksburg girls golf invitational. On a bright sunny day, Liz tied for first place with a score of 80. She won the first place medalist spot winning on the second playoff hole.

On Tuesday, March 30, the

boys golf team went to Fredericksburg to participate in the Fredericksburg boys golf invitational. The boys team place 4th with a team total of 330. The boys scores were Dylan Castillo 81, Jansen McBride 82, Word Hudson 83, Manny Paredes 84, and Caleb Gonzales 84.

Next tournament action will

be on April 7, in Ft. Stockton. This will be the first of two district golf rounds. The second round will also be in Ft. Stockton on Monday, April 12.

Before spring break, Sonora hosted the Sonora Girls Invitational. Sonora's own Liz Chavarria won 1st Medalist with a score of 78.

Eighteen holes of match or medal play will teach you more about your foe than will 18 years of dealing with him across a desk.

~Grantland Rice

Lions Roar



Submitted by Frank Wamble

We were blessed with a vast amount of guests of all ages at our last Lions Club meeting. Like clock work the Middle School "Students of the Week" led by Mr. Brandon Duncan, Middle School Principal, participated in our luncheon meeting. Tradition has it that they all have an opportunity to address the members. The students were Drew Buitron 5th grade, Sky McGuffin 6th grade, Jacqueline Limon 7th grade.

In addition, a special treat and guests of the Club were Coach Eddie Favila's Warriors just coming off a wonderful track victory in San Angelo. The team smashed all opponents scoring 130 points and outclassing a great field of competitors. All team members pictured above had an opportunity to address the Club and reminisce with the members about their superb individual and Team performance. Thanks, Coach Favila, for gracing our Club with these superb student athletes and your efforts to make them "above the best."

NOTE TO MEMBERS OF THE SENIOR CLASS OF 2010: Due date for LIONS CLUB Scholarship applications must be returned to Mrs. Friess at the Counselor's office by April 15.

The nominating Committee is preparing a slate of Lion officers for the 2010-2011 Lions fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010. Nominations are still open.

Relay for Life will be on April 17 downtown. Planning is on going for the Lions sponsored Survivors Dinner at the 1st Methodist Church early on Saturday evening. If you have questions regarding this event contact Mrs. Danny Dillard 387-4408

The Lions Club welcomes our newest member Sonora's own Athletic Director and Coach David Sine.

Chamber Chatter

Submitted by Donna Garrett

It's a Fiesta ~ Come Celebrate! This year the Chamber of Commerce will be celebrating the Annual Banquet Fiesta Style! Banquet time is 6:30 p.m., on Thursday, April 22 at the Sutton County Civic Center. Blind Nello will perform at the banquet again this year. Tickets are on sale now at the chamber office for \$15 each or you may reserve a table of 8 for \$120. The tables will be decorated by the chamber, so all you have to do is show up and enjoy the evening. As in the past, a committee was formed from the board of directors and chamber members in good standing, to determine the nominees for Educator of the Year, Employee of the Year, Business Person of the Year, Organization of the Year and Citizen of the Year. We would like to thank the committee for doing such a great job on their nominations. We are aware that it is a very tough job, considering Sonora is filled with fabulous citizens like these. We appreciate all they do for our city. Ballots are then mailed out to all of our chamber members. This year we received a great response. We appreciate all members for taking the time to cast your ballot. If you are interested in joining the chamber, call the office and Tibba will be happy to send you an application or you may go online at www.sonoratr-chamber.com. This year's nominees are as follows:

Sonora Chamber of Commerce 2010 Award Ballot

Citizen of the Year:

- Rex Ann Friess
- Susan Hall
- Jo Ann Hernandez
- Chris Roque
- Joe David Ross

Business Person of the Year:

- Keith Butler - Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital
- Jimmy Cahill - Carl J. Cahill Construction
- Sam Dillard - State Farm Insurance
- Brenda Sanchez - La Mexicana
- Maria Zaragoza - Taco Grill

Educator of the Year (church, school, day care, etc)

- Amy Davenport - Sonora Elementary Counselor
- Claudia Dempsey - Sonora Middle School - 8th Grade Math & Algebra

- Eddie Favila - Sonora High School - ACTS and ESL Teacher & Coach
- Pascual Hernandez - Sutton County Agri-Life Extension
- Dr. Butch Taylor - Texas A&M Experiment Station

Employee of the Year:

- Michelle Faz - The Bank & Trust
- Diane Jacoby - SISD Business Manager
- Juan Patino - Red Horse Feed
- Tom Payton - Natural Resource Conservation Service
- Eddy Smith - Revolution Broadcast Radio

Organization of the Year:

- American Cancer Society - Sonora Chapter
- Sonora Economic Development Corporation
- Sonora Woman's Club
- Sutton County 4-H
- Viva Sonora

Come out and show your support for all of our wonderful board members and nominees! Call 387-2880 or stop by our office at 205 Highway 277 North to reserve your tables for the banquet.

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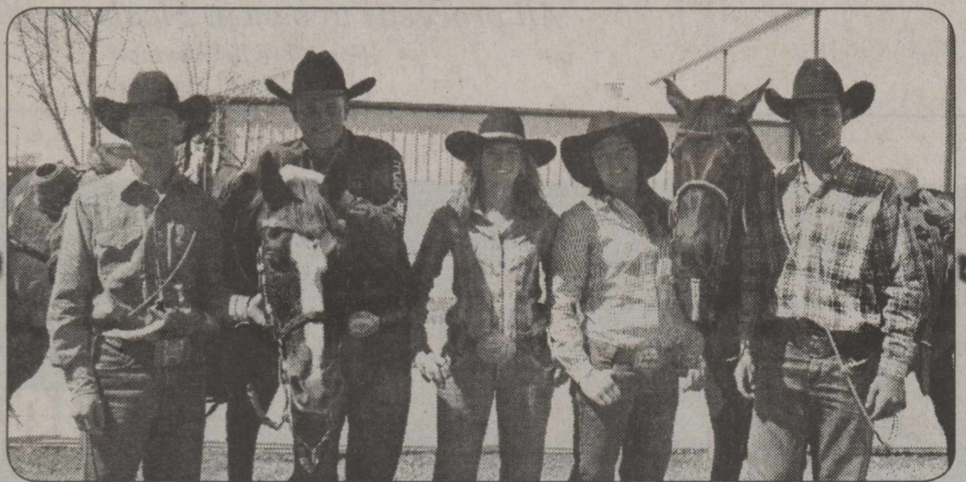
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Region II



Gunter Pennington, Sam Powers, Serena Lee Allison, Chelsey Lou Campbell, and Word Hudson will be competing this weekend in Andrews, TX at the Texas High School Rodeo Association Finals. These young men will all compete in roping events while the young ladies will run barrels and poles. In addition, Sam will compete in the Steer Wrestling event. These rodeo athletes are all students at Sonora High School.

We would like to thank the following sponsors for their support this year by their generous contributions to the rodeo association: Red Horse Feeds, Comfort Inn, Multi-Chem, IPS (Integrated Production Services) of Ozona, the First National Bank of Sonora, Arroyo Grande Ranch Company, Epps Ranch, Balch Ranch and Keith & Anita Hudson.

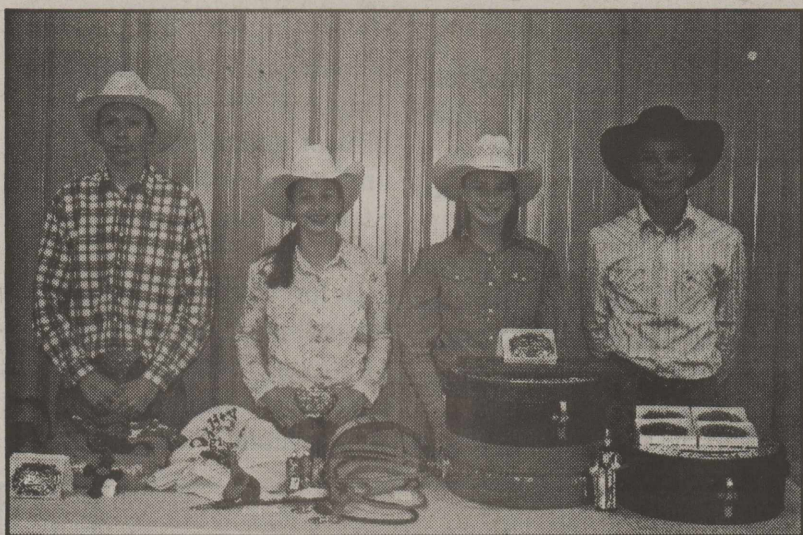
Region III



Stella Ingham will be competing in the finals for Region 3 in Graham, TX on April 17 & 18.

She would like to thank the Caverns of Sonora for their support as her sponsor this year. Stella is freshman at Sonora High School, and competes in barrels, poles, and breakaway roping.

Sonora Jr. High Rodeo Team State Bound



Cody Barber, Zella Powers, Macie Friess, Chance Campbell

These young student athletes will all compete at the State Finals in Gonzales, TX in June.

Cody Barber – first in Team Roping as header, with partner Chance Campbell, heeler; second in Chute Dogging, and sixth in Breakaway Roping

Zella Powers- first in Barrel Racing, fifth in Pole Bending, eighth in Breakaway Roping, and eighth in Goat Tying

Macie Friess- first in Goat Tying, third in Ribbon Running with partner Chance Campbell, third in Breakaway Roping

Chance Campbell – first in Chute Dogging, first in Tie Down Calf Roping, first in Goat Tying, and first in Team Roping as heeler, with partner Cody Barber, header; third in Ribbon Roping with partner Macie Friess; and a saddle for All-Around Cowboy

Varsity Girls Track: Broncos Run over the Competition

DISCUS: 3RD PLACE- GINA VALDEZ- 73'9"; TRIPLE JUMP: 3RD PLACE- JACINDA SANCHEZ- 33'2 1/4", 4TH PLACE- MORGAN SMITH- 32'10"; LONG JUMP: 1ST PLACE- JACINDA SANCHEZ- 15'7 1/4", 4TH PLACE- JARON FALCON- 13'9 1/4"; HIGH JUMP: 6TH PLACE- EMILCE HERNANDEZ- 4'4"; POLE VAULT: 1ST PLACE- KELSEY FAVILA- 9'6", 2ND PLACE- CHELSEY LOU CAMPBELL- 9'; 3200 M RUN: 1ST PLACE- DULCE ACOSTA, 2ND PLACE- JALEN FALCON, 4TH PLACE- CLARISSA HERNANDEZ; 4X100 METER RELAY: 1ST PLACE- 51.79 MELISSA FREEMAN, AVERY NOLEN, MORGAN SMITH, CHELSEY LOU CAMPBELL; 800M RUN: 4TH PLACE- KALLIE HUMPHREY- 2:47, 5TH PLACE- OLIVIA BANDA- 3:03, 6TH PLACE- MAGALI MATA- 3:09; 100 M HURDLES: 3RD PLACE- KELSEY FAVILA- 17.30, 6TH PLACE- DANIELA CANO- 18.46; 100 M DASH: 3RD PLACE- MELISSA FREEMAN- 13.37, 6TH PLACE- JARON FALCON- 13.90; 4X200 M RELAY: 1ST PLACE- 1:53.20, MORGAN SMITH, DELILAH AGUERO, MARAYA DUNN, JACINDA SANCHEZ; 400 M DASH: 4TH PLACE- MELISSA FREEMAN- 1:08.226, 5TH PLACE- JACINDA SANCHEZ- 1:10.71, 6TH PLACE- MARAYA DUNN- 1:11.48; 300 M HURDLES: 2ND PLACE- CHELSEY LOU CAMPBELL- 51.81, 4TH PLACE- KELSEY FAVILA- 52.68; 200 M DASH: 4TH PLACE- JARON FALCON- 30.46, DELILAH AGUERO (WAITING FOR OFFICIAL RESULTS); 1600 M RUN: 1ST PLACE- DULCE ACOSTA- 6:03, 2ND PLACE- JALEN FALCON- 6:07, 4TH PLACE- CLARISSA HERNANDEZ- 6:21, 6TH PLACE- KORY HUMPHREY- 6:33; 4X400 METER RELAY: 2ND PLACE- 4:23.2, DELILAH AGUERO, AVERY NOLEN, MORGAN SMITH, CHELSEY LOU CAMPBELL.

TEAM RESULTS:
1ST SONORA- 194
2ND MONAHANS- 139
3RD OZONA- 138
4TH IRAAN- 98
5TH REAGAN CO- 27
6TH ALPINE- 8

7th grade Girls Track Reagan County Track Meet

Long Jump: 2nd Selena Trevino 13'3", 6th Valeria Ramirez 12'4"; High Jump: 2nd Alexa Sykes 4'0", 3rd Katy Braly 3'10", 4th Lillian Kent 3'10", 5th Halle Samaniego 3'10"; Triple Jump: 2nd Kaci Lewis 26'2, 4th Annalisa Perez 24'; Discus: 3rd Veronica Gaytan 60'4", 4th Aisha Castruita 59'11"; Shot Put: 5th Veronica Gaytan 23'11", 6th Aisha Castruita 23'2"; Pole Vault 1st Alison Perez 6'0", 2nd Logan Sine 6'0"; 2400: 2nd Lillian Kent 12:09.28, 5th Lillian Kent 12:52.88, 6th Julissa Esquivel 16:01.57; Sprint Relay (4X100): 2nd place Valeria Ramirez, Selena Trevino, Madison Wolfe, Kaci Lewis; 800: 1st Katy Braly 2:51.65, 3rd Jesi Telles 3:07.65, 4th Miranda Perez 3:19.34; 100 Hurdles: 1st Abby Nolen 19.09, 3rd Kaci Lewis 20.24; 100: 2nd Valeria Ramirez 14.24, 3rd Madison Wolfe 14.79, 6th Valencia Ballardo 15.08; 800 Relay (4X200): 1st place 2:07.14, Valeria Ramirez, Selena Trevino, Madison Wolfe, Logan Sine; 400: 2nd Alexa Sykes 1:17.11; 300 Hurdles: 1st Abby Nolen 54.17, 200: 4th Logan Sine 33.65, 5th Selena Trevino 33.68; 1600: 2nd Katy Braly 6:46.56, 3rd Jesi Telles 7:02.82, 4th Lillian Kent 7:18.19; Mile Relay (4X400): 1st Place 4:51.65 Abby Nolen, Alexa Sykes, Logan Sine, Katy Braly.

Team Totals
1st Sonora 218
2nd Ozona 148
3rd Reagan Co 112
4th Crane 105

Eighth Grade Lady Broncos Stay on Top

The Lady Broncos competed well and collected their 5th Team Championship in 5 meets in Big Lake Tuesday! The Lady Colts scored in just about every area to maintain their lead for Team Points. They swept all three relays at the meet and scored well individually as well. The Lady Colts outscored their nearest opponent by 96 points. The girls have worked hard and performed awesome all year. These girls are a special group doing special things.

Thanks to those who support the Bronco Nation,
Coach Abby

Team Points

Sonora	250
Reagan County	154
Ozona	123
Crane	65

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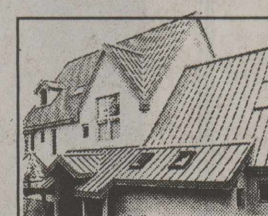
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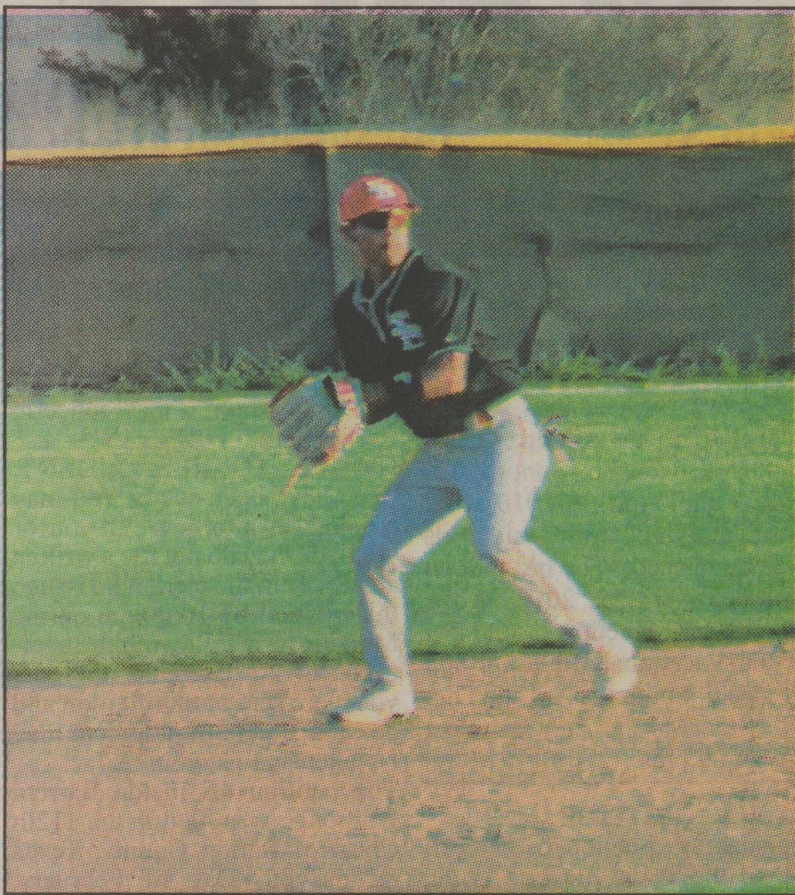
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Broncos Defeat Rivals from Crockett County



By Nancy Glasscock

On Good Friday evening, the wind was blowing out to left center field and six balls ended up out there over the fence also. It was Home Run Derby time in Ozona with both teams launching three each. Senior, Caleb Gonzales, got the start and pitched four and two-thirds innings. He struck out six and gave up five hits. Dylan Castillo came in from right field in relief. He pitched two and one-third innings, struck out five Lions, to get his third Save. The second was the big inning for Sonora. Dustin Neff had a leadoff homer, followed by a single by Castillo, a two RBI homer by Cash Jennings and a single by RJ Torres. The score was 4 to zip until the bottom of the fifth inning when the Lion batters started making contact. The Lions scored three runs on two hits and two Bronco errors. Castillo came in and struck out the eighth and final batter of the inning to end the bleeding. The Broncos responded in the

sixth by tacking on two more runs after Neff walked and Castillo got his second single. With one out, Torres hit a two strike single into center to bring Neff home. Colyer Dermody walked. The bases were loaded. Zach Rodriguez laid down a perfect bunt to score Castillo coming down the third base line for the successful suicide squeeze play. The score stood at 6-3. The Lions picked up two more runs on their number nine batter's second homer and the second and third batters' hits. But Castillo then struck out the final two batters of the inning. In the Bronco seventh, Neff gave the team a little more of a cushion when he blasted a shot over the left center wall for the second time of the game. Castillo struck out two of the final three Lion batters to end the game. The Broncos are now 5-1 in district in sole possession of second place. Their next district game is in Kermit.

Bronco Varsity Loses Hard Fought Game



By Nancy Glasscock

The two District 4-2A teams that were tied for first place met on Tuesday, March 30th in Sonora. We had a great crowd for the game and even had major league scouts taking a look at some of the players. The atmosphere was charged with anticipation. The Broncos fell three runs short and lost their first district game of the season, 6-3. Tyler Creek struck out six Blue Devil batters in six and one-third innings. Dylan Castillo was two for three, with two singles and three RBI's. Ethan Morriss was one for four and a broken bone in his left hand. Cleanup hitter, Dustin Neff, was one for two with a double and scored on one of Castillo's singles.

Lady Broncos Softball

By Erika Kirkland

The Lady Broncos had a great game on Tuesday, and one well need. They took on the Blue Devils of Presidio in a win of 20-7. The offense was just on, and everyone was hitting the ball really well. We had Evelyn Solis on the mound as she had four strikeouts total. I really have to say that when these girls are on it is hard to stop them as a team. Base running was

a real plus in the game, and the girls did a great job of listening to me. We also had some outstanding catches made by Hunter Jennings, Cassie Krieg, and Gina Valdez. The girls have the second half of district coming up on Friday against Ozona in Ozona starting at 5 and J.V to follow. Thank you for all of the support. GO LADY BRONCO SOFTBALL!!!!

Four bases, three strikes, two teams, one winner. It's not just a game, but a way of life. Softball, this is my destiny. Author Unknown

Regional Academic Qualifiers



The students pictured above will be representing Sonora at the Regional UIL Academic Meet. Congratulations to all of these students and their coaches!

Bronco Track Team Wins the Owl Relays

By Eddie Favila

The track team once again took first place in the Reagan Co. Owl Relays. After a short week of workout, the team hit the track and scored big points in Big Lake. They had their best scoring from the field events so far this year. The team was led by senior, Cash Jennings and Manny Paredes. Cash won the discus (117'07") and placed second in the shot put (43'09.50"). Manny won the pole vault with a vault of 13'00". In the triple jump Bailey Joe Pennington placed third with a jump of 38'09.50" and Word Hudson placed fourth with a jump of 37'04.25". Word Hudson once again placed third in the long jump with a jump of 18'09". In the high jump, Cadesman Pope jumped 5'10" to place second in the high jump. Daniel Lankford rounded up the scoring, as he placed second in the pole vault with a jump of 12'06". The running events began with a bang, Robert Chavez continued his winning with a 10:39.90 in the 3200 meter run, teammate Jesus Vasquez placed second with a time of 10:54.46 and Angel Aguayo

ran a 11:41.68 to place fourth. This week in the 400 meter relay, Gunter Pennington, Jesse Guerrero, Zac Badeaux, and Will Anderson ran a 44.46 to win gold. The 800 meter runners continued to dominate as Robert Chavez, Esteban Garcia, and Cody Pena placed first, second, and fourth. Robert's time of 2:04.54 was his best of the year, Esteban's time of 2:07.75 was his best time of the year and Cody ran a 2:10.95. In the hurdles, Will Dunn ran a 15.24 to win his events. In the 100 meter dash, teammates Will Anderson and Gunter Penning-

ton battled it out for first and second. Will edged out Gunter, both running great times of 11.27 and 11.36. Placing first in the 800 meter relay with a time of 1:36.55 was Gunter Pennington, Word Hudson, Harvey Santana, and Tyler Creek. Jesse Guerrero ran a 55.74 to place second in the 400 meter dash and Cody Pena ran a 56.30 to place fourth. Zach Badeaux ran a 42.52 in the 300 meter hurdles to place second. The Broncos again scored big in the 200 meter as Eric Santana ran a 24.42 and Word Hudson ran a 24.70 to place second and third. In the 1600 meter run, Jesus Vasquez

ran 4:58.18 to win the 1600 meter run. Teammates Angel Aguayo had a time of 5:04.43, and Esteban Garcia had a time of 5:07.65 The final event the 1600 meter relay continued to stay undefeated as they ran a 3:32.40. The team consisted of Will Dunn, Cadesman Pope, Robert Chavez, and Jesse Guerrero. The team has competed well, and will continue to improve to take it to the next level. The team will travel to Wall this week to face tough competition with team like Bangs, Wall, Ballinger, Llano, Brady, Ballinger, Greenwood and Grape Creek in attendance.

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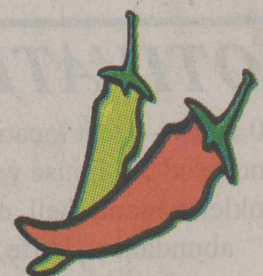
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JV Baseball Undefeated After 6 District Games

By Jay Immel

The Sonora JV Red Baseball team has completed the first half of their district schedule with a 6-0 record. They defeated Presidio by a score of 8-4. Every other team in the district they have defeated by at least 10 runs. They are a very hard working group, and they will continue to work even harder as they strive for a perfect district record.

"If you're not practicing, somebody else is, somewhere, and he'll be ready to take your job."

-Brooks Robinson