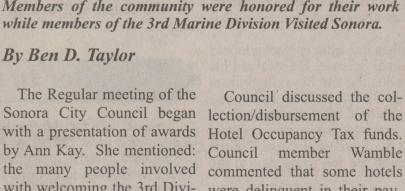


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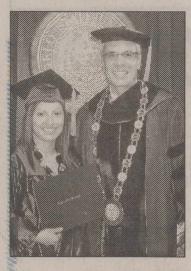
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Statement by Gov. Rick Perry On U.S. District Court Ruling on Health Care Act

AUSTIN - Gov. Rick Perry today issued the following statement regarding U.S. District Judge Henry E. Hudson's ruling in Virginia that the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act's individual mandate violates the U.S. Constitution:

"Today's court decision on the federal health care bill is promising news for Texans and all Americans, who have had enough of the ongoing federal intrusion into their lives, and who reject this one-size-fits-all approach to dealing with health care.

"The federal government's attempt to force every American to buy government-approved health insurance is an egregious violation of our Constitutional rights. The 10th Amendment and individual liberties must be protected, and I am committed to fighting the overreach of Obamacare and challenging these unconstitutional mandates, which have gone far beyond both the letter and spirit of the Constitution."

The Commonwealth of Virginia's challenge, as well as Texas' challenge in a separate lawsuit with 19 other states, maintains that Congress does not have the authority to force individuals to buy health insurance. This administration continues to spend excessively and impose unfunded mandates upon the states, including this federal health care reform bill that will cost Texas taxpayers more than \$27 billion over 10 years for the Medicaid expansion starting in 2014.

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Varsity Boys Basketball: Come in Second at Tournament



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It isn't completely right treasury notes. These notes are redeemable for their value, and have an interest rate. That interest rate is directly affected by the value of our dollar (if the dollar has low value than the interest rate will be higher). Currently the U.S. is paying an average of 24 billion dollars a month on interest payments for our debt (over 400 billion dollars for the year). The largest debt holder (of private debt) is China at 846 billion dollars and is followed by Japan at 821 billion. While that seems to be a substantial amount many

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Senior Center Activities

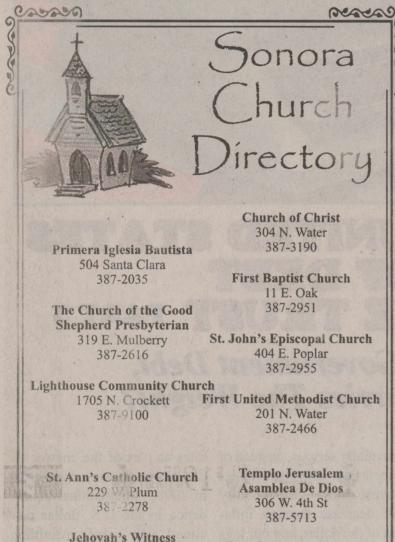
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Fri. December 17 - Christmas carols @ Noon
Mon. December 20 - "Christmas" Bingo
Tues. December 21 - Exercise video

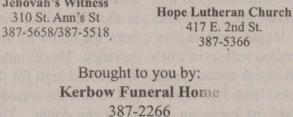
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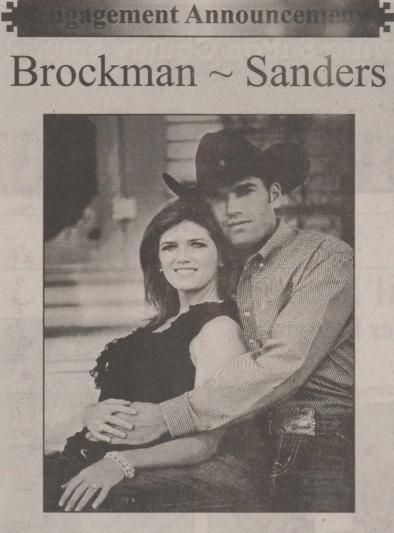
Senior Center Menu

Thurs. December 16 - Meatloaf w/sauce, mashed potatoes,	
fried okra, wheat roll, sugar cookie	
Fri. December 17- Cheese enchiladas, pinto beans, milk, Spanish rice, crackers, fruit salad	
Mon. December 20 - Beef stew w/vegetables, sweet peas, crackers, peaches, chocolate pudding	
Tues. December 21 - Chicken fried steak w/gravy, roll, milk baked potato, Italian vegetables, fruit	ί,
Wed. December 22 - Baked ham, dressing, gravy, pie, roll, sweet potatoes, green beans, 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).





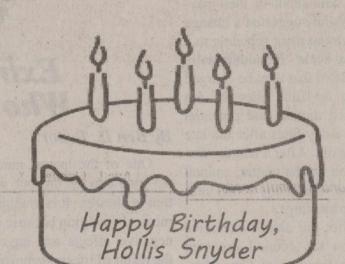


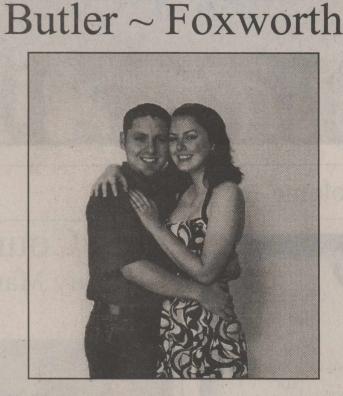
Bob and Nancy Brockman of Sonora, Texas are pleased to announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter, Ashley Brockman, to Jeff Sanders, son of Tommy and Susan Sanders of Central, Texas.

Ashley is a 2003 graduate of Texas A&M University in College Station with Bachelor's degree in Agriculture Journalism. She is currently self employed as a wedding planner in College Station.

Jeff is a 2004 graduate of Stephen F. Austin in Nacogdoches with a Bachelor's degree in Animal Science. He received his Master's degree in Equine Reproduction and Physiology from Texas A&M University in College Station in 2007. Jeff is currently employed by New Earth as a field sales representative.

The couple will exchange vows in an evening ceremony on Friday, April 29, 2011 at St. John's Episcopal Church in Sonora and will host a reception the following day, at the bride's parent's home.





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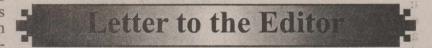
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Mr. & Mrs. Keith L. Butler are please to announce the engagement of their daughter, Emilly Rose to Evan Mario Foxworth.

Emilly is a 2007 graduate of Sonora High School. She earned her Paramedic Certification in August of 2010. She is pursuing her Bachelor's Degree at Texas Tech University. She is employed as a Paramedic in Lubbock, Texas.

Evan is a 2008 graduate of Cooper High School in Lubbock. He earned his Paramedic Certification in December 2010. He is pursuing his Bachelor's Degree. He is employed as a Paramedic in Lubbock, Texas.

The couple will wed on January 29, 2011, in Lubbock, Texas.



I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ms. Lizzie Chavez for a great Christmas Recital performance on Sunday, December 12, 2010, at the Sonora High School Auditorium. Sonora is so blessed to have someone like Lizzie, who takes the time and effort to bring out the best of our children's talents. After countless hours of hard work and dedication, the fruits of your labor truly shone on the stage with your gifted students. Congratulations, Lizzie and the Sonora Academy of Arts, on a job well done! The performance was truly a class act! May God continue to bless you and your family.

Brenda Sanchez



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St. John's Episcopal Church Presents:

An Advent Festival Service of Nine Lessons and Carols

6:00 p.m. Sunday, December 12th at St. John's Episcopal Church located at 404 E Poplar Street, Sonora, Texas. ****

Christmas Eve Services t. John's Episcopal Church--Sonora, Texas 6:00 p.m. December 241 St. James Episcopal Church--Fort McKavett, Texas 3:00 p.m. ****

Regular Service Times: St. John's Episcopal Church Sunday Holy Communion: 10:30 a.m. Wednesday Evening Holy Communion: 5:30 p.m. (Healing Service every Wednesday) All are Welcome--Child Care Provided

You are invited to join in the celebration of the season at First United Methodist Church of Sonora 201 Water Avenue

> Christmas Cantata Sunday, December 19 10:55 am

Christmas Eve Service Friday, December 24 6:00 pm

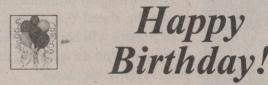
May you be richly blessed this Christmas season and in the New Year.

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Christmas Eve 6:00 PM

First Baptist Church Sonora

Please Join Us for a Special Time of Worship!





December 16 Jane Archer, Bo Jimenez-Mejia, Maryoly Gonzalez, Bobby Morgan, Bobby Taylor, Shannon Rushing

December 17 Olinda Jimenez, Candise Martin, Israel Leija, Donna Seymour, Bobby Liverman

December 18 Fernie Emiliano, Donny Yocham, Sr., Yesenira Gandar, Hoot Hearn

December 19 Noni Gonzalez, Rex Ann Friess, Colton Moore, Shannon Liverman, Teresa Vasquez, Ooye Hernandez, Don Surridge

December 20 Amelia Butler, Dave Love, Tom Wilson, Swade Draper, Daniel Gutierrez, Tommy Arnwine, Andi Allen, Eddie Hernandez, Mike Badeaux, Jamie Hernandez, Amelia Butler, Landon Castro, Jo Ellen Neal, Don Surridge

December 21 Gabriel Perez, Luke Sanchez, Harvey Villanueva, Judith Law, Nette Lopez, Joe Hidalgo, Maria McAfee, Steven Guana

December 22 Westley Lipham, Carol Sessom, Juanita Vickers

Lion's Roar



School Board President, Dawn Cahill

A big thank you is in order to our program chairman Lion Frank Wamble for his superb program this past week. It was a pleasure to hear from the leadership of our Sonora Independent School District. School Board President Dawn Cahill, and Superintendent Lion Don Gibson and District Athletic Director Lion David Sine. Mrs. Dawn Cahill provided an overview of the elected membership on the Board and their mission in the education of our children. She stressed that communications between the Board/District, Parents, and Community is key to a successful education experience for our children. If there is an issue with any aspect of our educational system don't let it fester or become gossip. We and that means all of us, teachers, administrators, and school board representatives are ready and willing to assist with your issues or recommendations.

(Editors opinion), All citizens should be made aware of the restrictive nature of the Texas Open Meeting Act to insure information transparency with the public. This act requires all elected officials to conduct business with each other only in an agenda driven, open meeting under criminal penalty. This Act applies to all State jurisdictions with elected or appointed officials. In some cases, a closed session or executive session is called for on the agenda, for deliberation on a sensitive matter. Deliberations will not be divulged but any motions made will be in open meeting for all to hear. Mrs. Cahill stressed that all School Board meeting minutes are available for review by citizens. There are no secrets!

Mr. Don Gibson discussed the on going effort to review, codify and prioritize the future District infrastructure and educational improvement for the District. This review is being conducted as we speak, by school officials and citizens and subject matter experts from our community. The way ahead for the future in SISD education and facilities will be published and will reflect priorities and funding requirements. (Authors Note) There is no doubt we will have to support a bond issue for funding if Sonora children are to remain as competitive as they are today.

Mrs. Cahill closed with some wonder full statistical data all of this community should be aware of 92% of our High Schoolers participate in extra-circular activities and their graduation rate is 98% compared to 70 to 80% nation wide.

The Lions Club fully recognizes the superb School System and the dedicated men and women who give so much to mote excellence in our children. We thank Mrs. Dawn Cahill, Lion SISD Superintendent Don Gibson and the most visible and best spokesperson for Sonora.... Lion Coach David Sine for their untiring support of our treasure....Our Kids ! In Lion business Lion VP Sam Kent has also assumed duties as Club Treasurer. As Boy Scout sponsor for over 75 years this Club has asked Lions Father Chris Roque, Scott Jordan, Sam Kent and Rev. Lewis Allen and Mr. Paul Stevens to provided the supervision, leadership and oversight for Sonora Boy Scouts. Boy Scout recruiting will be our next challenge. Stay tuned. There will be no Lions Club meeting on the following dates December 21 and December 28 2010. Your Lions Club wishes you and your family a Merry Christmas . May God Bless our Troops ! Go Bronco's and Shop Sonora!

THE VIDEO STORE **IS CLOSING** Wednesday, December 15, 2010 will begin a complete liquiation of ALL video's in all formats, furniture and fixtures. Come early for the best selection! We want to express our appreciation of our customers over the past 20 years.

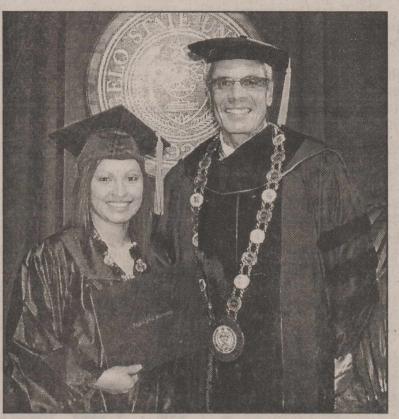
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McGee Graduates from ASU



Congratulations, Dee McGee! Dee graduated from Angelo State University with a BA in Psychology and a BA in Criminal Justice.

We would like to express a special thanks to: EM Hobbs, The John & Mildred Cauthorn Trust Fund, Dora Roberts Honors Scholarship, Garza/Sentena Memorial Scholarship, Glinda Castro Memorial Scholarship, Team Razpa Scholarship, Knights of Columbus Scholarship, Angelo State

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Attention Students: If you are interested in attending Howard College or Angelo State University in the fall of 2011, a representative from the Howard College Financial Aid Department will be on the High School Campus Thursday, December 9, 2010 at 6:00PM to talk about financial aid opportunities. Parents are encouraged to attend. For more information, contact Marilyn Wood, HS counselor @ 325-387-6940 ext. 3304 or marilyn. wood@sonoraisd.net

2011 Miss Cinco de Mayo: Viva Sonora is accepting registration for the 2011 MISS CINCO DE MAYO. If you would like the opportunity to be the next MISS CINCO DE MAYO and win a \$1000.00 scholarship, please contact Michelle Faz at The Bank & Trust. Applicants must be in 9th, 10th and 11th grades.

2011 Little Mr. & Miss Cinco de Mayo: Viva Sonora is accepting registration for 2011 LITTLE MR. & MISS CINCO DE MAYO. To register or for more information, please contact Jo Ann Hernandez at The Bank & Trust.

2011 Mrs. Cinco de Mayo: Viva Sonora is also looking for a 2011 MRS. CINCO DE MAYO. The winner will receive a one night two day weekend getaway for two. For more information, please contact Jo Ann Hernandez & Michelle Faz at The Bank & Trust.

Farmer's Market every Thursday @ 4:00 p.m. next to Ol' Sonora Trading Co.

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.





Get a Flu Vaccination for a Healthy Holiday

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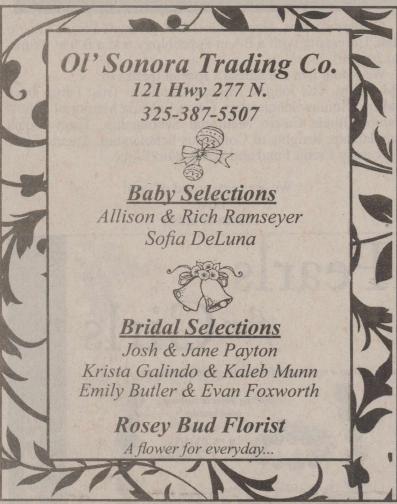
The Texas Department of State Health Services encourages people to get a flu shot this holiday season. It's the best way to be protected as flu becomes more prevalent in Texas.

"Getting together with friends and family is a highlight of the holidays. Unfortunately, illnesses like the flu can spread easily at these get-togethers" said Dr. David Lakey, commissioner of DSHS. "That's why it's important to get vaccinated now to help keep yourself and your family healthy."

DSHS recommends everyone over six months old get vaccinated. A nasal spray version of the flu vaccine is available for healthy people ages 2 to 49 who are not pregnant. Getting vaccinated now will provide protection through the Texas flu season, which typically peaks in January and February and runs through May. The vaccine takes about two weeks to become fully effective.

Flu is a serious disease that kills an average of 23,600 Americans a year, according to estimates from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. People over 65, pregnant women, young children and people with chronic health conditions are most at risk for complications and are especially urged to be vaccinated.

Getting vaccinated is the best way to stop the spread of the flu. Additionally, cover all coughs and sneezes, wash hands frequently with soap and water or hand sanitizer, and stay home if sick.









Litter Force Visits Sonora ISD

The Texas Department of Transportation's Litter Force came to Sonora on Friday, the 10th of December. This Litter Force made up of "Super Heroes" was Ultra, Hawk, Bolt, and their K-900 Dog. They brought the "Don't Mess With Texas" message to the students in Pre-Kindergarten through Fifth grade. The students got to meet each of the Super Heroes and find out about their "Super Powers". The heroes fight to rid Texas of litter and get rid of "Evil Trash". The Evil Trash Villains, Chipinator and Pop Top were also here representing respectfully their cohorts in dastardly disgusting litter.

This is a wonderful program that made each of the students more aware of the various litter and how they can be a part to pledge not to litter and to tell others, "Don't Mess with Texas!" Keep Sonora Beautiful was proud to have these "Heroes" make a stop in our town and we hope they enjoyed their visit. It would be nice to not ever have to see Chipinator, Madam Gum, Der Packet, Pop Top, Spit Wad, or Ciggy Butts ever again on the streets of Sonora. Those villains are the "Evil Trash" and they are not welcome in Sonora.

We want to Keep Sonora Beautiful!



Personal shopping, cooking, errands and services for home or office: Consider your "To-Do" List DONE!



*SHOPPING....groceries, gifts, cosmetics, office supplies

*DRY CLEANING.....errand girl will pick up your dry cleaning and drop it off at the dry cleaners of your choice and then have it returned to you when it is ready

*SMALL PARTY/EVENT PLANNING.....errand girl can help you plan and shop for any event - big or small. We can een plan the entire eent for you, anything from the intimate night for two to a dinner for two hundred! *MAIL OUT SERVICES......deliver your mail and packages to the post office and get stamps, too! *GREETING CARD SERVICES.....Catalog and send greetings on important dates, invitations and holiday cards *HOLIDAY COOKING.....let me help you prepare your turkey and all your side dishes, too!

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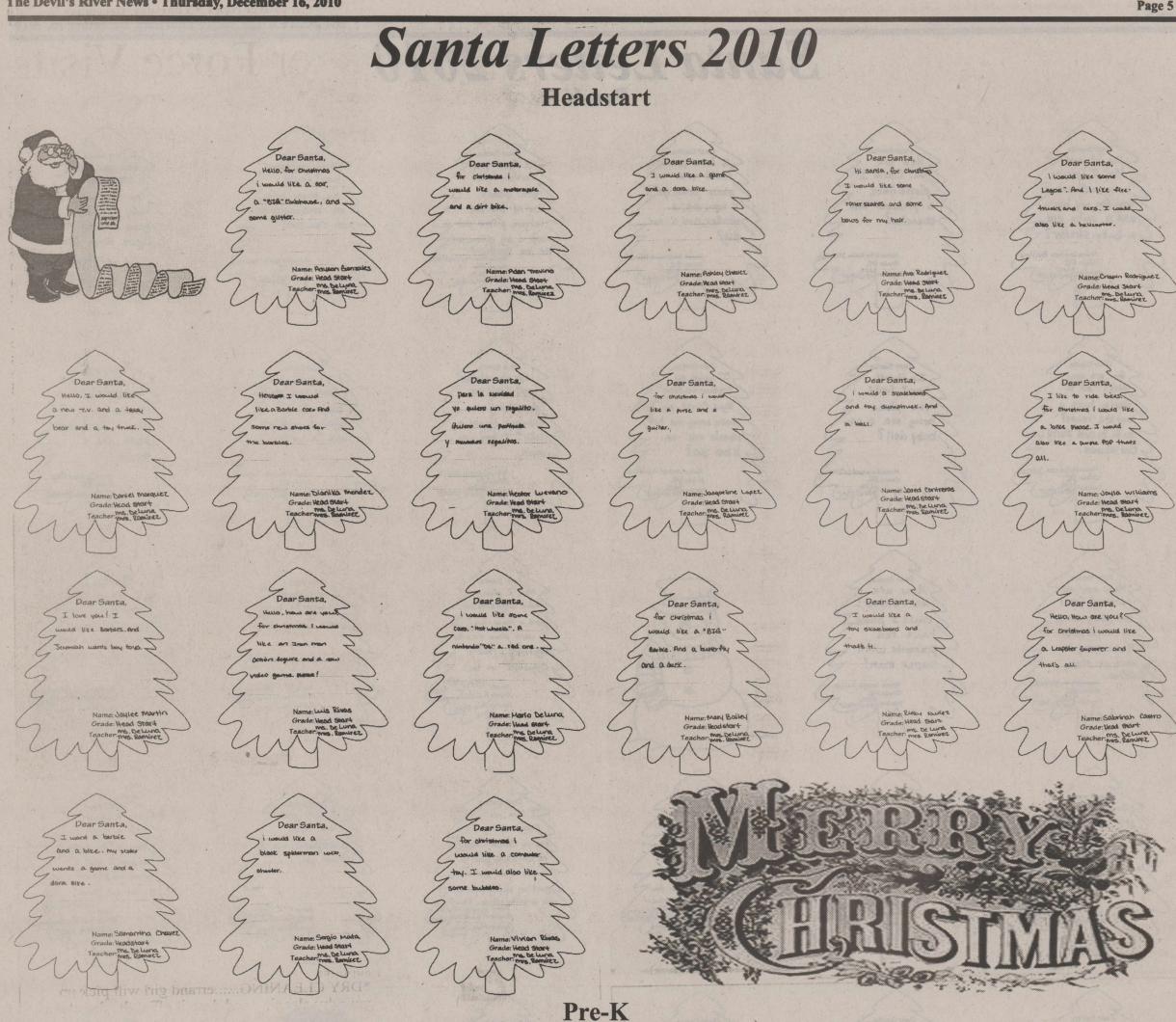
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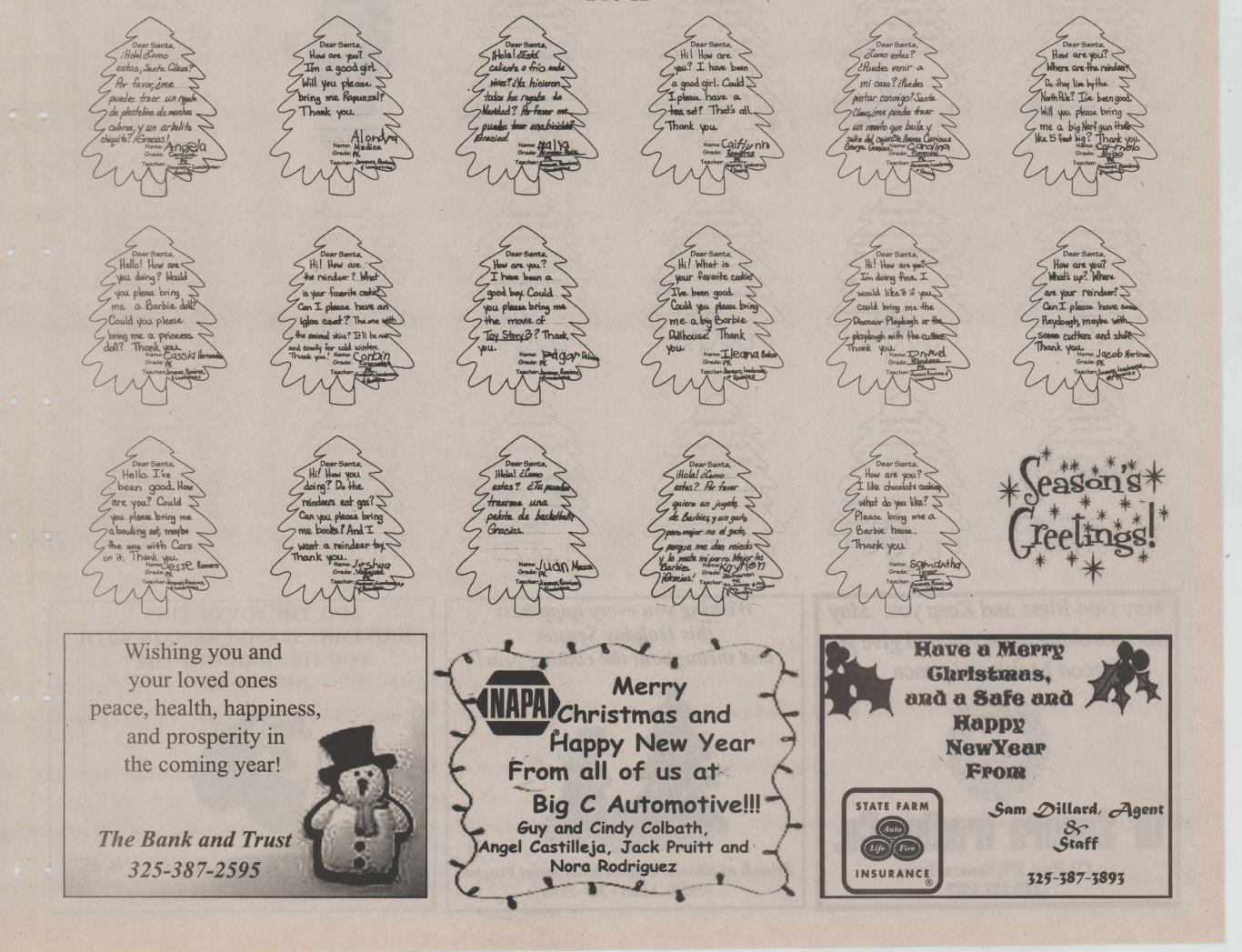
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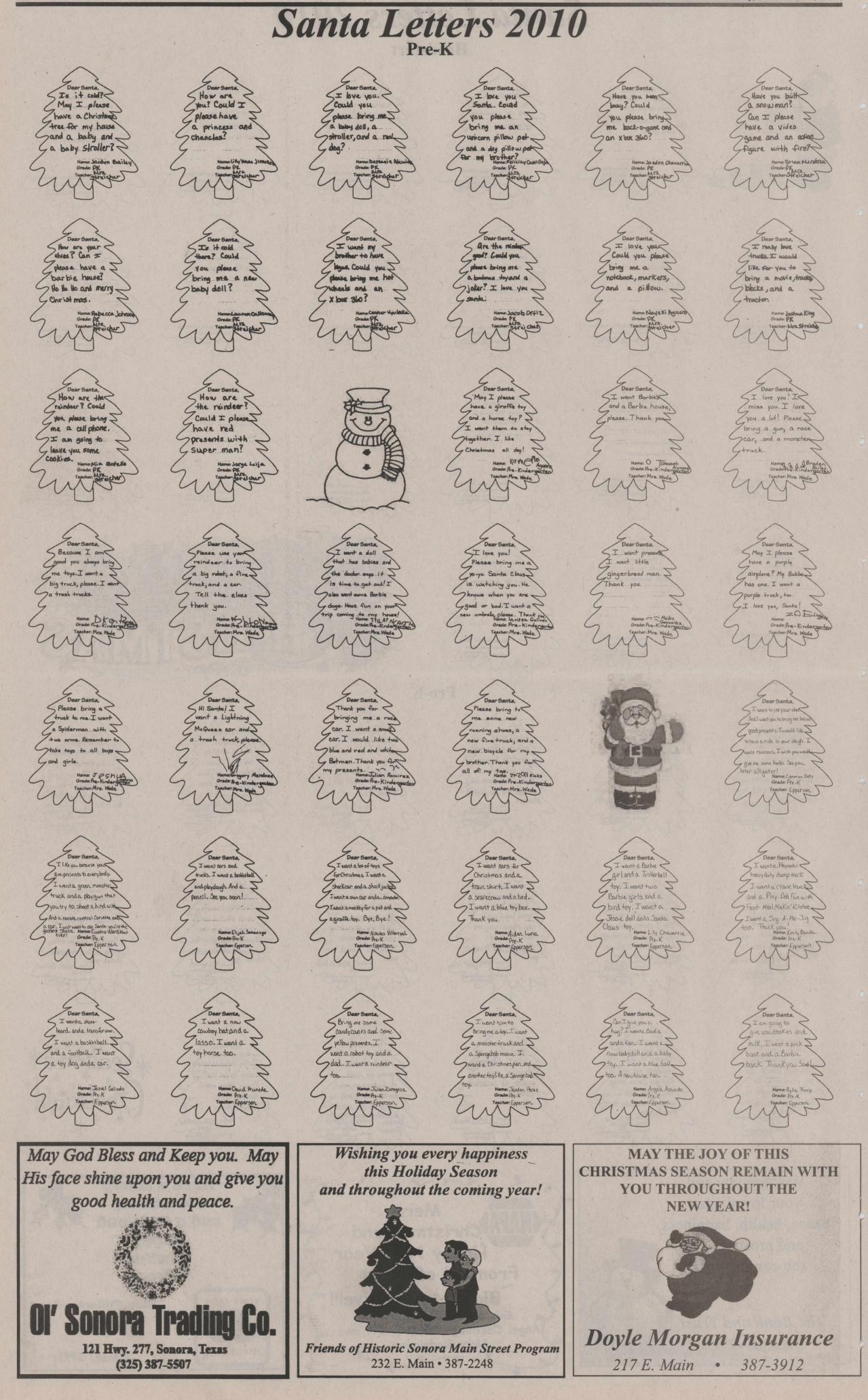
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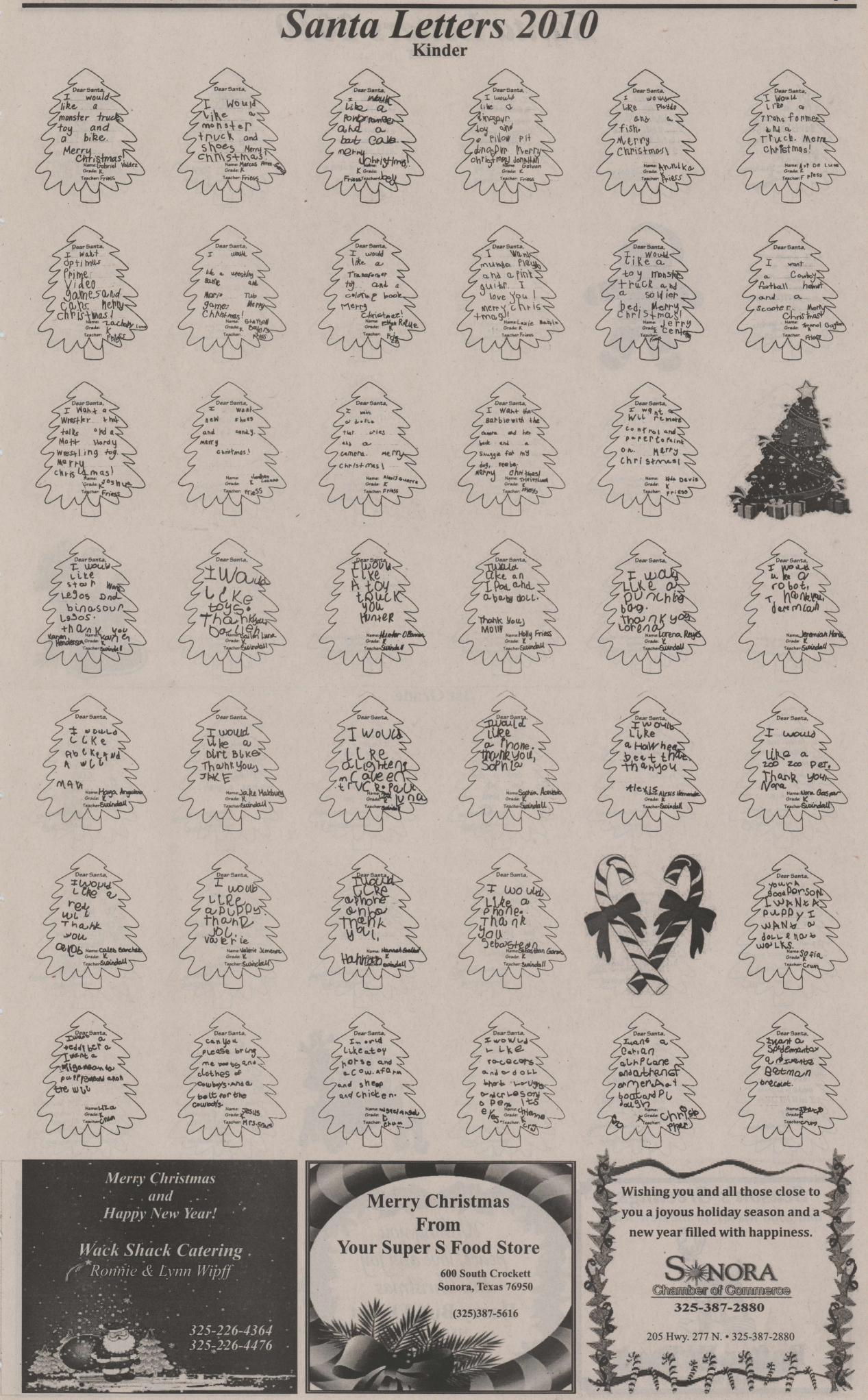
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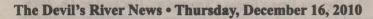








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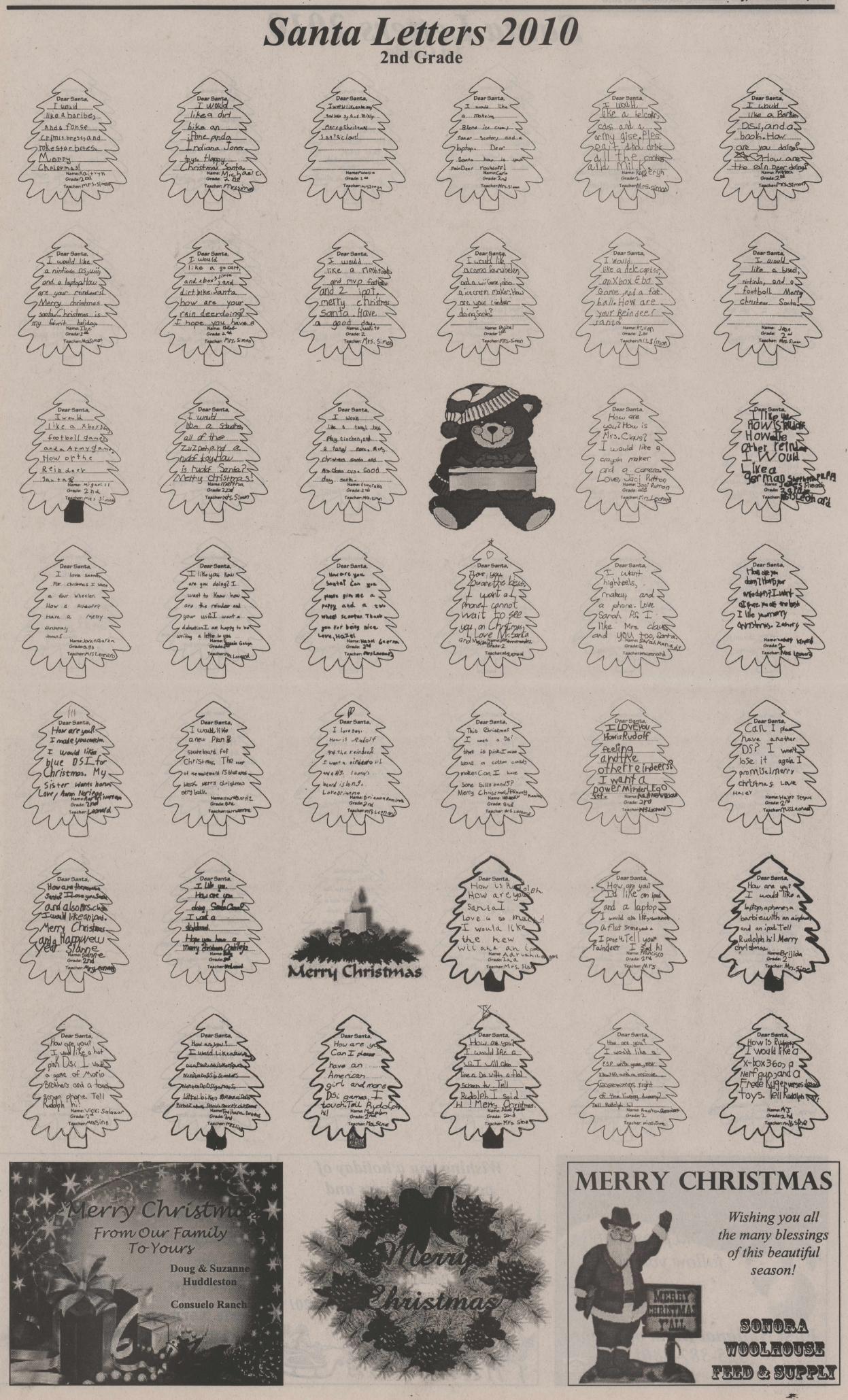


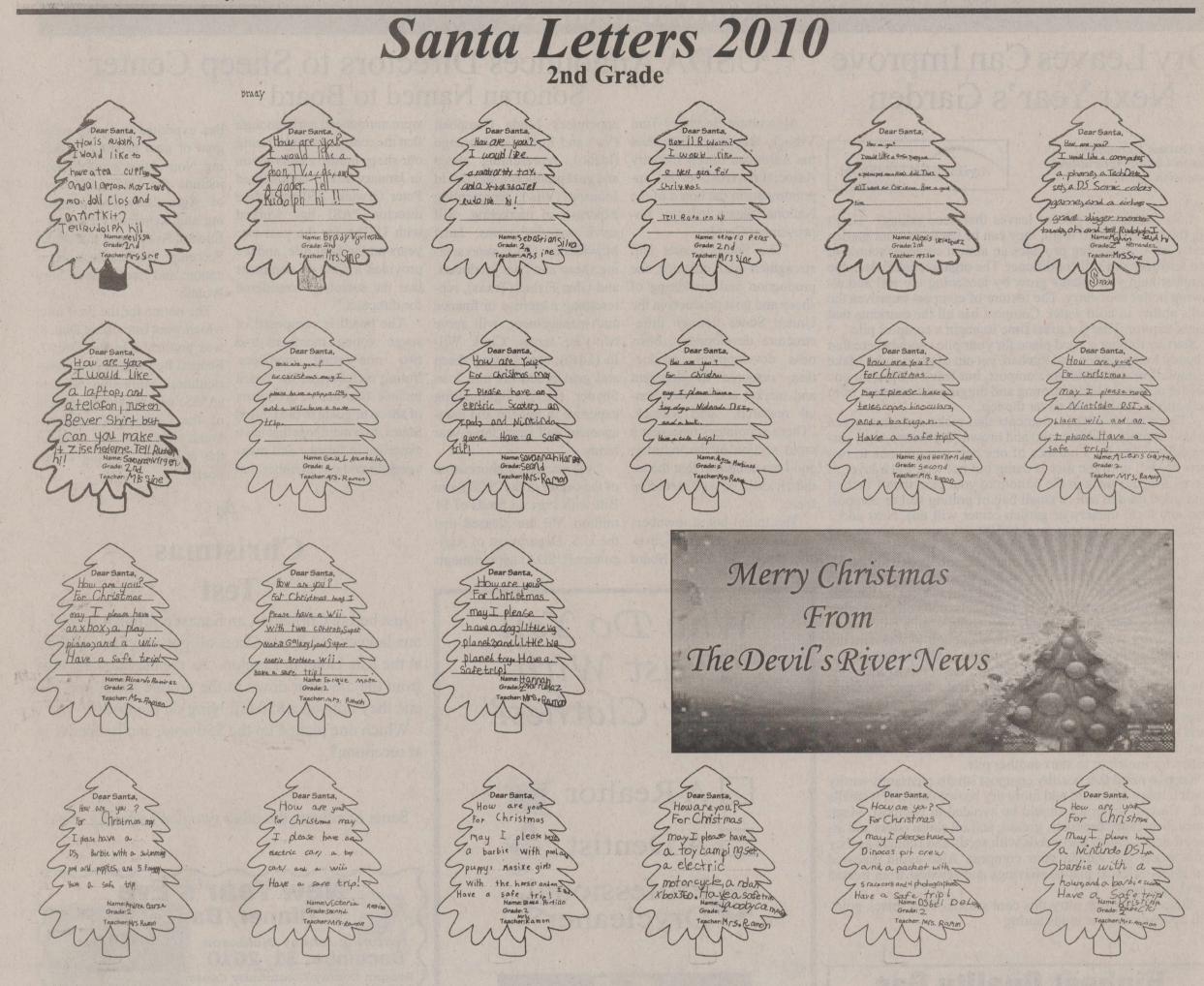
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Oil & Agribusiness

Dry Leaves Can Improve Next Year's Garden

By Pascual Hernandez, Sutton County Agricultural **Extension** Agent



So you have a pile of leaves that need raking? Don't bag them and discard them, they can be useful in your garden next year. Composting provides an almost constant source of free fertilizer and soil conditioner. The organic materials in the strengthen and enhance the ing sheep and goat producers, provided a slate of nominees compost help your plants grow by loosening the soil and allowing better root entry. The texture of compost improves the soil's ability to hold water. Compost has all the nutrients that plants require. This is a great time to begin a compost pile.

Start by finding a good place for your pile - somewhere that is handy to the garden and kitchen, yet out of plain sight. Make ness development, produc- lis (Utah), representing sheep two non-voting members. a simple frame to hold the compost, but leave it open on one side for access - adding, turning and digging out compost from the bottom - and do not cover the top.

There are two basic elements that make compost: green (grass clippings, old annuals) and brown (dry leaves, soil) garden debris. Try for a balance of one part green to one to two parts brown, until the mix is damp but not wet. Put a layer of and I am confident that the inleaves 4 inches thick in the bottom of your pile, then 1 inch of your good garden soil (a small bag of potting soil or compost from the local nursery or garden center will do). Next add 2 inches of grass clippings or old plants, then more brown and green in alternate layers.

Turn with a manure or spading fork one week after building your pile. Begin burying coffee grounds, eggshells and green kitchen waste into the pile and turn it weekly. Kitchen waste includes vegetable peels, fruit peels, nutshells, and other vegetable or fruit scraps. Water your compost pile only during extended dry weather, and then only enough to moisten, not drench the contents. You'll have compost in about two months.

You can make another bin and turn the compost from one into the other to neatly mix it up and aerate the pile for faster results. Begin digging out compost from the bottom of the pile when you turn it over and cannot recognize the component parts any longer. Dig out shovelfuls of crumbly brown compost to use in your garden, and use the partially composted matter for mulch or to start another pile.

Keep in mind that healthy compost smells pleasantly earthy - turn it more often and add more dry brown matter if it smells bad. Certain materials should be avoided in compost. Meat, bones, fish, dairy products, grease, and oil cause odors and attract rodents. Don't use weeds with seeds and runners as they



USDA Announces Directors to Sheep Center Sonoran Named to Board

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Bill with start up funds of \$1 The initial board members million. We are pleased that

Agriculture Secretary Tom appointees Linda Campbell were announced early enough Vilsack this week informed (Va.) and Rochelle Oxarango that the center can meet during the American Sheep Industry (Idaho), representing sheep our sheep industry convention Association (ASI) of his ap- and goat producers, and David in January 2011," commented pointments to the board of the Johnson (Wis.), representing Peter Orwick, ASI executive National Sheep Industry Im- expertise in marketing, will director. "ASI has worked serve one-year terms. Janet with USDA for the past two "The Sheep Center will Mawhinney (Pa.), represent- years on the final rule, and we production and marketing of and Glen Fisher (Texas), rep- that the secretary considered

The board is composed of structure development, busi- two-year terms. Clark Wil- seven voting members and tion, resource development and goat producers and Joan Voting members of the board and market and environmen- Snyder (N.Y.), representing include four active producers tal research," said Vilsack. expertise in finance and man- of sheep or goats in the United "These appointees represent a agement will serve three-year States, two members that have expertise in finance and man-"ASI secured authorization agement and one member that

has expertise in lamb, wool, goat or goat product marketing. Non-voting members will include the Under Secretary of Agriculture for Marketing and Regulatory Programs Edward Avalos and the Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics Cathy Woteki.

The notice for the final rule, which went into effect Dec. 8, was published in the Dec. 7, Federal Register. USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) will provide oversight of the Center and will announce the date and place of the inaugural meeting of the board.

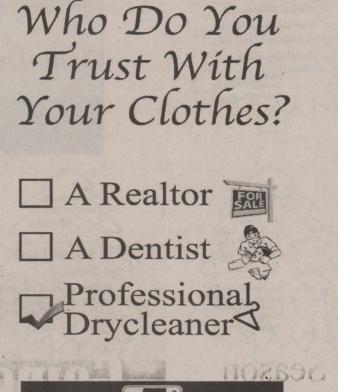
Christmas Test

Just before Christmas, an honest politician, a generous lawyer and Santa Claus all got into the elevator at the Ritz Hotel in London. As the elevator traveled from the 5th floor down to the ground level, one-byone they noticed a \$50 bill lying on the floor.

Which one picked up the \$50 note, and handed it in at reception?

Santa of course, the other two don't actually exist!





7th Grade **Boys Basketball**

By Jay Immel

The 7th Grade White Sonora Colts took on the Ballinger Bearcats last night in what ended up being one of the best Junior High Basketball games I have ever seen. The Colts came out slow trailing 3-9 at the end of the first quarter. The Colts would go on a 6-0 run in the second to tie the game at 9 at half. It went back and forth through most of the 3rd and 4th. Trailing 17-18 with 18 seconds to go Edgar Hernandez made a clutch free throw to send the game into overtime. Both defenses played well in OT and neither team scored which forced a second OT. The Colts would score first with Edgar making another free-throw to give the colts a 19-18 lead. Then with 21 seconds left on the clock a Ballinger player shot and made a 3pointer to seal the game for them. I was very proud of the kids and they have improved tremendously.

Leading Scorers

Julian Gallardo	4 Pts
Juan Gamez	4 Pts.
Edgar Hernandez	4 Pts.
Garrett Jaeger	3 Pts.
Daniel Coronado	2 Pts.
Adrian Garcia	2 Pts.

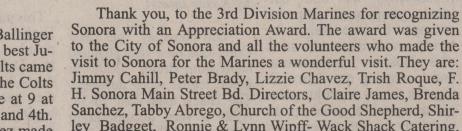
The 7th grade Red played the best half of basketball they have played so far this year, by only trailing a very good Ballinger team 7-10 at half. The Colts just couldn't quite get it going again in the second half and fell to Ballinger 17-37.

Leading Scorers

Michael Campos	9 F
Jonathon Martinez	4 F
Jerrod Willey	3 I
Brant Smith	1]

Pts. Pts.

Pt.



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interest payments on debt in be severe they only consti- has tried one knows you end relation of our Gross Domes- tute about 4% of our GDP. To up weighing more than when tic Product (GDP), which is downplay its importance is the you started. the primary measure of our same as an obese person saythat when interest payments the danger point". This brings attempts to lose weight by reach 12% of GDP a govern- in the third and most troubling trying severe diets with stimment is likely to default on symptom of our obese nation; ulus plans, tax rate increases, its debt. While our current we have started trying gim- and increasing our debt ceil-

experts suggest looking at the interest payments appear to mick diets and anyone who

It is really no surprise that ability to service that debt. ing, "my heart is fine because (financially) we find our- By Kasey Immel The common consensus is my cholesterol level is below selves grasping at desperate ing. In theory stimulus plans are designed to speed up the economy by the government dumping huge amounts of capital in the private sector. This makes sense in the same way that eating nothing but meat will result in weight loss because it speeds up your metabolism. Increasing the tax rate does in fact result in more money for the government to service our debt, but results in Player a starvation diet for the American people. Increasing the debt ceiling does not solve the problem, since financial liposuction only serves to remove the problem from view. All of these solutions only appear to work, and do nothing to solve the problem of our government's obesity. The problem Total is our lifestyle of overspending, and its solution is as simple as spending less and producing more. *editors note-last week I indicated this installment would be the last of the series, but just as our national debt continues to grow....so apparently does this series. Next week I will discuss how the national debt could affect you personally.

"We don't have a trillion-dollar debt because we haven't taxed enough; we have a trillion-dollar debt because we spend too much" **Ronald Reagan**

Lady Colts **Basketball** On Thursday, the Lady

Colts took on a very physical team from Brady. Both 7th grade teams were defeated. The Black team lost 15-34. After a very disappointing first quarter, the Lady Colts finally started scoring. They stayed very composed and were able to hold Brady to 2 points in the third quarter. The Red team lost 2-14. They also played very aggressively.

Black Team

Janelle Vasquez Cip Tobias Julia Pope Tyler Hampton Brianna Jarratt **Destany Velasquez** Elizabeth Bean Lisa Garza **Red Team** Player Points McKenzie Murphy Dionne Hinojosa Alexis Garza Meghan Hernandez Kaitlyn Lopez Ambar Limon Kelisha Alvarado Alyssa Zamora Susana Robles Victoria Reyna

Total

They will play again for the last time before Christmas on Monday in Ballinger. 7th Red will play at 4 and 7th Black will play at 6. Go Big Red!

One Smart Woman

Sonora Speech Team **Dominates**

By Cy Scoggins

Results:

1st Ali Castro

Points

15

This past weekend the Sonora High School speech team com- Persuasive Speaking: peted at the Sul Ross Speech 1st Zachary Leonard and Debate meet. These stu- 2nd Ali Castro dents have been working on their speaking events since the Informative Speaking: beginning of October and their 2nd Christina Robbins hard work has already started to pay off. Sul Ross awarded Prose: scholarships to students that 1st Colyer Dermody placed first in events at their 2nd Rose Karnes meet. Sonora students brought 3rd Clayton Parks home over \$1200 in scholarship money if they attend Sul Poetry: Ross University.

Lincoln Douglas Debate:

1st Zachary Leonard 2nd Jasmine Daniels **3rd Marci Parks**

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MONDAY-FRIDAY

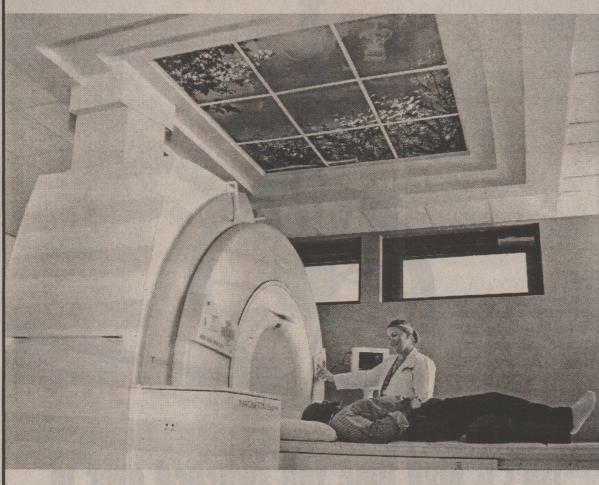
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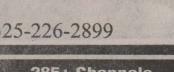


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Wishing they were here

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Please join us for a Christmas Open House Celebration December 20th - 24th (closing at 1:00 p.m. on Christmas Eve) Christmas cookies, wassail, and plenty of holiday spirt will be served up all week long as we help usher in the holidays.



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