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L to R: Larry, Dick, John, Tommy, Gil, Tom, Doyle, Sandra, Charlotte, Gil, Mary, Diana, Joyce, and Richard

SHS Class of 1964 Holds Reunion

The Sonora High School Class of 1964 held their 50th reunion recently during Sutton County Days. We gathered on Friday afternoon at the home of John & Judy Friess, starting about 3 p.m. for lots of storytelling. As usual, there are those who can remember every mischievous detail from 50+ years ago; and there are those who profess having no recollection of involvement in those well-remembered mischiefs. Honored guests included our principal, Mr. (Doyle) Morgan and his lovely wife Faye, and Mrs. (Charlotte) Wilson, our Spanish teacher. This went on until about 10 p.m., when old folks always start yawning.

Some of the group met for breakfast next morning, and then found the parade and exhibits to enjoy. Several also visited the Ice House Museum and Caverns of Sonora. Later that afternoon we gathered for supper at a local restaurant, and recorded the event with lots of pictures.

There were a total of 37 graduates in that momentous year of 1964. Sadly, eight of our classmates are deceased.

We were able to locate and invite all but five. Of the 24 invited, thirteen attended, many with long-suffering spouses. Those attending were Gil Allison and Betty, Diana Cahill Condra, Mary Davis Howell, John Paul Friess and Judy, Sandra Glasscock Mazur, Tom Glasscock, Joyce Hearn Chalk and Wayne, Larry Bob Moore and Jan, Dick McMillan, Tommy Doc Raye, Richard Samaniego, Gil Trainer and Diana, and Jack David Wardlaw and Jesse Lem.

Hospital Board Votes To Remove CEO From His Position

By Angie Bryant and Ben D. Taylor

At 6:05 p.m. on July 21, 2014 a Special Meeting of the LMH board was called to order by President Preston Ferris. This meeting was to be held in executive session to discuss personnel matters concerning hospital CEO Bob Pascasio. However, after the meeting was called to order, Mr. Pascasio made the request that the items discussed in executive session be held in an open session.

With 7 board members and 11 onlookers present in the room President Preston Faris asked for any questions or concerns. Members of the Sutton Health Foundation and the Hospital Ranch Board were in attendance, and Board President Preston Faris gave them the opportunity to share their thoughts. Six people spoke, they stated gratitude and appreciation towards Bob Pascasio.

At the conclusion of the public comments the board turned their attention to some negative responses that the hospital staff have towards Mr. Pascasio's management technique. Board President Faris commented that, "maybe the hospital needs a COO (Chief Operating Officer) under Bob to work directly with people".

Board member Lenora Pool then commented that the problem might not be with the wrong kind of leadership, rather that his [Mr. Pascasio's] leadership style was simply different than what everyone was used to. Board Member Edward Earwood then commented that, "Bob has been professional with everyone, the problem is internal." He then went on to list a few specific items: staff meetings being excessively long, needed positions not being filled (increasing overall workload). His statement closed with his opinion stating describing the overall low moral of the hospital staff.

Mr. Pascasio responded by commenting that the overall moral of the staff was very low when taking on the position.

After further discussion, Board Member Gary Leonard made a motion to terminate Mr. Pascasio's contract, effective in 30 days. Board Member Lance Castro seconded the motion. The final vote count was:

- Lance Castro-No
- Edward Earwood-Yes
- Sharon Holeman-No
- Lenora Pool-No
- John Henry Stroud-Yes
- Gary Leonard-Yes

The board approved the motion to dismiss Bob Pascasio as Hospital CEO with a count of 4-2.

Safety Day Hosted By Texas A&M Agrilife and 4-H Ambassadors



On Tuesday July 22nd Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service hosted a Safety Day along with the Sutton County 4-H Ambassadors at the Sutton County Civic Center. Approximately 85 youth came from the Good Samaritan Program to participate. This Safety Day was to provide instruction on home safety, outdoor safety, bicycle safety and competitive events with the 4-H Ambassadors. The volunteers that came to help provide education to the youth were Sam Kent, Ralph Gonzales, Michael Campos from TxDot for the bicycle safety section, Mary Humphries from Texas Parks & Wildlife for the outdoor safety instruction, T.J. Thorp from Sutton County EMS for first aid education, Jessica Stapper Family & Consumer County Extension Agent for kitchen and home safety, and Pascual Hernandez Ag. & Natural Resources County Extension Agent with helping the 4-H Ambassadors in the competitive events. The Sutton County Extension Office is very thankful for all the volunteers who came to help and a special thank you to the 4-H Ambassadors for helping making the program a success.



Wellness Ministry

It is very common to "overthink" food. Sadly, we give it a lot of power. It can generate feelings of worry, stress and guilt... and who needs that? We are always looking for the next best diet or magic pill. We put a lot of hope, energy, and faith into these fads when our time would be much better spent giving it to God. Don't let food become your idol! Stop overthinking it. Keep it simple by choosing the food God created for our bodies. And if you want a cookie here and there, that's fine! But don't let it consume your thoughts. Don't let it tease you from the kitchen all day. Don't waste energy on guilt. Food does not have power unless we give it power. Take a fraction of the time you spend thinking about food and give it to God. Let Him have the power and work it through you.

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Texas Game Warden Marine Theft Team Finds Success

AUSTIN – Since its formation a year ago, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Marine Theft Investigations Team has recovered more than 100 stolen boats valued at some \$800,000.

Made up of Texas game wardens, the Law Enforcement Division team works to combat boat theft, personal watercraft theft and related fraud. The nine game wardens assigned to the team focus on marine theft-related investigations roughly 25 percent of their time. The rest of the time, they perform the regular duties associated with their area.


Texas ranks in the top three states nationwide with low stolen boat recovery rates when compared to vehicle thefts. With this new team, TPWD law enforcement officials expected the boat recovery percentage in Texas to increase and it has. In addition to the 100-plus recovered boats, wardens in the unit have worked more than 200 boat registration fraud cases.

"I am most proud that this team conducted over 390 case assists with other game wardens and law enforcement agencies," said Col. Craig Hunter, TPWD Law Enforcement Division Director. "Successful law enforcement depends on teamwork — both internally and externally, and this program defines teamwork."

The team has received extensive specialized training and has also provided marine theft training to hundreds of officers from other agencies across Texas.

"I believe the team has effectively shown the importance of having investigators dedicated to marine theft investigations," said Special Operations Capt. Greg Williford. "You know you are being effective when the investigators recover stolen boats the same week they are reported stolen. In the past, these boats may have gone undetected for years."

Anyone with any information regarding boat theft or boat registration fraud in Texas is urged to call the 24-hour Operation Game Thief hotline at 1-800-792-4263.



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Obituary



Mario Hernandez, 91, was peacefully called by his God to enter his eternal life in heaven on July 1, 2014. He was born on January 19, 1923 in Villa Union, Coahuila, Mexico to Mauricio and Maria Muñoz Hernandez. Mario attended grade school in Mexico and then obtained a work visa with the Bracero program, a guest farm and agriculture worker agreement between the United States and Mexico in 1942. Since then, Mario diligently and passionately worked ranches of south and west Texas. In 1943, Mario became the ranch foreman for Harold and Elsie Schweining in Sonora, Texas. He invested 65 years working their land and livestock. Mario was a true cowboy, a simple man of great faith. He would work hard from sun up to sun down and covered many miles, herded many animals, and fixed many fences on his beautiful palomino horse that he called "Chulo". In 1956, Mario married Maria Tomasa Barrios Garcia. They made their home and raised their children in Sonora, Texas.

Funeral Services for Mario Hernandez were held on Friday, July 4, 2014 at 10:00 AM at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Sonora, Texas. Burial followed at Sonora Cemetery. Pall bearers were Mario Hernandez, Robert Noriega, Terry Lemons, Alberto Palacios, Miky Lopez and Josh Flores.

Mario is survived by his wife, Maria Tomasa Hernandez; son Ramiro Hernandez and wife Norma, daughters Rosemary Perez and Lilia Gallegos and husband, Frank; step daughters Irene Freiss and husband Turney, Teresa Flores and husband Manuel; grandchildren Mario Hernandez, Lilia Hernandez, Quirina Perez Morales, Leandra Perez, Eleazar Flores, Elizanette Flores, Patricia Flores, Emi Hines, Claire Arredondo-Lemons, Gladys Noriega, George Arredondo; great grandchildren Noah Hernandez, Lorenzo Hernandez, Jacob Tomas Perez, Leila Rose Morales, Lily Evangelina Morales, Michele Eison, Manuel Flores, Mike Lopez, Abby Lopez, Josh Flores, Noah Hines, Oscar Silguero, Krista Silguero; and great great grandsons Case Eison and Gibson Eison. He is also survived by his sister Irene Hernandez and brother Inez Hernandez.

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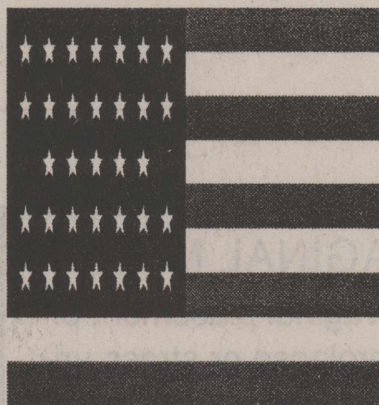
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National Guard Deployed To Border

Gov. Rick Perry today directed Texas Adjutant General John Nichols to immediately begin preparations for the deployment of up to 1,000 National Guard troops to the border. These troops will support the Texas Department of Public Safety's (DPS) ongoing law enforcement surge, Operation Strong Safety, which is focused on combatting criminal activity in the region resulting from the federal government's failure to adequately secure the border. Since 2008, more than 203,000 criminal aliens have been booked into Texas county jails. Over the course of their criminal careers, these individuals have committed more than 640,000 crimes in the state of Texas alone, including more than 3,000 homicides and nearly 8,000 sexual assaults. "There can be no national security without border security, and Texans have paid too high a price for

the federal government's failure to secure our border," Gov. Perry said. "The action I am ordering today will tackle this crisis head-on by multiplying our efforts to combat the cartel activity, human traffickers and individual criminals who threaten the safety of people across Texas and America." This deployment builds upon Operation Strong Safety by providing additional personnel that will work seamlessly and side by side with law enforcement officials. It also builds on the National Guard's existing border presence, which has been utilizing air assets to patrol the region looking for illegal activity. Texas has already seen results from Operation Strong Safety - from week 1 to week 3 of operations, apprehensions of illegal immigrants have dropped by 36 percent, from more than 6,600 per week to 4,200 per week in the area of operation. Two weeks ago, Gov.

Perry met with President Barack Obama to discuss the ongoing humanitarian and national security crises occurring along the Texas-Mexico border. At this meeting, the governor reiterated his request for the president to activate 1,000 Title 32 National Guard troops to temporarily support border security operations until 3,000 additional Border Patrol personnel can be trained and deployed. Unlike the governor's activation which will be paid for by Texas taxpayer dollars, a Title 32 activation would have provided additional, federally funded personnel to be used at the state's discretion.



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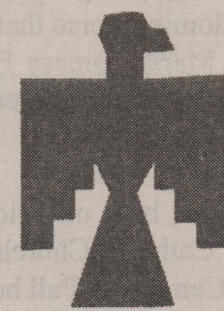
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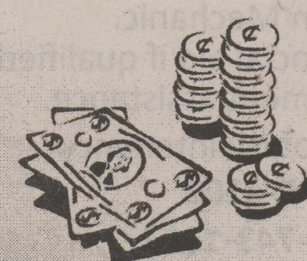
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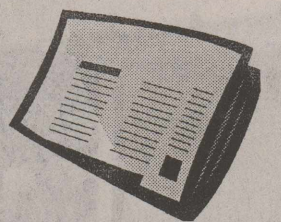
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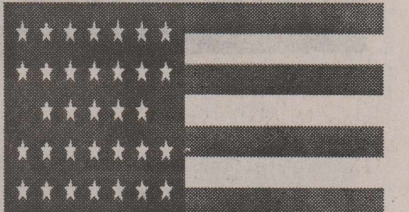
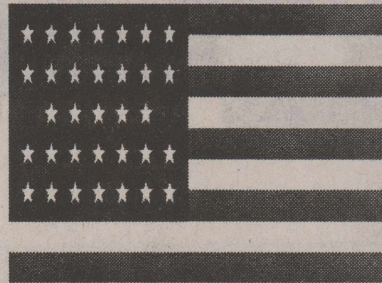
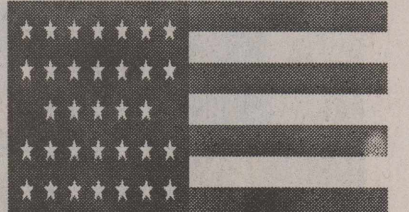
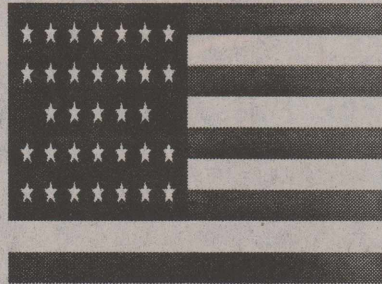
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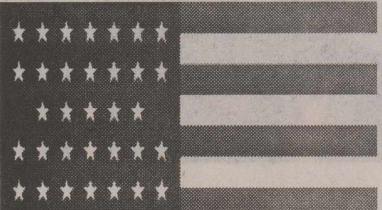
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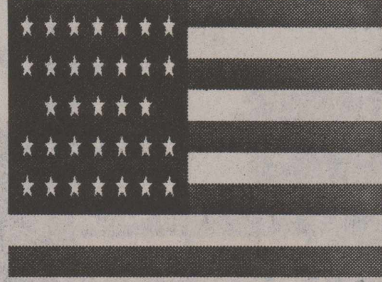
The Sonora Independent School District is accepting proposals for Property and Casualty Insurance for the period of 09-01-2014 through 08-31-2015. Proposal packages may be picked up at the Sonora ISD Administration Building located at 807 South Concho Street, Sonora, Texas 76950, starting on June 26, 2014. The RFP is due back to the District prior to 3:00 PM on August 06, 2014, late proposals will not be accepted and no faxed or emailed proposals will be accepted. The contact person is Diane Jacoby, Business Manager Sonora ISD and she may be contacted at the address shown herein.

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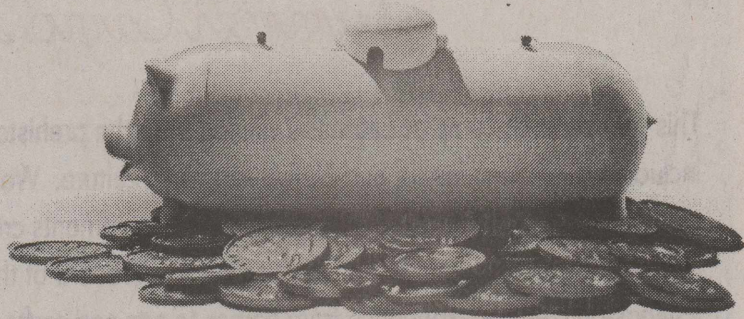
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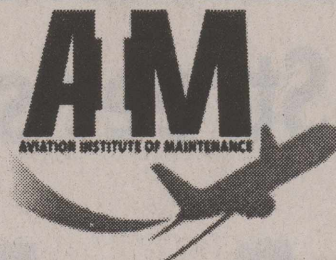


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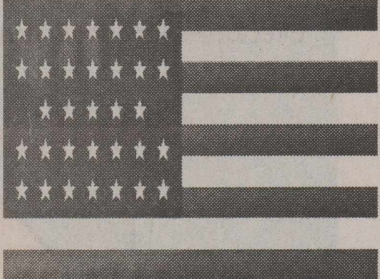
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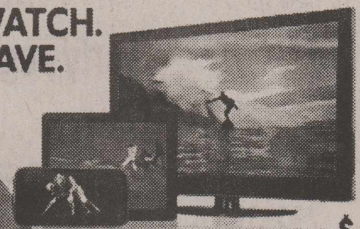


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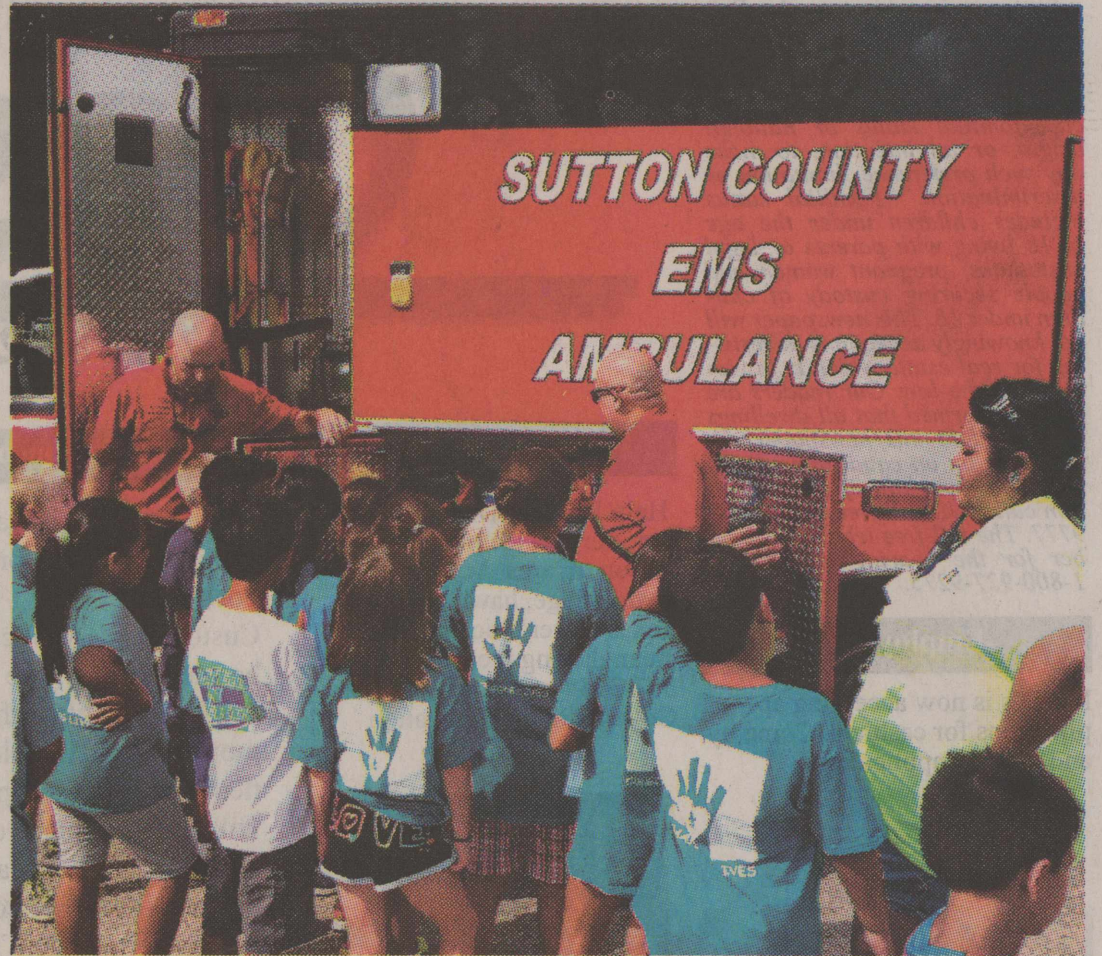
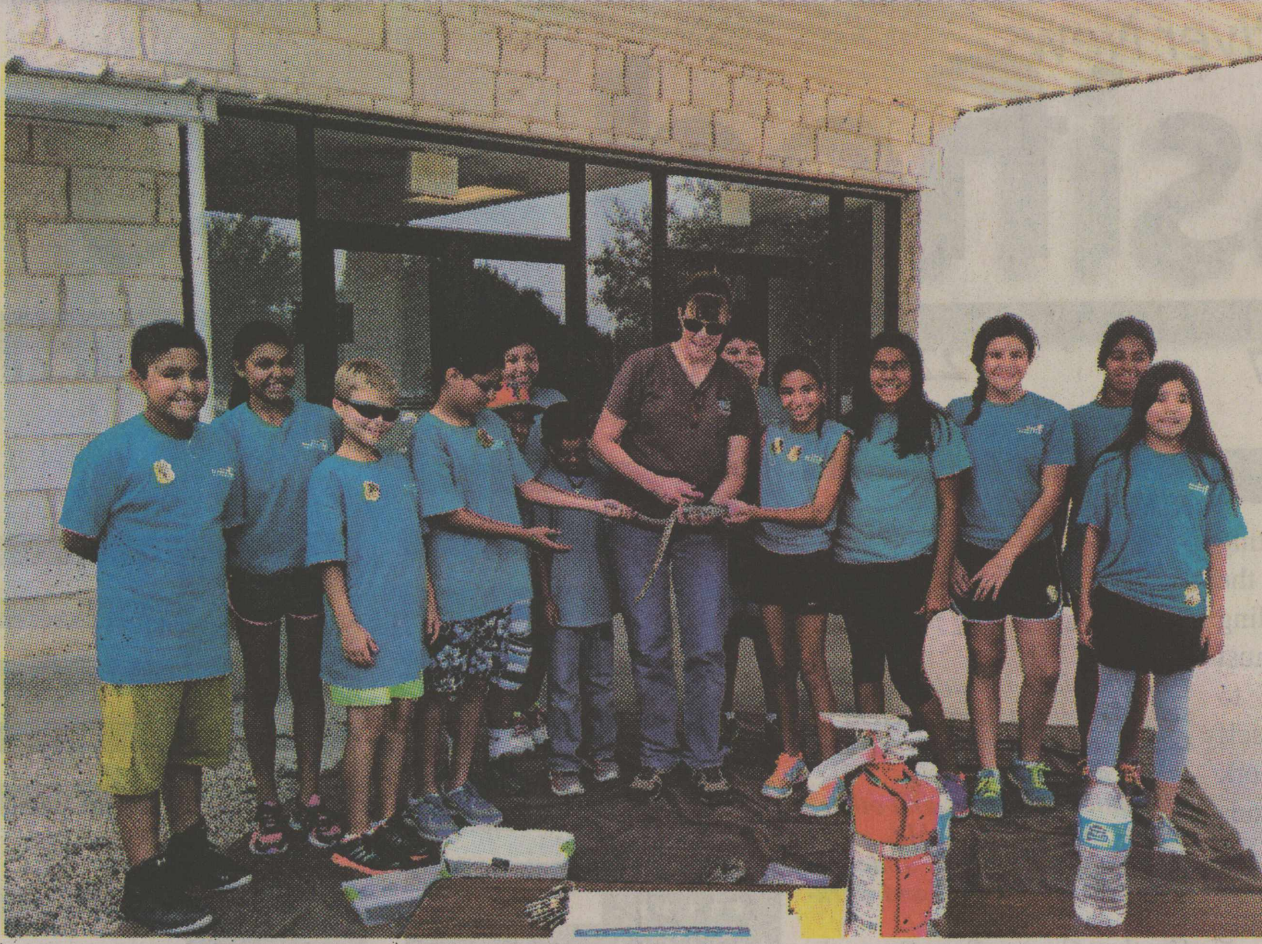
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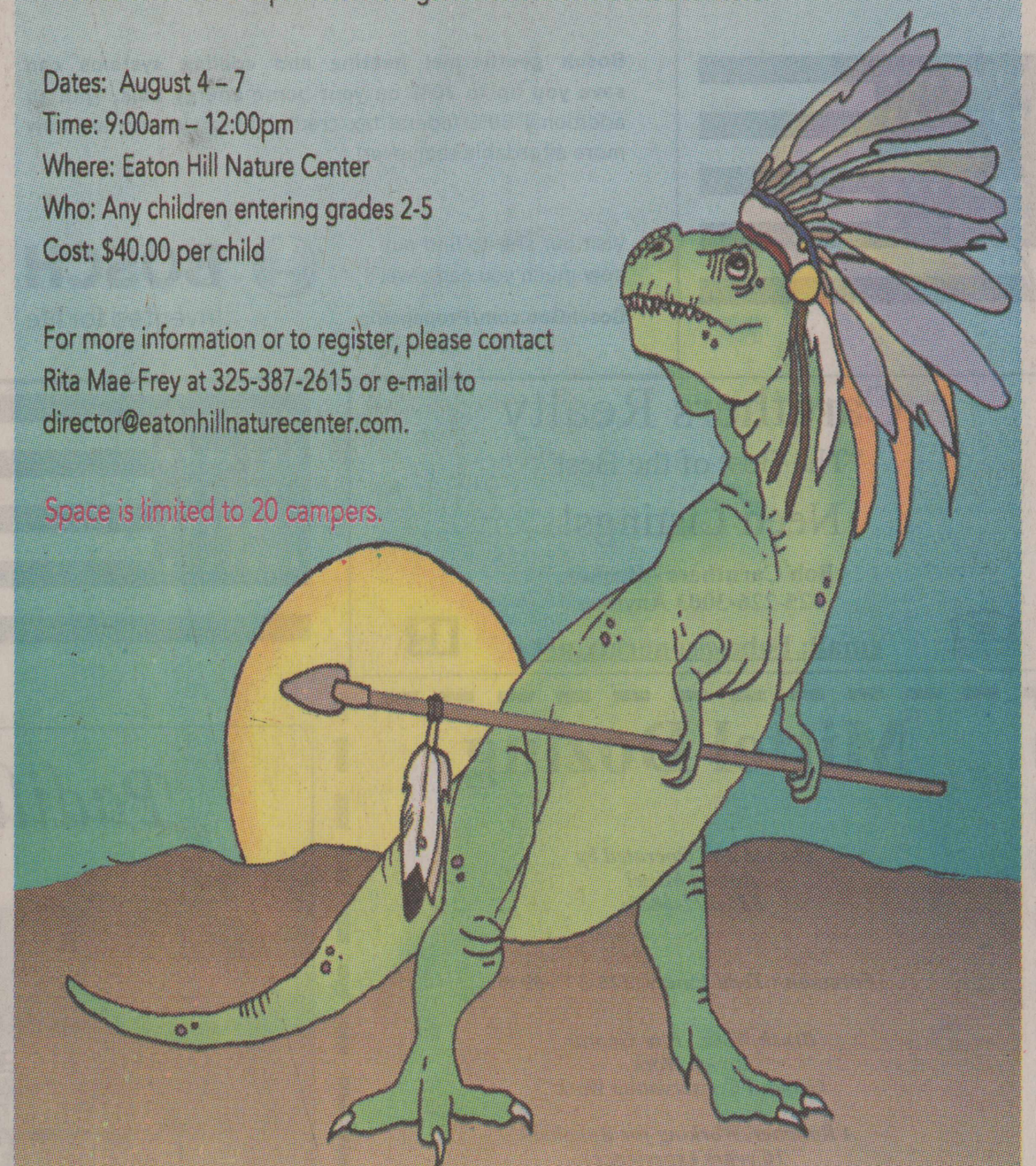
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For more information or to register, please contact
 Rita Mae Frey at 325-387-2615 or e-mail to
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