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2016 General Election, Run-off Election Match-ups for Sutton County

The 2016 Sutton County general election and runoff election is quickly approaching and as business moves forward voters count the days until their voice is heard.

This is the time to ask questions of candidates vying for office: who will do the most for the community by improving current issues in debate, as well as, maintaining a sound government infrastructure for the benefit of all Sutton County residents and businesses.

Early voting for the run-off election begins May 16th, ending

on May 20th.

The Run-off election is slated for May 24th.

Contenders running for Sutton County Sheriff (Republican) include Joe Fincher and Oscar Chavez.

Candidates running for Sutton County Tax Assessor Collector (Republican) include Erica Berry and Kathy Sanchez Marshall.

On Saturday, May 7th, voters will cast their votes in the general election to decide municipal elections and county ballot proposals.

In Sutton County, Wanda Shurley is running unopposed for Sonora City Mayor.

Canvassing for Council Member, Ward 1 is Norm Rousselot, Faye Deel, Michael Ramirez and Jadi Derinda Vaughn.

Terri Johnson and Juanita Barrera are looking for a seat as Council Member, Ward 2.

Amber Killough, Kristy Edwards and Chase Moore are lobbying for Sonora Independent School District School Board for Precinct 2.

Likewise, Cynthia Perez is campaigning for Sonora

Independent School District School Board for Precinct 4.

Incumbents Don Longoria, Lance Castro and Preston Faris are running for Sutton County Hospital District Board Member at large.

Additionally, Adelita Alvarez and Cody Bush are seeking Sutton County Hospital District Board Member at large, Precinct

Sandy Glover and Edward Earwood are running for Sutton County Hospital District Board Member Precinct 3.

Two propositions are on the

May ballot, including Proposition No. 1 encompassing a request, by petition, for the City of Sonora to de-annex the Loma Alta subdivision.

In addition Proposition No. 2 consists of a request, by petition, for the City of Sonora to de-annex the Sinaloa subdivision.

Polling places will be announced once they are determined, according to County Clerk, Rachel Chavez Duran.

Duran added, if you voted democrat in the primary, you cannot vote in the republican run-off

Water Polo on Concho Avenue



Firefighters from Sonora and neighboring counties gathered at the Sonora Fire Hall on Saturday, April 2nd, for fun food and some general business during the Hill Country Firefighters Convention. The convention, held twice a year, is part of the required participation and training for the men and women who volunteer and work in fire rescue.



Mikey Sanchez, Sonora volunteer firefighter, participated in a variety of fun and constructive activities during the Hill Country Firefighters Convention at the Sonora Fire Hall on Saturday, April 2nd. The activities are designed to keep firefighters well trained for any situation that might challenge them while performing their duties.

DANNY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

Hill Country Firefighters Hone Skills During Spring Convention

It's not always fun and games for the men and women who volunteer for the Sonora Fire Department, but on Saturday they were joined by their peers for a day of fellowship and friendly first responder training drills at the Sonora Fire Station.

About 50 volunteer fire fighters participated in the first biannual meeting of the Hill Country Firefighters Association on April 2nd.

From fighting raging wild fires to extricating crash victims these specially trained people unite daily to help the citizens in their community.

Fire Chief, Rick Cearley said

his team is excellent.

"They are a good group of men and women," Cearley said.

"We are like a family."

For the last fifteen-years, half of his thirty-years as a fire fighter, Cearley has overseen the personnel and operations of the Sonora Volunteer Fire Department on a daily basis.

He said the biggest challenge is getting people to commit to the job.

Maray Cearley, fire fighter,

agreed.

Sonora volunteer fire fighters respond to a variety of situations every day.

Like paid professionals in their field, they are required to train appropriately and participate in regular fire hall meetings and events.

A short time ago, all of the volunteers were busy battling wild fires in the area.

Presently, responding to vehicle crashes along Interstate 10 keeps them busy.

"We never know what it's going to be," Mikey Sanchez volunteer firefighter said. "No matter what it is, I just try to do everything I can to help everyone on the scene and take care of the people in need."

The fire department also supports local organizations such as the Boy Scouts, Combat Marine Outdoors and the Sutton County Game Dinner.

They are always willing to lead escort during Sonora school activities.

Volunteers from the Ballinger and Menard Fire departments joined in on Saturday's convention.

Ozona Man Jailed in Connection with Bomb Threat at DCP Midstream Plant

By Melissa Perner, The Ozona Stockman

An Ozona man has been arrested for allegedly making a bomb threat at the DCP Midstream Plant in Ozona.

At 8:45 a.m. Monday, April 4, DCP officials reported to the Crockett County Sheriff's Office that after being terminated a former DCP employee allegedly made a threat of a bomb, said Sheriff Robert Rodriguez.

Ruben Cruz Jr., 38, of Ozona, was arrested by 9:23 a.m. Monday. He has been charged with false alarm or report, which is a Class A misdemeanor that carries a punishment of a fine up to \$4,000 and a jail term of one year.

When Cruz was being escorted out of the DCP Midstream Office Monday, a DCP supervisor stated Cruz said "you're not going to find the bomb," according to a complaint affidavit filed by Crockett County Sheriff Deputy Sammy Longoria. The supervisor then called the sheriff's office to report the incident.

Cruz told deputies that he said "you act like I'm going to place a bomb in the office" while he was being escorted out of the DCP Midstream Office, the affidavit stated.

Local emergency officials quickly put the county's emergency plan into place.

"We knew we had plenty of people to help because there was not an explosion. We didn't hesitate to take it seriously," said County Judge Fred Deaton. "All key players were in place and we had what we needed in place."

County and school officials decided it was best to evacuate Ozona Elementary School and the Ozona Community Center due to its location. The DCP Midstream plant is located south of

Ozona off of State Highway 163. Around 9 a.m. CCCCSD School Officials and Ozona Com-

munity Center Officials began evacuating their buildings. Around 450 OES students plus teachers and staff were

plus teachers and staff were taken by buses to the Crockett County Fair Park Convention Center where parents and family members could pick them up.

The Ozona Community
Center took their children to the
Ozona United Methodist Church
for parent pick up.

"We felt the kids needed to be with family members," said Eddie Martin, county emergency coordinator. "It was all done in less than two hours, which I thought was pretty amazing."

"The kids were not panicked. They were all lined up ready to go. Everything went smooth," added Superintendent Raul Chavarria. "I would like to thank the OES Staff, Crockett County First Responders, and DPS for such a quick and orderly evacuation of OES. Most of all I want to thank all of the parents who were patient, calm, and allowed our evacuation procedures take place."

Chavarria said attendance had already been taken, so the SEE BOMB THREAT ON PAGE 10

Senate Finance Chair Confirms Behavioral Health Budget

AUSTIN - The Texas Health and Human Services Commission will have some \$6.7 billion to fund the state's behavioral health services efforts during the 2016-2017 fiscal biennium.

Senate Finance Committee Chair Jane Nelson, at a March 30 meeting of the committee, confirmed the \$6.7 billion, using figures provided by the Texas Health and **Human Services Commission and the** 10-member Legislative Budget Board. In the 2014-2015 state budget the amount for behavioral health funding was an estimated \$6.2 billion.

One of the legislative interim charges assigned to the committee by the

lieutenant governor is to monitor the state's progress in coordinating behavioral health services and expenditures across state government.

"We have serious challenges to address, but I want to make sure we have a true understanding of our commitment to mental health — by knowing not only how much we are spending — but also how we are spending the funds," Nelson said.

The budget includes a rider by Nelson coordinating the delivery of care among 18 state agencies.

Several members of the committee mentioned a shortage of "forensic beds" for patients assessed with mental illness, especially in Dallas and Harris counties, the state's highest-population counties. More forensic beds, they said, would help relieve the strain on jails, where people in need of behavioral health services may be placed when county facilities lack capacity for such purposes.

Grants aid communities

On April 1 the governor's office announced the awarding of a second round of more than \$15 million from the Texas Military Preparedness Commission's Defense Economic Adjustment Assistance

Under Gov. Greg Abbott's leadership,

the Texas Legislature in 2015 allocated some \$30 million to the program to assist communities that may be negatively impacted by a future congressionally mandated Base Realignment and Closure

(BRAC) round. Named to receive funding in the second round of disbursements are:

City of Killeen, Fort Hood, \$3.47

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HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

Whoa Mule!

This is a tale I did not witness personally, but it comes to us as a true story.

My old German grandmother recited it

to me so it must be the gospel truth. The timing was about the turn of the century in the little town of Juno, Texas. This was about as western as you could

It Happened Out West



get in those days. Now, Juno was a thriving little town on the Devil's River, having a hotel, school, saloon, grocery store and a livery stable (a stable where horses and vehicles are kept for hire and where stabling is provided,

also called a livery barn). The stage coach delivered the mail twice a week on the run from Sonora to

Del Rio. Now, we have the location of this story

so lets go to characters. The hotel had chairs and benches on the long porch for customers and loafers.

Our other character for this tale would bè Ben Bendele, who had a truck farm at Beaver Lake.

The loafers on the porch were unidentified for obvious reasons.

Now, let's get to the real story, the gist Ben Bendele had a team of big bay

mules which were well trained to voice commands.

This team pulled his farm wagon to deliver his produce of fruits and vegetables to the hotel and general store everyday. His team was so well trained that he

ould shout, "Go" and they would. He could also shout "Whoa" and the

team would stop and not move at all. On the morning of this story, Ben arrived at the hotel, got his order from the

cooks and carried it into them. He then got back in his wagon and shouted, "Go".

This morning there were several loaf-

ers on the porch. One of them hollered, "Whoa" and the

mules stopped. Ben again gave the command to "Go" and immediately some one gave a loud,

The team stopped again, so Ben tried this another time with the same results.

The loafers were laughing and having a hilarious time with Ben and his mules! Ben got down from his wagon, stiff-

necked and angry, but said not a word. He walked down the street to his farm and was gone about thirty minutes.

Ben came back up the street, still stiffnecked and angry. Never said a word to the loafers but was carrying a long barreled double 12 gauge

shot gun. He climbed up on his wagon and pointed the shot gun at the crowd of loafers and very angrily shouted, "Now, one of you

sons-a-... say "whoa" Not a word came from a very meek and

quiet group on the porch. Then, Ben shouted, "Go" to his mules and went on down the street to the general

store to make his delivery. This tale made the rounds from Del Rio to Ozona to Sonora very quickly.

Now, Ben carried that two row 12 gauge propped against his wagon seat for many years.

Never again did anyone yell at his team of trained mules.

This happened out west!

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Increasing Access to Quality Health Care

by U.S. Rep. Will Hurd

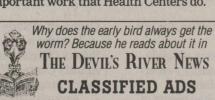
The "primary cliff" being faced by the more than three dozen community health clinics in our district was first brought to my attention by Nora Tellez, CEO of the Vida y Salud Health Clinic in Crystal City. Unless action was taken soon by Congress, these local clinics and thousands more that operate in underserved communities across the country would Hurd on the Hill

face a 75 percent decrease in their funding. "Devastating" is the word she used to describe the potential impact on their ability to provide vital services to people who depend on these local health care centers.

I would say that the net good these clinics do is incalculable, but they actually save the health care industry an estimated \$24 billion dollars every year by

providing high-quality preventive health care to patients, allowing them to avoid costly inpatient visits and trips to the Emergency Room. In 2014, more than 217,000 patients in the 23rd Congressional District of Texas were seen at these clinics, which equaled almost 850,000 medical, dental and mental health visits. More than 2,700 people in our district have jobs due to these clinics and their economic output is more than \$250 million. When you consider both the economic and health benefits, there is no question that these health centers are well worth the investment.

Thankfully, this Congress moved quickly on H.R. 2, The Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act, bipartisan legislation that prevented these clinics from going over the fiscal cliff they were facing. My staff and I have also worked with individual clinics to apply for and receive additional federal grant money, guaranteeing their ability to continue to operate and provide necessary services. Several of the community health center leaders in our district surprised me last month when they visited my office in DC, by presenting me with a plaque proclaiming me a "Rising Star" because of my "vital role in promoting the important work that Health Centers do."



As your Representative, I was extremely honored by the designation.

This same legislation did even more though to provide greater access to health care, especially for our seniors. Many doctors were about to consider turning Medicare patients away because the reimbursement payments were getting close to being lower than the cost of tak-

ing care of patients. The complicated formula set in place for deciding these payments was flawed, and the temporary patches Congress kept applying just weren't good enough. This historical bipartisan bill fixed this problem and also included the first meaningful long-term entitlement reform in two decades.

Unfortunately, seniors who use Medicare are facing another chal-

lenge due to the President's budget, which includes \$77 billion in cuts to the Medicare Advantage (MA) program. I joined more than 300 of my colleagues in February in a bipartisan letter to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services calling on them to protect MA and the high quality health plan choices it provides seniors and individuals with disabilities. I also recently led a bipartisan Texas Delegation letter with my colleague Henry Cuellar urging the Secretary of Health and Human Services to reverse a proposed cut to a specific form of MA plan that is utilized by over 20,000 seniors throughout the 23rd Congressional District of Texas. With over 15 million seniors enrolled in MA, it is vital that we strengthen Medicare, providing stability for them and their doctors.

One more way I am working to protect and expand access to quality health care is through the Information Technology (IT) Subcommittee I chair. Last month, we held a hearing with public and private sector stakeholders to examine the opportunities and challenges in IT healthcare delivery. Because of this exciting digital frontier, I believe that doctors will soon be able to perform medical examinations on patients in rural areas through computer applications and video, saving time, money and hopefully, lives. While the government has an oversight role in these emerging technologies, it is vital that we do not hamper innovation and create unnecessary barriers to development and

Sisters on the Fly Waltz Across Texas

Occasionally Susie Davis sees a rattlesnake at her place in Mulberry Canyon near Sweetwater. Those snakes don't last very long.

"My preferred method is a hoe or a shovel. I seem to do a little residual damage with a shotgun." she says. "When I'm out walking I don't carry a weapon with me. I'm pretty good with a rock.'

Susie is a member of Sisters on the Fly, a group of fun-loving women who



by Tumbleweed Smith

have small travel trailers and take them all over the country. The trailers have painted scenes on them and create a sensa-

tion when a line of them motors down the highway. They look like moving billboards. The insides of the trailers are decorated to suit the owner's taste.

"My camper is a 1956 Shasta. It's about 15 feet long and very road worthy. I can tow her with my SUV. I had never pulled a trailer in my life until I became a sister. It's all about empowerment. I can get in my little trailer and go wherever I please. Most of the sisters have a theme for their camper. My little camper is Sister Moon. I love the moon. I've always been fascinated by the moon and I'm a dedicated moon watcher. All the décor inside Sister Moon is kinda themed toward the moon. I have signs up with messages like 'Live by the sun, love by the moon.' Our motto is: we have more fun than anyone. Sisters on the Fly is just like Girl Scouts except with martinis."

This month the sisters will be traveling along the Bankhead Highway, the first southern route across the US. It runs through Texas.

"2016 is the one hundredth anniversary of the beginning of the Bankhead Highway. The sisters are planning a caravan to travel the entire length of the state and are calling it The Waltz Across Texas. It will begin in El Paso the first weekend in April and will travel eastward, going to the Davis Mountains, Alpine, Colorado City, Sweetwater, Abilene, then will take a detour to the Fort Worth Stockyards and will end up in East Texas on April 24th for the big finale. They'll pick up people as they go and we have sisters coming from all over the United States to participate in this. They're expecting 150 travel trailers by the time it's all over. It should be some spectacle."

Susie joined the sisters three years ago and says it has been some of the best years of her life. Sometimes she plays her ukulele to entertain her friends.

"A lot of the sisters are interested in cooking over a fire using Dutch ovens and cast iron skillets. We don't go hungry, that's for sure."

Susie will be helping host the sisters when they get to Sweetwater on April16.

"They'll tour the WASP Museum where they'll hear about sisters who learned to fly during World War Two as Women Air Service Pilots. I think it'll be very inspirational, since the sisters love adventure."

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Daniel Gonzales safely slides into third base during a recent game between the Broncos and Kerrville at Bronco baseball field, Sonora. KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

Broncos Drop 10-11 against Coahoma

The Sonora Broncos dropped to the Coahoma Bulldogs 11-10 after seven innings on Friday, April 1st, despite securing seven hits and ten runs.

Louie Castro kicked things off with a single in the first inning setting the Broncos up for an early lead of 4-0 in the bottom of the first.

Noah Sanmiguel showed an impressive outing against Coahoma's lineup, holding back the Bulldogs with no hits over three innings and no earned runs.

He walked five and struck out six batters while on the mound.

Fletcher Mashburn acquired the win in relief for Coahoma, allowing only six runs during his six innings pitched.

Braden Pearson, Logan Franklin and Adam Clark assisted with Coahoma's lead with their combined

four hits and five RBIs. Castro followed up with another single in the fourth and the Broncos went on to acquire three RBIs on two

Coahoma matched its two-run second inning with two more in the seventh. In the second, the Bulldogs scored on an error.

Broncos tied the game in the third on a sacrifice fly by Daniel Gonzales, bringing in Castro.

The lead stayed with Coahoma after the fourth. when they scored four runs on a two-run double by Pearson, an error, and an RBI single by Alex Biddison.

One run in the bottom of the fifth helped Broncos close its deficit to 9-6.

An RBI double by Campos triggered the Broncos' comeback.

However, Mashburn ended the inning causing Gonzales to ground out.

Four Broncos crossed the plate in the bottom half of the seventh, making the score 11-10.

A two-run single by Lira, a ground out by Castro, and an RBI double by Henry Ramos set off the Broncos rally before the last out on Adrian Garcia and a 10-11 loss.



Nydia Rodriguez, 3rd base, fields a ground ball. The Lady Broncos fell to the Lady Bulldogs 7-10 in their district game on April 1st in KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

Lady Bulldogs Outlast the Lady Broncos in 7 Inning Thriller

The Sonora Lady Broncos fell 7-10 to the Coahoma Lady Bulldogs in their district on April 1st in Sonora.

The Lady Bulldogs were able to strike first in the top of the first inning due to timely hits and errors from the Lady Bronco defense.

The Lady Broncos answered back with two

Next, Nydia Rodriguez followed up with a stand up double, plating Valerie Gonzalez and Talamantez.

Rodriguez advanced to third base on a wild pitch and Kristin Garrett picked up an RBI on a fielder's

choice to the shortstop. The score remained at 5-3 until the 3rd inning when the Lady Bulldogs scored two runs off of a

homerun to left field. Coahoma came out swinging in the top of the

fourth, plating four runs off of two hits and three errors. Cip Tobias led off the

bottom of the fifth inning with a stand up double to right field.

Starting off the bottom of the sixth, Jackilyn Sykes got a hit, advanced to

second on a steal and eventually scored on a shot to right field by Riley Walker.

With the score at 7-10, the Lady Broncos gave it their all in the final run.

Talamantez was tagged following a hit to second base but Rodriguez followed it up with a hit by pitch, allowing runners to second and first bases.

Finally, Garrett drew a walk, loading the bases.

Sykes came up huge with a single to right field, bringing in Gonzalez and the bases loaded again. Walker slammed one inbetween first and second bases but tagged on first.

'These ladies played their hearts out and laid it all on the field, Coach Sandy Wellmann said. "They have become resilient fighters who never give up and I am extremely proud of the way they carried themselves and com-

peted on the field." The Lady Broncos move forward taking on the Colorado City Lady Wolves on April 5th and the Reagan County Lady Owls on April

Kaden Cordell and John Arredondo named to the All-West Texas Super Team



Kaden Cordell



John Arredondo

Sonora Named 2016 Best High School Sports

Sonora ranked No. 1 in the 2016 Best High School Sports in Texas according to Niche.

Niche offers rankings and statistics for high schools and colleges recognizing the top schools in every state.

Sonora's athletic director, David Sine, said he is proud of all of the students participating in the sixteen available sports at Sonora high school.

The ranking is another illustration of the importance of extra-curriclular activities in Sonora, Sine said.

In addition to survey information, Niche calculates their rankings based upon student enrollment, student participation and funding for athletic programs.

There is an equal distribution of girls and boys who participate in all sports.

Sine said Sonora has an advantage over other small schools because of the sports offered including golf, tennis and powerlifting.

"Now, the entire state of Texas knows that WE are **BRONCO NATION!**, Sine said.



Mary Kyle Johnson back hands the ball on a return while competing in the girls singles competition during the Reagan County Tournament. J.L. MANKIN | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

Lady Broncos Earn Silver at Mason Tennis Tourney

The Lady Broncos raised the competition bar over the last two weeks in preparation for their upcoming district tennis meet.

The team competed at Fredericksburg on March 24th, 25th, and 26th. Then moved on to compete at Mason.

Both tournaments feature state tennis champions, as well as, competition from larger participating

Tyler Hampton and Sky Jennings were awarded fourth place in the girls doubles during the Fredericksburg tournament.

Shelby Aschenbeck earned fourth place in girls singles.

Hampton and Jennings suffered their first loss of the season to a very good team from Fredericksburg following their win over a team from Mason.

Aschenbeck's loss came at the hands of a Mason competitor in girls singles. Overall, Sonora earned

fourth, behind Mason, Fredericksburg, and San Antonio Marshall.

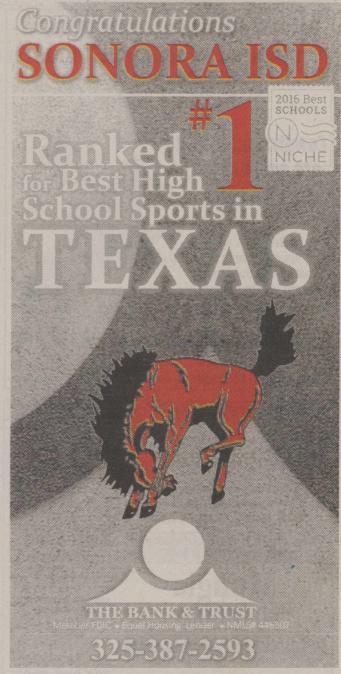
Claire Thiebaud and Bianca Fay were awarded third in the JV division.

Hampton and Jennings

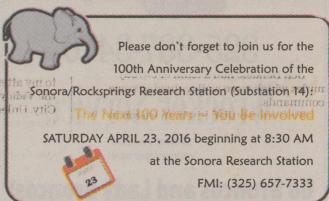
earned a silver in the girls doubles, while competing at

Mason. Although they outscored Comfort, San Saba, and Midland Classical, the Lady Broncos fell to Ruffin-Schmidt from Mason, in the

The Lady Broncos were slated to compete at district in Reagan County on April 5th and 6th.









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Treat Yourself



Roger and Jessica Henson and their children offer their first shaved ice snowcone to Randy Mankin and Justine Word on Thursday, March 31st. The Hensons, owners of Tiki Treats opened for regular business offering over fifty flavors of shaved ice snowcones.

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County Commissioners OK Start Date for Sutton County Park Pavilion Rental

Commissioners unanimously approved open rental of the County Park Pavilion beginning on April 5th during a special meeting held Monday.

The pavilion, including the kitchen, is available for public rental on a contractual basis for a set fee of \$250.00 per event.

Lease agreements can be made by contacting the **Sutton County Extension** office at 325-387-3101.

has already requested a lease commitment for an upcoming event. In addition, commission-

One local organization

ers accepted and approved, 4-1, a depository bid from The Bank and Trust.

Commissioner Carl Teaff abstained from voting on the depository, stating conflict of interest.

Commissioners agreed it would be in the best interest of the county, as well as, cost effective to maintain the establish depository with the Bank and Trust.

There were no other items on the agenda. Without further discus-

sion, comments or concerns, the meeting adjourned. Judge Steve Smith pre-

sided over the meeting. Commissioners Carl Teaff, Mike Villanueva, John Wade and Fred Perez were in attendance.

The next regular meeting of the Sutton County Commissioners is slated for Monday, April 11th, at 9:00 a.m., in the County Annex Building.

Zika Virus Awareness for Home and Abroad

Submitted by Suzanne Whitworth

Zika Virus Travel Tips The U.S. State Department has issued travel alerts and advisories for travelers concerning the Zika virus.

If you are planning on travel to another country and need more information on the Zika virus in that area, go to U.S. State Department Information for travel information and alerts for women who are pregnant.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has also issued travel advisories regarding the Zika virus. The latest statistics on the Zika virus from the CDC include: Travel associated Zika virus disease cases reported: 273 cases. United States locally

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acquired vector-borne cases reported: 0 cases.

Of the 273 travel-associated infections, 19 are in pregnant women and 6 were sexually transmitted.

Zika Virus at Home Aedes Aegypti, common name, Yellow Fever Mos-Zitka Virus to humans.

Aedes Aegypti mosquitoes in Texas breed almost exclusively in artificial containers such as discarded tires, barrels, and open containers. Their flight range is very limited.

Breeding sites are found near by adults. So, source reduction is crucial to controlling these mosquitoes.

If adults are present in your yard, pest control companies and over the counter sprays are effective extermination options.

For more information on mosquito control, contact me, Suzanne Whitworth at 325-387-3888.

Cave Event in Rocksprings Attracts Statewide Experts

by Jim Kennedy, Texas Speleological Association Vice-Chairman

The weekend of April 22 to 24 will see cavers, cave scientists, cave explorers, and cave owners from all across Texas converge on the town of Rocksprings for the annual spring convention of the Texas Speleological Association. This year's convention focuses on the caves and karst of the Edwards Plateau, the 40-county area of central Texas underlain by limestones and having thin soils and little surface water. This vast area is mostly karst, a type of landscape dominated by soluble bedrock (such as limestone), and containing caves, sinkholes, pits, sinking streams, and springs.

For the first time, this normally-exclusive meeting will be open to the public. Local residents, ranchers, hunters, and land managers can attend to learn more about the known caves in the area and find out about the large potential for undiscovered and unreported caves. Currently, the Texas Speleological Survey (the state cave archives) lists 5,506 caves throughout Texas, but mostly concentrated in the Edwards Plateau. A cave, as defined by the TSS, is "a naturally occurring, humanly enterable cavity in the earth, at least 5 m (15' 6") in traverse length, and where no dimension of the entrance exceeds the length or depth of the cavity."

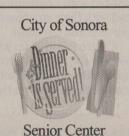
Talks begin at 9:00 am on the morning of Saturday the 23rd at the Edwards County Fairgrounds on Highway 377 in the northeast corner of Rocksprings. Presentations will cover the geology of the Edwards Plateau, how caves form, what lives in them, and what else makes them important, such as fossil deposits, archeological remains, and groundwater. After a break for lunch, presentations will continue through the afternoon, focusing on the exciting exploration and mapping of some of the Plateau's most significant caves Other activities on

Saturday include live demonstrations and workshops on caving techniques, such as vertical (rope) work, cave mapping, and safety and rescue. There will also be various educational booths set up by our co-sponsors from Texas Parks and Wildlife (Kickapoo Cavern State Park and Devils Sinkhole State Natural Area), the Devils Sinkhole Society, Caverns of Sonora,

the National Speleological Society, Texas Speleological Survey, and Texas Cave Management Association. Caving gear, books, and related items will also be on sale from various speleovendors all day long.

The day concludes with a buffet-style banquet and a guest speaker. While admission to the talks is free to our non-caver visitors, guest tickets to the banquet will be on sale for \$10 to help offset the costs of the meal. The dinner program will be awardwinning videographer Greg Passmore talking about his latest project, a virtual-reality caving adventure. Afterwards, for those wishing to stay a while longer, there will be a short fundraising auction to benefit the Texas Cave Management Association's efforts to purchase more caves.

More information can be found on the TSA website at http://cavetexas. org/events/TSASC/index. html, or better yet, on the 2016 TSA Spring Convention Facebook event page. I am also happy to answer any questions email to me at cavercrash@gmail.com. Please spread the word, and we are looking forward to welcoming you to our meeting in Rocksprings!



MONDAY April 11th Ham, Sweet Potato, Mixed Veggies, Wheat Roll, Ambrosia Cup, Milk.

TUESDAY April 12th Beef Tips W/Gravy, Egg Noodles, Tuscan Veggies, Bread Sticks, Strawberries,

Lemon Cookie, Milk. **WEDNESDAY April 13th** Baked Chicken, Corn Bread

Dressing W/Gravy, Green Peas, Wheat Roll, Angel Food Cake W/Fruit, Milk.

THURSDAY April 14th Hamburger on a Bun W/ Cheese, Lettuce, Tomato, Onions, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Peaches, Milk.

FRIDAY April 15th Crunchy Fish, French Fries, Black-Eyed Peas, Cucumber and Tomato Salad, Milk

Transportation to and from the center may call 325-387-3941.

Weekly Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- 1. Drone, e.g.
- 5. Map 9. Lively
- 14. Subj. with graphs
- 15. Defaulter's loss 16. Variety show
- 17. Heavy kettle 19. Scare
- 20. Tulsa coll.
- 21. Bitter tasting
- 23. Data 24. Taj Mahal, e.g.
- 26. Time of one's life
- 28. Morning side 35. Casual pants
- 37. Milk, cheese, etc. 38. "I think," briefly
- 39. Decides
- 40. URL shrinking
- site 41. In addition
- 42. Born in France
- 43. Earth's shape
- 44. Mouthing off
- 45. Rash cause
- 48. Prehistoric 49. "Psst!"
- 52. Let out 55. Goes diving

CONTINENTAL CHALLENGE

- 4. S.A.S.E., e.g. 22. Toyota model 62. Hearty pub meal 64. Copycat's words 25. Getaway spots 5. ___ Harum 27. Chap 6. Author Primo 7. Newspaper piece 29. "Eat crow," e.g.

2. Lexus rival

3. Classic loafer

- 8. Novelist Morrison 9. Car protector 10. Bas
- 12. Ride the waves
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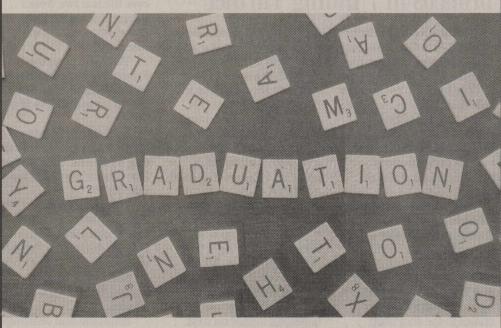
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- 50. Comic Cheri 51. Single
- 52. Cloverleaf exit 53. By any chance 54. Port. is part of it
- 56. Credit card name 57. "Mitla Pass" author 58. Unwelcome mail
- 61. Register 63. ___ Na Na

See solution on Page 5

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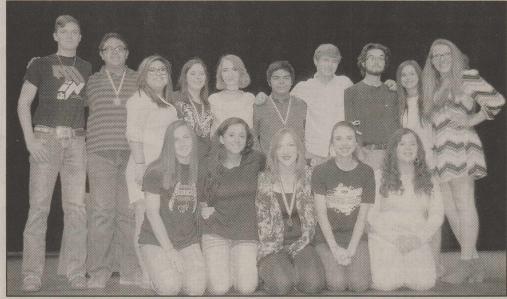
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UIL District Champs



Sonora High School students earned top academic awards during their district competition on March 23rd. Young scholars advance to Regional competition on April 23rd, in Abilene. (Back L-R) Kaden Cordell, Cara Hernandez, Christina Hernandez, Shayna Edwards, Noel Fierro, Kristy Sanchez, Garret Jaeger, Tate Shannon, Autumn Ayala, Juan Miguel Jimenez, Straton Rushing, Juan Gamez, Dakota Castro, Danny Pechacek, Darby Ramsdell, Dalton Morris, Cip Tobias, Henry Ramos. (Front L-R) Jill Buitron, Bailey Gonzalez, Amber Vasquez, Kristen Garrett, Felicia Farley, Delaney Ramsdell, Zelenia Vasquez, Layla Burke, April Fraire, Jasmine Talamantez, Samantha Castro, Nydia JUSTINE WORD | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

Anatomy of Gray



Sonora High School thespians are advancing to Area competition to perform their One-Act drama, "Anatomy of Gray" on Saturday, April 9th at 1 p.m. at Angelo State University. (Back L-R) Tanner Cane, Juan Miguel Jimenez, Autumn Ayala, Shayna Edwards, Hazel Kent, Dakota Castro, Straton Rushing, Dalton Morris, Robin McGuffin, Molly Taylor. (Front L-R) Sheridan Wather, Iris McAfee, Layla Burke, Avery Leamon, and Kayla Grace Edwards. JUSTINE WORD | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

The Madness in Understanding Hometown Banking

Submitted by Beth Burleson The 2nd Annual "March Madness" Banking presentation for the Sonora High School Senior Class was held on Wednesday, March 30th at The Bank & Trust.

The program was developed to neip graduating seniors learn the basics of how "home town" banking helps them as they venture out into the world to attend college, begin a job in the workforce, or just live life.

Four learning centers were set up in the lobby and a brief presentation was given at each one.

The centers included how to open a checking and/or savings account, internet, mobile and text banking using The Bank & Trust app. on a cell phone.

Debit cards as well as filling out a deposit slip and proper check endorsement, establishing credit and using a monthly budget.

Students were given an opportunity to ask questions as they made their way through the stations.

In addition to the financial education, each student was entered into a drawing to receive a gift card. The gift card money could be used to open a new account and begin banking services.

Each student left with a complimentary goodie bag to go along with their afternoon of fun and financial learning.



Reena McGee demonstrates proper check writing during March Madness at the Bank and Trust on March 30th. Sonora High School students learned basic banking while participating in the event. KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

Card of Thanks

The family of John Quincy Adams would like to thank our family and friends for all the delicious food, the beautiful plants and flowers and the wonderful donations made to all the various charities.

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Sonora ISD

Menu

PK-5th: Free Breakfast & \$2.45 lunch Middle & High School: \$1.95 Breakfast & \$2.85 lunch

Choice of 1 of 2 entrees or salad Menu Subject to Change

> Monday - April 11th Breakfast

Breakfast Pizza or Cereal W/ Crackers, Fruit, Juice, Milk Variety Lunch Country Fried Steak or Chicken

Nuggets Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Roll, Savory Green Beans, Strawberry Cup, Milk

> Muffin, Milk Tuesday - April 12th **Breakfast**

After School Meal: Chocolate Chip

Cheese Omelet Wrap or Cereal W. Crackers, Orange Smiles, Juice,

Lunch Meat and Cheese Tostadas or Enchiladas

Spanish Rice, Salsa, Garden Salad, Refried Beans, Applesauce, Milk After School Meal: Fruit, Raisins, Milk

Wednesday-April 13th

Breakfast Sausage Kolache or Cereal W/ Crackers, Fruit, Juice, Milk Variety Lunch Chicken Spaghetti W/Breadstick or

Cheese Pizza Garden Salad, Vegetable Medley, Apple Slices, Milk After School Meal: Baked Chips,

Juice Thursday - April 14th

Breakfast Waffles and Sausage or Cereal W/ Crackers, Fruit, Juice, Milk Variety Soft Tacos or Frito Pie

Baby Carrots and Ranch, Mexicali Corn, Salsa, Orange Smiles, Cookie, After School Meal: String Cheese and Fruited Jell-O

> Friday - April 15th Breakfast

Cinnamon Roll and Bacon or Cereal W/Crackers, Fruit, Juice, Milk Variety Lunch

Chicken Strips W/Texas Toast or Hamburger/Cheeseburger

Hamburger Garnish, Zesty Cucumbers, Sweet Potato Fries, Sliced Peaches, Milk After School Meal: PB&J Sandwich, Juice

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Baseball Rescheduled

The Sonora Broncos baseball game against Colorado City, originally slated for Friday, April 15th has been rescheduled to Saturday, April 16th. JV action will get underway at 10 a.m. Varsity action will begin at 12:30 p.m. Be there, wear your RED and be loud!



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9th Lisa Talamantez, Dell Tedford, Charles Barber, Haley Smith, Mary Ann Pajestka

10th Sue Wamble Alyssa Favila, Sarah Teaff

12th Allan Prather

Lynn Burleson

11th Louise Moore, Stanley

14th Noemi Samaniego,

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Chase Moore

Sonora ISD School Board Precinct 2



I would like to introduce myself, I am Chase Moore and I am married to Alexandra Moore. We have three children Grace (7), and twins Amy and Powell (3). Education has always played a major part in my life. Both my parents are school administrators along with my sister who is a school teacher. I attended Angelo State University as a student

athlete and was fortunate enough to win All American honors during my tenure at ASU. I graduated from ASU in 2010, and began teaching and coaching at Sonora High School. In 2012, I had an opportunity to enter into the business world and start a career at The Bank and Trust. I believe that my past education and present finance experiences make me a qualified candidate for precinct 2. I would be honored to serve our students, teachers, administrators and the community of Sonora.

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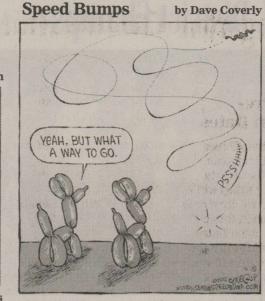






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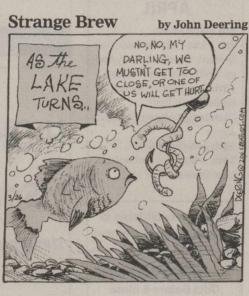


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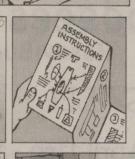




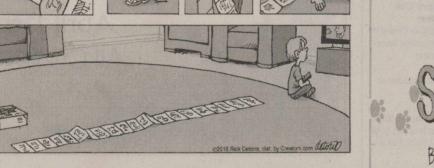














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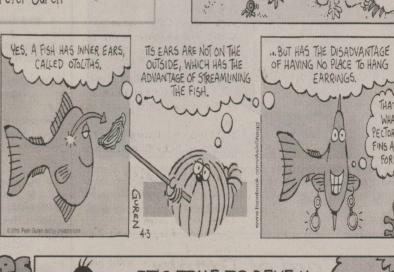
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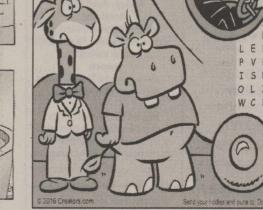










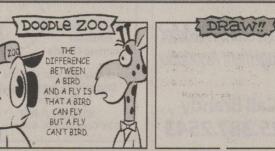


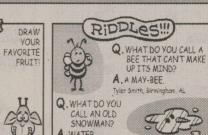












SISD Pre-K and Kindergarten CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS: Grants Roundup

Sonora Elementary Pre-**Kindergarten Registration Dates**

Pre-registration for the 2016-2017 school year will be held on Tuesday, April 19th through Thursday, April 21st from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Sonora Elementary School office.

Students enrolling in Pre-Kindergarten must be three or four years old on or before September 1, 2016.

Students who are three or four years of age on or before September 1, 2016 must meet one of the following qualification requirements: 1) be unable to speak and comprehend the English language; or 2) be educationally disadvantaged (eligible to participate in the National School Lunch Program [NSLP]); or 3) be homeless; or 4) be the child of an active duty member of the armed forces of the United States, including the state military forces or a reserved component of the armed forces, who is ordered to active duty by proper authority; or 5) be the child of a member of the armed forces of the United States, including

the state military forces or a reserved component of the armed forces, who was injured or killed while serving on active duty; or 6) have ever been in the conservatorship of the Texas Department of Family and **Protective Services (foster** care) following an adversary hearing.

Students four years of age on or before September 1, 2016 who do not quality for Pre-Kindergarten may pay tuition.

Tuition will be \$300.00 per month due on the first of each month beginning in August and the last payment will be in April.

Class size, however, will be limited and classes will be filled on a first-come first-served basis.

You must provide a copy of your child's birth certificate, social security card, current immunization record, and guardian photo identification.

Your child will not be placed in a class until immunizations are current and proof is provided.

Kindergarten Registration Dates

Kindergarten registration will be Tuesday, April 19th through Thursday, April 21st from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Sonora Elementary School office.

Students enrolling in Kindergarten must be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2016.

You must provide a copy of your child's birth certifiidentification.

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Please make every effort to register on these dates as this will help us plan for the

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- Bexar County, Joint Base San Antonio-Randolph, \$4.71 million;

- Tom Green County. Goodfellow Air Force Base, \$2.04 million;

- City of El Paso, Fort Bliss, \$2 million; and

- City of Del Rio, Laughlin Air Force Base, \$3.3 million.

In December 2015, Governor Abbott awarded the first round of disbursements, sending more than \$15 million to the Alamo Area Council of Governments, the city of Houston, Val Verde County and the city of Wichita Falls.

The Texas Military **Preparedness Commission** is part of the governor's office and advises the governor and the Legislature on ways to strengthen the position of Texas military installations in preparation for a potential BRAC and other defense-related issues. The commission's 13 members serve six-year staggered terms. Typically, each member represents an installation in his or her community.

Employment figures improve

The Texas Workforce Commission on March 25 reported that Texas added jobs for the 11th consecutive month in February, with a gain of 2,100 non-farm jobs.

Commission Chair Andres Alcantar said that over the past year Texas gained 170,900 jobs.

Also, Texas' seasonally

adjusted unemployment rate fell to 4.4 percent in February, down from 4.5 percent in January, and remained below the national average of 4.9 percent.

"Private employers have expanded their payrolls by 142,800 jobs in Texas over the past year," said Ruth R. Hughs, the workforce commissioner who represents employers. "We are pleased to see that trend continue because it reflects the strength and resiliency of our state's economy."

Initiative targets hogs The Texas Department of Agriculture on March 22 announced the 2016 Coordinated Hog Out Management Program (CHOMP), run-

ning for the entire month of May. Through CHOMP, coun-

ties may apply for assistance grants to continue local abatement activities after the program ends. The effort is intended to reduce the feral hog population.

Feral hogs cause an estimated \$52 million in agricultural damage each year. Texas is home to 2.6 million feral hogs, the largest feral hog population in the U.S.

"Feral hogs are both an urban and rural problem, and there is no single solution that will solve it statewide," Agriculture Commissioner Sid Miller said. "Through this partnership, local officials will have the flexibility to implement feral hog abatement efforts that work best in their areas."

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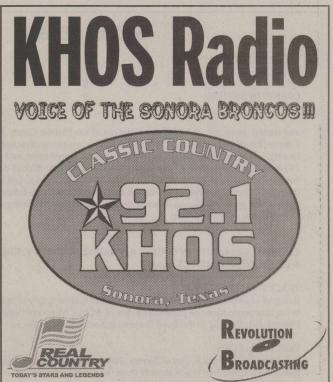
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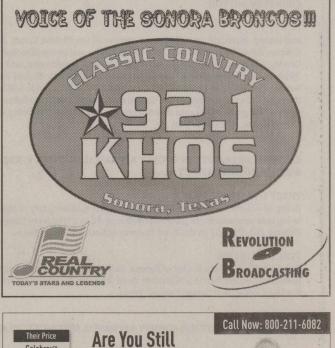
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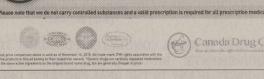
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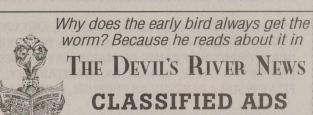
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March	3.39 in.	March	2.62 ir
February	0.77 in.	February	1.04 ir
January	0.36 in.	January	0.38 ir
2016 Year-to-Date TOTAL	4.55 in.	2016 Year-to-Date TOTAL	4.06 ir
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2014	14.32 in.	2014	12.72 ii
2013	25.12 in.	2013	25.00 ir
2012	16.06 in.	2012	17.82 ii
2011	11.50 in.	2011	10.49 ir
2010	20.37 in.	2010	17.94 ir
2009	21.67 in.	2009	28.44 ii
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2016-2017 school year.

62nd Youth Range Management Workshop

Developing Youth Leaders in Range Management

300 M Hurdles: Triple Jump: Kaden

Discus: Michael Solis, 2nd, 147-1 4x100 Relay: Sonora, 6th, 45.57 (Wesley Dutton, Jarrett Jackson, Abel

Cordell, 5th, 40-3 1/2;

Cruz, Michael Solis) 110 Hurdles: Carter Zook, 2nd, 15.70 4x200 Relay: Sonora,

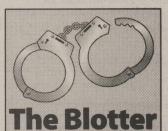
6th, 1:34.71 (Kade Creek,

Drew Buitron)

Abel Cruz, Michael Solis,

Carter Zook, 1st, 39.95

Team Totals: 1. Big Spring, 131; 2. Abilene Wylie, 88; 3. Perryton, 72; 4. Brownwood, 67; 5. Monahans, 66; 6. Wall, 61; 7. (tie) Sonora and Denver City, 32; 9. Crane, 16; 10. Brady, 14; 11. Greenwood and Pecos, 12; 13. Jim Ned, 10; 14. Central JV, 4; 15. Roscoe, 2; 16.



The Blotter is a summary of the previous week's activity by the Sonora Police Department. For practical reasons of time and space. The Blotter does not include every call made to the police department, nor does it include routine security checks, minor traffic stops or routine patrols. Accidents of major impact may be reported separately. Subjects reported to have been arrested are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

ARRESTS NO ARRESTS REPORTED.

INCIDENTS

MARCH 28 - 4:15 PM • Caller reported a vehicle accident at the Stripes Taco Laredo parking lot. Officer responded.

5:10 PM • Caller reported a welfare check on E. College and Prospect. Officer responded. 7:30 PM • Caller requested AirMed traffic control at the LMH. Officer responded.

7:52 PM • Caller reported a suspicious vehicle on the 700 block of N. Crockett. Officer responded. 10:04 PM • Caller requested officer on the 1200 block of Orient. Officer responded.

MARCH 29 - 10:30 AM • 9-1-1 call at the Holiday Host Motel. Officer responded.

4:30 PM • Caller requested officer on the 600 block of Orient. Officers responded.

MARCH 30 - 4:54 PM • Caller reported a runaway juvenile on the 800 block of S. Water Avenue. Officer responded. 9:26 PM · Caller requested officer on the 100 block of Dos

Street. Officer responded.

Ballinger, 1. MARCH 31 - 6:55 AM • Caller reported a stolen vehicle on the

responded. 8:20 AM · Caller reported a burglary of a vehicle on the 600 block of Poplar. Officer respond-

100 block of Deerwood. Officer

8:51 PM • Caller reported suspicious activity on the 100 Block of Deerwood. Officer respond-

10:13 PM • 9-1-1 call on the 200 block of E. 2nd. Officer respond-

APRIL 1 - 8:57 AM • 9-1-1 call on the 1200 block of Tayloe Ave. Officer responded.

12:34 PM · Alarm call on the 1400 block of Tayloe Ave. Officer responded.

5:17 PM • Alarm call at the Bank and Trust. Officers responded. APRIL 2 - 11:59 AM · Caller requested a ministerial alliance at the Dollar General. Officer responded.

6:08 PM • Caller reported a welfare concern on the 600 block of Allen. Officer responded. 7:40 PM • 9-1-1 call on the 700

block of Tayoe. Officer respond-11:44 PM • Agency requested assistance at the Comfort Inn.

Officer responded APRIL 3 - 12:19 PM · Caller reported an animal on the 400

block of W. Oak. Officer respond-

1:06 PM • Agency requested assistance with a pursuit on I-10. Officers responded. 3:29 PM · Alarm call at a local residence on the 1100 block of S.

Concho. Officer responded. 5:13 PM • Caller reported Kids on ATVs in the draw on Main and St. Ann's. Officer responded. 8:04 PM • Caller requested officer on the 100 block of Uno. Officer responded.

the week. There are local For developing youth sponsors, so if interested, leaders in range manage-

ment, the Youth Range Workshop has served for the past 61 consecutive years as an excellent opportunity for Texas youth to receive training in range and natural resource management, stewardship of

Pascual Hernandez natural resources and leadership. Today's job market has positions for individuals who manage rangeland involved in various kinds of roles-from golf courses, parks, nature centers, small acreage suburban sites to large ranches.

If you know a high school youth who has a strong interest in the outdoors, please read on. He or she can join participants from across Texas June 26 - July 1, 2016 at the Texas Tech University Campus in Junction, Texas for the 62nd Youth Range Workshop.

At the workshop, participants gain useful knowledge and skills in the areas of ecology, inventory practices, management and evaluation of resources. Experts from across the state are recruited to teach the participants in fields ranging from watershed management, to prescribed burning, to soil health, and many areas in between.

Additionally, youth are trained in the areas of public speaking, advocacy, and leadership, so that they are armed with the knowledge they need to effectively educate others in the area of rangeland management, regardless of the career path they ultimately choose. The workshop is open to youth who are 14-18 years old, and have completed the 8th grade, but have not graduated from high school.

The workshop is \$350, and includes all meals, lodging, and educational materials needed during



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The Sutton County Road & Bridge is hereby requesting sealed bids on the following R&B Materials:

R&B Materials

1) Approximately 50,000 Gallons of AC-5-Asphalt

Materials to be delivered to Sutton County Road & Bridge yard at 410 East Pecan in Sonora, Texas.

Sealed bids will be opened on April 11, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. at the regular meeting of Commissioners Court at the Sutton County Annex. "Sealed Bids" must be delivered or mailed to Judge Steve Smith, 300 E. Oak, Suite 4, Sonora, Texas 76950. For specifications, please contact the County Road & Bridge Superintendent, Standley Clay Anderson, (325) 226-3388 or County Auditor, Maura Weingart, (325) 387-5380.

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BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER

DATED: March 31, 2016

and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court, 112th Judicial District, of Sutton County, Texas, by the District Clerk on said date, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I have on the $4^{\rm th}$ day of April, 2016, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in May, 2016, the same being the 3rd day of said month, at the Courthouse door, of said County in the City of Sonora, beginning at 11:00 o'clock a.m., on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all the right, title and interest of the defendants in such suit to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Sutton and the State of Texas, to-wit:

CAUSE NO. 5814; SUTTON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT V. ROSARIO OVALLE, INDIVIDUALLY & D/B/A ROSIE'S CAFÉ, ET AL

TRACT 1: R100807

Being all of Lots 7 & 8, Block 33A, South Heights Addition, City of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas; being that property more particularly described in a Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien recorded in Volume 261, Page 52 in the Deed Records of Sutton County, Texas.

TRACT 2: R101376

Being Lot 8 1/2, Block K, City of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas; being that property more particularly described in a Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien recorded in Volume 287, Page 702 in the Deed Records of Sutton County, Texas.

CAUSE NO. 5953; SUTTON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT V. FRANCISCO HERNANDEZ, ET AL

TRACT 1: R101357

Being the S/2 of Lot 3, Block J, City of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas; being that property more particularly described in a Warranty Deed recorded in Volume 364, Page 375 in the Deed Records

CAUSE NO. 5954; SUTTON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT V. JOHNNY ESPARZA, ET AL

TRACT 1: R101546

Being Lot 6, Block W-38, City of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas; being that property more particularly described in a Warranty Deed recorded in Volume 298, Page 493 in the Official Records of Sutton County, Texas.

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment, interest, penalties, and costs; subject, however to the right of redemption by the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem said property, or their interest therein, in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest, penalties and costs of suit, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

I have appointed the following as agent to conduct the sale, to-wit:

Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott, L.L.P. Attorneys at Law 1031 Andrews Hwy, Ste. 210 Midland, Texas 79701 (432) 522-2427

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At the time the sale begins, all bidders at the sale must be registered with the above named agent conducting the sale and be eligible to bid according to the Property Tax Code.

Dated at Sonora, Sutton County, Texas, this the 4th day of April, 2016.

/s/Joe M. Fincher SHERIFF, SUTTON COUNTY

PUBLIC NOTICE

ORDER OF ELECTION

An election is hereby ordered to be held on May 7, 2016 at The Sonora Independent School District Administration Building, 807 S Concho, Sonora, Texas for the purpose of:

Board Member Precinct 1

Board Member Precinct 3

Board Member At-Large

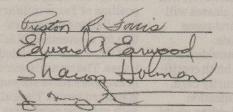
Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at City Hall, 201 E Main Street, between the hours of 8:00 am and 5:00 pm beginning on April 25, 2016 and ending on May 3, 2016. Extended hours for early voting will be on April 26, 2016 and May 3, 2016 from 7:00 am until 7:00 pm at City Hall.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

201 E Main Street Sonora TX 76950

Applications for ballot by mail but be received no later than the close of business on April 26, 2016.

Issued this 8th day of February, 2016.



NOTICE TO BIDDERS

INVITATION FOR BIDS FOR DEPOSITORY OF OPERATING FUNDS OF THE CITY OF SONORA, TX

NOTICE is hereby given that the City of Sonora, Texas will received bids for depository of the City's Operating Funds for the period commencing on the 1st day of June, 2016 through the 31st day of May, 2018. Any banking organization, qualifying under the laws of the State of Texas to act as depository of municipal funds, which desires to act as such depository for the City of Sonora shall submit written application thereof, on the forms supplied by the City, sealed and marked on the outside, "APPLICATION FOR DEPOSITORY OF CITY FUNDS, DO NOT OPEN UNTIL 10:00 a.m. on Friday, April 15, 2016. Such application will be received in the office of the City Manager, Sonora City Hall, 201 E. Main St., Sonora, Texas 76950, no later than 10:00 a.m. on the 15th day of April, 2016 at which time such applications shall be opened publicly and read aloud.

All terms, conditions, specifications and requirements for such applications are available upon request made to the City Manager.

The City Council will review and take action on bids on April 18, 2016 and shall have the right to accept the application which offers the most favorable terms and conditions for handling of such funds and shall have the right to reject any or all applications and to waive informalities.

SONORA ISD GENERAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)

To the registered voters of Sutton County, Texas:

(A los votantes registrados Condado de Sutton, Texas)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 7, 2016, for voting in a general election to elect trustees precinct 2 precinct 4, Sonorn ISD. (Notifiquese, por las presente, que las custilas electorales situdos abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 7 de mayo de 2016 para votar en la Elección General para elegir la mesa directiva de Sonora ISD recinto dos

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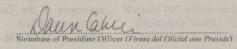
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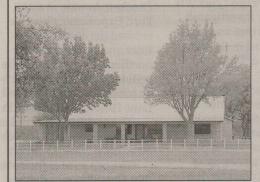
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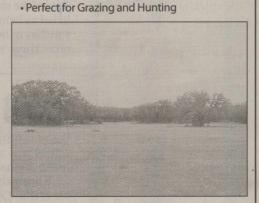
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In Texas Case, Supreme Court Upholds One Person, One Vote

BY JORDAN RUDNER
THE TEXAS TRIBUNE

In a unanimous decision released Monday, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled to uphold Texas' current system for drawing legislative districts so that they are roughly equal in population.

The Supreme Court's ruling is a victory for legislators — mostly Democrats — who represent districts with significant populations of people who are not eligible to vote: primarily children and non-U.S. citizens.

Last year, two Texas voters, Sue Evenwel of Mount Pleasant and Edward Pfenninger of Montgomery County north of Houston, brought a case to the Supreme Court arguing that Texas should divide its districts by the number of eligible voters, not by the total population. Evenwel and Pfenninger argued that the power of Pfenninger's vote was comparatively diminished because he had a greater proportion of nonvoters in his districts.

The court pointed out that the difference in population between the biggest and smallest state Senate districts in Texas was less than 10 percent, while the difference between the eligible voters in the biggest and smallest districts was 40 percent. Evenwel argued that the disparity is untenable.

The justices did not say it would be unconstitutional to base district sizes on eligible voter populations, but said Texas' method of dividing legislative districts by overall population is clearly the standard.

Although the 8–0 judgment was unanimous in Texas' favor, the Court offered three separate justifications – the majority opinion, written by Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg and joined by five other justices, as well as two concurring opinions written by Justice Clarence Thomas and Justice Samuel Alito.

In the ruling, Ginsburg focused heavily on U.S. history and long standing practices allowing states to divide districts by total population.

"What constitutional history and our prior decisions strongly suggest, settled practice confirms," Ginsburg wrote. "Adopting voter-eligible apportionment as constitutional command would upset a well-functioning approach to districting that all 50 states and countless local jurisdictions have followed for decades, even centuries."

The opinion went as far back as to quote founding father Alexander Hamilton: "There can be no truer principle than this – that every individual of the community at large has an equal right to the protection of government," it read.

The case brought together dozens of state legislators who signed on to briefs arguing in Texas' favor. Members of the House of Representatives' Mexican American Legislative Caucus and the Texas Senate Hispanic Caucus argued that the legal challenge represented a direct attack on their constituents, many of whom are ineligible to vote because they do not hold citizenship status. In order to accommodate thousands of additional eligible voters necessary to achieve district parity under Evenwel and Pfenninger's plan, their districts would soar in size so much that their ability to

represent their constituents effectively would be diminished, they said.

The Supreme Court acknowledged that argument in the majority ruling.

"As the Framers of the Constitution and the Fourteenth Amendment comprehended, representatives serve all residents, not just those eligible or registered to vote," Ginsburg wrote. "Nonvoters have an important stake in many policy debates - children, their parents, even their grandparents, for example, have a stake in a strong public education — and in receiving constituent services, such as help navigating publicbenefits bureaucracies."

"By ensuring that each representative is subject to requests and suggestions from the same number of constituents, total population apportionment promotes equitable and effective representation," the ruling concluded.

Even as the majority opinion focused on the historical definition of "one person, one vote," Justice Clarence Thomas used his concurring opinion to dismiss that concept entirely. Although Thomas, the only

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African-American justice on the court, agreed on the constitutionality of Texas' system of drawing districts, and said states should have "significant leeway" when choosing a method for drawing district lines, he expressed skepticism that "one person, one vote" had ever had a sound basis in the U.S. Constitution.

Historically, civil rights groups have relied on the "one person, one vote" principle to challenge systems that have resulted in disenfranchisement of minority groups.

Monday's ruling represented one of two recent Texas cases to reach the U.S. Supreme Court through the efforts of The Project on Fair Representation, which took on the complaint from Evenwel and Pfenninger. The nonprofit group is devoted to fighting the consideration of race in any government action and is also behind Fisher v. University of Texas, the highprofile affirmative action case the justices heard in December.

"We are disappointed that the justices were unwilling to reestablish the original principle of one person, one vote, for the citizens of Texas and elsewhere," said Edward Blum, the group's director, in a statement.

Blum told the Tribune he did not feel the Evenwel ruling was an indicator of how the justices might rule on Fisher. The different nature and circumstances of the two cases made any comparison a "fool's errand." he said.

The Texas Democratic Party, meanwhile, celebrated the ruling.

"Evenwel threatened a return to darker days when certain people were easily left behind by their government," chairman Gilberto Hinojosa said in a statement. "Our elected representatives should be responsive to everyone's needs, not just those that can bring them to power."

Republican Attorney
General Ken Paxton, whose
support of his state's system
for drawing districts made
him an unlikely ally with
a coalition of Democratic
legislators, issued a short
statement Monday applauding the justices' ruling.

"We are pleased with the unanimous decision of the Court," Paxton said. "My office is committed to defending the Constitution and ensuring the state legislature, representing the citizens, continues to have the freedom to ensure voting rights consistent with the Constitution."

This article originally appeared in The Texas Tribune at http://www.texastribune.org/2016/04/04/texas-case-supreme-court-upholds-one-person-one-vo/.

Forty Third Sutton County Days Rodeo Coming in June

- Sutton County Days and the PRCA rodeo that coincides with it will be held the last weekend of June 2016
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DRN Obtains Report on March 14th Head-on Crash

Six citations were issued following a head-on collision on the 100 block of North Crockett on March

Sonora Police Chief William Dudley investigated the accident that was originally reported in the March 17th edition of The Devil's River News.

An officer's report on the accident was obtained by the DRN under a Freedom of Information Act request. It reveals that Maria Del Rosario Gutierrez, 52, of Sonora, was cited for driving without a valid driver's license as well as five counts of driving with an unrestrained child in the vehicle. Two of the children were listed as being under 4 feet 9 inches in height while the other three were described

as being under 36 inches in height.

According to Chief Dudley's report, Gutierrez was driving southbound on N. Crockett Avenue in a 2011 Ford Expedition when she crossed the double yellow lines and crossed into the northbound lane where she collided with a 2013 Chevrolet pickup driven by Terrell Lane Hines, 65, of Eldorado.

The accident occurred at the intersection of N. Crockett Avenue and Oak Street.

The report also indicates that Gutierrez was driving while "under medication."

Six individuals were transported by Sutton County EMS ambulance to Hudspeth Hospital while one additional person was taken to the hospital by private vehicle.

BOMB THREAT:

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1 school will not have to make up the day.

Elizabeth Vargas, director of the - Community Center, also commended her staff for their "outstanding job" in taking care of the children.

By 1 p.m. Monday, the bomb squad from Goodfellow Air Force Base in San Angelo had announced all was clear at the plant.

Rodriguez said it took about an hour for officials from Goodfellow to sweep the area

All employees, except for necessary personnel, were evacuated from the plant, Rodriguez said.

DPS Troopers from Ozona and the surrounding area were conducting a training class at the Ozona DPS Office at the time. They all helped with the emergency, along with the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department, Crockett County EMS, the Texas Ranger, Texas Game Warden and the Crockett County Sheriff's Office.

"I commend everyone involved for working together," Rodriguez said. "The school staff was also great. They worked wonderfully with us."

County officials did not issue any type of evacuation for the town because they did not feel it was necessary, Deaton said.

The last bomb threat to occur in Crockett County was March 10, 1995 when the CCCCSD Administration Office received a phone call about a bomb at Ozona Middle School. Teachers and students were evacuated and no bomb was found.