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# **City of Sonora's Water System Under the Microscope**

San Antonio residents, Cynthia and Thomas Schiotis, are concerned about the water supplied to their soon to be retirement home in Sonora, especially after receiving two letters reporting, "Routine Monitoring Violations Total Coliform Rule.

In an e-mail to the Devil's River News, they expressed their concerns about the city's water testing methods and the health risks associated with contaminated water.

Charlotte McElwain, the city's water superintendent, addressed the violations last month with a standard form letter as required by the Texas **Commission on Environmental** Quality. The letter, sent to [most, but not all,] city water customers said, "The City of Sonora failed to collect the required number of bacteriological samples for coliform monitoring of the water distribution system.'

According to McElwain, water department staff routinely collects three water samples each month from five designated collection sites throughout the city, including residential outdoor faucets, as required by the TCEQ

Additionally, the samples are collected in special containers provided by Pace Analytical and tested in San Angelo and Dallas.

A new style, flip-top lid, bottle was supplied by the lab prior to the first positive coliform reading in October 2015.

McElwain believes that the sample bottles including the flip top lids are easily contaminated during the collection process.

"If you touch anywhere on the lid, around the bottle opening or if the wind blows something onto the lid, then the sample is contaminated."

Sample collection is done by a process outlined by TCEQ. For example, a faucet is turned on and allowed to run for three to five minutes. The spout is also treated with chlorine and torched before water is collected.

Reports obtained by the DRN show that on October 13, 2015 a sample collected from an outdoor faucet, in a residential neighborhood, tested positive for coliform but negative for E-coli.

Three follow up samples were collected and the data reflected negative for coliform and E-coli. On December 22, 2015

another water sample tested positive for coliform, but negative for E-coli, Again, the three follow-up samples revealed negative.

Both samples were collected using a new flip top collection bottle recently provided by Pace.

Other municipalities reported similar issues using the new style collection bottles, according to McElwain.

**TCEQ** requires five water samples to be collected instead of three and submitted for follow-up testing.

This failure resulted in two violations for not collecting the mandatory number of samples for follow-up testing.

McElwain said, in the event of water contamination, sites providing water to residents would immediately be shut down and a boil water notice would be

issued.

Additionally, the city's water would be treated with chlorine and a residual level monitored daily to ensure that the free chlorine level is sufficient to treat any existing harmful bacteria, according to McElwain.

Chlorination is the most commonly used and effective in eliminating disease causing microorganisms in water, according to the Center for Disease Control.

A prior chlorine residual violation is responsible for the present infrastructure project that the city has been working on since 2007.

The Total Coliform Rule, enacted by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in 1990, is a standard limit guideline for the presence of total coliform in drinking water.

The TCEQ requires every public water system monitor for the presence of total coliform to protect customers from illness.

Total coliforms include bacteria found in soil, water contaminated by surface water or wells and human or animal waste. These bacteria came come from anywhere in the environment.

Fecal coliforms and E-coli are a specific group of bacteria that originate in the intestine of warm blooded animals and introduced into water through fecal matter via contaminated wells or other sources, according to the New York State Department of Health.

**McElwain and Public** Works Director Peter Duran said no open wells or polluted pools exist near the city's six fresh water wells, which draw from the Trinity Aquifer.

As for Schiotis, she would like to receive notification of the results from the supplemental testing to assure her that the water is free of contaminants and safe to use.

Schiotis said it is important to protect the water.

"People who have water supplies will be the rulers in the future and those without it will be up a creek," Schiotis said.

# **Sonora District Champs** in Track and Field Events

**Eleven Lady Broncos racked** up a total 207 points to claim the District Championship during the district track meet on April 7th in Sonora

In JV, an additional five Lady Broncos competed to earn the District Championship as well.

Points were scored in eve

#### 13.20.

JV: Sierra Herrada, 2nd. 200 M Dash: Julia Pope, 1st, 27.06 and Lane Cahill, 2nd 28.25. JV: Sheridan Walther, 1st, 3rd place-Sierra Herrada, 3rd and Kaitlyn Gann, 4th.

400 M Dash: Briana Palacios, 1:08.00 and Karah Martinez 4th, 1:09.54



varsity event and every participant contributed to the win.

Ten Lady Broncos advanced to Area competition in fifteen events

The Area meet is scheduled for April 15th at Jim Ned. Thursday's results: 3200 M: Janelle Vasquez, 1st, 13:08 and Kaitlyn Lopez, 2nd, 13:17. High Jump: Mary Kyle Johnson, 2nd, 4'8" and Jackilyn Sykes, 5th, 4'2".

Pole Vault: 1st place- Lane Cahill, 1st, 8', Briana Palacios, 2nd, 7'6" and Jackilyn Sykes, 3rd, 7

Long Jump: Julia Pope, 1st. 15'10.5" and Karah Martinez, 4th, 15'4.5"

Triple Jump: Carly Brown, 2nd, 32'2" and Briana Palacios, 5th, 29'2"

Shot Put: Julia Pope, 1st, 32'6.75"

Discus: Avery Leamon, 6th, 72'10"

100 M Dash: Lane Cahill, 2nd,

JV: Sheridan Walther, 1st and Kaitlyn Gann, 2nd.

800 M: 1st place-Mary Kyle Johnson, 1st, 2:37 and Briana Palacios, 2nd, 2:43.

JV: Natallia Villalobos and **Rivers Martinez**, 2nd.

1600 M: Janelle Vasquez, 1st, 5:54 and Kaitlyn Lopez, 2nd, 5:57. JV: Rivers Martinez and

Natallia Villalobos, 2nd.

100 Hurdles: Bethany Aguero, 3rd, 18.63.

300 Hurdles: Carly Brown, 2nd, 50.49

4x100 Relay: Sonora, 3rd, 52.13 (Carly Brown, Mary Kyle Johnson, Lane Cahill, Julia Pope).

4x200 Relay: Sonora, 5th, 2:05.89 (Jackilyn Sykes, Bethany Aguero, Kaitlyn Lopez, Janelle Vasquez).

4x400 Relay: Sonora, 2nd, 4:20.04 (Carly Brown, Mary Kyle Johnson, Briana Palacios, Julia Pope).

# **Devil's River News Plans Open** House on Thursday, April 21st

The Devil's River News will be hosting an open house on Thursday, April 21st at its office on North Concho Avenue.

Columnist and radio personality Tumbleweed Smith is slated to be in attendance. So is Ed Sterling who writes the Capital Highlights column that appears weekly in the DRN and newspapers across the state.

Officers with the Texas Press Association are also planning to attend including Mike Hodges, the group's executive director and Donnis Baggett, who heads up TPA's legislative efforts aimed at ensuring governmental transparency.

"It's been a little over two months since we began our mission to restore and renew The Devil's River News," publisher Randy Mankin said. "So, we thought it was time that we invite the public to come by for refreshments and a visit."

**Editor Kimberley Meyer says** the open house will be held from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. She noted that the event is a come-and-go affair without a formal program.

"We hope people will come by and say hello," Meyer added.

The Devil's River News is located at 105 N. Concho Avenue in the Tedford Building.

**Play the "Sheep" Category** 

sheep meat from an animal that

"mutton" is used to define meat

is less than one year old, while

Julia Pope added to her accomplishments as an outstanding athlete while participating in the Sonora District track meet

on Thursday, April 7th. Pope earned first place in Shot Put, 32'6.75", Long Jump, 15'10.5", and 200 M Dash, 27.06.

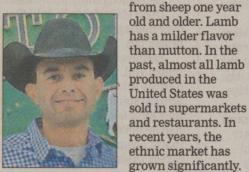
If you grew up in this part of the world, you have an appreciation of the impact that livestock,

especially sheep, have played in the history and development of our area. But if the TV show Jeopardy had a "sheep" category, could we compete well? We'll offer three bits of trivia for your arsenal.

As of Jan. 1, 2016, there were 5.32 million head of sheep in the United States. Sheep are Pascual Hernandez raised in all 50 states,

but the highest sheep-producing states are located west of the Mississippi River, where most of the larger sheep ranches are found. The eastern part of the country supports a greater number of smaller, pasture-based operations. On the world stage, the top wool-producing countries are Australia and China.

"Lamb" is used to define



in the United States is concentrated on the East and West Coasts and in larger metropolitan areas.

Lamb consumption

There is a type of sheep in Iceland known as leadersheep. Leadersheep are highly intelligent animals that have the ability and instinct to lead a flock home during difficult conditions. They also seem to have an exceptional ability to sense danger.

These characteristics may have welfare implications. Examples may be in facilitating flock management and herding under large-scale pastoral conditions, and their alertness may help to protect flocks against predators.

Kimberley Meyer | The Devil's River News

There are many more interesting bits about sheep, but we'll stop there. Now you have a start on your dream of competing on Jeopardy. Or at least spouting trivia like Cliff Clavin, the knowit-all character on the television show Cheers.

On a serious note, if you have an interest in livestock and rangeland, don't forget about the 100-year celebration taking place on April 23 at the Sonora Experiment Station. The morning will feature essential research which has been carried out there, while the afternoon has field tours of the research sites. The day will also offer dinner and dancing. For more information, go online to http://sonora.tamu.edu.

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# Supreme Court Rules in 'One Person, One Vote' Case

AUSTIN - On a unanimous vote of 8-0, the U.S. Supreme Court on April 4 affirmed that states may continue to draw legislative districts based on total population.

In the Texas case, Evenwel v. Abbott, the question presented to the high court on appeal from the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas was whether the one-person, one-vote principle of the Fourteenth Amendment creates a "judicially enforceable right ensuring that the districting process does not deny voters an equal vote.'

Court documents explain the basis of the case this way: "In 2013, the Texas

## **Monday Melancholy**

Oh, the dreaded Monday. We all experience and endure it; although depending on your specific schedule, your Monday might fall on a Thursday. Still, we understand the concept of Monday melancholy (or Thursday melancholy, as the case may be).

I've never been one to shy away from Mondays. It's as good a time as any to get things done and put

#### Slices of Life



things off. But I have to confess: lately they've been getting to me. I find myself feeling listless and unmotivated on the first day of the standard workweek. You know what

**By Jill Pertler** 

な they say, when life gives you lemons... In this case, when life gives you a Monday, I say make it a threeday weekend. Unfortunately, that's not typically possible. Like it or not, we've all got to deal with Mondays upwards of 50 or maybe even more - times every year.

Science backs me up on this: Mondays are unavoidable. Research has proven that each morning when you wake up, there is a 14.2857 percent chance the day will be a Monday. You can't argue with numbers because numbers don't lie - and not just because they can't talk.

I for one am not going to give 14.2857 percent of my days over to melancholy. There are good things about Mondays. Sure there are. You just have to click your heels together and believe.

Monday marks the beginning of the workweek. Opportunities for accomplishing tasks and attaining goals spread out in the days ahead, waiting to be conquered. Monday is filled with possibilities.

Going to work on Monday gives you a nice break from weekend chores like scrubbing toilets or cleaning out the garage. A Monday morning commute gives you a break from life, but not traffic. It can be a time to reflect on the past and plan for the future, but not send or receive text messages. You can rock out and sing loudly to the radio on your choice of station without your kids or spouse changing it on you, which can be irritating, even on a Saturday.

Legislature enacted a state Senate map creating districts that, while roughly equal in terms of total population, grossly malapportioned voters. Appellants, who live in Senate districts significantly overpopulated with voters, brought a one-person, one vote challenge, which the three-judge district court below dismissed for failure to state a claim. The district court held that appellants' constitutional challenge is a judicially unreviewable political question."

Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, who wrote the court's main opinion, stated that "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 system - and in receiving constituent services, such as help navigating public-benefits 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."

However, while the court affirmed that to draw districts based on total population remains constitutional, it did not suggest that to draw legislative districts based on the total number of registered voters would be unconstitutional.

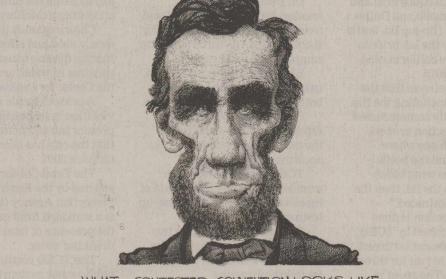
**Revenue report comes in** 

**Texas Comptroller** Glenn Hegar on April 4 announced state sales tax revenue in March totaled \$2.17 billion, up 2.1 percent compared to March 2015. "The modest

growth in sales **STATE CAPITAL** tax collections for HIGHLIGHTS March was in line ン By Ed Sterling with expectations

and comes after five consecutive months of declining sales tax revenues," Hegar

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WHAT a CONTESTED CONVENTION LOOKS LIKE ...

# Peace Beyond Understanding

Only God could create a character like the late Hal Rowe. During his 72-year earthly pilgrimage, his specialty was constantly helping others, always making them smile.

Consider his bungled marriage proposal to Joyce. She accepted--IF he'd place the ring on her

**OTHER** hand. He blamed inexperience, asking, "Do you want to marry a 210-pound football player or a 130pound poet?" The two would share life's "thick

and thin" journey for a half-century. Much of Hal's life

3. He was 47....

"The Lord prepares us for what lies ahead," Joyce said. "I hadn't heard from Kevin for two days, and was distressed to discover no activity on his credit card and phone," she said.

Attempts to nap were futile as she anticipated a visit by Dr. and Mrs. Larry Jones. Linda is her favorite cousin, and she hadn't seen them for almost a year. (They live some 300 miles from Lubbock.) They insisted on

taking her to dinner; she "had no appetite."...

On the way home, a

## **The Plaid Premiere in Abilene**

Movie Star Steve Martin was born in Waco while his father was studying drama at Baylor University. I was taking courses at the Baylor Theater at the time and knew Steve's father. His hair was prematurely gray, setting the precedent for Steve, who also sprouted gray hair early. Steve spent some time in Texas after he became famous.

"In the spring of I believe it was 1983, I was attending Hardin Simmons Uni-



versity," says Jon Langley of Midland. "Steve Martin at the time was living in Abilene. He was a member of Fairway Oaks Country Club,

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which had some excellent tennis courts that Steve Martin like to use. He loved tennis. He had a condo in the Fairway Oaks residential area."

The movie DEAD MEN DON'T WEAR PLAID was just out. Jon says Steve Martin thought he would create a spectacle when the movie opened at the restored Paramount Theater in Abilene.

Jon was a member of a choir at Hardin Simmons and wore a tuxedo when he performed. So he and a couple of his choir buddies decided they would put on their tuxedos for the event.

"We got student tickets for the movie and we were acting like Hollywood big shots. We crashed the wine and cheese party they were having as part of the opening. Nobody stopped us I guess because we looked like we belonged, wearing tuxes and all. We were just goofing off and being silly when a gentlemen came up to us and said, 'you boys need to get down to the garage at the Abilene Reporter-News." At the newspaper, Jon and his friends saw about twenty other guys in Tuxedos. They were from Abilene Christian University. "We just kind of stood around away from the other group and pretty soon Steve Martin came out and gave all of us buttons that said DEAD MEN DON'T WEAR PLAID.. He then told us what the gag was. We were all going to get into this one limousine, kind of like a clown car. and just start piling out of that limo in front of the theater.' When they started getting out, Jon was the first one out and because he had light hair, the crowd thought he was Steve Martin and there was a burst of applause. Then the other guys started getting out and the crowd realized it was a joke, typical of comedian Steve Martin. "After we got out we sort of formed a human chain in front of the spectators and then Steve Martin comes up riding in an old jalopy. We crowded around him and escorted him into the theater. I ended up sitting next to him. He was asked to say something, so he got up and made a short speech and then sat back down. The lights went down and the movie started. After it was on the screen for about three minutes, Steve got up and left the theater.



The Idle American

As you are making your commute, remember to smile. It's Monday! If you do. you'll be ahead of the majority. According to Internet lore, most people do not smile on Monday until 11:16 a.m. and that's probably because by that time they are anticipating lunch.

Monday is a good day to put things off until tomorrow. You've got lots more time to complete the project with a Friday deadline, which seems a long way off on Monday, Procrastination and Mondays go together like wine and cheese.

While procrastinating on a Monday, you can take the chance to catch up on all the social media activity you missed over the weekend (during your breaks and lunch, of course). You can view photos of all the exciting things your friends did while you were home cleaning the garage.

Monday rhymes with fun-day, which is a great time to test the pairing of wine and cheese alluded to earlier (after work, of course).

Sometimes the sun is shining on Monday. In fact, according to highly accurate Internet statistics, it is the least rainy day of week. That makes it a Monday sun-day, which beats out rainy days and Mondays any day of the week.

Finally, Monday's a great day to count your blessings. When you do, I'm pretty sure you'll decide Monday's not so bad after all. Besides, at the end of the day you've only got three more to go - until Friday.

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blood from persons on Alzheimer's medica-

tion, but kidneys are OK," he laughed.

Hal battled Alzheimer's for seven vears, but "remembered" to insist on Blue Bell ice cream cup giveaways as folks exited his funeral.

Alzheimer's was one of Hal's many battles. Consider his struggle in 1986 when 20-year-old son Greg was killed in a collision with a drunken driver.

Kevin, the Rowe's other son, also was deeply grieved. Yet, he, too, forged on, finishing Lubbock Monterey High School a few days after Greg's funeral. The loss of his dad a quarter-century later was even greater; Hal was Kevin's best friend.....

Between the two losses, Kevin opted for a four-year stint in the Navy, serving in the Persian Gulf War. He lost several buddies along the way.

Back home after discharge, he clung to his dad, mom and sister Melissa.

He then earned a degree at Howard Payne University, where I was president at the time. I well remember this student who said little, but blessed others with his thoughtful manner and ready smile ....

He valued family above all else.

Upon Hal's death in 2012, Kevin took over management of the family 's rental properties.

Renters compared him to his caring father. Hal, for many years a deacon and Sunday school teacher, radiated an everpresent spirit for others. Kevin, however, may have felt he didn't measure up. Or maybe life's "gut punches" became too many. Diagnosed with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, he took his life on March

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neighbor called to tell her a policeman was at her house. "I knew Kevin was gone, and told him before he told me," she said, recognizing the officer, the son-in-law of

her hairdresser.

Had she gone to Kevin's apartment at the time Larry and Linda reached Lubbock, her visit would have coincided with arrival of the medical examiner. She also was spared seeing an unkempt apartment. Joyce later noticed, however, that his garage workshop was immaculate--just like his dad's.

"I was comforted by two treasured relatives, and within two hours, all ministers from my church--as well as dozens of members and the entire staff where I work--were at my side," Joyce recalls...

As was the case at Greg's and Hal's memorial services, several hundred gathered for Kevin's. Larry preached; Melissa's from-the-heart eulogy touched all

Within a week, Joyce--once named "national teacher of the year" during her 24-year Lubbock Monterey High School career--was back at the Bacon Heights Baptist Church keyboard. Except for two moves from Lubbock totaling 15 months, she has served in that role for 49 years.

She has photographs, memories of her husband and two sons and the ever-growing love of a daughter, to keep her going....

The hymn fits: "Cheer up, my brother, live in the sunshine. We'll understand it, all by and by."

She's better equipped now to comfort others on life's jagged edges. So is Melissa, who also works at Lake Ridge Funeral Home.

"Melissa and I aren't going to ask the 'why us?' question. We're supportive partners, both at the funeral home and managing rental properties."...

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John got a job in real estate in Abilene and ended up selling Steve's condo.

Tumbleweed enjoys hearing good stories and sharing them with readers of this column. Contact him at ts@tumbleweedsmith.com.





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## Sanmiguel Leads Broncos in 7-3 Win over Colorado City

The Broncos showed off their skills on the diamond during Tuesday's game between Sonora and Colorado City, on April 5th at Wolves stadium.

Noah Sanmiguel stepped up to bat with a single in the first, second and sixth innings.

Sanmiguel also collected three hits assisting the Broncos in the victory over the Wolves

The Broncos held steadfast through seven innings. Caleb Galvan controlled

the Wolves from the hill. He allowed only two runs over five innings. Gal-

van struck out five, walked six and gave up three hits.

The Broncos went up for good in the second, scoring two runs on two singles.

In the fifth, an RBI single by Isaiah Lira, bringing home Michael Mungia, set the score at 5-0.

Two Colorado runs crossed the plate in the bottom half of the fifth, turning the score 5-2.

Finally, Galvan induced an inning-ending strike out from E. Hernandez in the bottom of the 5th. The Broncos increased its lead by two in the sixth.

A sacrifice fly scored Sanmiguel, followed up with a steal of home by Mungia. Then, Louie Castro came in to close the game and Caleb Galvan finished things up on a routine play from shortstop to Michael Campos.

The Broncos are now 2-2 at the turn.

Next, the team will meet up with the Reagan County Owls on Friday April 8th in Sonora.

### **CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS:** Sales Tax

**CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2** said. "Stronger growth in receipts from the retail trade, restaurant and construction sectors was offset by continued weakness in net collections from oil and gas-related sectors.'

Total sales tax revenue for the three months ending in March 2016 is down 3.2 percent compared to the same period a year ago. Sales tax revenue is the largest source of state funding for the state budget, accounting for 56 percent of all tax collections.

#### **Business growth noted**

Secretary of State Carlos Cascos on April 7 announced a 9.9 percent increase in the number of new, for-profit Texas businesses in March compared to the same month last year.

The secretary of state's office processes new business filings. Some 16,511 certificates were filed in March, a required step in creating new Texas for-profit corporations, professional corporations, professional associations, limited liability companies and limited partnerships. That was almost 1,500 more entities created than in March 2015. The March 2016 numbers also reflect a 7.7 percent increase from February 2016 filings of forprofit business formation totals.

"Our office not only saw growth in new businesses created in March, but we also see a continued trend of increased business

#### of March was also the end of the first quarter of calendar year 2016, Cascos noted that during the period his office accepted a total of 46,117 certificates, a 10.5 per-

cent increase compared to

the first quarter of 2015.

formations," Cascos said.

Furthermore, as the end

'Don't Mess' turns 30

The Texas Department of Transportation launched its "Don't Mess With Texas" anti-litter campaign in 1986 with a Cotton Bowl television spot featuring "The Eyes of Texas" played by legendary Texas blues guitarist Stevie Ray Vaughan.

According to an April 6 **TxDOT** news release posted to promote an April 9 statewide litter pickup event, nearly half a billion pieces of visible litter still pile up along state-maintained highways in Texas each year. Seventy percent of this litter is small trash such as napkins, cigarette butts and fast food wrappers. In 2015, litter cleanup efforts cost \$32 million. Violators can face fines starting at \$500.

With a nod to that auspicious beginning three decades ago, Texas Transportation Commissioner Jeff Austin III reminded citizens the campaign "is more than an iconic slogan, it's an appeal to our Texas pride to keep our great state beautiful and litter-free. It also serves as a reminder that each of us has a responsibility to put trash where it belongs and not toss it alongside our roadways."

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#### Sonora JV Baseball 3-0 in District The Sonora JV baseball dominating on the mound players deserve a high-five

for their hard work and 3-0 standing as they round the bases in district play.

Thus far, the JV team has out run the Colorado City Wolves 16-0, grounded the Reagan County Owls (CX), chained the Coahoma Bulldogs, 24-6 and shackled the Colorado City Wolves 22-4 in district play.

The JV Broncos picked up their momentum,

and at bat during their game against the Wolves on April 6th. Hector Mendez got

things started slamming one deep into left field. Then he hit an in the park homerun.

Wesley Dutton kept the team in the lead from the hill and Logan Mc

Donald assisted with his first pitching outing to close up the game.

## **Hot Bats Lead Lady Broncos to Victory**

Submitted by Coach Sandy Wellmann

The Lady Broncos closed out their second round of district play against Reagan County on Friday, April 8th.

Cip Tobias threw the complete game, allowing only four runs off of nine hits and tailed four strikeouts over seven innings. Janelle Vasquez had a career high day leading



Esteban Marin is one of four named as alternate for the Regional tennis competition. Regional is scheduled for April 18th and 19th in Abilene. J.L. MANKIN | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

## **Broncos Tennis Advances Five Netters to Regional**

#### Submitted by Larry Jennings

On April 5th and 6th, the Sonora High School Tennis Team competed in the district tennis tournament in Reagan County.

Team members were decorated with medals and five Sonora athletes are advanced to regional.

**Regional qualifiers** include Shelby Aschenbeck, Tyler Hampton, Sky Jennings, Sergio Solis and Adrian Garcia.

Alternates include Mary Kyle Johnson, Esteban Marin, Carly Brown, amd Brian Van Winkle.

In girls singles, Shelby Aschenbeck defeated teammate Mary Kyle Johnson in the finals to win the district title and advance.

Mary Kyle Johnson earned third place and secured a position as an alternate for Regional.

In the varsity girls doubles, the team of Tyler Hampton and Sky Jennings continued their dominance by easily winning the district crown.

The girls, undefeated throughout the tournament, won all three of their matches 6-0.

In varsity mixed doubles, the team of Esteban Marin and Carly Brown defeated teammates JD

Garza and Audry Nolen in the third place match.

Marin and Brown, regional alternates, lost a tough three set match to Reagan County in the semifinals before bouncing back to win third.

In varsity boys' singles, freshman Brian Van-Winkle was awarded third place and earned a spot as a regional alternate.

Van Winkle lost 6-4,7-5 to Cervantez from Reagan County in the semifinals on the fifth. He moved on to defeat Garner from Reagan County 6-1,6-2.

In boys' doubles, Sergio Solis and Adrian Garcia took second place and are advancing to Regional.

The team of Dylan Taylor and Carlos Mendoza were awarded fourth after falling in during in a tough three set match. Thirteen out of the

sixteen varsity players brought home district medals for Sonora.

The Broncos finished in front of Stanton, Coahoma, and Colorado City, but slipped to Reagan County for the Championship.

The top two teams advance to Regional competition held at Rose Park in Abilene on April 18th and 19th.

The Lady Owls jumped out early with the lead off of three hits, but the Lady Broncos were unvielding.

Ready to play, they went up to the plate with an aggressive approach, and it paid off.

Plating three runs in the bottom of the first evened the score due to great base running and timely hitting.

After the first inning. the Lady Broncos maintained the lead earning the win.

They scored in every inning except the bottom of the 4th.

Every athlete contributed to the 12-4 win. The ladies played solid

defense, never letting up on the throttle.



**MONDAY April 18th** Hamburger Steak w/Gravy, Corn O'Brien Broccoli and Cauliflower, Roll, Banana Pudding w/Wafers, Milk.

**TUESDAY April 19th** Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Wheat Roll, Jell-O w/Fruit, Milk.

WEDNESDAY April 20th Chicken Spaghetti Squash, Garden Salad, Escalloped Apples, Milk.

THURSDAY April 21st Smothered Pork Chop, Fluffy Rice, Mixed Veggies, Roll, Orange Zephyr Whip, Milk.

**FRIDAY April 22nd** Taco Salad w/Cheese, Tortilla Chips, Salsa, Melon Cubes, Milk.

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

the Lady Broncos offense. Vasquez went four-for-

four at the plate with two doubles, two singles, one RBI, and two runs scored. Nydia Rodriguez

boasted a .500 average for the day with a single and a triple down the left field line.

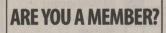
Riley Walker also went two-for-five at the plate with a single and a double

to right-center. **Tobias and Kristin** Garrett also picked up RBI's for the day.

"These ladies have put in so much time and effort, and they played to their full potential last Friday!" Coach Sandy Wellmann said. "We can't wait to see them rise to the occasion once again when they face off against the Lady Bulldogs."

Sonora played in Coahoma on Tuesday, April 12th.

The game originally scheduled for Friday, April 15th, is rescheduled. The Lady Broncos will host Colorado City at 11:00 am on Saturday, April 16th for their last home game and senior day.



**Sutton County Predator** Management Association

**Call Brandy** 325.387.2543





### **Chamber Chatter**

#### **Chamber Welcomes New Business to Town**

#### By Donna Garrett

The Sonora Chamber of Commerce held a Grand Opening, Ribbon Cutting on Tuesday, April 5, 2016 at OLE Creations, located next door to the La Mexicana Restaurant & Cantina.

The business is owned and operated by Leticia Leal, Olivia Longoria and Elia Longoria.

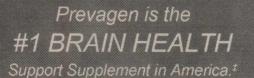
The new business features a variety of vendors and crafters, fifteen altogether, in the same location.

Items for sale include

jewelry, clothing, purses, wreaths, furniture, wall art, woodwork and more.

The vendors are Olivia Longoria, Leticia Leal, Elia Longoria, Linda Mungia, Cindi Ramirez, Tammie Tidwell, Lisa Hughes Galindo, Tracy O'Banon, Cynthia L. Stevens, Annette Gamez, Marissa Faz, Maggie Lloyd, Missy Barrett, Tammy Fisher and Veronica V. Garza.

Please stop by and welcome this awesome new business to town, and see what they have to offer.





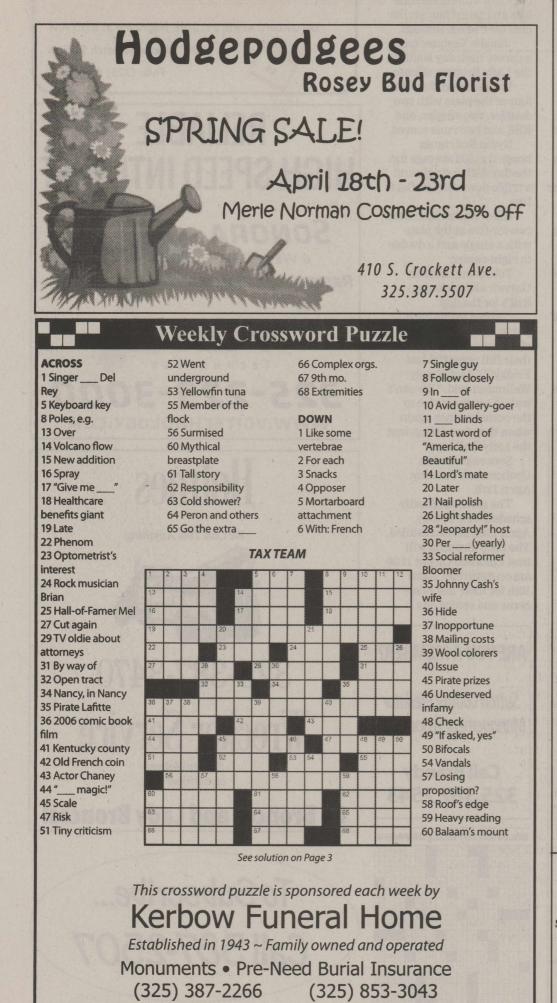
#### What is Prevagen?

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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 18th Breakfast Pancakes and Bacon or Cereal w/ Crackers, Fruit, Juice, Milk Variety Lunch Grilled Chicken Sandwich or Beef and Bean Burrito **Oven Fries, Seasoned Corn, Salsa** Fresh Veggie Cup, Mandarin Oranges, Milk After School Meal: Cereal, Milk Tuesday - April 19th Breakfast Toast, Egg, and Cheese or Cereal w/Crackers, Fruit, Juice, Milk Variety Lunch Nachos Grande or Corn Dog Refried Beans, Salsa, Petite Tomato Cup, Garden Salad, Pears, Lime Sherbet, Milk After School Meal: Fruit, Raisins, Milk Wednesday - April 20th Breakfast Biscuit and Egg or Cereal w/ Crackers, Fruit, Juice, Milk Variety



Sonora Elementary Students of the Week- Rico Valdez, Pre-K, Miranda Mata, K, Kielan Villasana, 1st, Avery Wardlaw, 2nd.

Elementary and Intermediate Students of the Week



Lunch Grilled Cheese Sandwich w/Soup or Stuffed Baked Potato w/Roll ~ Baked Beans, Broccoli, Apple and Pineapple D'Light, Milk After School Meal: Baked Chips,

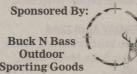
Thursday - April 21st Breakfast Breakfast Strudel and Yogurt or Cereal w/Crackers, Fruit, Juice, Milk Variety Lunch Country Pot Pie or Salisbury Steak w/Biscuit and Brown Gravy

Juice

Roasted Potatoes, Garden Salad, Fruity Gelatin, Milk After School Meal: Crackers, Cheddar Fish, Juice

Friday - April 22nd Breakfast Breakfast Burrito or Cereal w/ Crackers, Fruit, Juice, Milk Variety Lunch Pepperoni Pizza or Hot Dog w/ Corn Chips ~ Baby Carrots and Ranch, Crunchy Broccoli Salad, Fresh Grapes,

Cookie, Milk After School Meal: Half a Ham Sandwich, Juice



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# Sonora Middle School Honor Roll

**6th Grade** "A" Honor Roll: Carson Cahill, Kodi Davis, Yailin Dominguez, Jina Dooley, Abigail Duncan, Sophia Gutierrez. Diya Kumar, Fernanda Lozano, Mariana Montoya, Laci Ramirez. "AB" Honor Roll: Isabella Arispe, Abby Bennie, Jessica Campa, Alexandra Cardenas. Jovanni Daniels, Seth Davis, Carolina Elizondo, Briana Espinosa, Abigail Fuentes, Ivan Fuentes, Natalie Fuentes, Christina Garcia, Guillermo Garcia, Brijida Garza, Tais Gaytan, Abigail Hernandez, Catarino Hernandez, Amaris Jimenez, Susie Levario, Emilio Lozano, Damian Martinez, Fernando Mendez, Abigail Mendoza, Skylar Mogford, Sean Mungia, Genaro Perez, Blanca Portillo, Victoria Regino, Joselyn Rodriguez, Jessica Smith, Sinayyah Solis, Lane Taylor, Carlynn Teaff, Jacqueline Torres, Marcos Villalobos, Tyler Walther.

#### 7th Grade

"A" Honor Roll: Jaci Dutton, Ricardo Ramirez. "AB" Honor Roll: Kaylynn Alvarez, Sianne Alviso, David Creek, Rashel De Luna, Madalyn Fisher, Kevan Flores, Martha Gonzalez, Preston Gonzalez, Alan Hernandez, Zachary Joffrion, Alyssa Martinez, Carla Mota, Caleb Nolen, Aaron Noriega, Reagan Owen, Brianna Ramirez, Harmony Ramirez, Miranda Renteria, Clarissa Rodriguez, Juan Ruiz, Esmeralda Salazar.

#### 8th Grade

"A" Honor Roll: Enedina Alvarez, Slade Dermody, Catarina Hernandez, Deborha Hernandez, Wilson Johnson, Isabella Samaniego, Blayze Sykes, Traci Vickers.

"AB" Honor Roll: Brock Aschenbeck, Jayde Bean, Aldo Deluna, Tully Flanagan, Shyanne Gamez, Christina Garza, Angela Gonzalez, Ethan Hamm, Danica Jimenez, Dalylah Lopez, Kami Lux, Dekota Morrow, Analy Palacios, Jordan Paredes, Melanie Perez, Kadee Petty, Aleasha Smith, Haley Smith, Davien Vasquez, Kathryn Wardlaw, Gabriela Zapata, Ashley Zook.



# **OBITUARIES**

#### **Arturo M. Trevino** January 26, 1931 - April 7, 2016

Arturo M. Trevino, age 85, entered into eternal rest on April 7, 2016, at the Senior Care Center in San Angelo, Texas.

He was surrounded by his family.

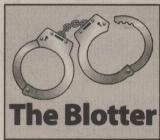
**Funeral services were** held on Monday, April 11, 2016 at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Sonora, Texas under the direction of Kerbow Funeral Home. **Graveside services** 

followed. Arturo was born January 26, 1931, to the late Carlos and Consuelo M. Trevino.

He resided in Sonora. Texas most of his life, until the death of his wife in 2008. He so missed his family

and friends. Arturo is preceded in death by his beloved wife of 53 years, Carmina Perez Trevino and his siblings Efrain, Jesus, and Carlos Trevino.

He is also survived by his one and only daughter, Sandra T. Guerra and husband Antonio of San Angelo, Texas, three



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**

INCIDENTS APRIL 4 - NO CALLS FOR SERVICE OR AS-

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grandchildren whom he adored, Cammie Dominguez of Midland, Molly Guerra of San Angelo, and Marc Anthony of Denver, CO

As well he is survived by three great-grandchildren, Cassie, RJ, and Jayce Anthony: siblings Lelia Castro of San Angelo, **Rosantina Gonzalez of** Austin, Consuelo Perez and husband Jose of Plainview, and Daniel Trevino and wife Emma of Bastrop.

In addition, he is survived by numerous nephews and nieces whom he loved and were all very special to him.

The family would like to thank hospice(Kindred at Home) for their excellent services and the staff of Senior Care Center.

Additionally, we would like to give Rosemary Perez Espinosa a big thank you for all of your help in caring for my dad during this very difficult time.

beloved dad.

I will forever miss you.

12:08 PM • Caller requested officer assis-

tance on the 300 block of Poplar. Officer

4:11 PM • Caller requested officer at the

Lowe's Market parking lot. Officer re-

4:32 PM • Agency requested assistance

on 3rd Street and Tom Green. Officer re-

8:37 PM • Caller reported a suspicious

person in the Edgemont area. Officer re-

9:12 PM • Caller reported an animal on the

700 block of Menard. Officer responded.

9:38 PM · Caller reported a suspicious

vehicle near Eaton Hill. Officer responded.

APRIL 8- 10:57 AM • Caller reported fami-

ly violence on the 300 block of High Tower.

12:06 PM • 911 call on the 300 block of W.

4:44 PM • Agency requested assistance

on the 500 block of Mulberry. Officer re-

6:38 PM · Caller reported criminal mis-

chief in the Dollar General Parking lot. Of-

Castle Hill. Officer responded.

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#### March 28, 2016, at the age of band Bob Switzer, Reggie 94 and seven months. and wife June Williams, Debbie and husband Jimmy Raymond better known

**Raymond "Huck" Huckaby** 

September 1, 1921 - March 28, 2016

children: Dorothy Williams

Arnsdorff, Cheryl and hus-

Arnott, and Charlotte Wil-

seven grandchildren: Carla

Tammy Maha, Nancy Bur-

Byron Williams and Jeffrey

He always liked to make

goals. One goal was to be at

the end of his life and not

have anyone mad at him

or owe anybody money. He

was especially proud that

and had never been in jail.

following: Hospice of San

Angelo for their kindness

weeks, Meals for the Elderly

who delivered for two years

when his health declined,

staff of the Med-Tele Unit

of San Angelo Community

Blanc and Granaghan for

held at Lifepoint Baptist

Church. Jay Clatworthy

officiated. Burial followed

in Lawnhaven Memorial

Bye for now, Dad!

their years of care.

Gardens

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Medical Center and doctors

Funeral services were

the nurses, doctors and

and care in the last few

Special thanks go to the

all his children had jobs

khalter, Bryce Williams,

George; five great-grand-

children and numerous

nieces and nephews.

liams and Mary George;

Duff, Randy Schacherl,

as "Huck", was born September 1, 1921, in Bosque County.

**Raymond Charles Huck-**

aby passed into eternity on

He attended public school in Turnersville, Texas, before attending Clifton Junior College.

He was a faithful member of Lifepoint Baptist Church in San Angelo.

He cut short his college career to serve in the Coast Guard during World War II.

After leaving the military, Huck returned home to make a living with his brother, Richard, roofing houses.

It was not much longer before he entered the oil field and moved to San Angelo. This is where he met and married Gloria Maxine Holcomb Williams.

Their union lasted 50 years until Gloria's death in 2004.

Huck's oil field career took him to Sonora, where he worked for G&L Tool from 1972 until retiring in 1986

Upon retiring he and Gloria moved back to San Angelo where they took advantage of the time and made many trips in their motor home, especially enjoying blue grass festivals.

focus in the Huckaby household. He enjoyed almost all venues, but especially the Cowboys, Rangers and Mavericks. At one point he held season tickets to the Cowboys, and after each game, he would drive the

in death by his [parents, Ida and Alvin Huckaby; wife Gloria; two brothers, **Richard and Pete Huckaby;** three sisters, Flora Hollingsworth, Thelma Elliot and Flossie Hollingsworth and son Raymond Craig.

He is survived by six

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April 1-12	0.03 in.	April 1-12	0.03
March	3.39 in.	March	2.62
February	0.77 in.	February	1.04
January	0.36 in.	January	0.38
2016 Year-to-Date TOTAL	4.55 in.	2016 Year-to-Date TOTAL	4.07
2015	23.87 in.	2015	25.31
2014	14.32 in.	2014	12.72
2013	25.12 in.	2013	25.00
2012	16.06 in.	2012	17.82
2011	11.50 in.	2011	10.49
2010	20.37 in.	2010	17.94
2009	21.67 in.	2009	28.44
Rainfall data collected at LC station located 14 miles souther		Rainfall data collected at LCRA w located 17 miles east-northeas	

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81/55	81/61	78/56	81/54	79/49
A few clouds. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the mid 50s.	Windy with a mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the low 60s.	Showers and t- storms. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the mid 50s.	A few t-storms possible. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the mid 50s.	Scattered t- storms. Highs i the upper 70s and lows in the upper 40s.
Sunrise: 7:15 AM Sunset: 8:10 PM	Sunrise: 7:14 AM Sunset: 8:10 PM	Sunrise: 7:13 AM Sunset: 8:11 PM	Sunrise: 7:12 AM Sunset: 8:12 PM	Sunrise: 7:11 AM Sunset: 8:12 PM



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**Amber Killough** 

Sports were a main

four hours to get back home for work the next day. Raymond was preceded

Rest in peace my

APRIL 5 - 10:20 AM • Alarm call on East 2nd street. Officers responded. 3:43 PM • Alarm call at City Hall. Officers

responded. 8:20 PM • Caller requested traffic control for AirMed at LMH. Officer responded.

8:49 PM • Caller reported harassment at the Days Inn. Officer responded. 9:06 PM • Agency requested assistance on the 600 block of North Crockett. Officer responded.

APRIL 6 - 1:38 PM · Agency requested assistance on the 300 block of Brookside. Officer responded.

1:40 PM • Caller requested Ministerial Alliance at Tres Amigos. Officer responded. 6:18 PM • Caller reported theft at the Stripes Taco Laredo. Officer responded. 7:30 PM · Caller requested officer at the 200 block of W. Chestnut. Officer responded

9:59 PM • Caller reported a suspicious ve hicle nearing the city limits on 277 N. Officer responded.

11:29 PM • Caller reported a barking dog on the 800 block of S. Concho. Officer responded

APRIL 7 - 9:20 AM • Agency requested assistance on the 300 block of Brookside.

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10:30 PM • Caller requested officer assistance on the 900 block of S. Crockett. Officer responded

APRIL 9 - 12:23 AM • Caller requested officer assistance at 900 S. Crockett Ave. Officer responded.

5:40 PM • Alarm call at the St. Ann's Catholic Church Parrish Hall. Officer responded. 6:37 PM · Caller reported a suspicious vehicle near the MM exit 399. Officer responded.

8:52 PM • Caller requested officer on the 200 block of E. Oak. Officer responded. 8:47 PM • Caller requested One Act Play escort through town. Officer responded. 11:51 PM · Caller reported fireworks on the 100 block of Martin. Officer respond-

APRIL 10 - 9:10 AM • Caller reported a loose horse on the 400 block of E. 2nd. Officer responded.

7:38 PM · Caller reported a suspicious vehicle on the 100 block of Deerwood. Officer responded

9:32 PM · Caller requested officer on the 100 block of Deerwood. Officer Re-

sponded. 10:14 PM • 911 call on the 100 block of

Martin. Officer responded. SPRING MAINTENANCE SPECIAL Is your Air Conditioner Ready for the Summer Heat? Residential **Maintenance Special** Call us today to have one of our professional technicians perform a cooling maintenance on your system. OF Our multi-point professional maintenance is normally valued at \$149 Any Service Call Must Present Original Coupon Upon Servic Mungia vel Charges may apply, call for detail 100% SATISFACTION GUARANTEED SOUTHWEST COOLING turn to the excepts 325-387-COOL SERVICE, MAINTENANCE, VREPAIR & INSTALLATION 325-387-2665 Sonora, TX 76950





I am running for the Sonora ISD Board of Trustees. Precinct 2. I have put much thought into this decision. I believe I have something worthwhile to bring to the district and view it as a way to serve this community that my family and I have come to call home.I graduated in 2003 from Howard Payne University where I received my Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education with an Early Childhood endorsement. That same year, I began teaching in the highly ranked Mansfield ISD. I taught kindergarten at Charlotte Anderson Elementary for 5 years and Pre-K at Elizabeth Smith Elementary for one year. We moved from our home in Grand Prairie in the summer of 2011 when Matt became the pastor of First Baptist Church Sonora. We have two beautiful children, Wyatt (age 7) and Cassidy (age 2), and a spoiled twelve year old cocker spaniel. We have fallen in love with this community and are very proud to be raising our family here. We feel so fortunate our kids are afforded the opportunities they have in this district. Wyatt is a proud Sonora Bronco and we know

Cassidy will be one day too!! I recognize from experience the different challenges in education today. I know firsthand what it means to be a teacher. I know how incredibly hard it is, as well as how equally rewarding. Most of all, I know that in order to make EVERY student in this district top priority, we MUST give full support to our teachers. I am a strong believer in the idea that teachers should be consulted before decisions are made by the school board that will directly impact classroom environments and how lessons should be implemented. Good morale is a must on each campus. When teachers feel supported by parents, administration, and the community, it allows teachers the freedom to teach to their full potential. I value the importance not only of the teachers, but also those who interact with our students on a regular basis. The superintendent, the principals, the para professionals, the office staff, the custodians, the cafeteria workers, the school nurses, the bus drivers, and the many others who care for our children are all vital parts of the district. They each play an important role in the education of our children and EVERY role deserves respect. If I am elected to be a new voice on the board, I would value and welcome the input of those who are in these positions, as well as others on the campuses and throughout the community. Here are some examples of my relevant experience:

- Partnered with two other teachers in writing and receiving a competitive grant for the use of technology in the classroom
- Participated in campus wide curriculum alignment \*Was on several text book review and selection committees
- Participated in grade level collaboration
- Have an understanding of complying with state standards
- Have been trained in and implemented effective conflict resolution
- Have certification in G/T and ESL
- Am familiar with the chain of command as it pertains to school districts
- Helped plan several campus activities that promoted parental involvement
- Was an office holder and active member in the Howard Payne University Student Government

I hope you will consider giving me the opportunity to be a strong voice on our school board that can speak as an educator as well as a parent and community member. Please help me carry Sonora's tradition of excellence into the future!

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#### N Com **Speed Bumps** by Dave Coverly **Speed Bumps** $\mathbb{R}$ by Dave Coverly NA KING OF THE MONTH YOU TELL HIM MMM, DON'T YOU JUST LOVE THAT NEW BABY ODOR? IT'S UNNECESSARY **Daddy's Home** by Tony Rubino and Gary Markstein MA PUBINO & MARKSTEIN JOB INTERVIEW WHY DO YOU WANT TO WORK HERE? WORK 4-8 HERE? I THOUGHT THIS IS WHERE I PICK UP MY with UNEMPLOYMENT Selalo CHECK. **Dogs of C-Kennel** by Mick and Mason Mastroianni BY MASTROJANNI AND HAR Mike sheet RAIN: LET'S JUST AGREE @×\$%11 TO DISAGREE. **Strange Brew Strange Brew** by John Deering by John Deering JUST KEEP A STRAIGHT FACE. PERHAPS THE WORLD . THERE'S REALLY SHES NO RECOVERING IN HER TERRIBLE FROM THAT, IS THERE ? WON'T SEE OUR SHAME. WHERE'S THE TWO HUNDREDS NESTA **WebDonuts** by Mike Gruhn A.So So what keeps us from just falling out of the sky? HERE'S SOMETHING YOU CAN DO, JOE.' HEY, DIDN'T I GET HAPP YES! AREN'T YOU GLAD I SAVED IT

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CHRISTMAS?

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Stop it. You Know that Freaks me.out.



UNTIL NOW? NO, BUT YEAH.

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### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

#### **NOTICE OF SALE**

THE STATE OF TEXAS OF SALE

BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER

COUNTY OF SUTTON

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<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in May, 2016, the same being the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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

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

#### TRACT 1: R100807

and the State of Texas, to-wit:

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 of Sutton County, Texas.

#### 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

THIS SALE IS BEING CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO STATUTORY OR JUDICIAL REQUIREMENTS. BIDDERS WILL BID ON THE RIGHTS, TITLE, AND INTERESTS, IF ANY, IN THE REAL PROPERTY OFFERED.

THE PROPERTY IS SOLD AS IS, WHERE IS, AND WITHOUT ANY WARRANTY, EITHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED. NEITHER THE COUNTY NOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WARRANTS OR MAKES ANY REPRESENTATIONS ABOUT THE PROPERTY'S TITLE, CONDITION, HABITABILITY, MERCHANTABILITY, OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. BUYERS ASSUME ALL RISKS.

IN SOME SITUATIONS, A LOT OF FIVE ACRES OR LESS IS PRESUMED TO BE

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

#### **GENERAL ELECTION CITY OF SONORA**

To the Registered Voters of Sonora, Texas: (A los votantes registrados del Ciudad de Sonara, Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling place 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 the following: (Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales citadas abajo se ahriran deside las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 7 de Mayo de 2016 para votar en la Eleccion Genral para elegir:

> MAYOR ALCALDE

ELECTION OF COUNCILMEMBER FROM WARD 1 ELECCION DE COUNCILMEMBER DE PUPILO 1

ELECTION OF COUNCILMEMBER FROM WARD 2 ELECCION DE COUNCILMEMBER DE PUPILO 2.

PROPOSITION ONE: REQUEST, BY PETITION, FOR THE CITY OF SONORA TO DE-ANNEX SLIDE 27A, PLAT RECORDS OF SUTTON COUNTY, TEXAS A/K/A LOMA ALTA ADDITION PROPUESTA UNA: SOLICITUD, POR PETICIÓN, PARA LA CIUDAD DE SONORA-PARA NO ANEXIONAR ARCHIVOS 27A, PLAT REGISTROS DEL CONDADO DE SUTTON, TEXAS SUBDIVISIÓN LOMA ALTA

PROPOSITION TWO: REQUEST, BY PETITION, FOR THE CITY OF SONORA TO DE-ANNEX SLIDE 9B, PLAT RECORDS OF SUTTON COUNTY, TEXAS A/K/A SINALOA SUBDIVISON PROPUESTA UNA: SOLICITUD, POR PETICIÓN, PARA LA CIUDAD DE SONORA-PARA NO ANEXIONAR ARCHIVOS 9B, PLAT REGISTROS DEL CONDADO DE SUTTON, TEXAS SUBDIVISIÓN SINALOA

#### LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACE: (DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

Ward 1 and Ward 2 De Pupilo 1 y De Pupilo 2 SISD Administration Building Edificio de Administracion de SISD

807 S. Concho

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at City Hall, 201 E. Main, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on April 25, 2016 and ending on May 3, 2016. Please note that on April 29, 2016, the hours will be from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Extended hours for the Early Voting City Election will be from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on April 26 and May 3, 2016.

(La votacion adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en Corredor de la ciudad, 201 E. Main entre las 8:00 a.m. de la manana y las 5:00 p.m. de la tarde empezando el 25 de abril, 2016 y terminado el 3 de mayo, 2016. Abril 29, 2016, las horas son de las 8:00 a.m. hasta las 4:00 p.m. Horas extendidos para las Votaciones adelantadas para la cuidad seran de las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 26 de abril y el 3 de mayo, 2016.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan enviarse a:)

 Belia Fav

 (Name of Early Voting Clerk)

 (Nombre del Secretario (a) de la Votacion Adelantada)

 201 E. Main
 Sonora, Texas 76950

 (Address) (Direccion)
 (City) (Cuidad) ((Zip Code) (Zona Postal)

Application for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 26, 2016. (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el 26 de abril, 2016).

Issued this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016 (Emitada este dia 7 de marzo, 2016.)

anda Truci DUL Wanda Shurley, Signature of Mayor (Firma del Alcade)

### PUBLIC NOTICE OF TEST OF AUTOMATIC TABULATING EQUIPMENT

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INTENDED FOR RESIDENTIAL USE. HOWEVER, IF THE PROPERTY LACKS WATER OR WASTEWATER SERVICE, THE PROPERTY MAY NOT QUALIFY FOR RESIDENTIAL USE. A POTENTIAL BUYER WHO WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION SHOULD MAKE ADDITIONAL INQUIRIES OR CONSULT WITH PRIVATE COUNSEL.

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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

#### SUTTON COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT GENERAL ELECTION SONORA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT GEN-ERAL ELECTION

On May 7, 2016

will be tested on April 19, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at City Hall to ascertain that it will accurately count the votes cast for all offices and on all measures.

> \_/s/Belia Fay\_\_\_\_ Signature of Officer

AVISO PUBLICO DE PROBAR EL EQUIPO PARA TABULAR AUTOMATICAMENTE Por lo presente se da aviso que el equipo para tabular automaticamente que se usara en la ELECCION GENERAL DE LA CUIDAD DE SONORA

#### ELECCION GENERAL DE LA COIDAD DE SONORA ELECCION GENERAL DEL DISTRITO DEL HOSPI-TALES DEL CONDADO DE SUTTON ELECCION GENERAL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPEN-DIENTE DE SONORA

Que se llevara acabo el 7 de Mayo, 2016

Se probara el 19 de Abril, 2016 a las 10:00 a.m. en el Salon de la Cuidad Para determiner si el equipo contara con exacitud los votos para todos los puestos Oficiales y sobre todos los projectos de le.

> /s/Belia Fay\_\_\_\_\_ Firma de la Oficial

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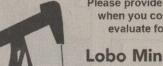
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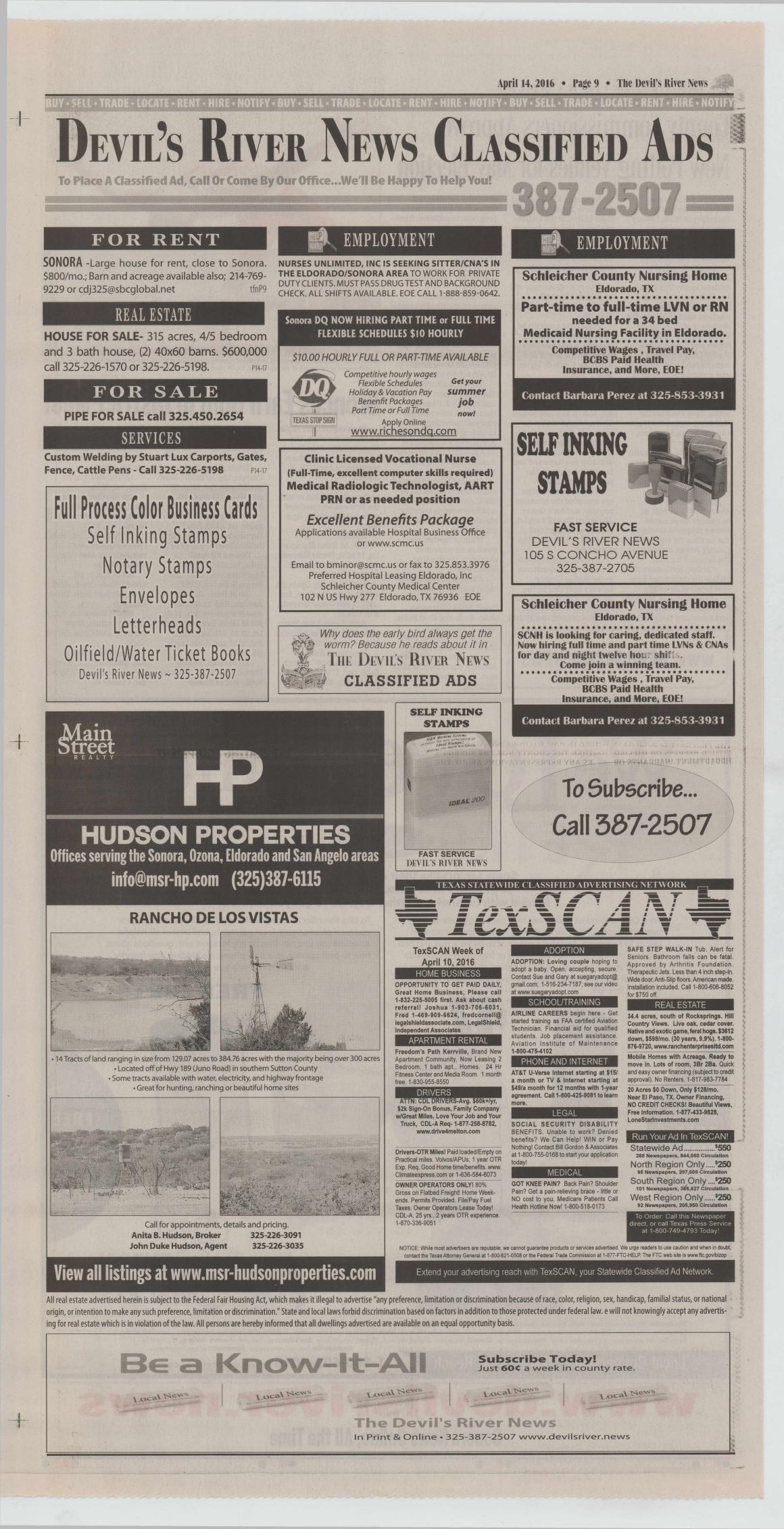
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# **County Commissioners Approve New Polling Venues for May Election**

In response to complaints filed with the Secretary of State, County Commissioners unanimously approved reassigning polling locations for the upcoming May election.

Complaints filed by Erica Berry, the current Sutton County Tax-Assessor Collector and a constituent in the May run-off election, were filed with the Secretary of State against Sutton County Judge Steve Smith and County Clerk **Rachel Duran alleging** loitering and misconduct in and around a polling area.

Although, Smith maintains an office at the County Annex building and voting venue, Berry maintains that his presence during the election is inappropriate.

Berry also claims unlawfully allowing family members of administrators and candidates to work in a polling place during an election.

In accordance with election laws, as well as, to remedy these issues, Duran proposed changing the location for voting from County Annex building to the Sonora Fire Hall.

Further, the Sonora Fire Hall is the designated location for all early voting.

On election day, May 7th **Voters in Precincts 1** 

and 4 may cast their ballots

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at the Sonora Fire Hall and Precincts 2 and 3 may cast their ballots at the Lillian Hudspeth Hospital foyer on election day, May 7th.

Early voting for the runoff election begins on May 16th and ends May 20th. **Fire hall** 

The run-off election will be held on May 24th. The election is slated for

May 7th. Following a motion by

Commissioner Mike Villanueva, commissioners approved the sale of fireworks for Cinco de Mayo, May 5, 2016.

In regular business, commissioners approved the minutes of the March 4th, March 14th and March 28th meetings with a correction to the beginning salary designation of thirty-one thousand dollars to thirty-one thousand two hundred dollars for the cemetery employee.

As well, commissioners approved the accounts payable, auditor's report, JP report, Sheriff's report, treasurer's report and road and bridge report as presented.

Florie-Frankie Gonzales reported on donations to the Sutton County Library provided by the Sonora Woman's Club. She received two chairs, one wireless printer, one 27-inch computer monitor and Office Standard software program. In addition, funding is available to support one part-time employee to work in the library during the summer.

No report was available for the Tax-Assessor Collector.

Commissioners approved the final presentation of the Ranchos De Las Vistas subdivision and the Oak Hollow subdivision.

Also, they considered a preliminary plat presentation for the Owensville Ranch subdivision

The agriculture extension office report was heard and approved. Pascual Hernandez informed the court of upcoming events including the Sonora 100th Anniversary Celebration on April 23rd and Predator Association Workshop on May 5th.

Jessica Stapper reported on the continuation of the Walk Across Texas event and forthcoming training classes for food service certification.

Without further discussion, comments or concerns, the meeting adjourned.

Judge Steve Smith presided 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 25th, at 9:00 a.m., in the County Annex Building.

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## **Broncos Earn Gold in District**

Well represented in both track and field events, the Broncos accumulated a total of 298 points - first place.

**Results:** 

3200 M: Evan Shannon, 1st, 11:16.01, Oscar Herreda, 2nd, 12:21.41 and Garett Jaeger, 5th, 3:55.17.

1600 M: Raully Ojeda,1st, 4:57.43, Evan Shannon, 2nd , 5:01.19 and Oscar Herreda, 3rd, 5:24.32.

High Jump: Liam Yourgalite, 3rd, 5'06" and Dustin Holmes, 1st, 12'00".

Pole Vault: Kaden Cordell, 4th, 5'06", Carter Zook, 2nd, 11'06" and John Deleon, 4th, 9'00".

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San Miguel, 3rd, 39'11.75" and Wesley Dutton, 4th, 39'07"

Shot Put: Liam Yourgalite, 1st ,44'03, Edgar Hernandez, 2nd, 42'01" and Julian Guerra, 6th, 35'09".

**Discus: Michael** Solis, 1st,135'07", Ryan Martinez, 2nd, 131'06" and Sergio Solis, 3rd, 121'02".

100 M Dash: Jarrett Jackson, 2nd, 11.49 and Jose Hernandez, 5th, 11.84.

200 M Dash: Drew Buitron, 1st, 23.35, Michael Solis, 3rd, 23.62 and Kade Creek, 6th, 24.52.

400 M Dash: Wesley Dutton, 2nd, 53.55, Michael Solis, 4th, 54.02 and

Kaden Cordell, 5th, 54.09. 800 M Dash: Raully Ojeda, 1st, 2:09.94, Walker Sine, 3rd, 2:16.85 and Garett Jaeger, 5th, 2:25.20.

110 Hurdles: Carter Zook, 1st, 15.18.

300 Hurdles: Carter Zook, 2nd, 40.40, Willie Munoz, 4th, 17.50 and Willie Munoz, 4th, 45.17.

400 M Relay: 1st, 44.41 (Wesley Dutton, Jarrett Jackson, Abel Cruz, **Michael Solis**)

800 M Relay: 1st, 1:34.04 (Kade Creek, Abel Cruz, Michael Solis, Drew **Buitron**)

1600 M Relay: 1st, 3:27.74 (Wesley Dutton, Drew Buitron, Abel Cruz, Carter Zook)

Team Total: Sonora 298, Stanton 111, Colorado City 79, Coahoma 75, Reagan County 47.





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