


Community residents, Morgan, Justin and Turner Mathews, as Joseph, Mary and Baby Jesus, TJ. Thorp, Eddie Favila and Cash Jennings, as the three kings and takes place in conjunction with the annual downtown Christmas Parade. Both events have become favorite holiday events.

## Community Parade and Live Nativity Opens Holiday Season

The sound of laughter and holiday music filled the air celebrated the holiday season together Wednesday, November Christmas parade and live nativity.
Hundreds of residents and visitors, many decked out in along Main Street sipping hot chocolate while sharing holiday emories in anticipation of the rocession of holiday floats mak Just as night began to fall, Joseph Delgado and David Adams, summoned their audiand the tapping of a ramil "Little Drummer Boy" as they led the pageant to the courthous lawn. More than thirty entries, esponse vehicles, traversed th route through downtown. Members of the live nativty as well as symbolic statues replacing them in ceremonia Santa and Mrs. Claus scene as well. For the past two years, the
downtown Christmas parade
and live nativity has been a sea sonal favorite a Sonora Chamber merce Executive Director, Donn Garrett, said she is happy to see the parade return to the holiday festivities. For a few years, the town was without a parade. But, renewed interest along with the
help of the Chamber, to organiz help of the Chamber, to organ
the event, once again, it has become a truly a special event for the community of Sonora. "I think it's a great commubetter way to get all of the local churches and the whole community to come together. And, to showcase our spectacular live or towns today that can have a nativity scene on their court house lawn. I think that means a lot." Debra Hobbs, a Sonora resi-
dent, organized the "Community dent, organized the "Community
Live Nativity, a true to life scene including a cast of local residents and a wide variety of animals that unmistakably addresses the earth.
The sentient scene depicts the ignificance of the baby in the SEE HOLLDAY SEASON ON PAGE 5


Presley Maynield, a Shepherd, cradles a lanb wosing in the live nativity Wednesday, No ages and

One Dead, Seven Injured in Iraan School Bus Crash on 1-20

One person died and seven others were severely injured in a school bus Friday Decen Iraan school bu
The bus, carrying Iraan High School cheerleaders and two adults, were traveling home from a playoff game about $10: 46$ p.m. on Friday night when they were hit
the Freightliner tractor-trailer ris on I-20 just outside of Big Spring. Elizabeth Pope, from Iraan, was a passenger on the bus. died as a result of
tained in the crash
Pope was pronounced dead b Judge Robert Fitzgibbons at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. She was not wearing a seat belt. The driver of the 2015 ChevGarlock, also from Iraan, was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center with incapacitating injuries. She was wearing a
Three, 17 -year-old female students, from Iraan, were trans-
ported to the Medical injuries.
One 15 -vear al fale One 15 -year-old female studen
and one 14 -year-old female studen also from Iraan, were transported to the Medical Center with unknown injuries. A 15-year old female student from Sheffield was also transbe treated for injuries sustained in the crash.
Nijimbere Eliphase, of Richar son, the driver of the freight line
truck, and his passenger Michae Dick, of Pilot Grove, MO, were not injured in the crash.
They were both
They were both wearing seat belts. to a report obtained frethe Department of Public Safety, the freight liner truck was traveling eastbound on IH-20, in the outside lane passenger ca senger car slammed on the brake and the freight liner truck veered to the right to avoii
the passenger car. The report states that the driver of the freight liner then lost control crossing the center median entering westbound lanes of $1 \mathrm{H}-2 \mathrm{a}$ where he struck the Iraan scho
bus. 10:46 p.m. cloudy with rain and the road was wet.
Trooper Keenan Crumbly, Big Spring DPS investigated the crash. He was assisted by Troope Michael Tanzi, Trooper Kelly Merker, Corporal Hope Hohertz
and Sergeant Shawn Baxter all of the Big Spring DPS assisted in the crash investigation.


The cab of a tractor trailer truck was separated from the rig shattering into pieces a
ravine on Hwy 277 Monday morning, December 5 , about 10 miles south of Sonora.

Driver Injured in Semi-Truck Crash on South Highway 27

A truck driver was injured Monday, December 5th, in a town after his tractor-trailer ri skidded off the roadway and into a ravine on the east side of the

road.
The crash occurred just
before noon.
According to Sutton County Sheriff Deputy Jody Harris were a factor in the crash. "This is the fifth crash along this road since midnight," Sutton County Sheriff Deputy Jod Harris said. traveling south on Hwy 277 whe he lost control of his truck on the wet pavement and crossed over into the northbound lane where jack-knifed.
The truck's cab separated from the rig, shattering it into
pieces. The mangled cab then landed at the bottom of the ravine and under the trailer. First responders extracted he driver from what remained of the truck's cab ut of the ravine The driver was transported by EMS ambulance to Lillian Hudspeth Hospital where he wa reated and later released. A total of six incidents Monday according to Harri Another crash involving a tractor tractor-trailer rig occurred just a couple of hours arier and just a few feet away site side of the road. A couple of hours later, a rollover occurred about 10 mile
from the other two from the other two incidents.
No further details about th crash were available as the DRN went to press.

Legislative Board Sets State Funding Limit for Next 2-Year Budget

AUSTIN - Texas lawmakers will have just under $\$ 100$ billion to use for the non-
constitutional spending portion of state constitutional spending portion
budget for fiscal years 2018-2019. The 10-member Legislative Budget Board, which is charged w. 1 and accepted
spending limit, met on Dec. the figure of $\$ 99.897$ billion recommended by Ursula Parks, director of the LBB. The amount is based on a projected growth rater
of 8 percent in the state's economy. The of 8 percent in the state's economy. The
current $2016-2017$ state budget for "nondedicated" appropriations - funding that's not mandated by the state constitution $\$ 92.5$ billion. Members of the Legislative Budget
Board include co-chairs Lt. Gov. Dan

Patrick and House Speaker Joe Straus; state Sens. Kelly Hancock of North Rich-
land Hills, Joan Huffman of Houston, Jane Nelson of Flower Mound and Larry Taylor of Friendswood; and state Reps. Dennis Angelo, John Otto of Dayton and John Zerwas of Richmond. All members of the board are Republicans.
DSHS reports Zika case
Some 257 confirmed cases of Zika virus have been reported in Texas, but only one known case
On Nov. 28, the Texas Department of
ase of Zika virus disease likely transm ted by a mosquito within the state of Tex According to the state health departesident phatient is a Cameron County resident who is not pregnant and who was She reported no recent travel to any place with ongoing Zika virus transmission and no other risk factors.
"We still don't believe the virus will become widespread in Texas," said Dr
John Hellerstedt, state health commis sioner. "But there could be more cases, so people need to protect themselves from mosquito bites, especially in parts of the state that stay relatively warm in the fall
and winter,"

Judge stops bathroom Texas Attorney Gen eral Ken Paxton lauded U.S. District Judge
Reed O'Connor's 20 decision to prevent ${ }^{20}$ bathroom guidelines written by the U.S. Department of Justice
from being enfored from being enforced in public schools in O'Connor, of the Connor, of the By Ed Sterling Wichita Falls-based U.S. District Cour for the Northern District of Texas, earlier

## Juan Mule

We were ranching west of Sanderso in the area where Pecos, Terrell and Brewster counties all joined. Some or
the names in the region of this tale are the names in the region of this tale are:
Housetop Mts., Hells Half Acre, Mayon Canyon, Hells-Other-Half, Fresno Canyon, It Happened Out West Bullis Gap and Pine
 Mountain. This was and is a very rough,
scrambled piece of real estate. This area is excellent pastur-
age for sheep and
gits age for sheep and
goats. Once this is accepted, then it is a given that all occupy this region. Some of the peredainors meat eaters are, bears, mountain lions, coyotes,
bob-cats with an occasional wolf. These all propagate in the Big Bend National Park just to the So
took place.
took place.
Understanding these conditions, I hired a professional trapper to control the predation on my flocks. His name is not important as he had been in trouble with the federal law. He came to work for me as one of the very best trappers in texas
This proved to be true as he caught and killed over 100 mountain lions in a 4 yea period for me. I did not keep count of coy otes, bob cats and eagles.
Now we have the location and back-
ground for this story so let's proceed trapper was a South Texas country type who worked better alone. He made most of his own equipment and broke and trained his own mules. This story is about one of
these riding mules. I don't know where he got this young two-year-old mule but he bought him somewhere and begin to break and train this animal.
Now this mule was a sorrel with white
mane and tail who weighed about 750 lbe Excellent conformation for his breed and but with a brain of his own. The trapper began riding this mule to help us work sheep and goats and during this period I
thought he referred to this mule as Juan We worked together on many occasions and I again thought I heard him call his mule Juan.
One day we were on a trail in the
Housetop Mountains when Housetop Mountains when we stopped to
rest. During the conversation I referred to his mule, who was now four-years-old, as I had heard him to say his name was Juan. He immediately corrected me by saying "I wish you would call my mule by his given
name." I spoke up and said I thought I was. My trapper said, "No! His name is 'One" and that is short for 'One Good Mule' so I just call him One." I apologized as I though I had understood him to say Juan. From


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Let's Remember December 8th

## BY JOHN A. ADAMS, JR.

Chances are you are well acquainted with Pearl Harbor and the horrific attack
by the Japanese on December 7, 1941, but do you know about the simultaneous attack on American forces in the Philippines? This attack, which affected Texans from across the state and their faminies, on the other side of the International Date Line.
In
In 110 minutes America lost not only the aircraft, ships and 2,335 U.S. service men ireds of soldiers died and early all the fighters and bombers at Clark Field were destroyed. This, the largest sea-land military operation to-date, impacted Chin
Singapore, Korea and Indo-China Singapore, Korea and Indo-China. with the reaction of the American public, kept the story of the Philippines disaster out of the news for months.
As we approach this 75th anniversary
of the opening shots of World War II the of the opening shots of World War II, the cover both December 7 th and 8th without detracting from the sacrifice that took place at Pearl Harbor and Hickham Field.
Enlarging the recognition to cover the Enlarging the recognition to cover the
two days will add the names of tens of thousands of American soldiers and sailors who died or were captured at Bataan and Corregidor to the names of those we have honored
of a century.
The surprise attack in the Philippines trapped 20,000 American servicemen and women and more than 30,000 Filipino soldiers, many of whom died or were brutally imprisoned by the Japanese. The
Hawaiian Islands, unlike the Philippines didn't experience occupation by the Japanese following the initial attacks. Ill-prepared and poorly supplied survivors in the Philippines were forced to fight of limited supplies and foodstuffs. In spite of their lack of reinforcements, vir tually no aircraft, and limited training these fighters managed to repel numer-
ous landings from nearly every direction ous landings from nearly every direction
With no U.S. air support, Japanese Zeros controlled the sky and prevented shipments of supplies and reinforcements
to the defenders. The 26th to the defenders. The 26th U.S. Cavalry
fought off Japanese tanks from horse fought off Japanese tanks from horse-
back in what is characterized as the last


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cavalry charge in U.S. history. Following Gen. Douglas MacArthur's
departure from Corregidor in mid-March 1942, all U.S. and Philippine forces fought under the command of Lt. Gen. Jonathan
M. Wainwright He managed delaying M. Wainwright. He managed delaying
actions that slowed the Japanese advance action that slowed the Japanese advance
until the peninsula of Bataan fell in early April. Then, large guns were turned on the small island fortress of Corregidor, commanded by Texas A\&M 1908 graduate Maj. Gen. George F. Moore. After mas-
sive non-stop bombing and shelling, the sive non-stop bombing and shelling, the
forces on Corregidor were surrendered at the beginning of May. Even after U.S. and Filipino forces laid down their arms
the Japanese continued their relentless the Japanese continued their relentless
attacks until Wainwright managed to attacks until Wainwright managed to island.
Over
Over the next three and a half years,
the prisoners were held in POW the prisoners were held in POW camps in the Philippines, on Formosa (now
known as Taiwan), on Japan's home island, in Korea and Manchuria until U.S. and Russian special forces liberated them in August 1945 . Due to inhuman treatment, disease and starvation, only
30 percent of the Texas Aggie captives 30 percent home. It is important to recognize the sacri-
fices made at Pearl Harbor fices made at Pearl Harbor and Hickham Field on December 7, but it is equally the Philippines on December 8 and the heroic delaying actions accomplished there by under-fed, poorly-supplied, and inadequately trained troops who never
gave up on their belief that reinforcegave up on their belief that reinforce
ments were coming. They never did.

The Fightin' Texas Aggie Defenders of Bataan and Corregidor by John A. Adams
Jr. captures the stories of 89 Aggies who Jr. captures the stories of 89 Aggies who
were in the Philippines at the beginning of World War II. His research fleshes out those individuals and, in many cases, recounts their experiences and what happened to them.

To Bataan And Back: The World War
II Diary of Maj. Thomas Dooley, tran IID Diary of Maj. Thomas Dooley, tran-
ribed and edited by Jerry C. Cooper, tells scribed and edited by Jerry C. Cooper, tells
the story of this aide to Gen. Jonathan M. the story of this aide to Gen. Jonathan $M$.
Wainuright directly from six journals he Compiled from the opening of the war unti he was released from POW camp in Man churia over 3 years later. His remembrances include witnessing the Japanese surrender aboard the USS Missouri as well as the sur
render ceremonies in the Philippines.

Heard Around Town
Everytime I see a news report or read my kids, hug them close, and never, ever let them out of my sight.

## The Blind Bard of the Big Bend

I have known George Covington for several years. He has a habit of making
people laugh. He writes a newspaper col people laugh. He writes a newspaper col-
umn. "I have fun pointing out the absurd ties of everyday life," he says. "Most of the Rolling $\begin{aligned} & \text { time the people } \\ & \text { Imake fun of } \\ & \text { laugh with me." }\end{aligned}$ Along laugh with
He got to living in New
York and York and
Washington fo Washington fo
twenty years where he was involved in things political "I love the people and places around here. I moved here from Manhattan and Wash-
ington DC and don't miss either place." ington DC and don't miss either place.
He worked in the White House for bot Democrats and Republicans. "I started out as a typical low ranking bureaucrat, happy with my obscurity. The govern-
ment's checks didn't bounce and I had ment's checks didn't bounce and I had
good health benefits. I ended up writing good health benefits. I ended up writing
speeches for the Vice President and directed travel for him when he went to disability events. Got to fly on Air Force Two." While working in Washington he was interviewed on the Today Show and other national media
birth and his eyesight is deteriorating, bu that doesn't slow him down. He was born in Texarkana. "For years I used to beg my mother to admit that I had been stolen
by gypsies and left in East Texas. Ileft as soon as I found out where the bus station was." He took a bus to UT Austin. "I had one pair of jeans, some knee-length walking shorts, some floppies, maybe a tennis shoe or two and I walked from the bus
station to the campus and vowed never to leave it. I lived in an old house. My big room had once been a porch. I shared a kitchen with two young guys from San Antonio who lived on the other side of the At the University of Texas he started in pre-law, then went to government, then went to English, then went to journalism. "I switched to journalism because they
said the girls were promiscuous and you got to drink a lot," says George. "It wasn't quite like that but I loved it." George went to law school and despised it. "I still have nightmares about
waking up and having a law final I hadn"t studied for." He got a law degree and passed the bar. "It's the only bar I ever passed," he says with a smile. He practice
law for a while, but didn't care for it law for a while, but didn't care for it.
Growing up in Growing up in East Texas, George
didn't hear much Spanish. "I had neve even remotely been in a Hispanic environment while growing up, so one day one of these San Antonio guys came to me and said, 'T'm gonna teach you the
dirtiest words in the Spanish language. So he taught me the words and I practiced and practiced. This was in November of 1964. So I walked into a friend's room who was studying one night and yelled at the top of my lungs these abso
lutely filthy, dirty words in Spanish: FELIZ NAVIDAD! His mouth dropped open, his eyes got big and I thought those
dirty words must really be bad for him dirty words must really be bad for him to react like that.
A couple of weeks later I was listening to the radio and they were singing those they could do thavidad. I wondered how bi-lingual do that on the radio. Some bi-lingual friends of mine pointed out the
words meant Merry Christmas. Years words meant Merry Christmas. Years
later I told that story to Jose Feliciano, who wrote the song, Feliz Navidad. He's probably still laughing about it."
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 Ryker Marshall waves the Broncos onto the field at the start of Friday's Regional play off game against Canadian at Lowrey Field in Lubbock.
The Broncos lost to the Widdcats with $27-21$ in overtime.
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## Broncos End Season with 27-21 OT Loss to Canadian

The Sonora Broncos endeason with a $27-21$ loss in OT to Canadian Friday December 2 at Lowrey field in Lubbock. battle in the cold and rain the Broncos fought to the end in hopes of advancing one more step towards championship. The loss scattered their dreams and any chance of a
2016 state title 2016 state title
"The 2016
"The 2016 Sonora Bron and claim the name of State Quarter finalists," Coach David T. Sine said. falling rain and temperafalling rain and tempera-
tures, Bronco fans, layered under blankets and umbrel las, filled the stands to cheer and show support for their players.
In the first

Broncos received the ball at kickoff and it was a back and forth battle until the clock expired. In his usual spin style Kaden Cordell connecte
with Michael Solis and Liam Yourgalite on several attempts to gain yardage to the goal line.
But, the Wildcats thwcess in finding paydirt before the clock ran out leaving both teams scoreless at the end of the stanza In the second quarter,
Douthit drove the ball 22 yards up the middle and crossed the goal line putting the Wildcats on the score bo
mark.
The Broncos fought back but it wasn't enough to score before Canadian's Douthit added another six
points with only 5 seconds points with only 5 se.
left in the first half.

The Broncos trailed by 14 points going into the intermission. Sonora returned to the field to reveal and exciting hird quarter and tie the Hame. Half way into the stanza
Cordell connected with Jar rtt Jannected with Jar ball 92 -yards who drove the all 92 -yards to find paydirt at the 5:47 mark. ball for a turnover on the 23 -yard line at the $5: 08$ mark eading the stampede. In back to back touchoonnected again to tie the score 14-14 at the end of the quarter.
In the fourth quarter, the Broncos line of scrim back Canadian until Noah San Miguel crossed the endzone at the 6:17 mark For the first time sinc

2014 the Wildcats found themselves trailing in the playoffs late in the game. playoffs late in the game.
Canadian managed to pull out one more goal tying the score at 21 with only $3: 24$ left on the clock.
An official overtime was An official overtime was
called by the referees and it was all up to fate. Canadian claimed the
championship with a final championship with a fina
touchdown in the bonus round. Sine said he is proud of
his players and the his players and the unforgettable season he shared
with them He said he is especially proud of the seniors on his team. Sine said the senior class has been the foundation for the Sonora program going forward.
"This senior class was a joy to coach, they will be $\overline{\text { SEE BRONCOS ON PAGE } 7}$

COACH OF THE YEAR


Coach Larry Jennings received the 2016 Region 1 TTCA (Texas Tenn Coaches Association) Coach of the Year. He accepted his award at December 2-4.
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Elementary School Students for the week of December 5-9, Noah
Luna, Pre-K, Gillian Norrell, K, Kenzee Bryant, 1st and Gentri Trainer,
2nd 2nd
|COURTESY PHOTO Sonora ISD
Students of the Week EATON HILL


Intermediate School Students for the week of December 5-9, A A
Seaton, 3rd, Jezabel Pasillas-Galaviz, 4th and Bella SanMiguel, 5th. Seaton, 3rd, Jezabel Pasillas-Galaviz, 4th and Bella SanMiguel, 5 th.
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Middle School Students For The Week of December 5-9, Jacob Perez,
6 th, Sinayyah Solis, 7th and Carla Mota, 8th.

## SOMORAW:



## Support Youth Interest in Livestock




## HOLIDAY SEASON:

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1 message of salvation.
The thought of a nat ity display began as Hobbs' idea, about seven years ago, and it has become a weltownspeople.
She wanted to incorShe wanted to incorporate the live nativity parade and celebration of the Christmas season. Today, with the help of the community, it has grown to include statues representing all of the char-
acters and animals as well as a live production. "I have a passion for Christmas and the celebration of the birth of Christ,"
Hobbs said. "When I pro-" posed the idea of a nativity on the courthouse lawn, I asked for donations to help cover the cost of the
statues. Our community came together and through their generosity I received enough to fund the purchase of the full nativity the
first year. So it is truly a first year. So, it is truly a
community nativity scene To better look their part,
his year participants wore costumes that were custom made and donated by memclub. the Sonora Sewing club. "They lovingly made each costume out of materials that they gathered and created these special costumes for all of our nativity haracters."
Over tim Over time, members
cal churches also joined in the tradition providing scripture messages, song and music as well as refreshments for patrons
to enjoy - all in support of helping ensure that the event is a success While mingling before he event people also enjoyed interacting with
the animals including a llama, donkey, sheep and baby bull.
Much to
Much to her satisfaction Hobbs said she welcomes
more animals to the even more animals to the event
and not just for the purpose of taking a place in the live nativity.
"This year it kind of turned into a petting zoo,"
Hobbs said. "I loved it It
was always an idea of mine to have a petting zoo to go along with everything else. In addition to all of the contributions and volunteers, Hobbs said she greatly appreciates the loca
banks for providing donabanks for providing dona-
tions benefiting the Salva tion Army and local Food Pantry.
Hobbs
Hobbs said she couldn't be more proud to be part
of such an exceptional community.
Looking forward, Hobbs is working on the upkeep of
current nativity pieces well as adding more in the future.
"We are lucky to live in such a great community,"
Hobbs said. "I am so proud of our community, Sonora. Christmas is about loving and supporting your neigh bor. And, although we may
disagree with our neigh disagree with our neigh-
bors from time to time, the community of Sonora always comes together in love and support of each other, especially in times of need."


Santa and Mrs. Claus, Carl and Melissa Teaff, abandoned their parade float to sit on the courthouse lawn and enjoy songs and music Wednesday, November 30 during the annual downtown Sonora Christmas
celebration.


4-H Culinary Teams Earn Titles During 2016 District 10 Food Challenge Contest
Two Sutton County 4-H
student teams earned titles for their participation in the District 10 Food Challenge Contest December 2 in Kerrville.
Students Students were given
ingredients to createn ingredients to create a meal
but no recipe to guide them. Each team was challenged to create a food dish within a
40-minute time 40-minute time limit.
While judges critiqu each entree students were engaged in a discussion regarding key nutrients MyPlate, food safety, and



Sicily Gutierrez, Julianna Sanchez, and Jayla Williams earn the title Sicily Gutierrez, Juilianna Sanchez, and Jayla williams earn the titte,
"Sassy Cookers" during the District 10 Food Challenge Contes
December 2 in Kerrville.

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## Obituaries

Milford D．（Mickey）Powers October 18， 1939 －November 29， 2016


First United Methodist Church．He was Wagon
Boss for West Texas Boys Ranch，a 4－H Shooting Sports instructor，and president of the Sonora many years．In 1991，he was Rookie of the Year in enior Steer Roping．He wa an avid fan of the Sonora golf，track，basketball，and volleyball．He never missed sporting events of his three children，and continued
going to games after his children graduated．In his younger years he was a scratch golfer，a snow skier，a fisherman，and took pleasure in making things family fishing trips to the Devil＇s River，and fishing trips to the Rio Grande with his men friends who
nicknamed him＂Spider＂ Many stories evolved from these trips．
Preceding Mickey in death were his parents Ma second mother，Jayne Kiser Powers，his sister－in－law， Allison Espy Powers，his niece，Heather Shane Fel randparents，F．M．and Fred and Vickie Williams， and family housekeeper， Elvira Smith．
He is survived by his three children，Rick
（Melinda McDonald）Pow ers of Mt．Pleasant，SC； Rebecca（Andy）Stokes of San Antonio；Zella Power of san Angelo，and a bonu Sonora；sisters Nancy （John）Plumley，Whitney Pam（Lance）Haynes， OK；Trina（Jim）Hadley， OK；Trina（Jim）Hadley，
Stephenville；brothers Jimmy（Rebecca）Pow－ ers，Sonora；Zane Powers， Moorcroft，WY，cherished grandchildren Claysen， Mt．Pleasant SC；Katherine and Greer Stokes of San Antonio；the mothers of his children，Claire Jones and Lorie Olson Powers， （Steve）Buxkemper，and D＇Ann（Mark）Schoepf， Lorenzo；Stephanie（James） Williams，Moorcroft，WY； Cheyenne \＆Sheridan Haynes，Guthrie，OK； Shiloh（Andrew）Napp， Hico；nephews，Houston
（Victoria）Powers，Sonor Shane Hadley，Stephenvill brothers－in－law，Cleve（ Lola beth）Jones and children， ulie \＆John（Jen），Sonora Eric Olson，Midland，and lyn．He is also survived by many special cousins， reat nieces，nephews an friends． Pallbearers were Jer lack Altizer，Sam Pow， Dean Rutland，Clayton Friend，Dean Dermody，and ry pallbearers are Tommy Love，Bob Blandford，Keith Hudson，James Barton James Lee Leonard，Hadley Wardlaw，Benton Wardlaw Hampton，Ralph Cooper， Minnie Altizer，Dannie Klebold，and Joyce Chalk Raska．
The family wishes to thank Mickey＇s caregiver Juanita Guerra，Angie Ramirez，Irma and Zeno Acosta，Ruben Dela Cruz； Charles Pajestka，and Raj Cheruku；the staff at Hud speth Memorial Hospital and the Home Health Care staff；Pastor Bill Harris and Memorials may be Memorials may be given
West Texas Boys Ranch， First United Methodist Church，Sonora，or a favor ite charity．
A memorial service for
Iickey was held at the First United Methodist Church， Sonora on Sunday，Decem ber 4th，at 2 p．m．with Pa

## BRONCOS：

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 3 remembered for the mak－ ing of \＃Chase4Seis！As 7 th playing for the Colts，eigh playing for the Colts，eigh teen of them remained as Nation a great ride in 2016 I truly wish these seniors the best of luck in all thei endeavors and for the underclassmen，time flies great memories，work har in the offseason and let＇s do everything possible to
keep this Big Red Train keep this Big Red Train The．
their attention to basketba with thention to basketbal ment in Sonora Thursday through Saturday，Decem ber 8－10．
Players of the Week vs Canadian include： Special Teams Player of the Week：Brandon Martinez Special Teams KHOS FM 92.1 Offensive Lineman of the Week：Julian Guerra Hit of the Week：Kade Creek Sponsored by Leon ard Livestock
Defensive Player of the Week：Kaden Cordell and Virgil Burge
Offensive Player of the Week：Jarrett Jackson and Kaden Cordell Sponsored Columbus

Scout Team Player of
the Week：Brock Aschen
beck Sponsored by Just Bling It Rita Gonzales Trainer of the Week： Samantha Castro－ Jazmine Talamantes－
Mollie Taylor Sponsored by Mungia Southwest Heating and AC Coach of the Week： 2016 Sonora Bronco Coaching
Staff Sponsored by Buck N Bass－Terry Johnson

SCORE BY QUARTER SONORA
CANADIAN first quarter

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Visitors can walk the trails around the ruins of Fort Lancaster learning
about the site＇s fascinating history and stories． The tour begins at the Visitor＇s Center at 10：00 a．m．，visitors are asked to admission is $\$ 4$ for
and adults and $\$ 3$ per child Fort Lancaster Stat Historic Site，a Texas property，spans 82 acre and commemorates the

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 the 1850 s to protect the road between San Antonio and El Paso．The si ruins of what once const tuted a sizable military installation as well as an interpretive trail．
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CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2 rejected the guidelines intended to allow transgen-
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responded by asking the responted by asking the stand in states that had not joined a lawsuit to prevent he guidelines from takrejected that request, and in doing so sided with Texas and 12 other states that jointly filed a lawsuit to gridelines.
Salary survey is released The Texas Association Texas Association of Schoo Administrators last month released their annual survey of district trends in superintenden 0. Justa few of the statistics reported in the survey were:

- Average superintendent alaries range from $\$ 94,920$ 500 students to $\$ 308,184$ in districts with more than 50,000 students;
- Half of reported salaries re less than $\$ 123,015$; and dent pay increase was 3.2 percent, up from last year's verage of 2.9 percent.

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at Safety Rest Areas and Travel Information Centers in exchange for receiving public recognition through highway signage.
Mark Marek, director of Engineering and Safety Operations, said, "With more than 100,000 crashes in Texas each year
involving distracted driving, we hope to curb this deadly habit by encouraging drivers to pull over at
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Centers to use apps, check centers to use apps, check
email and surf the Web in a
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School ratings are released The Texas Educa-
tion Agency on Nov. 17 released the final 2016 stat academic accountability
ratings for more than 1,20 ratings for more than 1,2
school districts and charters and more than 8,600 campuses.
Districts. Districts, campuses
and charters receive and charters receive or
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More than 90 percent of school districts and charters across Texas achieved the rating of Met Standar Preliminary state
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