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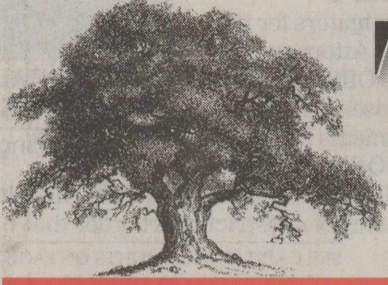
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Tax Rate in Question After Mayor Quits, then Rescinds Resignation

Special Called Meeting Slated for 1 p.m. on Friday for a Revote on Tax Rate

Sonora Mayor Wanda Shurley verbally resigned from office Monday evening after a contentious back-and-forth vote in which three council members failed to approve a 69-cent tax rate the council had previously agreed to in budget workshops and budget hearings.

Following a 3-1 vote to approve a 63-cent rate, Shurley announced, "I don't want to say it, but the motion passes," as she banged the gavel to close the matter.

The mayor then stood and announced, "You know what, [expletive deleted] you all, I'm not mayor anymore."

She then tore some papers she was holding and tossed them in the air saying, "That's it. I'm done. I can't work with people that are so [expletive deleted] ignorant."

Shurley announced on Tuesday that she had rescinded her verbal resignation after visiting with

City Manager Ed Carrasco and with individual council members. Shurley said she also consulted with the city's attorney, James Kosub. She also sent a press release to The Devil's River News in which she announced that she was rescinding her resignation.

The drama at the end

of Monday night's meeting capped a confusing back-and-forth of motions, motions to amend the motion, votes for and against the various motions, and the ultimate vote in which Norm Rousselot switched his vote and sided with Juanita Barrera and

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Highway to the End Zone



Sonora Broncos Jarrett Jackson breaks away on a run to the end zone during Friday's game between Sonora and Jim Ned, September 22, 2017, at Indian Stadium. The Broncos took the victory over the Indians 32-28 in a close scoring game between the two yet undefeated teams. Now, 4-0, the Broncos look ahead to next Friday's game when they host the Crane Golden Cranes during their Homecoming Game at Bronco Stadium. KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

Broncos Take Down Indians and Move to 5-0, Look for Homecoming Victory Against Crane

Undefeated this season, the Sonora Broncos are looking forward to celebrating another victory for their fifth game and Homecoming this Friday night against the Crane Golden Cranes, September 29, 2017 at Bronco Stadium.

Both Crane and Sonora will be looking for a win and it will be another battle on the gridiron.

Broncos Head Coach Jeff Cordell said he expects weather to be a factor in Friday's game.

"Weather is going to be a factor for the Broncos this week, not just on Friday night," Cordell said. "The Broncos will most likely have to make adjustments to practice plans, etc. due to the inclement weather we have

in the surrounding area. We need the rain just don't need the lightening possibly associated with this storm. However, I am very confident that our staff will have our kids prepared for a dog fight on Friday night."

Key elements to Sonora's success on Homecoming night include limiting penalties, taking care of the ball, defense

must get to stops and the offense has to execute despite any bad playing conditions.

Again, all of the Broncos players will be good to watch because they all have the potential to add to the team's victory over the Golden Cranes.

Also under the direction

of a new head coach, Steve Rodman, who transferred from Spearman to take over Crane's athletic program this past May, the Cranes are expected to be looking to keep the ball out of the hands of Sonora's high-octane offense.

Like Sonora, Crane has

SEE BRONCOS ON PAGE 10

Shannon Brings Home Another XC Gold

Keeping a steady pace ahead of the competition, Tate Shannon earned yet another gold medal this past week while competing in the Spring Creek Invitational Cross Country Meet, Wednesday, September 20, 2017.

As a team, the Sonora varsity boys were also awarded first place for finishing with a total time of 1:44:49 ahead of runner from surrounding counties.

The Varsity girls placed 4th among the competition with a total time of 1:13:43.

In addition to the high school varsity runners, the Sonora Middle School Colts and Lady Colts also participated in the annual meet in Mertzon.

The 8th grade girls placed

7th and boys 5th. The 7th grade girls placed 13th and boys 7th.

It was noted that several Broncos and Colts competitors were awarded medals for their exceptional performance.

On the heels of his team mate, Broncos varsity runner Jalen Lopez finished second in the meet. Sonora's Manuel Fuentes and Leo Alviso came in the top 20.

Junior Varsity runners Ariel Salazar placed 6th and Kole Gann earned 9th place during the meet.

The varsity Lady Broncos team was awarded 4th place overall for their distance time in the meet.

Individually, Traci Vickers placed 7th and received a medal. Fernanda Gonzalez

and Angela Gonzalez were in the top 20.

Also competing for top spots in the meet, the Colts 8th grade boys placed 5th as a team.

Individually, Giovanni Gamez placed 3rd and Fernando Gonzalez placed 10th out of 95 runners and both received medals.

Competing for the Lady Colts, Joselyn Rodriguez and Jessica Campa were in the top 30 runners out of 118 total runners.

Cross Country athletes from 10 area school districts competed in the annual meet.

Individual Results:

Varsity Boys:

Evan Shannon, 1st, 18:28.49.

Jalen Lopez, 2nd, 20:22.37.

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Sonora High School's Tate Shannon takes home a gold medal for his first place finish in the Spring Creek Invitational Cross Country Meet, Wednesday, September 20, 2017, in Mertzon.

KATHY MANKIN | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

Gov. Extends Aid for Widespread Needs Caused by Hurricane Harvey

AUSTIN — Gov. Greg Abbott on Sept. 20 extended his state disaster declaration for 60 counties affected by Hurricane Harvey.

"As Texans continue to recover from this storm, I want to make it absolutely clear that the State of Texas will be there every step of the way. This disaster declaration extension will help ensure affected communities continue to get the resources they need to rebuild and return to full operation. Although the road to recovery will be long, Texas is fully committed to doing everything we can to assist those in need along the way," Abbott said.

State disaster declarations must be renewed every 30 days for assistance to remain available, and Abbott said he would continue to renew the declarations as needed.

On Sept. 20, Abbott and Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton urged President Trump to ensure that churches and other religious organizations are treated equally with other nonprofits and not excluded from Federal Emergency Management Agency disaster funding for victims of the storm.

FEMA rules offer assistance to private non-profit organizations, including zoos, performing arts centers and

museums, but facilities established or primarily used for religious activities are excluded, Abbott and Paxton said. The president, they added, has the authority to include churches and other houses of worship in FEMA's definition of a "private nonprofit facility."

TxDOT, through the website DriveTexas.org, provides a way for travelers to choose routes in, around or through hurricane-stricken areas of the state. TxDOT said that with more than 500 state roadway closures during the height of Hurricane Harvey, the DriveTexas.org website was visited more than 5 million times as drivers searched

to check road conditions, find alternate routes and see closures on state roadways.

AG argues for Senate Bill 4

Litigators for the Texas Attorney General's Office on Sept. 22 presented oral arguments in the New Orleans-based U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit for a stay of a district court order that

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STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

Scratching in the Kitchen

The other day I found myself in a quandary. I was in need of cupcakes, but the pantry was without a box of cake mix.

Slices of Life



By Jill Pertler

I didn't want to go to the store so was left with but one option: to bake from scratch. I'm not a baker. Mostly because I lack a penchant for measuring and exact oven temperatures. But when your kid needs cupcakes, you deliver cupcakes - in this case, from scratch.

I didn't think much of it. Until a few days later when I related the experience to a few friends. They all had the same reaction: disbelief and shock. "I'd never bake from scratch," they said. "Too risky."

I got the same response from my family a week later when we ran out of pancake mix. They assumed being out of pancake mix meant we couldn't make pancakes. Ha! There's a Google solution for that.

I stirred together some flour, eggs and assorted baking sodas and powders and flipped out a batch of from scratch flapjacks. My family was impressed with my culinary magic. Who'd have ever thought you could make pancakes without a mix?

The kitchen - and food - can be mysterious and complex. Daunting even. And we are busy. Let's not forget that. Convenience foods and mixes make our complex and hectic lives easier. I'm all about making life convenient and my freezer always contains some sort of premade waffles and pizza.

But in a pinch, I've found that going back to the basics isn't really that hard and we shouldn't forget that making things the old-fashioned way is doable. Many things in life seem mysterious and complex, until you understand them. Then they become simply a few ingredients waiting for you to mix together in a bowl.

You don't have to stop with pancakes. There are other typically pre-made food items you can create at home from scratch without scratching your head in frustration because they are really, truly easy to do.

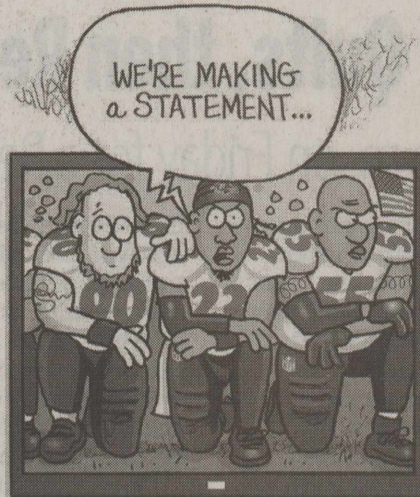
Whipped cream made at home is so much better than the stuff in the plastic bowl or metal pressurized thingy. The ingredient list is short. Cream. Powdered sugar. And air, which you whip in with a hand or electric beater. It takes just a few minutes. Any longer and you'll have butter. (Which you can also make at home.) If you want a magnificent versus a great outcome you can add a dash of vanilla (to the whipped cream, not the butter). Why buy the cool or ready stuff when you can have real?

If you're feeling the love, you might want to try making yogurt. It's made with milk and a small amount of yogurt containing active cultures. Temperature and time are key, so if you're interested you'll want to get the details through the Google.

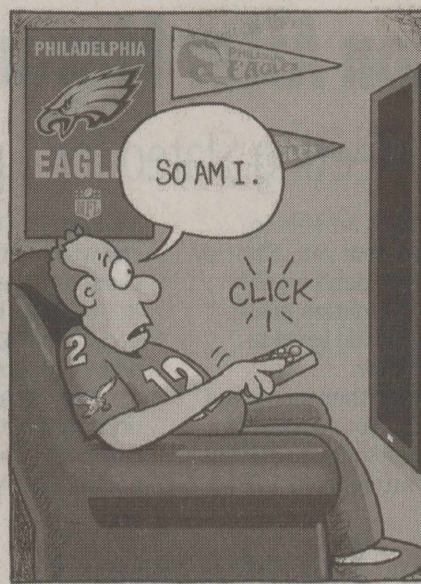
Cheesecake is cream cheese (or the lower fat stuff), eggs and sugar. For every block of cheese (usually about four for an entire cheesecake), use one egg and a quarter cup sugar. You can add vanilla if you are feeling generous. After that, get inventive and add other flavors and ingredients - chocolate, berries, etc. Use whatever you like for the crust. Graham crackers are popular, but almost any cookie will do.

That's about all I have room for, but I could go on about mozzarella cheese, ice cream, corn dogs, chicken soup and so on.

Cooking from scratch: it's like having a magic science lab - right in your own kitchen. And the best part is you get to eat the results.



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'Mi Curandero'

This is another tale of an individual who worked for my mother on the ranch in Pecos County.

He was an old Yaqui Indian who rode up one afternoon on an old burro, asked for a job and got hired on the spot.

His name was Carmen Medillen, and he gave his age as 62, but could have been much older judging on his appearance.

Rather than calling him by his name, my mother called him "Tio."

Now we found out "Tio" was a curandero in his tribe, the same as being a witch doctor in Africa.

This tale has to do with several incidents in which I witnessed some weird or odd stuff happening.

First I had a paint horse that was an outlaw and very troublesome to ride to work.

Tio said he would ride this horse in the round and named him "Apache."

I watched as Tio walked up to this outlaw horse, calmly speaking to him in Yaqui. He then put a bridle on Apache with no trouble.

Then to my surprise he rubbed the horse on his left shoulder until the horse squatted down to be saddled.

After this, Tio talked to the horse to get up and he did. Tio led Apache around the pen, about twice while talking to him in Yaqui all the time. By then I was fascinated as I had never seen such a thing.

Tio stopped Apache, rubbed his left shoulder until the horse squatted down for him to mount. Riding this outlaw horse around the pen about three times, he got off, unsaddled Apache and told me, and I quote, "Apache and I will get along well."

Another time, we were working in the garden when a storm came over the hills to the west. We could see hail stones falling as it came toward the garden and house.

Tio told my mother if she would quickly get him an eight-inch butcher knife, with a bone handle, he would stop the hail storm.

Mother did so immediately and gave it to Tio. He went to the yard fence, where he stopped, did a short shuffle with his feet, slowly spoke an Indian incantation, then slashed at the storm with the knife. He slowly backed up about ten feet and did this all again.

I stood there and watched as the hail storm split up and went around the ranch on both sides. Believe it or not, I saw this take place that afternoon.

I will now relate another incident that happened several years later with a greater results. I was involved in a lawsuit with some neighbors and

had been threatened several times but there was no actual occurrence of violence.

When I arrived at the ranch one morning, I found a black cat hanging by its neck in the center of an old white set of deer horns, over the little gate.

I took a picture of this object, then looked for footprints. There were none!

Then I went and got Tio and showed him this. He took one long look and began shaking, fell to his knees and began praying. He ran to the bunk house and slammed the door.

I heard an Indian incantation very loudly. Then, a few minutes later balls of pink smoke came from the fireplace. Tio came out and told me that someone had put a killing spell on me but he had tried to reverse it back onto the maker, and I should be very careful at night for the next 30 days.

Then he asked for his pay and said he was leaving and would never set foot on my place again. He left for Coyana, Mexico and I never saw him again.

So much for one of my true life stories.

It Happened Out West



By Joe N. Brown



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A Marathon in Marathon

The town of Marathon has had a marathon race since 2003.

"We run a full marathon, a half marathon, a 10k and a 5k," says Marci Roberts, who is in charge of the race. "We bus all of our racers from Marathon north on Highway 385 and let them off at different starting points along the way. They all have one finish line and it's right here in the heart of Marathon."

Since Marci took over the race a couple of years ago, the number of participants has increased. Registration is underway now.

"The race takes place on October 21st this year. It's on a Saturday. If you go to marathon2marathon.net you'll get all the information you need and you can register right there."

In the past, the race attracted runners mostly from major Texas cities.

"Then we started getting runners from out of state and now we're getting them from out of the country. This is a Boston Marathon qualifier."

Registration is 95, 75, 45 and 35 dollars respectively. Proceeds go to Marathon schools, churches, the library and fire department.

"This is not the typical race you find in a big city where your contribution isn't really felt. Here it is hugely felt. The whole town comes out for it. It's the biggest event we have. It's a very heartfelt, sweet race because we only have 430 people living in town. We have a hundred volunteers for the race. We had 502 registrations last year."

Participants get a t-shirt. Finishers get a medal on a ribbon and winners get special awards. The race is downhill and runners end up at a lower altitude.

"Marathon can't hold all the participants. They stay in Alpine or Fort Stockton, some as far away as Fort Davis or Marfa."

If you haven't been to Marathon, you will find it an interesting place. Several people from Austin and other places have found it a pleasant place to live. The cost of living is reasonable, the scenery is outstanding since it's the gateway to the Big Bend National Park and the weather is near perfect.

If you need a good bottle of wine or some ice cream you can find them at Marci's grocery store. It has all necessary supplies for spending a few days in the mountains. Most of the time you'll find Marci at James Evans's photography gallery. She is married to James. Marci plays piano and is a member of the Texas Commission On The Arts.

"Well I'm a registered architect and interior designer, so that's what I have done my whole life and am very passionate about it. I worked at architectural firms in Connecticut, New York City and Austin, then had my own business in Austin. I kinda got burned out and ended up moving here."

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NFL players have the absolute right to protest the National Anthem. NFL owners have the absolute right to fire them over it, and I have the absolute right to change the channel when they don't.

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Mary Kyle Johnson slams the ball past an attempted block by the Lady Buffaloes during one of the 3-sets played between Sonora and Utopia Saturday, September 23, 2017, in Sonora. After an away game at Wall, the Lady Broncos are set to play the TLCA Lady Eagles on their home court this Saturday, September 30th beginning at 10:00 a.m.

KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

Lady Broncos Charge Ahead in Non-District Season Play

The Sonora High School Lady Broncos took on the Water Valley Lady Wildcats in a volley battle Tuesday, September 19, 2017, in Water Valley. The Lady Broncos tamed their competition winning 3 out of 4 sets with final scores of 25-18, 19-25, 25-23, and 25-21.

Assisting her team in their success on the court, Mary Kyle Johnson had 10 kills and 4 blocks. Also contributing to the game, Carly Brown had 11 kills and 1 block. Delaney Ramsdell had 9

kills., Lane Cahill had 2 kills and Jackilyn Sykes had 1 kill.

The JV Lady Broncos fell to the Lady Wildcats with final scores of 21-25, 25-17, & 20-25.

Players were back on their own court Saturday morning for a match against the Utopia Lady Buffaloes. Dominating the court the Lady Broncos took the win with scores of 25-19, 25-5, and 25-12.

Sonora's Carly Brown had 10 kills and 1 block. Mary Kyle Johnson had

18 kills, 3 blocks, and 1 ace. Delaney Ramsdell had 3 kills. Lane had 1 ace. Jackilyn Sykes had 33 assists and Noelia Tovar had 2 kills.

The ladies traveled to Wall this past Tuesday, September 26th and they are set to play the TLCA Lady Eagles back at their home court this Saturday, September 30th. Games are set to begin at 10:00 a.m.

Everyone is encouraged to come out and cheer for the Lady Broncos.

CROSS COUNTRY:

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Manuel Fuentez, 13th, 21:45.13.
Leo Alvizo, 15th, 21:51.31.
Joshua Barerra, 21st, 22:22.33.
David Delgado, 23rd, 22:29.61.
Elias Perez, 28th, 23:08.26.
Kalvin Hernandez, 46th, 25:33.80.

Varsity Girls:

Traci Vickers, 7th, 14:05.13.
Fernanda Gonzalez, 16th, 14:32.75.
Angela Gonzalez, 18th, 14:40.50.
Esmerelda Salazar, 25th, 15:08.52.
Carla Mota, 29th, 15:17.00.
Analay Palacios, 38th, 15:55.07.
Rivers Martinez, 44th, 16:30.43.
Miranda Renteria, 45th, 16:47.06.

JV Boys:

Ariel Salazar, 6th, 13:54.04.
Kole Gann, 9th, 16:10.79.
8th Girls:
Joselyn Rodriguez, 19th, 15:15.33.

Jessica Campa, 25th, 15:31.59.
Alisa Paredes, 53rd, 16:49.95.
Vicky Regino, 55th, 16:57.71.
Abigail Fuentes, 171st, 17:35.26.
Jacque Torres, 97th, 19:43.34.

8th Grade Boys:

Giovanni Gamez, 3rd, 11:50.48.
Fernando Gonzalez, 10th, 12:38.91.
Rino Hernandez, 26th, 13:53.15.
Jonathan Lozano, 53rd, 15:15.34.
Romeo Torres, 54th, 15:15.67.
David Adams, 64th, 15:43.97.
Austin Figueroa, 73rd, 16:34.74.

7th Girls:

Annika Galindo, 44th, 16:46.18.
Montse DeLaFuente, 19:50.29.
Abigail Rodriguez, 110th, 22:50.60.
Erika Infante, 126th, 24:31.79.

Sophia Acevedo, 141st, 26:56.20.
7th Boys:
Ignacio Ganado, 32nd, 15:05.51.
Sebastian Garza, 39th, 15:22.43.
Josh Esquivel, 44th, 15:42.60.
Brandon Torres, 53rd, 16:44.75.
Juan Alvarez, 54th, 16:45.64.
Alex Hernandez, 67th, 18:44.11.

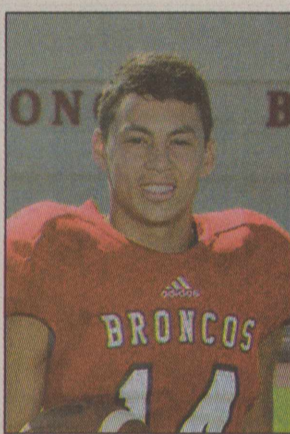
All of the cross-country competitors deserve commendation for their hard work.

Catching their breath, the Broncos and Colts will take a week off before traveling to Ozona, to compete.

The Colts and Lady Colts are set to run on Tuesday, October 3rd followed by the Broncos and Lady Broncos Wednesday, October 4th.

Everyone is encouraged to make the trip down I-10 and cheer for the runners.

Built Ford Tough



Kaden Cordell

Sonora High School's Kaden Cordell was awarded the 2017 Built Ford Tough Texas High School Football Player of the Week trophy for week 3, according to a release, Wednesday, September 20, 2017.

Cordell, a senior, plays quarterback for the Sonora Broncos.

A total of six, "Built Ford Tough gridiron heroes" were honored by Ford for their

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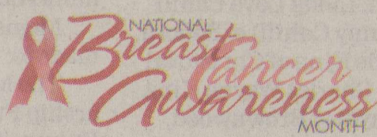
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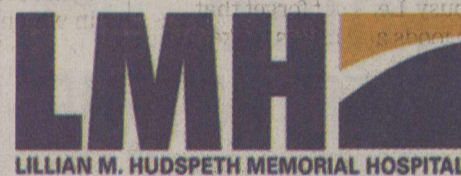
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Hipolito (Pole') Garza
August 13, 1929 - September 24, 2017

Hipolito (Pole') Garza, age 88, died Sunday, September 24, 2017 in Sonora.

Survivors include brothers Juan Garza and Eusebio Garza, Jr., both of Sonora, and sisters Maria Castilleja of San Angelo, Remedios Acosta of Uvalde, Carmen Escobar of Odessa, and Catalina Ausces of Abilene.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, September 27, 2017 at St. Ann's Catholic Church. Burial followed in Sonora Cemetery.

St. John's to Host Blessing of the Animals, Oct. 8th

St. John's Episcopal Church will celebrate the Feast of St. Francis with a "Blessing of the Animals" service Sunday, October 8, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

The service will take place outdoors on the grounds of the church at 404 E. Poplar St.

All pets of all types, shapes, and sizes are invited to participate.

As well, the public is warmly invited to take part in this special event.

The service will consist of prayers and Scripture readings, and pets will receive individual blessings.

Offerings of pet food will be accepted for donation to the Sonora Animal Hospital.

Please join in celebrating this special day at St. John's Episcopal Church at 404 E. Poplar St.

For more information, please call the St. John's church office at 325-387-2955.

City of Sonora



Senior Center

Monday October 2
Cranberry Glazed Ham, Sweet Potatoes, California Blend, Wheat Bread, Chunky Fruit, Oatmeal Raisin, Cookie, Milk

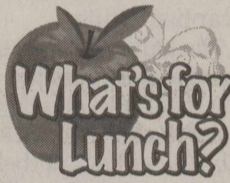
Tuesday October 3
Hamburger Steak, Corn O'Brien, Tossed Salad, Wheat Roll, Orange Jello, Milk

Wednesday October 4
Baked Chicken, Au Grain Potatoes, Gravy, Green Peas, Wheat Roll, Sponge Cake, Milk

Thursday October 5
Chicken Enchiladas Bake, Pinto Beans, Yellow Squash, Salsa, Fresh Fruit, Milk

Friday October 6
Pulled Pork on a Bun, Baked Steak Fried, Pineapple, Coleslaw, Fruit Cups, Milk

For transportation to and from the center call 325-387-5657



Sonora ISD Menu

PK-5th: Free Breakfast & 2.60 lunch
Middle & High School: \$2.10 Breakfast & \$3.00 lunch
*Menu Subject to Change

Monday October 2
Breakfast
Student Holiday

Tuesday October 3
Breakfast
Pancake Wrap, Yogurt or Cereal, Crackers, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk

Lunch
Chili Cheese Combo, Fresh Veggie Cup, Mixed Fruit, Milk

After School Program
Fruit Ice Cream

Wednesday October 4
Breakfast
Chicken-n-Biscuit, or Cereal, Crackers, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk

Lunch
Chicken Nuggets, Mac-n-Cheese, Savory, Green Beans, Garden Salad, Apple Slices, Milk

After School Program
Baked Chips, Juice

Thursday October 5
Breakfast
Early Bird Sandwich, or Cereal, Crackers, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk

Lunch
Pizza
Seasoned Corn, Tiny Tomato Cup, Fruity, Gelatin, Milk

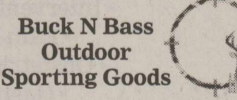
After School Program
Nutrigrain Bar, Milk

Friday October 6
Breakfast
Sausage Biscuit, or Cereal, Crackers, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk

Lunch
Hamburger, Cheeseburger, Hamburger Garnish, Cucumber Slices, Baby Carrots, Cinnamon Applesauce, Cookie, Milk

After School Program
1/2 Sandwich, Milk

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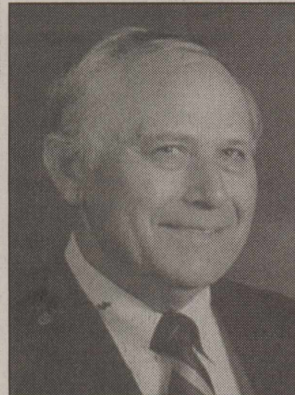


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OBITUARIES

Bennie M. King
August 26, 1931 - September 25, 2017



Bennie M. King ended his earthly journey on September 25, 2017, at the age of eighty-six (86) years.

A friend to all, Bennie was a man with a true servant's heart and a calm, unpretentious demeanor.

A man of few words, Bennie was known for his simple albeit profound "one-liners."

When he took the time to write a letter, it was chock full of wisdom and humor. Bennie especially enjoyed writing letters to his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Born during the Great Depression at Amherst, Texas to Vida Cates and Joe Wesley King on August 26, 1931, Bennie was one of six (6) children. Eventually, the Kings settled on a small, thirty (30) acre farm in Denton Valley, Texas. Bennie's servant's heart and strong character stem from humble beginnings.

In 1951, Bennie was Valedictorian of his graduating class at Denton Valley High School. He loved telling people that he was Valedictorian and then nonchalantly added that he was the only graduating senior that year.

Following graduation, Bennie enlisted in the United States Air Force where he served his country faithfully from 1951 until his retirement in 1973.

During his military career, he served in the Korean War and was stationed at Taipei Taiwan, Oahu, Hawaii, and four different times at Goodfellow Air Force Base in San Angelo, Texas.

A member of the Security Branch, Bennie earned many commendations. After military days, he owned and operated King's Refrigeration, an HVAC Company in Sonora, Texas until 2015.

On November 6, 1954, Bennie married Vivian Luan Hill.

He is survived by his devoted wife, Vivian, and their three children, Linda Love Cahill (Jimmy Cahill) of Sonora, Texas; Charles King of Christoval and Charles Wayne King (Sonya) of Brownwood, Texas.

Bennie is also survived by grandchildren, Amy Love Sykes (Blayne Sykes) of Sonora, Charles W. King, Jr. (and his mother, Lesa Smith) of Austin, Texas, and Mimi-Carlisle and Vivienne King, of Brownwood, Texas; great-grandchildren, Paige Sykes of Sonora, Alexa Sykes of College Station, Blayne Sykes of Sonora, Texas and Jaxon Paige King of Austin, Texas; and older brother, Bobby King (Frances) of Tennessee and their children and grandchildren.

Bennie was very close to his brother in law and sister in law, Gerald and Marie Hill of Lubbock, Texas and their family. Bennie is also

survived by his son-in-law, Jimmy Cahill's daughter, Kelly Cahill Owen (Terry) and son, Chacho Cahill (Dawn) and their children, Rebeckah, Reagan and Gage Owen and Lane and Carson Cahill.

Bennie was never too busy for his family and extended family; he felt it was especially important to stay close to the surviving children of his brother and sisters who went before him. Those nephews included: Charles Wesley Heald (Dorothy Heald) of Georgetown; David Heald of Itasca, Dr. Paul King (Jeannie King) of Fort Worth, Richard King (Debbie King) of Abilene and Rick Bell (Donette Bell) of Louisiana. Mr. King loved his extended Sonora families: The Preston Love family, and Fields-Smith families.

Bennie was predeceased by his mother and father, Vida Cates and Joe Wesley King, brothers Elvin King and Franklin D. King; sisters, Altha Faye Bowen and Elwanda Bruce, brothers-in-law, Charles Heald and James Norris Bowen, a sister-in-law, Louise King, and son-in-law, Preston O. Love, Sr.

Bennie was a member of First Baptist Church, Sonora, Texas for the past forty (40) years, where he worshipped and faithfully served in many capacities, including Deacon.

He also served on the Board of Paisano Baptist Encampment for many years and founded the Mae Ward Scholarship Fund at Baylor University. Working hard, helping others and sharing God's love were Bennie's greatest joy. He loved others with all his heart.

The King family express sincerest thanks to: Dr. Charles Pajestka of Sonora, Texas, Dr. David Cummings and Dr. Steven Coates of Shannon, San Angelo, Texas.

The family extends its love and gratitude to Bennie's pastor, Brother Matt Killough of First Baptist Church of Sonora, whom Bennie loved like a son. Special thanks to Carlos Perez and Ada Vigil for helping take care of our loved one during his final days.

Last, but not least, the family expresses sincerest thanks to Lynn Burchell, RN, of Alvis F. Johnson Hospice. There are so many other dear friends and prayer warriors to thank, all too numerous to mention.

Memorials may be made to:

The Mae Ward Scholarship Fund at Baylor University c/o First Baptist Church, 111 E. Oak Street, Sonora, Texas 76950.

Paisano Baptist Encampment, c/o First Baptist Church, 111 E. Oak Street, Sonora, Texas 76950.

First Baptist Church, 111 E. Oak Street, Sonora, Texas 76950

Helping Hand Fund, P. O. Box 1154, Sonora, Texas 76950, in Honor of Bennie's son in law and dear friend, Jimmy Cahill.

Any other charity of choice.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Love Funeral Home in Sonora. A Memorial service is planned Thursday at 2:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Sonora.

"Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!"

-Matthew 25:21-

Weekly Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- TV station guides
- Seaweed
- Inspires wonder
- Maltreat
- Arrow
- ___ Cosby
- Prop of early slapstick movies
- Mythological Icelandic giant
- ___ boy!
- Goddess of the rainbow
- Extremely pale
- Gifted
- Question
- Dilates
- Veins
- Beverage
- Beast of burden
- Puzzles
- Burdens
- Labors
- Indicate
- Greek letter
- Statute
- Throw
- River banks
- Star performer
- Told
- School grades
- Passport

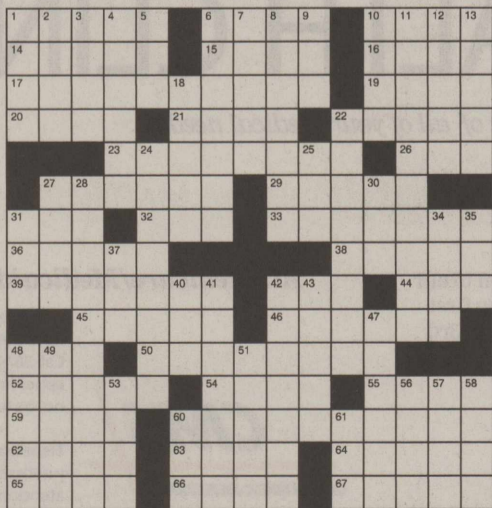
DOWN

- Large rodent
- Border on
- Strong blast of wind
- Property
- Ocean
- Lecture
- Soft fur
- Cartilage
- Consumed
- Arabian garments
- Zeal

DOWN

- They: Fr.
- Steal away
- Small streams
- Extra ingredient
- Northernmost citizens
- Long period of time
- Wild plum
- Universal object of abuse?
- Self-esteem
- Priestly vestment
- Exclamation of sorrow
- Pt. of the compass
- Mythical legal character
- Uncle Tom's charge
- Jittery
- Daub
- Bristles
- John C. Quinn, e.g.
- Accumulate
- Hiding place
- Hair preparation
- Florida islands
- Arabian king
- Asian case
- Ado
- Don't ___ For Me, Argentina
- Wild sheep of India

"COMEDY ROUTINE"



See solution on Page 10

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Life After High School

If you know someone who will graduate this year or next, it's worth asking them to consider life after high school.

Regardless of whether the student plans to attend a college, technical school, or university, he/she will need to develop a level of education that can help meet their career goals.

Here are some things to bring up.

1. Whether or not you plan on attending college, high school is a good time to begin to look at your aspirations, experiences, strengths (and weaknesses), and start to figure out what sorts of things you might like doing when you graduate.

High school students should research potential career interests and find out the requirements for college programs you may want to pursue.

2. Set goals regarding grades, standardized test scores, and involvement. Also, begin searching out experiences related to jobs you might want to do or subjects you might want to study.

Clubs at school, job prospects in town, and volunteer activities in the community can all help you better explore your interests.

3. If you graduate and still don't have a career choice, it's okay.

Try various classes in the first year or two of

college before deciding what field of study is most appealing.

4. DON'T wait too long- college is expensive! Collegiate career services offices and the departments may have assessment tools that help you find a major.

5. It's likely that after students have had time to explore various fields of study, they'll find an academic AREA that appeals to them.

Follow that route, even if you're not sure what vocational path that might lead to.

6. We know that engineers and doctors make a good living, however, there are many industries out there seeking new skilled talent.

Baby Boomers are retiring from their jobs in construction, manufacturing and engineering.

Electricians, machinists, welders, plumbers, etc. are in demand.

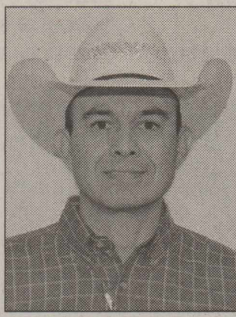
7. The military is also a good option for some.

There is risk and reward involved, and you will be serving your county.

You can also learn useful skills and earn money for further education.

Regardless of the path you choose, advancement comes to those who are best prepared with both education and experience.

Students should start by visiting with a school counselor for discussing options.

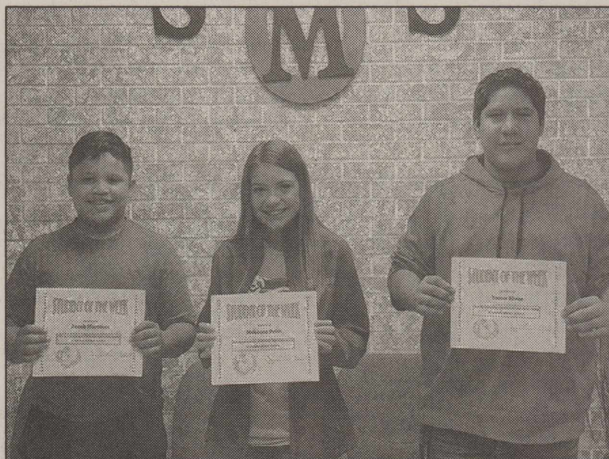


Pascual Hernandez



Elementary School Students for the week of September 25th through September 29th. Gus Sosa, Pre-K, David Fuentes, K, Victoria Lopez Martin, 1st, Payten White, 2nd, Jayden Welborn, 3rd, Kody Prather, 4th, Juliana Sanchez, 5th. | COURTESY PHOTO

Sonora ISD Students of the Week



Sonora Middle School Students for the week of September 25th through September 29th. Jacob Martinez, 6th, Makinna Price, 7th, Lucas Rivas, 8th. | COURTESY PHOTO

SONORA WEATHER FORECAST

Thu 09/28	Fri 09/29	Sat 09/30	Sun 10/01	Mon 10/02
76/63	73/61	75/54	82/51	80/55
Sunrise 7:34 a.m. Sunset 7:32 p.m.	Sunrise 7:35 a.m. Sunset 7:31 p.m.	Sunrise 7:35 a.m. Sunset 7:30 p.m.	Sunrise 7:36 a.m. Sunset 7:29 p.m.	Sunrise 7:37 a.m. Sunset 7:27 p.m.

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Devil's River News Weekly Rainfall Report

September 1-26	1.63 in.	September 1-26	0.27 in.
August	1.82 in.	August	3.66 in.
July	4.21 in.	July	3.79 in.
June	3.07 in.	June	0.41 in.
May	3.68 in.	May	2.92 in.
April	1.23 in.	April	2.48 in.
March	0.79 in.	March	1.00 in.
February	1.36 in.	February	1.48 in.
January	2.40 in.	January	1.88 in.
2017 Year-to-Date Total	20.19 in.	2017 Year-to-Date Total	17.69 in.
2016	25.10 in.	2016	29.22 in.
2015	23.87 in.	2015	25.31 in.
2014	14.32 in.	2014	12.72 in.
2013	25.12 in.	2013	25.00 in.
2012	16.06 in.	2012	17.82 in.
2011	11.50 in.	2011	10.49 in.
2010	20.37 in.	2010	17.94 in.
2009	21.67 in.	2009	28.44 in.

Rainfall data collected at LCRA weather station located 14 miles southeast of Sonora. Rainfall data collected at LCRA weather station located 17 miles east-northeast of Sonora.

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Blessing of the Animals



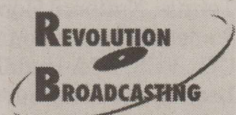
Sunday, October 8, 2017
4:00 p.m.

St. John's Episcopal Church
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All pets are welcome and outreach pet food donations are greatly appreciated.

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Annual Concho Valley Round-Up Raises Over \$81K for Rehab

Producers Livestock Auction in San Angelo hosted the 26th annual Concho Valley Round-Up for Rehab cattle and sheep sale on September 21, 2017.

When the dust had cleared in the sale barn, \$38,783 had been raised for West Texas Rehabilitation Center.

That amount brings the overall total for the 2017 Concho Valley Round-Up for Rehab to a whopping \$81,976.

Round-Up for Rehab is proud to be celebrating its 58th anniversary of neighbor helping neighbor.

Making their way through the ring were 18 head of livestock.

In addition to livestock, Rehab would like to thank Lynn Dougherty and Angelo Pellets for the donation of items for a quick auction during the sale. Round-Up Co-Chairmen Bob Helmers and Jody Frey communicated their appreciation to donors, buyers and volunteers who helped make the day's event a success. Special thanks were offered to Bar H Brangus Ranch, Mayer Ranch, Mike & Becky Lux, Larry Lange, Upton Ranch, West & Turnbo, Rocker B Ranch, Casey & Rachel Baize, Lipan Cattle Feeders, Ronnie Robbins, Sidney Reynolds, Billy Hausenfluck, Moore Ranch, and Horwood Ranch for the animal donations.

A big thank you was expressed for everyone who donated on a cash call before Thursday's auction.

A special thank you also goes out to the local Round-Up communities of Sonora, Christoval, Eldorado, Ballinger, and the Concho Valley County chairmen who encouraged their communities

to participate in this year's Round-Up efforts. West Texas Rehab also wishes to thank Producers Livestock Auction and staff for their tireless efforts in ensuring that this aspect of Round-Up has been successful now for 26 years. Without their special support, we would not be able to see the 530 patients that come through our doors daily.

For more information about the Round-Up or West Texas Rehab Center services, contact: WTRC-Abilene at 325-793-3507, WTRC-San Angelo at 325-223-6300, or WTRC-Ozona at 325-392-9872.

www.WestTexasRehab.org

Sutton County Health Foundation

FISH FRY

Sunday, October 1st
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. at the Sonora Bank

You may order take out or eat on the premises

A suggested donation of \$8 per plate is appreciated.

Larger donations are encouraged as this is our annual major fundraiser.

The Foundation is a 501 (c) (3) charitable organization, so all donations are tax-deductable.



SHS Announces 2017 Homecoming Court Candidates

Sonora High School has announced the members of the 2017 homecoming class duchesses and queen candidates.

Seniors Carly Brown, Savannah Castro, Bailey Gonzales and Noelia Tovar were elected queen candidates.

Freshman Fernanda Gonzalez, Sophomore Kadee Petty and Junior Lane Cahill were elected

2017 class duchesses.

The Queen will be chosen from the four seniors and crowned at half-time during the SHS Broncos homecoming football game against Crane at Bronco Stadium Friday, September 29, 2017.

Jessica Paredes, 2016 SHS Homecoming Queen, will be crowning this year's 2017 Homecoming

Queen.

Jessica is being accompanied by the current Little Mr. and Miss. Sutton County, Andrew Serrano and Mia Tovar.

Pre-game activities Friday include Homecoming Olympics at 9:30 a.m. at the SHS gymnasium.

A parade and pep rally are set to begin at 2:00 p.m. Friday afternoon. If the parade is

cancelled due to weather, a pep rally will take place in the high school gym.

The presentation of state rings for golf, track and tennis will also take place during Friday's game half-time.

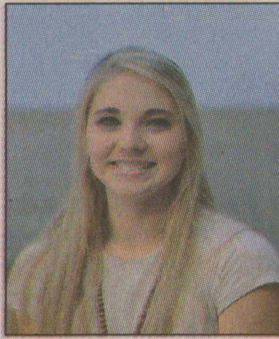
All Bronco Nation fans are encouraged to participate in Friday's Homecoming activities, and cheer for the Broncos Friday night.

Lane Cahill Junior Duchess

Lane is the daughter of Chacho and Dawn Cahill.

Her extra-curricular activities include, FCA, FCS, Volleyball, Cheerleading-Cheer Captain, Track and Field, 4-H, Student Council, Emmaus community, NHS, Youth group.

Her most memorable times at Sonora High School are pole vaulting practices with Coach Sheets, cheering for the Broncos on Friday nights, and track with Coach Weston and her kids.



Lane is being escorted by

Lane also enjoys pole vaulting and spending time with friends and family.

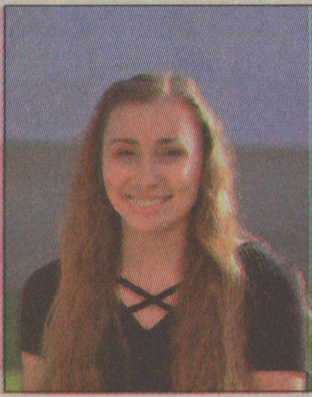
her father Chacho Cahill, a 1990 graduate of Sonora High School. Congratulations Lane!

Carly Brown Queen Candidate

Carly Brown is a Sonora High School 2016 Senior Class Queen Candidates duchess.

Carly is the daughter of Don and Shannon Brown.

Her extra-curricular activities include Cheerleading-Cheer Captain, Volleyball, Track, Tennis, National Honor Society, Student Council, UIL, FCS, FCA-Huddle Leader and Alter Server at St. Ann's Catholic Church.



Carly enjoys competing in sports and spending time with her family and friends.

Her fondest memory while attending Sonora High School is spending time with her teammates at the Regional Track Meet.

Carly is being escorted by her father Don Brown, a teacher and coach at Sonora High School. Congratulations Carly!

Savannah Castro Queen Candidate

Savannah is the daughter of Sammy and Sonia Castro. Her extra-curricular activities

include UIL-Computer Applications and she is a member of the National Honor Society.

Savannah enjoys making memories with her family, hanging out with friends, floating the Frio River and listening to music.

Her most memorable times at Sonora High School are her freshman

year playing Varsity Volleyball and JV Basketball, sophomore year playing in the playoff



games against Big Lake, Dublin and Breckenridge and especially her junior year when she was nominated Junior escort for the graduation of

her sister, Samantha. Savannah is being escorted by her father Sammy Castro.

Congratulations Savannah!

Kadee Brian Petty Sophomore Duchess

Kadee is the daughter of Lance and Shanna Castro and Brian Petty.

Her extra-curricular activities include cheerleading, participating in FFA activities, 4H, youth group, but her love for stock showing is her favorite.

in stock shows, her animals, and always up for bringing on Netflix and hanging with friends.



Her most memorable time at Sonora High School is going on FFA trips.

Kadee is being escorted by her father Brian Petty. Congratulations Kadee!

Kadee is interested

Congratulations Kadee!

Noelia Tovar Queen Candidate

Noelia is the daughter of Noe and Marcela Tovar.

Her extra-curricular activities include UIL-Spelling, Student Council, Spanish Club, Volleyball, Tennis, Track, Ladies Luncheon and Alter Server at St. Ann's Catholic Church.



sports, stressing over her homework, and making memories with her family and loved ones.

Noelia's most memorable time at Sonora High School is being chosen to be a homecoming queen nominee.

Noelia is being escorted by her father Noe Tovar. Congratulations Noelia!

Bailey is the daughter of Billy and Jannette Gonzales.

Her extra-curricular activities include UIL-Editorial Writing, National Honor Society, and Student Council.

Bailey enjoys spending time with her family, trying new foods, visiting new places, and playing



with her cat Presley. Her most memorable time at Sonora High

School is earning her CNA certification through the nursing program.

Bailey is being escorted by her uncle Joey Gandar, a 1997 graduate of Sonora High School. Congratulations Bailey!

Martha Fernanda Gonzalez Freshman Duchess

Fernanda is the daughter of Martha Gutierrez.

Her extra-curricular activities include participating in cross country, volleyball, basketball, track, and student council.

Fernanda enjoys drawing, watching movies and listening to music.


Her most memorable time at Sonora High School is her first cross

country meet and volleyball game.



She is looking forward to making many more memories while attending Sonora High School.

Fernanda is being escorted by her uncle Emmanuel Gutierrez, a 2006 graduate of Sonora High School. Congratulations Fernanda!



Grayden CEDAR WORKS

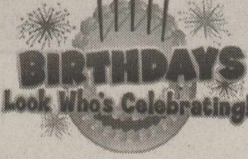
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BIRTHDAYS

Look Who's Celebrating!

SEPTEMBER
28th Mack McAngus
29th Julie Martin, Jack Sharp, Louie Castro, Jr., Brad Mogford, Gabe Espinosa
30th Michael Ryan Parker, Jonathon Lozano

OCTOBER
1st Smith Neal, Erica Morriss, Adam Mendez
2nd Beverly Howard, Seth Prather
3rd Ricky Martinez, Shanna Castro
4th Jensen McBride, David Creek
5th Joyce Chalk, Cash Jennings, Jackie Olson

Send us your birthdays to editor@devilsriver.news

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Do Well Be Well with Diabetes

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension will be providing a Do Well Be Well with Diabetes Program beginning Wednesday, October 4, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. at the Sutton County Civic Center.

Do Well Be Well is a unique program targeted for people with type 2 diabetes to help them stay healthy. The 5-week course offers classes focused on managing type 2 diabetes and helps individuals get the encouragement they need to make positive changes, take home recipes and references to be shared with friends and family, get the facts from diabetes experts, and be able to ask questions in need of answers.

Classes will be taught by Pat Gomez RN, BSN and Jessica Stapper county extension agent.

Specific courses include:

- "How food affects your blood glucose."
- "Are you eating the right number of carbohydrates?"
- "Beyond the diet and physical activity."
- "Having your cake and eating it too."

Classes are free and open to the public. Seating is limited to the first 20 people who register. To register, please call the Sutton County Extension Office at 325-387-3604.

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TAX RATE:

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Manuel Martinez in favor of the 63 cent tax rate.

Shurley advised The Devil's River News on Tuesday that she had consulted with attorney James Kosub and believes that some of Monday night's votes might not have been conducted in appropriate order or in the appropriate fashion.

In order to address that concern, a special meeting has been called for 1:00 p.m. Friday, September 29th in the council chamber at City Hall.

Monday night's drama began following the reading of Ordinance No. 2017-0-09A proposing a new fiscal year tax rate of 69 cents per \$100 of property value, an increase over last year's 61 cent tax rate, Shurley called for a motion to approve.

"Council we've gone over this and we've voted to consider this," Shurley said. "So, all I need is a motion to approve."

Cody Gann made a motion to approve the

rate, before Shurley could ask for a second, Manuel Martinez moved to amend Gann's motion stating his opposition and requesting to set the tax rate at 63 cents per \$100 of property values.

Juanita Barrera seconded the motion.

Caught by surprise, it was apparent that Shurley and other council members were confused by the decision of Martinez and Barrera to not support the tax increase after their participation in preparing the new fiscal year budget, approving the proposed rate as published in the August 31st issue of The Devil's River News and abstaining from comment during two public hearings.

In disbelief Shurley questioned council members, "Were y'all not in on the conversation where our financial advisor was telling us to do this? Were you not in on the conversation about our legislature and what's going to happen to us if we do not

do this? Did you not vote for this already?"

Barrera acknowledged that the council did discuss it.

Looking to make sense out of the matter, Gann asked City Manager Ed Carrasco to explain the possible ramifications of not supporting the tax increase.

Carrasco explained that the city would have to make up the difference of a \$30,000 deficit in the budget. As well, the city may be forced to default on the bond loan secured to fund the city's water and waste water infrastructure project as mandated by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ).

Further, the council asked Carrasco to reach out to city attorney, James Kosub, by telephone for clarification on the issue.

Under the direction of Kosub, a vote ending in a tie breaker was taken on the amended vote. The

amended vote failed.

Then, the council voted on Gann's original motion and it passed with Shurley casting the tie-breaking vote.

The council moved on to other business including the approval of a request to make the 500 block of E. 2nd street a one-way traffic area on Halloween night.

They also approved accepting a donation made to the Sonora Police Department for help with Hurricane Harvey relief.

Following actions on agenda items, Martinez insisted on revisiting the earlier vote on the tax rate defending his right to amend the motion.

Again, Kosub advised the council via telephone.

The council negated the earlier vote and the back-and-forth began again.

Before ending it, Rousselot asked for a discussion to clarify the consequences of changing the tax rate. The

previous explanation was again rendered. It was also noted that a lower rate would not allow the city to adjust resident's water rates as requested in a previous meeting.

Barrera asked if the rate could be set at 64 cents to meet in the middle.

Engaging City Manager Carrasco, Martinez stated, "We can continue all night. I want the taxes at 63 cents."

Attempting to reason with the council, Shurley said she could not entertain a motion over and over again.

Rousselot continued to press for an understanding of the effect on the city's budget without the tax increase.

Taking a stand, Martinez engaged Carrasco and said, "Every time that something happens we end up raising the rates on the consumers of the city. There's going to be a time that the people are going to get tired

of this and we need to help them in some way. We need to learn how to make some changes. The city is not growing."

Finally, Rousselot flipped his vote in favor of the amended motion and lower rate saying, "I guess I'll say yay this time. We're gonna have to make it up somewhere."

The motion passed setting the rate at 63 cents.

No visitor comments were heard from the half dozen citizens in attendance. Mayor pro tem Cody Gann, called for a motion to adjourn.

Mayor Shurley presided over almost all of Monday's meeting with council members Norm Rousselot, Cody Gann, Juanita Barrera and Manuel Martinez in attendance.

As previously mentioned, a special meeting of the Sonora City Council is set for 1:00 p.m. Friday, September 29, 2017, to reconsider the vote on the 2017-18 tax rate.

The Blotter



The Blotter is a summary of the previous week's activity by the Sonora Police Department and the Sutton County Sheriff's Office. For practical reasons of time and space, The Blotter does not include every call made to the police department or Sheriff's Office, 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.

SONORA PD ARRESTS

SEPTEMBER 21 • Patricia Arredondo, 36-year-old female of Houston. Arrested for Warrant out of Kerr County.

SEPTEMBER 22 • Milton Castilleja, 50-year-old male of Sonora. Arrested for Warrant

out of Tom Green County.

SEPTEMBER 19 • Domingo Rodriguez, 45-year-old male of Sonora. Arrested for City Warrant.

SEPTEMBER 23 • Jose Arturo Barrientos Gonzalez, 32-year-old from Brownsville. Arrested for Public Intoxication.

CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS: Senate Bill 4

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blocked Senate Bill 4 from taking effect on Sept. 1.

The Texas Legislature passed SB 4, known as the "sanctuary cities" bill, in May, intending to set a statewide policy of cooperation with federal immigration authorities tasked with enforcing federal immigration laws. The bill was passed with all Republican lawmakers voting in favor and all Democrats voting against.

SB 4 requires state and local law enforcement agencies to detain individuals pursuant to the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement federal detainer program.

"Enforcing immigration law helps prevent dangerous criminals from being released into Texas communities. Supreme Court precedent for measures similar to Texas' law make clear that Senate Bill 4 is entirely consistent with the cooperative system of government that the Constitution created," Paxton said.

It could take months for a ruling on the constitutionality of SB 4 to be released. Meanwhile, parties to the suit next will present arguments pertaining to the district court's injunction before the Fifth Circuit in November.

Property return record set

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar on Sept. 21 announced his office returned a record \$281 million in unclaimed property to rightful owners during the past fiscal year, breaking the previous record of \$270 million returned in fiscal 2016.

While the comptroller's office has returned more than \$2 billion to owners since the unclaimed property

program's debut in 1962, the state is currently holding more than \$4 billion in unclaimed cash and other valuables, Hegar said.

The comptroller's unclaimed property website, ClaimItTexas.org, enables individuals to search for unclaimed property and begin the claims process.

King to challenge Straus

State Rep. Phil King, R-Weatherford, filed papers last week to run for speaker of the Texas House of Representatives in January 2019.

King currently serves as chair of the body's Homeland Security and Public Safety Committee. First elected to the House District 61 seat in 1998, King is currently the 17th-most-senior member of the body.

Speaker Straus, R-San Antonio, unanimously elected to his fifth consecutive term as leader of the Texas House, has said he intends to run for the leadership position again. If he wins, he will have been elected speaker a record six times.

Insurance chief is named

Gov. Abbott on Sept. 21 appointed Kent Sullivan of Austin as Commissioner of Insurance for a term set to expire Feb. 1, 2019.

Sullivan is now in charge of overseeing the Texas Department of Insurance, the agency that regulates the insurance industry and protects consumers.

Sullivan, a partner at the Jackson Walker law firm, previously served as a justice on the Fourteenth Court of Appeals, as first assistant state attorney general and as a state district court judge.

INCIDENTS

SEPTEMBER 18 - 9:55 AM • Caller requested an officer at 100 block of W. Poplar regarding missing property. Officer responded.

10:20 AM • Caller reported student truancy. SRO responded.

11:54 AM • Caller reported student truancy. SRO responded.

9:31 PM • Caller reported an illegally parked vehicle at intersection of St. Ann's and W. Main. Officer responded.

9:43 PM • Caller reported a vehicle operating with inappropriate lights. Officer responded.

SEPTEMBER 19 - 8:49 AM • Caller requested an officer at Best Western. Officer responded.

11:50 AM • Caller requested Animal Control at 400 block of E. 2nd. Officer responded.

4:50 PM • Agency Assistance requested to serve a Warrant at 700 block of W. Poplar. Officer responded.

6:57 PM • Caller requested an officer at Sonic. Officer responded.

8:57 PM • Caller reported an illegally parked vehicle at 700 block of N. Crockett. Officer responded.

9:34 PM • Caller requested Animal Control at 200 block of Castlehill Road. Officer responded.

10:56 PM • Alarm call at 100 block of Oakwood. Officer responded.

SEPTEMBER 20 - 9:50 AM • Caller requested Funeral Escort. Officers responded.

SEPTEMBER 21 - 8:40 AM • Truancy call at 1600 Golf Course Road. SRO responded.

8:41 AM • Officer assisted SRO with student truancy.

12:02 PM • Caller reported theft at 600 block of Fay. Officer responded.

10:39 PM • Caller requested to speak with officer at Sheriff's office. Officer responded.

SEPTEMBER 22 - 4:25 PM • Caller requested motorist assistance at on I-10 at 400 mm E Exit. Officer responded.

4:47 PM • Caller reported loud noise at 500 block of E. College. Office responded.

7:19 PM • Caller requested Animal Control at 1100 block of Glasscock. Officer responded.

8:46 PM • Officer assisted Sheriff's Deputy with Vehicle Search on I-10 at 401 mm W.

9:02 PM • Caller requested to meet with officer at Sheriff's Office. Officer responded.

10:08 PM • Caller reported Welfare concern at Sage Apartments. Officer responded.

SEPTEMBER 23 - 11:22 AM • Caller requested Animal Control at 400 block of Hwy 277 South. Officer responded.

1:57 PM • Caller reported Criminal Trespass at 1100 block of S. Crockett. Officer responded.

9:15 PM • Caller requested an Officer at 500 block of Real. Officer responded.

SEPTEMBER 24 - 2:29 PM • Caller reported a Criminal mischief at 600 block of Orient. Officer responded.

SUTTON COUNTY SHERIFF ARRESTS

SEPTEMBER 18 • Rahman Mostafizur, 28-year-old of Hollywood FL. Arrested for Possession of Marijuana under 2oz.

SEPTEMBER 20 • Malarie Zachary, 18-year-old of San Angelo. Arrested for Possession of Marijuana < 2oz.

SEPTEMBER 23 • Natasha Rogers, 34-year-old of Midland. Arrested on a Midland county Warrant.

• 2 Illegal Aliens were detained for Border Patrol.

INCIDENTS

SEPTEMBER 19 - 1:00 AM • Caller reported a reckless driver on I-10 at 434 mm. Deputy responded.

8:00 AM • Caller reported an injured deer on Bond Rd. Deputy responded.

8:17 AM • Caller reported a suspicious male on North Service Rd. Deputy responded.

6:37 PM • Caller reported domestic disturbance at Sonic. Deputy responded.

SEPTEMBER 20 - 9:25 AM • Caller reported suspicious activity on the South Service Road (SCR1312). Deputies

responded.

SEPTEMBER 22 - 4:32 PM • Caller reported a suspicious person on Hwy 277 N. Deputy responded.

5:19 PM • Caller requested assistance on I-10 at 424 mm. Deputy responded.

10:06 PM • Deputy assisted PD with a welfare check at the Sage Apts.

SEPTEMBER 24 - 5:01 PM • Caller reported a reckless driver on I-10 at 420 mm. Deputy responded.

5:04 PM • Caller reported to a wreck on Myers Rd. Deputy responded.

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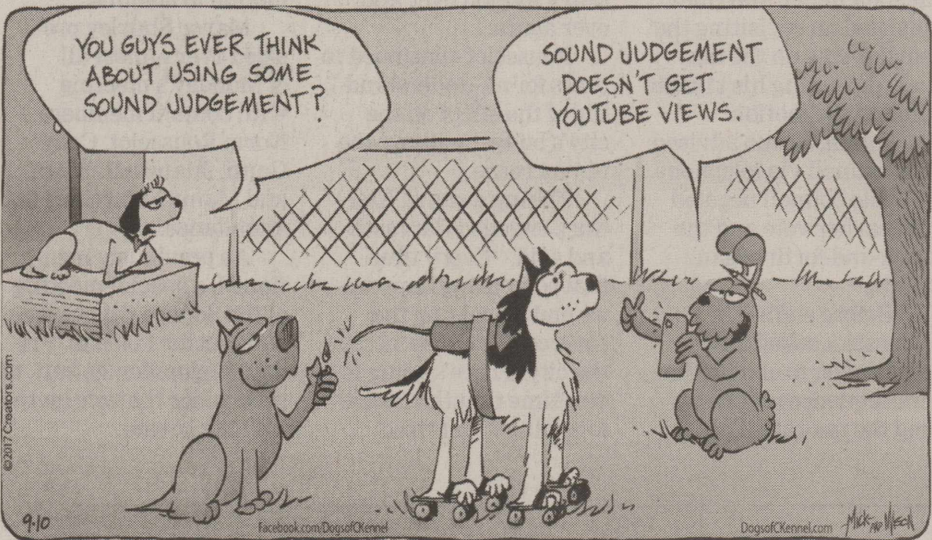
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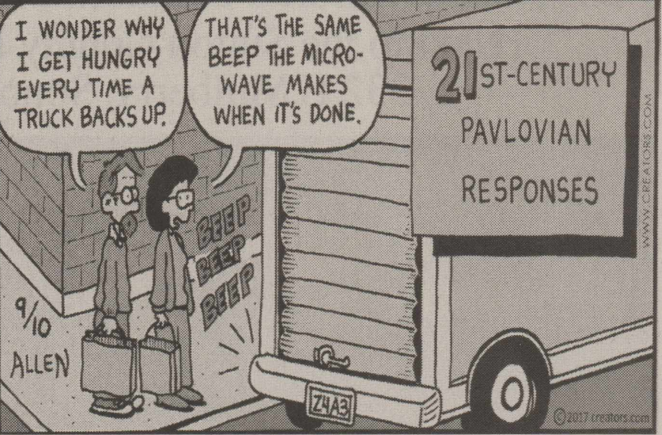
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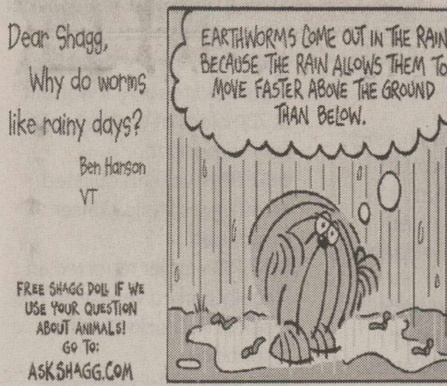
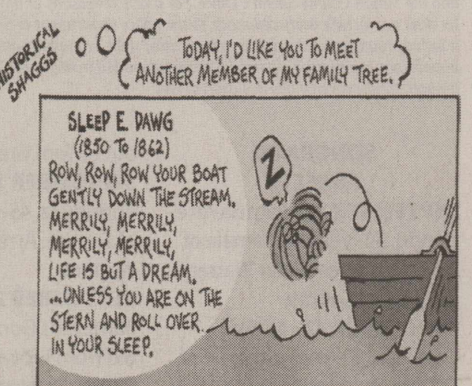
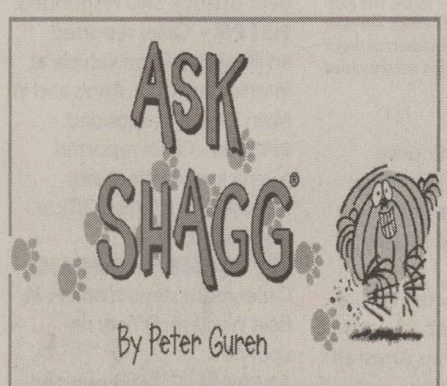
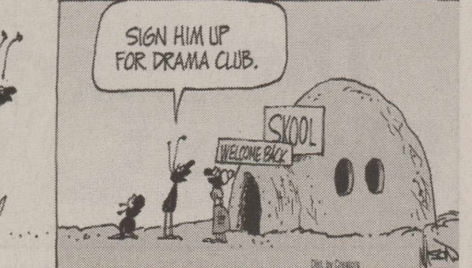
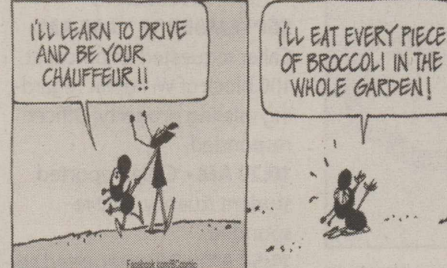
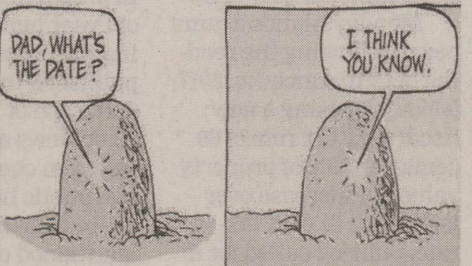


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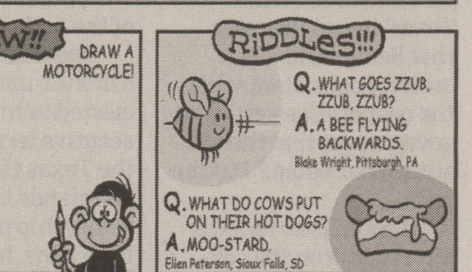
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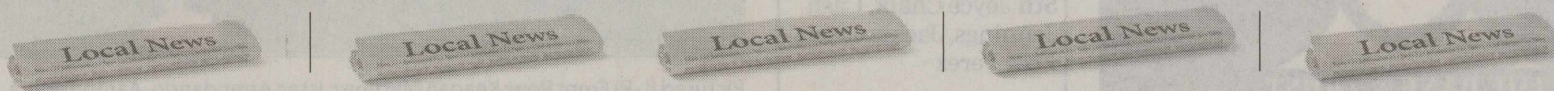
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BRONCOS:

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shown improvement with each game this season. The Crane beat Alpine this past Friday 20-12, in a tight scoring game by keeping the ball out of their opponent's offensive hands. Additionally, their linemen are bigger than the Broncos adding to the challenge.

"Their size, coupled with their offensive game plan, plus the possibility of rain and a muddy surface will pose a tremendous challenge for the Broncos," Cordell said. "This plays right into the hands of the Golden Cranes. Defensively, the Cranes will play games and try and confuse our offense. They are very aggressive and do a great job of rallying to the football. Offensively, we must know our assignments and execute. As Coach Bunch states, 'we must be better at our craft than they are at their craft.'"

As for the Crane's key players, watch for quarterback Rugby Rodman who does a great job of running the offense. Additionally, running back Brandon Cerna has the ability to break a game wide open.

The Broncos will host the Golden Cranes Friday at Bronco Stadium. Game time is set for 7:30 p.m.

Bronco Nation fans are encouraged to get out their umbrellas and come out, fill the stands and cheer for their team.

Of course, the game will be carried live on KHOS 92.1 FM with Virgil Burge and Craig Leonard bringing all of the action from the press box.

Sonora 32 - Jim Ned 28

Despite being coined a "young ball club" the Sonora Broncos demonstrated the fortitude and control that it takes to be a team of mature players this past Friday night, September 22, 2017, notching their season record to 4-0 following a narrow win 32-28 over the Jim Ned Indians at Indian

Stadium.

Both teams, undefeated going into the game, took the field in playoff fashion and fought through all four quarters to claim the victory and uphold their undefeated standing in non-conference play this year.

The Broncos trailed until 3 minutes and 42 seconds remained on the clock and Kaden Cordell found paydirt adding enough points to push the Broncos ahead of the Indians with a score of 31-28. Cordell added another point with a kick forcing Jim Ned to have to make a touchdown to win the game.

Head Coach Jeff Cordell was at a loss for words as he began his usual post-game debriefing.

"That was a great game," Cordell said and then paused. "Not because we won but because we played."

Applauding his players efforts and their ability to stay in the game and play with sacrifice and determination, Cordell also reminded his team that Friday's achievement is what sets them apart from other teams.

"This is going to be the difference when we get into December," Cordell said. "We will be able to play anyone in the state of Texas."

Despite making errors on the field, the Broncos quickly made adjustments throughout the game helping them overcome their gridiron foes. None the less, penalties and a poor kicking game cost the Broncos some points causing a close difference in the final score.

Mimicking the Broncos, the Indians also came out fast, hitting hard and early to be the first to put points on the scoreboard. But, it didn't take long for Sonora to match the score and it was a back and forth match form there.

Offensively the Broncos had 503 yards

compared to the Indians 280 yards.

Cordell threw 19/31 and 238 yards plus 2 touchdowns compared to Rives 14/24 and 183 yards and 1 touchdown.

Sonora completed 34/265 yards rushing led by Cordell with 17/136 yards with Jackson following close behind with 16/128 yards.

Receiving the ball first, the Jim Ned team inched up the field closer to the goal, Coalyby Rives finally ran the last 4 yards to score first for the Indians. The kick by Ty Landeros was good and the Indians were up 7 points over Sonora in the first quarter.

That was the only score for the quarter.

Determined to even the score, Jarrett Jackson

answered the Indians with a touchdown for the Broncos early in the second quarter at the 9:53 when he sprinted 37 yards to find paydirt.

Unfortunately, the Indians blocked the kick leaving Sonora trailing by a point with a score of 6-7.

Then, Rives completed a pass to Jordan Torrez who ran 16 yards for another Indians touchdown and Landeros made the kick for an extra point pushing the Indians to a comfortable lead over the Broncos 6-14 as both teams headed into the locker room for the half-time break.

Following the intermission, the Broncos reignited cheers from fans when Kaden Cordell quickly found paydirt only seconds into the third quarter at the 9:29, notching the Broncos score up by 6 points again tightening the score 12-14.

With possession of the ball, Rives ran 9 yards to

the end zone, Landeros added the extra point and the score widened again to 12-21.

A pass from Cordell to Abel Cruz paid off as Cruz sprinted 24 yards down field to cross the end zone and score for the Broncos continuing the battle. Another failed kick cost Sonora the extra point but it didn't stop their determination to get ahead of the Indians.

Minutes into the final quarter, Rives added to the Indians score tally.

Unyielding, the Broncos earned another touchdown of their own when Wesley Dutton found paydirt on a pass from Cordell leaving Sonora a mere 4 points behind Jim Ned.

Cordell sprang into action scoring a touchdown and the 2-point adjustment was good notching the Broncos ahead 32-28.

Resilient, the Broncos held back the Indians preventing them from

scoring again before the final buzzer sounded ending the game and sealing the win for Sonora.

Unable to contain their excitement, players and coaches jumped in celebration over Friday's win.

When asked about his team's performance and the win, Cordell said he was pleased.

"Bottom line, we played a great opponent against Coach Womack's Jim Ned Indians," Cordell said.

"We knew it was going to be a battle. And, these games that we are in right now, whether we win a game like this or come up on the other end of it, is going to help us down the road when we play quality ball clubs. Tonight's difference in the second half was when we needed to make plays we made plays, both offensively and defensively. We are fortunate to come out with a victory tonight."

SCORE BY QUARTER

SONORA 00-06-12-14 = 32

JIM NED 07-07-07-07 = 28

FIRST QUARTER

JIM NED — 02:46 COALBY RIVES 4 yd run (Kick Good)

SECOND QUARTER

SONORA — 9:53 JARRETT JACKSON 37 yd run (Kick failed)

JIM NED — 8:18 JORDAN TORREZ 16 yd run on a pass from Coalyby Rives (Kick Good)

THIRD QUARTER

SONORA — 9:29 KADEN CORDELL 6 yd run

JIM NED — 7:25 COALBY RIVES 9 yd run (Kick good)

SONORA — 3:46 ABEL CRUZ 24 yd run on a pass from Kaden Cordell (Kick failed)

FOURTH QUARTER

JIM NED — 11:53 COALBY RIVES 1 yd run (Kick Good)

SONORA — 10:30 WESLEY DUTTON 7 yd run on pass from Kaden Cordell (Kick failed)

SONORA — 3:42 KADEN CORDELL 1 yd run (2-pt Conversion)

INDIVIDUAL STATS

RUSHING

SONORA — Kaden Cordell 17-136; Jarrett Jackson 16-128; Brock Aschenbeck 1-1

JIM NED — Coalyby Rives 15-46; Riley Perry 13-32; Cooper Castro 7-17; Matthew Gray 1-2; Josh Richey 1-0

PASSING


SONORA — Kaden Cordell 19-31-238 yds

JIM NED — Coalyby Rives 14-24-182 yds

RECEIVING

SONORA — Jarrett Jackson 1-33; Wesley Dutton 6-69; Brock Aschenbeck 1-14; Abel Cruz 4-69; Evan Shannon 3-14; Wilson Johnson 4-39

JIM NED — Jordan Torrez 3-80; Cade Ford 4-42; Cooper Castro 3-34; Matthew Gray 3-19; Josh Richey 1-8




Sonora Broncos vs. Crane

Friday, Sept. 28

7:30 p.m. Kickoff

Bronco Stadium, Sonora, TX



Broncos Junior Varsity Action



Preston Gonzalez breaks through a tribe of Indians and carries the ball down the field during Thursday's junior varsity game between Sonora and Jim Ned, September 21st, at Bronco Stadium. The Broncos fell 8-28 against the Indians. Next, the Broncos travel to Crane Thursday, September 28th looking for a win against the Golden Cranes. KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

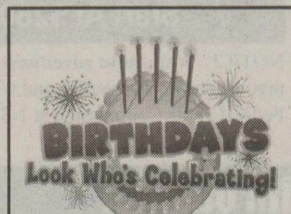
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 - 29th Julie Martin, Jack Sharp, Louie Castro, Jr., Brad Mogford, Gabe Espinosa
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- 1st Smith Neal, Erica Morriss, Adam Mendez
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Sonora Broncos Flag Football Team, 2-0

Sonora Broncos 8U took home 2 wins Saturday, defeating San Angelo Jaguars 26-0 and the Wall Hawks 12-7.

Touchdown leaders Buddha Guerra had 3 rushing touchdowns, Ryder Walker, 1 punt return for a Touchdown, Aaron Segura, 1 passing Touchdown and 1 rushing Touchdown and

Kane Bunch, 1 receiving touchdown. Top flag puller was Armani Coronado with 14 and the top play of the game was Jayce Martinez who pulled the final flag on the last play to keep Wall from scoring and end the game.

The Sonora Broncos 8U is coached by Head Coach Mitchell Guerra,

Offensive Coach Luis Segura, Defensive Coach Nacho Coronado and Assistant Coach Mason Martinez.

After a 2nd Place finish in the preseason tournament the Broncos are now 2-0 in regular season play.

They are set to play again this Saturday, September 30th, at 9:00 a.m.



Pictured (L-R) Front Row: Keagan Martinez, Issac Arrendando, Aaron Segura, Armani Coronado, Buddha Guerra, David Aguero and Jayce Martinez. Back Row: Coach Luis Segura, Kane Bunch, Ryder Walker, Coach Nacho Coronado, Coach "Bob", Evan Arrendando, Jayden Welborn, Peyton Bailey and Coach Mitchell Guerra. | COURTESY PHOTO

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