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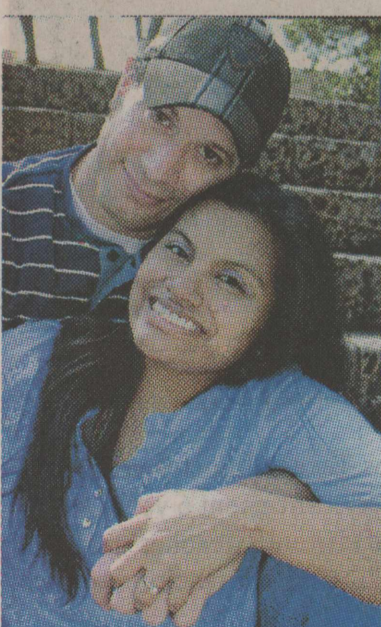
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From left to right:  
Hera Gaspar, Isabella Adapa, Dakota Borders

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## Broncos Win Season Opener



Photos and story By Ray Glasscock

The 2014 Sonora Bronco football season opened with a road trip to Comfort to take on the Class 3A Division 1 Bobcats just as they did last year. The Broncos won 29 to 13.

The Broncos have played in Comfort three times, and in all three games, strange things have happened on kickoffs. In Coach Herring's last year, a young Bronco fielded the second half kickoff at the one-yard line. Seeing nowhere to run, he stepped back into the end zone and took a knee. He was expecting a touchback, but got a safety instead. This led to the Bobcats scoring 16 points in the opening minute of the second half. Last year, the opening kickoff bounced in the end zone before Brett Castillo could touch it. When he started to return it, the officials blew the whistle since the ball was dead as soon as it bounced in the end zone. The same thing happened this year when Noah San Miguel tried to return the opening kickoff, but it was also ruled dead due to bouncing in the end zone.

Last year, the game was close with several lead changes,

and the Broncos won in the final seconds on a fourth down touchdown reception by Ricky Martinez from quarterback Michael Rollert. But this year, the Broncos took charge of the game early. Comfort won the toss and



deferred to the second half. After 17 plays starting from the 25-yard line, senior quarterback Andres Acevedo scored on a sneak from the half-yard line with 3:38 left in the first quarter. Elijah Cross, Brett Castillo, Hunter Hughes and Acevedo all took turns advancing the ball for the

Broncos. The most memorable play of the drive occurred on fourth down at the Bobcat eight-yard line. Needing only a yard for a first down, Acevedo took the snap but dropped the ball. He picked it up and lunged for the first down. He got the first down by extending the ball as far as he could to just barely break the first down plane. Hughes' PAT kick was good to make the score 7-0 Sonora with 3:48 left in the first quarter.

When the Bobcats started their first offensive series of the game, they could not have envisioned what a frustrating offensive night was in store for them. They surely were not expecting to fumble six times and lose three of them. Throwing three interceptions

was definitely not in their game plan.

On their fourth play, they fumbled but recovered. They lost yardage on the recovery so they dropped into the shotgun. Gabe Rollert intercepted

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## Middle School Cross Country Runs Big in Midland



The Sonora teams ran hard in Midland this past Saturday. The High School Girls placed 5th out of 17 teams, while the Boys placed 6th out of 17.

Corss Country Coach Morgan Matthews commented that, "we hit all but

one goal, being within four points of the team ahead of us.

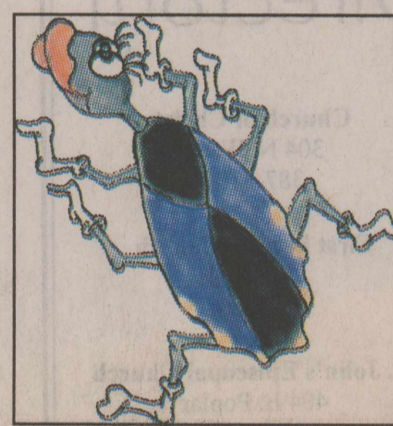
Jr. High had a great debut with the girls placing 4th as Mary Kyle Johnson placed 2nd overall and Jagnease earned a medal for 18th place.

The Jr. High boys team ran away with the championship by a wide margin.

Wilson Johnson, Jalen Lopez, Willie Munoz, Evan Shannon, Slade Dermody, and David Delgado all contributed to the win.



## Kissing Bug is A Threat in South Texas: Do we need to worry here?



By Ben D. Taylor and Dr. Charles "Butch" Taylor

Last week when I visited with my mother about the "family news" (a.k.a.-what everyone else in the Taylor clan is doing) she informed me that my brother Trey found a kissing bug in his room. Not knowing what a "kissing bug" was I then (as is my duty as a little brother) rolled my eyes when mom told me that Trey-known for being a bit "over analytical" about things, sent the bug off to be looked at by an entomologist. I was picturing an insect that looked a bit like the cartoon my brother Sam drew (above). To be honest, I really enjoyed the image of my big brother cowering in fear from a bug with the girliest name in the animal kingdom. Surely, an animal with a name like the "kissing bug" had to be both cute and harmless. Apparently I couldn't have been more wrong, which (as a big brother) Trey has gotten used to.

As it turns out, kissing bugs or triatomine bugs are blood-sucking insects that can transmit the life-threatening Chagas disease to humans and pets. Chagas is a little-known disease that's getting more attention with the USA's changing population. "We have more and more immigrants coming who are at risk," said Sue Montgomery, an epidemiologist with the CDC's Division of Parasitic Diseases and Malaria.

**What is Chagas disease?**  
The disease is caused by a protozoan parasite called *Trypanosoma cruzi*. In the United States, 300,000 people are infected with the disease, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Many people never develop Chagas-related symptoms but about 20-30% of those infected will develop "debilitating and sometime life-threatening medical problems over the course of their lives," the CDC says.

In Latin America Chagas Disease is the fourth leading cause of death, and as populations of both people and insects migrate north, the disease is becoming more prevalent in the United States (especially states that join the border with Mexico) and poses a risk to people, pets and our blood supply. "Kissing bugs" get their name from their preference to bite around people's eyes and mouths. But it's not the bite that transmits the parasite -- it's in the bugs' feces.

People can also become infected through an organ transplant from an unscreened organ donor or eating uncooked food that contains infected bugs' feces, according to the CDC. Blood donations have been screened for Chagas since 2007, which has eliminated the risk of transmission that way, Montgomery said. The disease causes 21,000 deaths a year in Mexico, Central and South America, according to a 2010 University of Arizona study.

### There is no vaccine for Chagas disease.

However, two drugs are available for treatment. These drugs have not been approved by the Food and Drug Administration, but the CDC makes them available under protocols to physicians who are caring for Chagas patients. Also, the best way to avoid Chagas is to avoid the kissing bug. They are found in "houses made from materials such as mud, adobe, straw, and palm thatch," the CDC states. The agency recommends avoiding sleeping in these types of shelters, keeping woodpiles away from homes and using insect repellent. However, kissing bugs have also been found in modern built homes

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## JV Broncos Put Up Valiant Effort

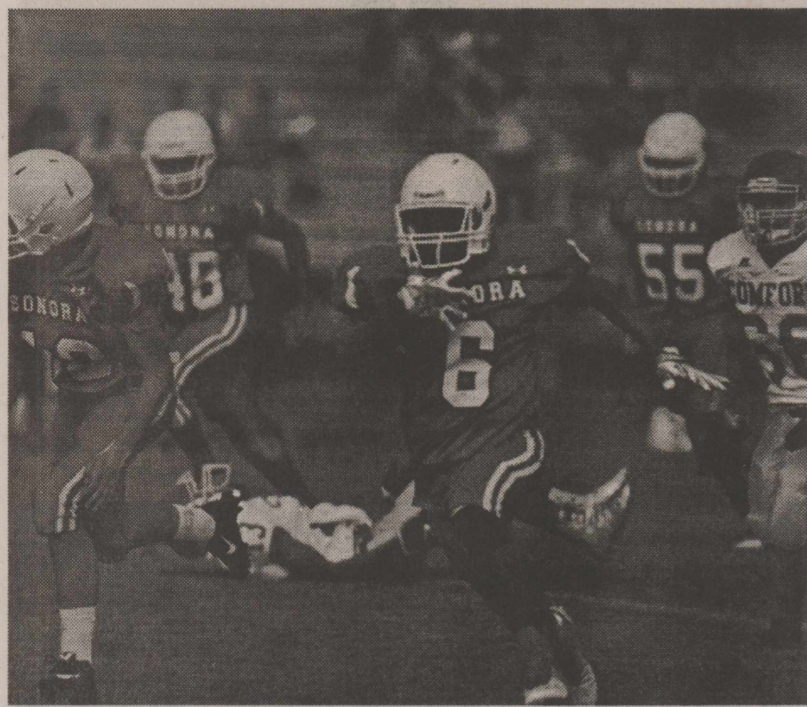
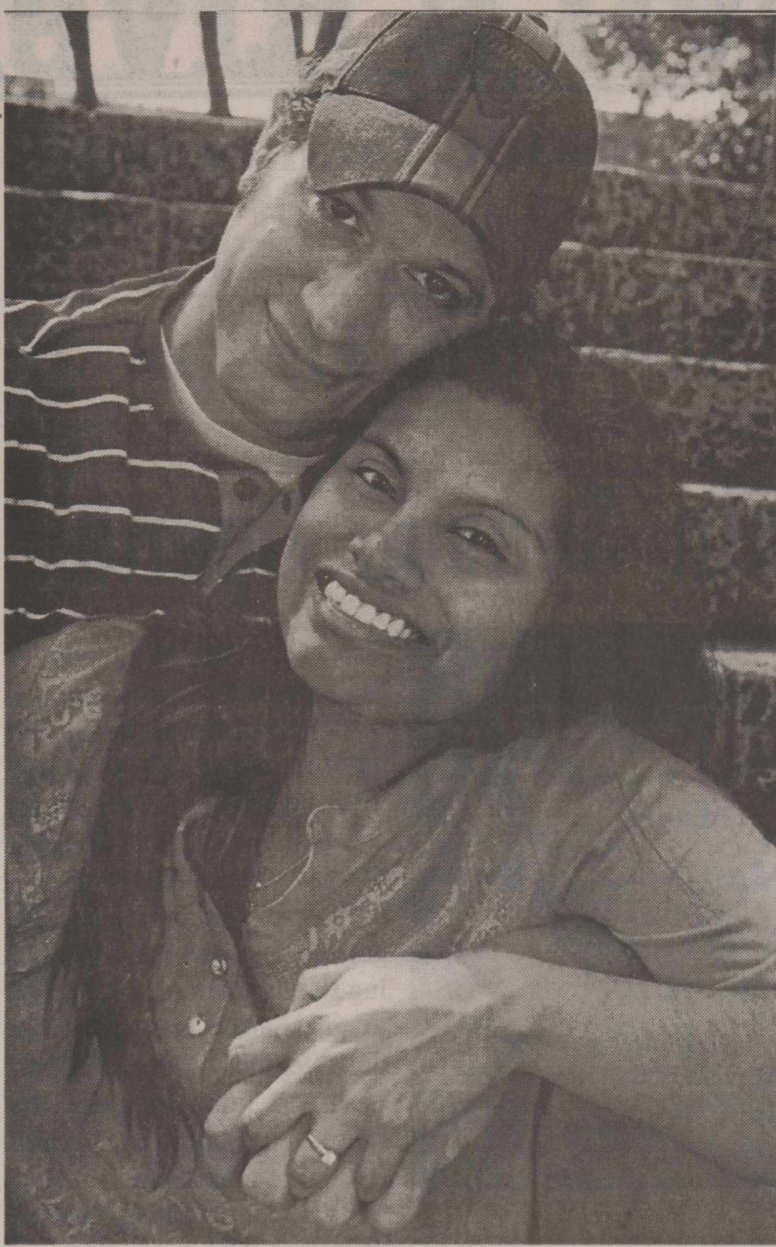


Photo By Nancy Glasscock

Freshman Jarrett Jackson #6 runs 70+ yards for the JV Broncos touchdown in the 34-8 loss to the Comfort Bobcats JV August 28th.

## Engagement



Armando and Teri Dominguez of Sonora, Texas; Mark and Martha Wanjon of Diana, Texas and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Adams of Castle Rock, Colorado are pleased to announce the upcoming marriage of their children: Vanessa Micaela Dominguez and David Christopher Adams.

Vanessa is a 2005 graduate of Pine Tree High School (Longview, Texas), and a 2012 graduate of Stephen F. Austin State University, with a degree in Nutrition-Dietetics. She is employed at Saint Francis Hospital in Tyler, Texas.

David graduated high school in 1996. He served in the United States Armed Forces (U.S. Navy and U.S. Army) from 1996 to 2000. David is a 2005 graduate of Tyler Jr. College. He is employed by a Regional Target Distribution Center in Tyler, Texas.

The couple will be joined in matrimony on September 20th, 2014 in Longview, Texas.

## Grand Prize Winner



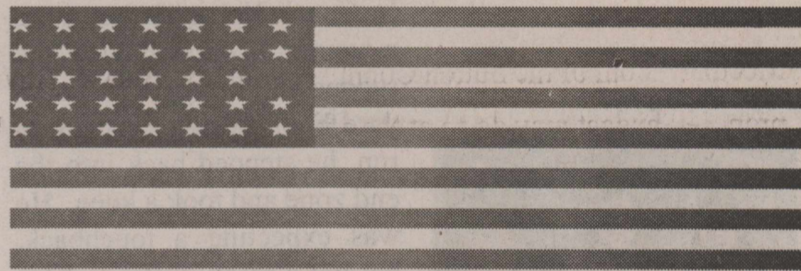
Pictured is the grand prize winner of the backpack of goodies Kyndall Weston, daughter of Blake and Tiffany Weston.

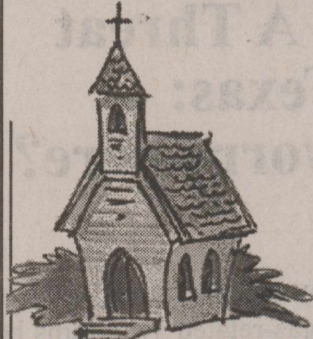
The Bank & Trust would like to say THANK YOU to everyone who joined us for our 2nd Annual Back to School Bash! We had amazing attendance and everyone had a blast!!

Our event would not have been such a huge success without the following:

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## Bronco Teacher Spotlight



Mary Montelongo

In terms of miles traveled, Mary took the long way back to home. While she was originally from San Angelo, she got her education from East Central University in Idaho. She comes to Sonora (via San Angelo every day) with over 16 years teaching experience. She currently serves as the High School's Journalism Teacher.

When asked what her teaching philosophy was she responded that, "teachers need to be flexible in their teaching strategies. I try to be real flexible and reach out to all of my students, especially if I see they are struggling. I am here for the students. I am going to drive that long distance for the kids in Sonora. I'm really excited to be here. From the teachers to the administration they all are awesome. I look forward to many



Nancy Jimenez

Nancy came to Sonora from Pecos Texas almost 9 years ago, where she started her teaching career. She spent 6 years teaching 4th grade in Midland, Teas and currently teaches dual language for SISD. In total she has 23 years of teaching experience.

When asked what her teaching philosophy is, she didn't take much time to respond with her own mother's words. "Im gong to steal my mom's words as she once told me that 90% of this job is loving the children in front of you. After that you can teach them anything".

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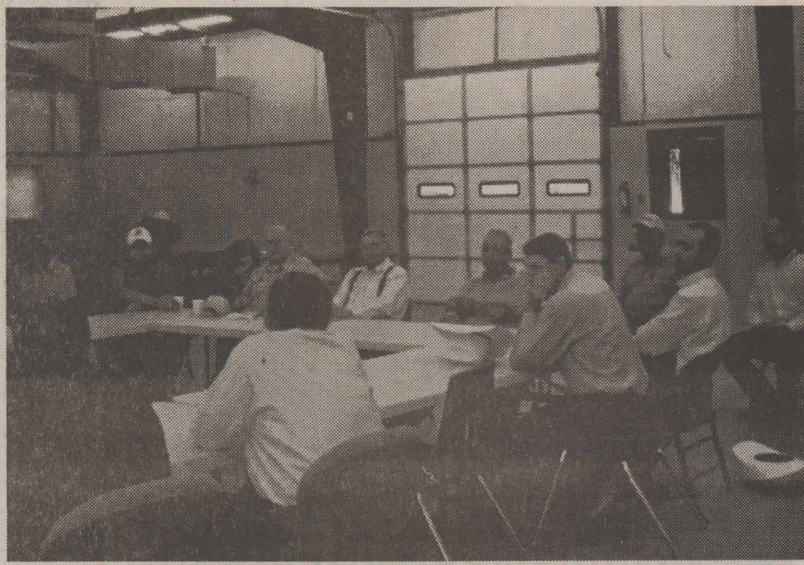
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# Communication is Key



By Dr. Charles "Butch" Taylor

Communication, both give and take occurred at the Texas A&M AgriLife Research Station located between Sonora and Rocksprings on Thursday, August 18. Dr. Craig Nessler and Dr. Jim Abbey both of Texas A&M AgriLife from College Station listened to local ranchers ask questions about current and future plans for the Texas A&M AgriLife Research Station. The discussion continued for over an hour on topics related to local agriculture concerns including water, predators, noxious brush, prescribed fire, absentee ownership of land, and sheep and goat production. Bob Brockman and Curry Campbell led the discussions but each landowner who was present asked questions and made comments. Director Nessler was very supportive of maintaining a productive and viable research program at the Texas A&M AgriLife Research Station located between Sonora and Rocksprings.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING

The Commissioners' Court of Sutton County, Texas, will hold a public hearing to consider the proposed budget for FY14 on **Monday, September 8, 2014, at 9:00 a.m.** in the Meeting Room of the Sutton County Courthouse Annex. Any citizen wishing to view the proposed budget may do so at the office of the Sutton County Judge at the Sutton County Courthouse Annex between the hours of 8:30 and 4:00 p.m. Monday-Friday.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON SUTTON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT BUDGET

The Sutton County Appraisal District will hold a public hearing on a proposed budget for the 2015 fiscal year.

The public hearing will be held on September 08, 2014 at 8:00 a.m. at the Sutton County Annex Building meeting room.

A summary of the appraisal district budget follows:

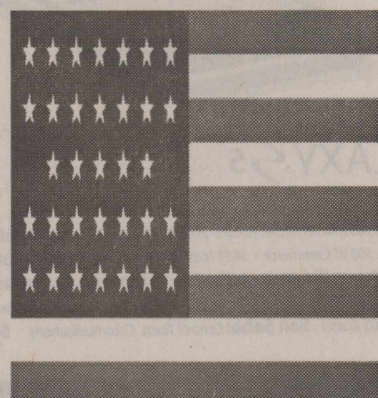
The total amount of the proposed budget.	\$471,833
The total amount of <u>increase</u> over the current year's budget.	\$20,774
The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget.	3
The number of employees compensated under the current budget.	3

The appraisal district is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the appraisal district.

If approved by the appraisal district board of directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school district, city, water district and hospital district served by the appraisal district.

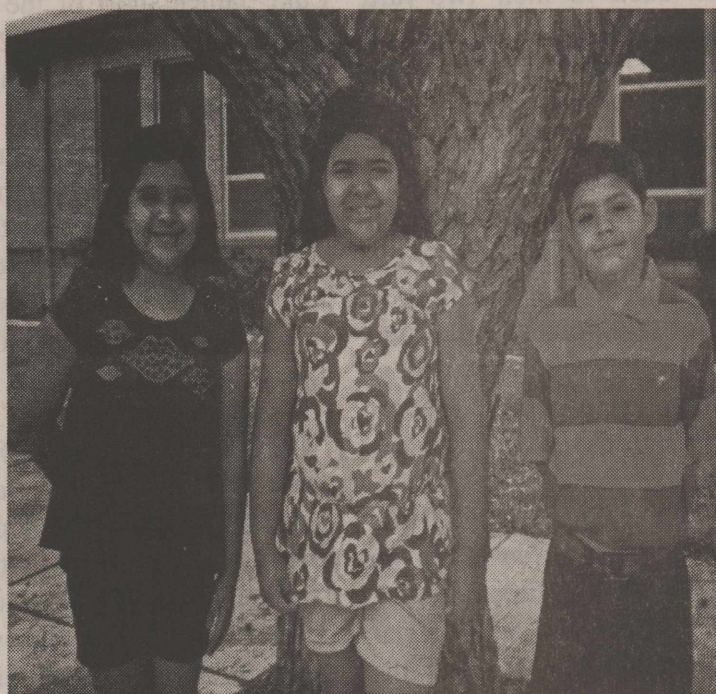
A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies. A copy is also available for public inspection at the appraisal district office.

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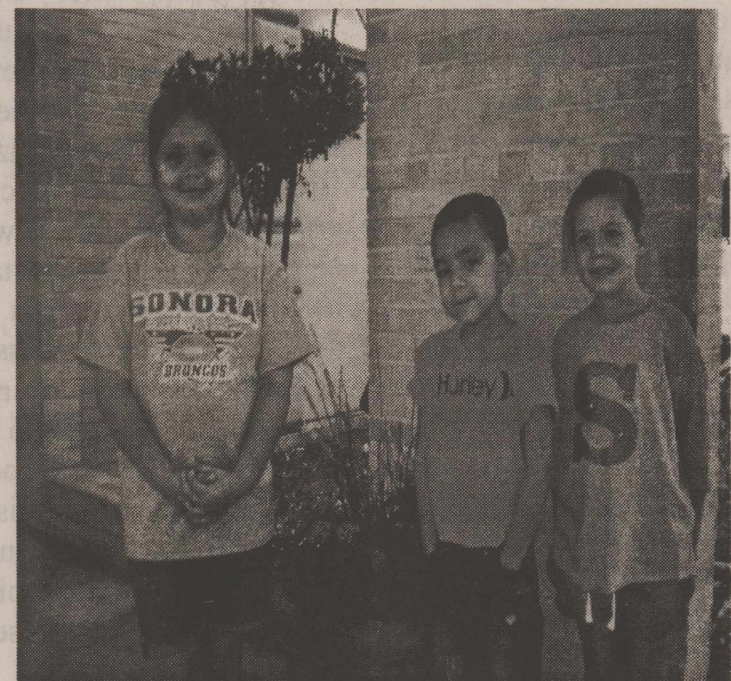


From left to right:

Nora Gaspar, Isabella Arispe, Dakota Borders

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From left to right:

Julianna Sanchez, Angel Castilleja, Gentry Trainer  
(not pictured Landen Guerra)

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Kissing Bug

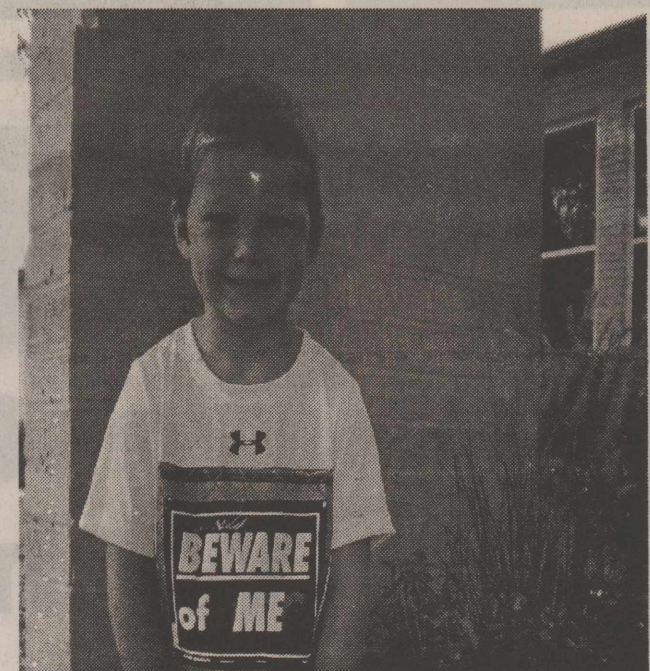
in the USA. With these bugs you must seal your house properly.

Pets also get Chagas disease. A study in 2013 by Texas A&M researchers found 8.8% of dogs at seven shelters in Texas had the parasite. Dogs can acquire infection by eating infected bugs as well as being bitten by bugs and subsequently defecating near the site of the bite. Humans cannot get the disease from dogs, but infection in dogs indicates the local presence of infected bugs.

The Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory (TVMDL) offers testing for Chagas disease. If you see a kissing bug and you would like confirmation of the species and to submit it for testing for research purposes, contact [KissingBug@cvm.tamu.edu](mailto:KissingBug@cvm.tamu.edu). Use a glove or small plastic bag to catch the bug to avoid direct contact. Store the bug in a sealed plastic bag, vial, or other container. All surfaces with which the bug came into contact should be thoroughly cleaned with a bleach solution. Chagas disease recently became a "notifiable condition" in Texas. Cases should be reported to your regional health department within 1-week.

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Landen "Buddha" Guerra

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# Watch For Asps

By Pascual Hernandez, Sutton County Agrilife Extension Agent

This time of year, we're usually watchful for caterpillars that are pests on gardens, pecan trees, or other landscape plants. However, we really don't worry about caterpillars that can affect us. But, did you know that some caterpillars are able to inflict a painful sting?

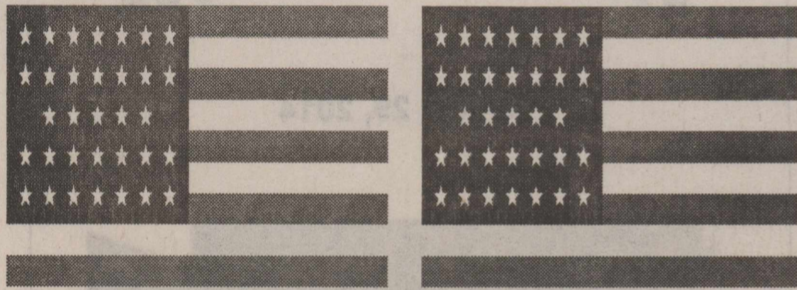
Several caterpillars called asps have "hairs" or spines that are connected to a poison gland. When your arm or other body part brushes against the hairs, the hairs stick in the skin, injecting venom and sometimes cause a rash.

When fully grown, asps are about 1.5 inches long, and teardrop-shaped with long, silky hair. They are usually tan, but can be an assortment of colors. Smaller growth stages are yellow in color while later stages turn pale green to white. The spines containing venom are hidden by long, soft-looking "hairs". Asp caterpillars are typically found on trees and shrubs around homes, and generally do not cause long-term

harm to the plants.

If stung, pain will instantly be felt and red spots may form at the site. Other symptoms may be nausea, headache, vomiting or even respiratory distress. Extension entomologist, Wizzie Brown, recommends covering the sting area with tape. Then remove the tape to take out spines from the skin. Repeat this process as needed to remove all spines. Applying an ice pack to the sting area may help to soothe the skin. An oral antihistamine may also be taken to relieve itching. If respiratory distress occurs, seek medical attention.

If you want to control these caterpillars, you can try *Bacillus thuringiensis var. kurstaki*. However, it kills many types of caterpillars. You may also look for naturally-derived active ingredients such as spinosad or azadirachtin. These products tend to work best on younger stages.



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his first of two picks. The Broncos couldn't capitalize when Acevedo didn't get enough mustard on this roll-out pass, and it fell short of Rollert and was intercepted.

The second quarter began with Castillo intercepting a Bobcat pass and running the ball back to their two-yard line. A Bronco illegal block brought the ball back to the twelve. On the second down play, Bryan Garcia scored. The Broncos lined up in the Swinging Gate formation for the PAT. Acevedo took the direct snap and ran the ball in for two points. He scored untouched when an excellent pump fake froze the Bobcat defender. At 11:06 the score was 15-0.

The Bobcats stayed true to their run offense but on second down, Ethan Patlan, Sid Anderson, and Jonathan Gutierrez tackled the Comfort running back and knocked the ball out of his arms. Rollert recovered the fumble. The Broncos turned the ball over on downs. Luke James recovered the Bobcats' next fumble. On the first play from scrimmage, Acevedo ran the midline keeper, made famous by Ethan Morriss, and sprinted 66 yards for the third Sonora touchdown. The Broncos tried another Swinging Gate play. Acevedo threw complete to Rollert but it was nullified by an illegal receiver down field penalty. Hughes kicked the PAT. With 5:19 left in the first half, it was all Broncos 22-0.

The Bobcats got the ball to start the third quarter. They

moved the ball down the field running the ball, plus mixing it up with a pass. Comfort scored their first touchdown at 6:40 on a fourth and one play. A bad snap forced the holder to run for the conversion. He was gang tackled by Anderson, Patlan, Gutierrez, and Luke James short of the end zone to make the score 22-6.

The fourth quarter started with the Bobcats on the Sonora ten yard line after recovering a Bronco fumble on their 33 late in the third quarter. Comfort scored on a pass to a wide open receiver at 11:12 left in the game. Victor Falcon's kick was good. The score was 22-13.

The Broncos made their final points of the game with Acevedo completing a touchdown pass to a diving Jonathan Martinez with seven minutes left in the game. Hughes was three for three on the night with his PAT kicks.

With time running out, the Bobcats drove to a first and goal. On first down, Anderson stormed through their line and tackled their runner for a six-yard loss. When they tried to pass for the touchdown, they finished their last series with three straight incompletions when their receivers flat out dropped two catchable passes. The game ended with the final score 29-13 for Sonora's win to start the 2014 football season.

The Broncos rushed for 233 yards on 37 carries for a 6.3 yard per carry average.

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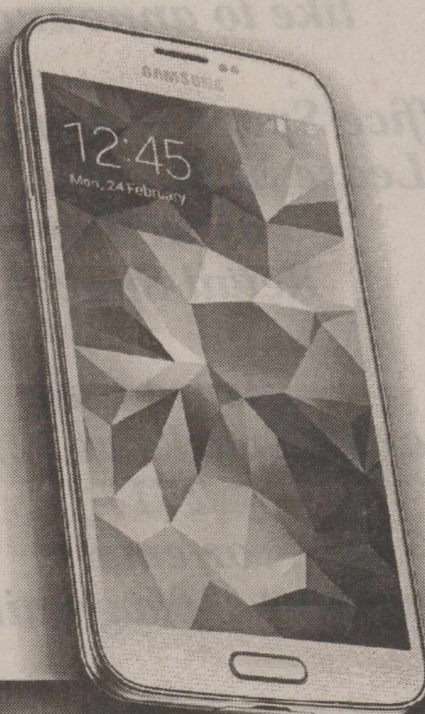
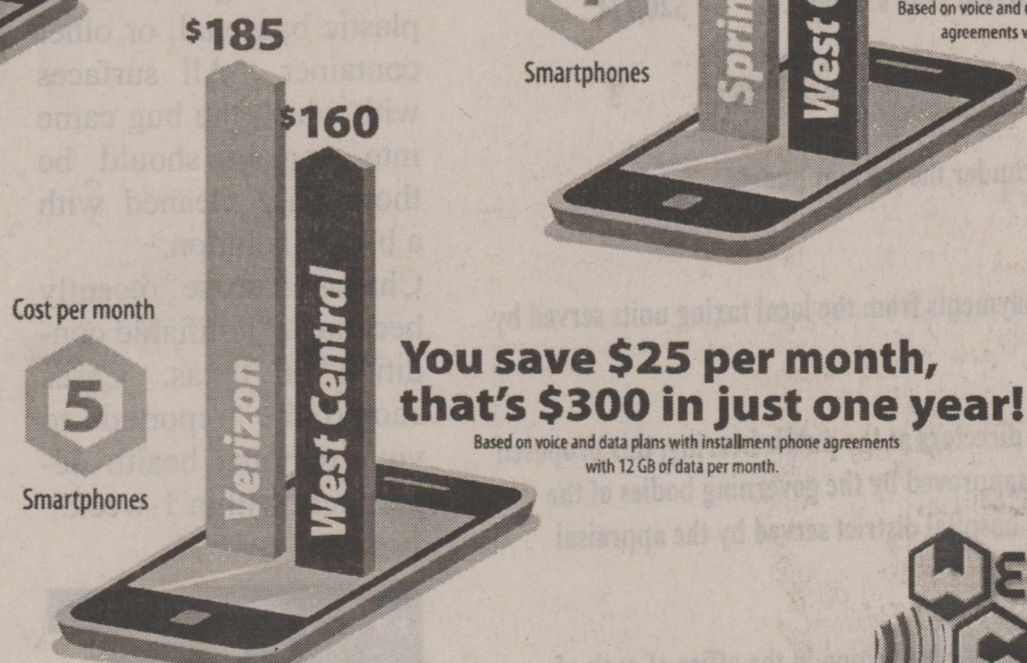
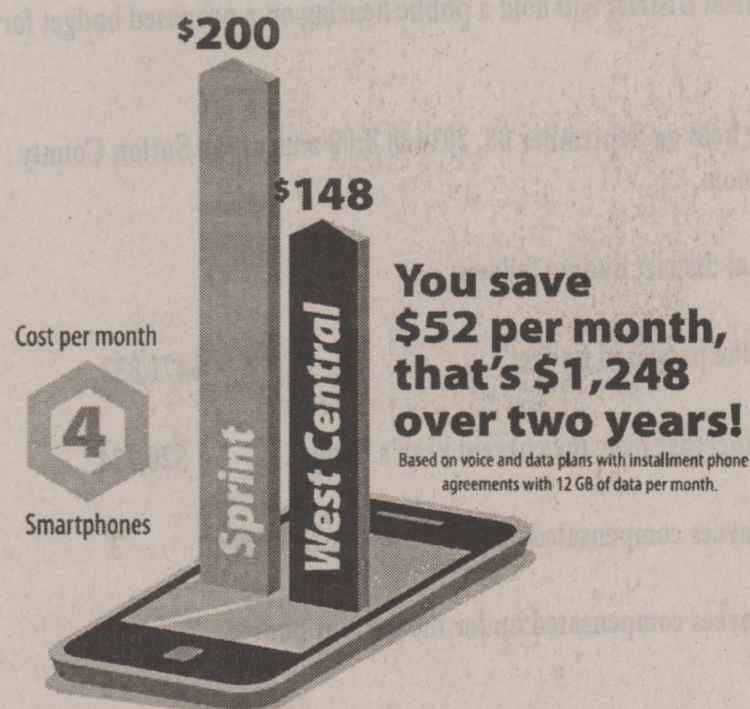
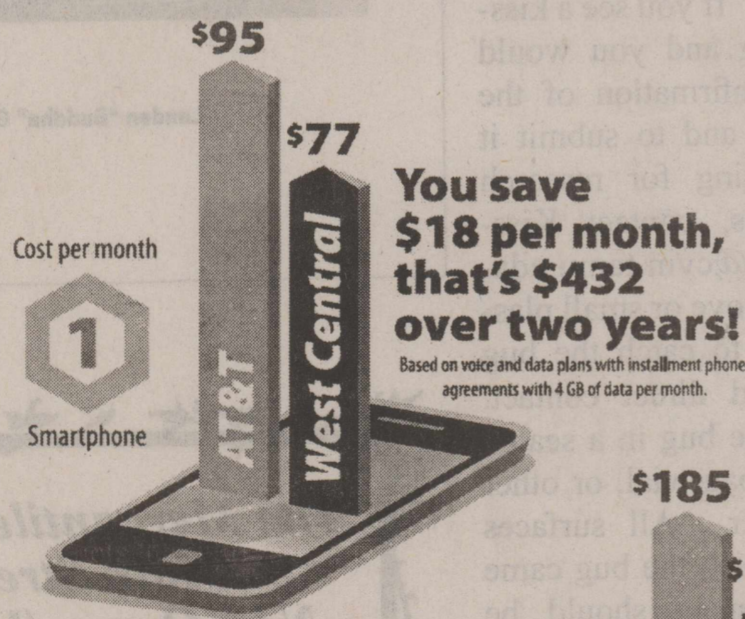
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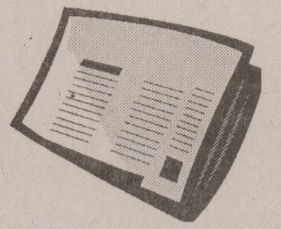


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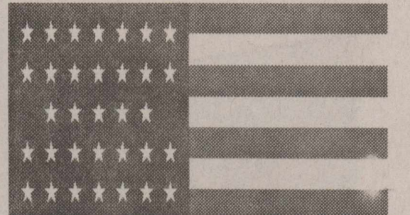
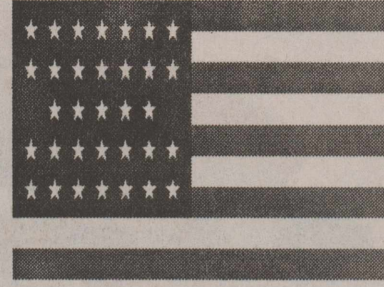
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**PUBLIC NOTICE BUDGET HEARING**

The City Council will hold a public budget hearing on September 15, 2014, at 6:00 p.m., City Hall, 201 E. Main, Sonora, Texas. All citizens are invited to attend and provide the council with comments and ask questions concerning the city's proposed 2013-2014 budget. The public can inspect the proposed budget at City Hall, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

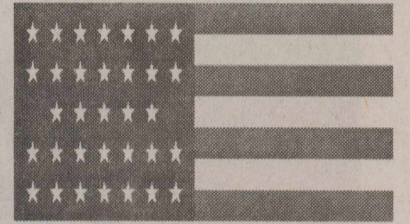
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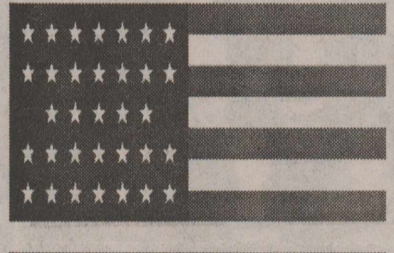
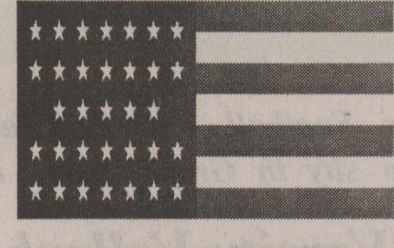
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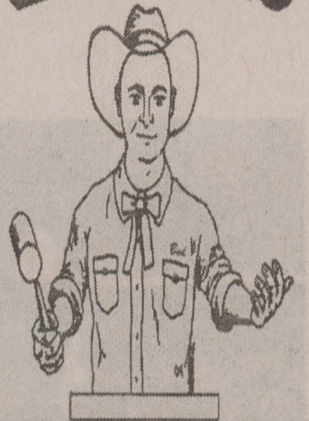
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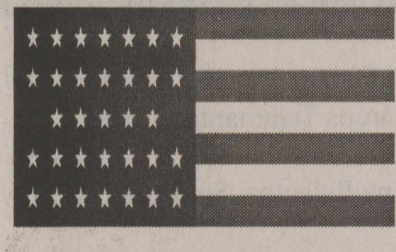
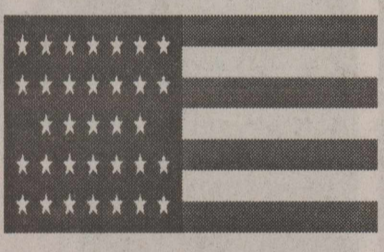
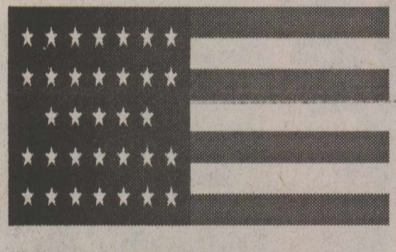
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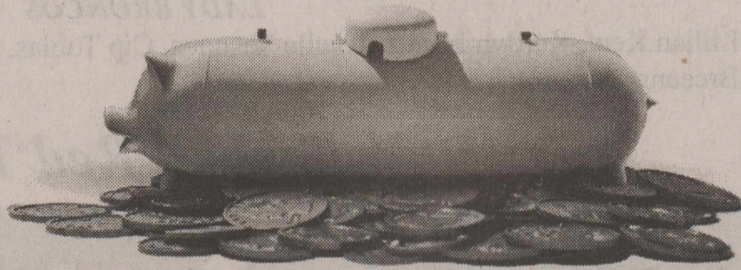
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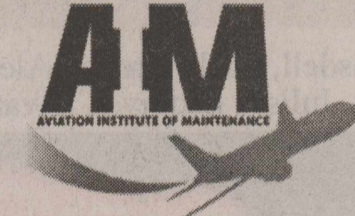


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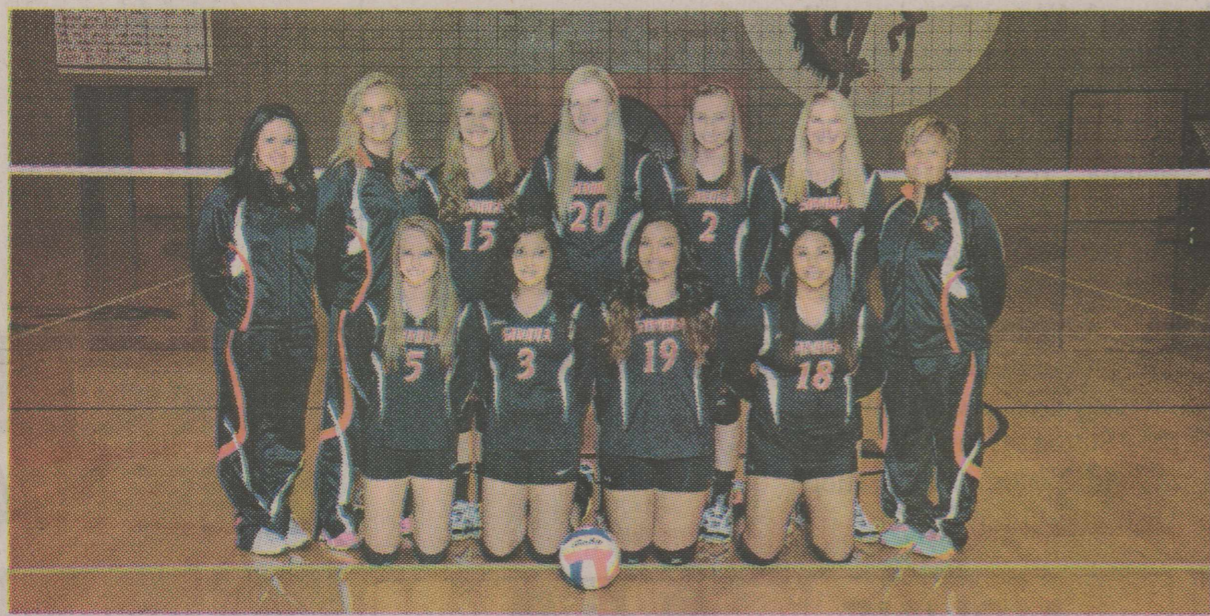
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# MEET THE BRONCOS



Above you will see the Football Team (Var- White). For the next few weeks we will be publishing pictures of each team with the Seniors next up your copy of the Devil's River News!!

## Varsity Volleyball



Abby Nolen, Delaney Ramsdell, Carly Brown, Alexa Sykes, Sky Jennings, Sky Jennings, Halle Samaniego, Julissa Esquivel, Savannah Castro

## Varsity Cross Country



### BRONCOS

Tanner Esparza, Jose Robles, Oscar Herrada, Garret Jaeger, JD Garza, Stratton Rushing, Ariel Lugo, Dalton Morris, Raully Ojeda, Issek Hernandez, Marcos Talamantes.

### LADY BRONCOS

Lillian Kent, Kaitlyn Lopez, Janelle Vasquez, Cip Tobias, Briana Palacios, Summer Hall, Brecanna Johnson

## Volleyball Red Team



Felicia Farley, Alexis Villanueva, Kristin Garret, Kaytlan Noriega, Amber Flinn, April Fraire, April Fraire, Isabel Hernandez, Amber Vasquez

## Volleyball White Team



Kaci Lewis, Janelle Vasquez, Victoria Acosta, Riley Umphrees, Bianca Fay, Nydia Rodriguez, Katelyn Lipham, Noelia Tovar, Audry Nolen, Iris McAfee

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SEPTEMBER 5	DENVER CITY
SEPTEMBER 12	WALL
SEPTEMBER 19	AT HARPER
SEPTEMBER 26	BOERNE
<b>OPEN</b>	
OCTOBER 10	AT GRAPE CREEK
OCTOBER 17	CRANE
OCTOBER 24	AT SAN ANGELO TLC
OCTOBER 31	AT ALPINE
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