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The Sonora Broncos varsity football team notched up their season record to 2-0 with their 42-28 victory over the Llano Yellow Jackets Friday, September 8, 2017, in Llano. Looking to stay ahead of their non-district competition, the Broncos will host the Junction Eagles this Friday at Bronco Stadium.

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Broncos Swat the 'Jackets 42-28 for Second Win of Young Season

With two victories, already so far, this season, the Sonora Broncos are looking to add another win this week as they host the Junction Eagles at Bronco Stadium.

The Broncos won their second non-district game against the Llano Yellow Jackets with a score of 42-28 in Llano last Friday night.

The Eagles will also be looking for another win to add to their season record of 1-1. Junction beat Christoval 47-12 last week.

Broncos Head Coach Jeff Cordell said the Eagles will be another challenge for the young Broncos but he is confident that his team will continue to make adjustments and grow successfully throughout the season.

"Their size will be a challenge for us but I truly think that the biggest challenge for the Sonora Broncos is the Sonora Broncos themselves," Cordell said. We won a ball game against a very good Llano team last Friday. However, we must get better with our offensive line play and eliminate some of the silly mistakes that we have made in our last 2 games. We still have guys doing the wrong thing offensively and defensively. This is mainly due to the fact that we are a young

football club. Despite the mistakes that we have made, we still are 2-0 at this point in the season and are making strides each week to get better. Our effort has been tremendous and that is something we are most proud of from a coaching staff. We can get the other stuff corrected. As always our goal is to be 1-0 at the end of the week and Leave No Doubt that we improved from the last 2 weeks." The Broncos will welcome the Eagles to Bronco Stadium for the third non-district game this

season. Kickoff is slated for 7:30 p.m. and everyone is encouraged to come out and show their support for the Broncos.

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

Sonora 42 - Llano 28

The Sonora Broncos bumped their 2017 season record to 2-0 with a 42-28 win over Llano this past Friday night in Llano.

So far, this season, players seem to have remained healthy with the exception of Wilson Johnson who appeared to be sidelined during Friday's game due to an injury to his leg.

It wasn't clear at the beginning of the game who was in

control of the ball because neither side seemed to be able to move ahead of the other. Immediately following the kickoff both teams appeared to be stalled on the field throughout the first quarter resulting in no score at the end of the stanza.

Llano finally took over early in the second quarter and quickly put the Yellowjackets on the scoreboard.

Cade Fly connected with Brooks Keele who sprinted 63 yards to the end zone placing the Yellowjackets in the lead.

Llano also added a second touchdown in the second quarter as well as one in the third and fourth quarters.

Sonora's offense kept the score tied in the second quarter

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Broncos Runners Compete in Fort Mason City Park XC Meet

The Sonora Broncos were awarded 4th place and the Lady Broncos earned eighth place in the Fort Mason City Park Cross Country meet this past Wednesday, September 6, 2017, in Mason.

The Broncos placed fourth as a team. Evan Shannon was awarded first and Jalen Lopez earned ninth place. Lopez also earned a medal as one of the top 10 runners.

The Lady Broncos fell short of placing in the top 20 runners but stayed in the race to cross the finish line.

Fourteen area High Schools participated in the annual meet.

Individual results are listed below:

- Boys:
 Evan Shannon, 1st, 16:33:00.
 Jalen Lopez, 9th, 18:33:00.
 David Delgado, 19th, 19:26:00.
 Leo Alviso, 49th, 21:52:00.
 Manuel Fuentes, 50th, 21:57:00.
 Elias Perez, 55th, 22:06:00.
 Kalvin Hernandez, 56th, 22:08:00.
 Ariel Salazar, 78th, 23:45:00.
 Kole Gann, 88th, 1:57:00.
 Girls:
 Traci Vickers, 27th, 14:27:00.
 Fernanda Gonzales, 34th,

- 14:48:00.
 Esmerelda Salazar, 51st, 15:29:00.
 Carla Mota, 55th, 15:40:00.
 Angela Gonzalez 57th, 15:56:00.
 Analy Palacios, 72nd, 16:47:00.
 Rivers Martinez, 82nd, 17:34:00.
 Miranda Renteria, 90th, 18:36:00.

Also vying for top spots ahead of their competition, the Sonora Middle School Colts and Lady Colts earned 5th and 3rd place respectively during the Mason City Park Cross Country meet. This was the Colts and Lady Colts second meet this season.

Giovanni Gamez was awarded 5th place earning a medal and Fernando Gonzalez was close behind 7th place and a medal.

Jocelyn Rodriguez earned 8th place. Following close behind, Jessica Campa earned 10th place. Both ladies also earned medals.

Twelve area schools participated in the boy's division and runners from nine area schools competed in the girl's division.

Individual results are listed below:
 Boys:
 Giovanni Gamez, 5th, 8:49:00.

- Fernando Gonzalez, 7th, 9:08:00.
 Rino Hernandez, 21st, 9:48:00.
 Sebastian Garza, 47th, 10:48:00.
 Aiden Leamon, 53rd, 10:56:00.
 Jonathan Lozano, 55th, 10:59:00.
 Ignacio Coronado, 56th, 11:00:00.
 Romeo Torres, 57th, 11:01:00.
 Brandon Torres, 82, 12:03:00.
 Omar Gonzalez, 85th, 12:34:00.
 Juan Alvarez, 87th, 12:41:00.
 Girls:
 Joselyn Rodriguez, 8th, 10:52:00.
 Jessica Campa, 10th, 10:56:00.
 Vicky Regino, 24th, 11:28:00.
 Alisa Paredes, 25th, 11:29:00.
 Annika Galindo, 46th, 12:39:00.
 Jaque Torres, 54th, 12:52:00.
 Montserrat De La Fuente, 57th, 12:55:00.
 Abigail Rodriguez, 76th, 15:12:00.
 Erika Infante, 85th, 16:09:00.
 Sophia Acevedo, 95th, 18:06:00.

Next, the Broncos and Lady Broncos travel to Miles Thursday, September 14 to compete in their fourth Cross Country meet this season.

The Colts and Lady Colts are set to run September 20th in Irion County.

Everyone is encouraged to come out and cheer for the runners.



Fernando Gonzales crossed the finish line in seventh place with a time of 9:08 during the Fort Mason City Park Cross Country meet this past Wednesday, September 6th, in Mason. He completed the Sonora meet the week before, placing fifth with a time of 12:46. Gonzales along with other Colts runners are set to compete again September 20, in Irion County.

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Texas Begins Long March Toward Recovery from Hurricane Harvey

AUSTIN — As contaminated waters receded and mountains of debris from flooded homes and ruined belongings grew last week, a picture of post-hurricane Texas developed and the process of weighing impacts to lives, property and infrastructure began.

Gov. Greg Abbott delivered a series of announcements and proclamations related to catastrophic flooding and wind damage brought by Hurricane Harvey to more than 50 Gulf Coast and inland counties in late August and early September.

On Sept. 7, Abbott thanked Congress for passing a \$15.3 billion hurricane relief package and called the bipartisan action “an encouraging sign.”

On Sept. 9, Abbott wrote to EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt, expressing support for a request by the Texas Water Development Board to streamline federal funding for flood and water infrastructure projects related to Hurricane Harvey. The board administers EPA's state revolving funds, which will be used to repair and rebuild water, wastewater and storm water systems in communities affected by Harvey.

Also on Sept. 9, Abbott and Texas A&M University System Chancellor John Sharp, who heads the newly created Governor's Commission to Rebuild Texas, met with Beaumont officials along with leaders of many state agencies. It was the first stop in a three-city, five-day trip to discuss the

devastation caused by Hurricane Harvey and get input on how the commission can assist in the rebuilding and recovery effort.

Mosquito spraying begins

The Texas Department of State Health Services on Sept. 6 announced the launch of FEMA-assisted mosquito control measures over the Hurricane Harvey-stricken counties of Refugio and Bee.

Areas of standing water may increase the number of mosquitoes capable of spreading diseases such as the West Nile and Zika viruses, the DSHS said.

Paxton applauds ruling

Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton

praised a decision Sept. 5 by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit to uphold the state's voter identification law that was blocked last month by a Corpus Christi federal district court.

A three-judge panel of the Fifth Circuit voted 2-1 to overturn an injunction granted by the lower court. The ruling, Paxton said, means that an interim court remedy is in place for 2017.

STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

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DIY, Laughter & Olive Oil

Do-it-yourselfers will attest to two universal truths: projects beget projects and the outcomes are often funny if you are willing to laugh at yourself or others. Both

Slices of Life



By Jill Pertler

ing lovely, it became apparent (to me) that our soap dispenser was lacking. Or better put, we were lacking a soap dispenser. We were simply using the bottle the soap came in when purchased from the store. Next to the newly framed mirror it looked practically plastic (because it was). We were in need of an upgrade.

I found a suitable plain white ceramic dispenser and put it in the bathroom next to the sink. It was an improvement, but I couldn't shake the feeling that something was missing. And then it hit me: what we needed was a label.

I didn't trust my artistic prowess enough to paint a label on the ceramic. Instead I opted for stickers. I got some nice black letters and placed four of them on the dispenser to spell SOAP.

It was perfect. So perfect that I got two more dispensers — one for the other bathroom and one for the kitchen — and labeled them with SOAP stickers as well.

I was satisfied with my mini-projects and for most DIYers the story would end here. But I am not only a DIYer; I am a petty-pincher. And in this case, I had extra, unused stickers. I looked around the kitchen for something else to label.

Next to the sink, I have a spray bottle filled with rubbing alcohol to clean the stainless steel and other surfaces needing disinfecting. There wasn't enough space to spell out rubbing or alcohol so I took three letters — A, L and C — and placed them on the bottle. I wasn't done yet.

There was a similar spray bottle on the stove top that held olive oil — of the extra virgin variety. Again, space was an issue, so I went with the well-known (or so I thought) abbreviation: EVOO. (Extra virgin olive oil, for those who have never heard of Rachael Ray.)

I still had some stickers left, but it was time to make supper so I put my projects on hold. And here's where the funny part comes in. As we were prepping for our meal, my husband (who is a Rachael Ray fan) reached for the olive oil and reacted with a start.

“What the heck is ee-vu?” he asked (He pronounced EVOO as though it rhymed with emu.) Then he repeated his question, sort of.

“Ee-vu? That's not even a word. I've never heard of ee-vu. Is this some sort of joke?”

By this time, I couldn't answer him because I was laughing my ee-vu off.

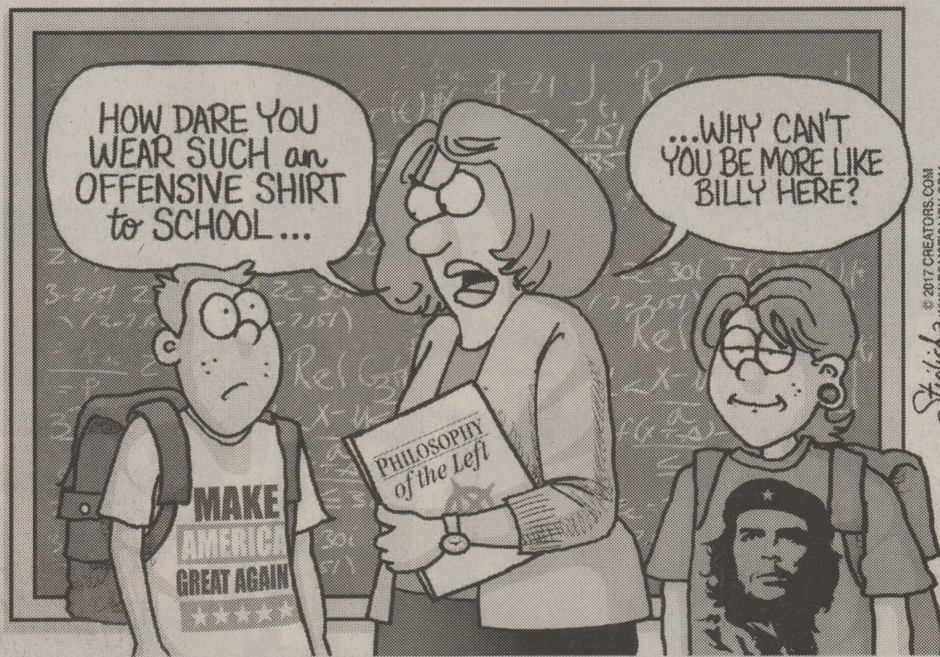
Sensing an opportunity to laugh at a parent, the kids gathered nearby. None of them let my husband in on the joke. God bless the children.

My husband remained incredulous. “Ee-vu? Are you messing with me? Ee-vu, really?”

Each time he said the “word” we all burst out in laughter. The kitchen was a very happy place, unless you were my husband. Finally one of the kids took pity and let him in on the secret. We all got a good laugh out of that one and my husband learned a new vocabulary word.

All in all it was a good day. Especially for a DIYer. And I'm not done yet. I still have a few stickers left. I just have to figure out what I can spell and where I can put them.

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'Greasy Spoon' Lingo

They were called “greasy spoons,” those folksy diners of yesteryear. Printed menus were limited, but waitpersons had their slang menu “down pat.” The one I remember best had a single line of stools, and patrons typically waited in outdoor lines for week-day “lunch runs.”

Admittedly, I've already used this week's quota of quotation marks, but strong in my memory is how the “waitperson” yelled food orders to the nearby cook, who had to be “quick on the uptake” of verbal orders.

The system has given way to numbers, and this is regrettable. Numbers can include various cadences, of course, but words can sing, rhyme and humor, sometimes all in the same food order. My memory dredges up the “Yellow Squeeze Inn,” long since closed, but a “hopping place” in the 1930s and 1940s.

The Brownwood eatery had a yellow storefront, and was perhaps the “narrowest” business ever. Stools stretched single file, front door to kitchen. The walkway between the stools and wall was little more than a yardstick wide.

Patrons entering as others exited could—and did—sometimes get caught in “squeezes” that warranted stares, if not an urgent need for a crowbar. Thus the “Yellow Squeeze Inn” name, I guess.

Casting a giant shadow in the diner was Maggie, the waitress who seemed ever present. She was into verbal jousting with the clientele, most of whom were men. She “out-jousted” most of 'em.

A majority ordered a “bowl a' chili,” but Maggie had several names for it. Heading the list was “bowl of red,” with an addendum of “in a hat” if it happened to be take-out.

Those passing on chili typically ordered hamburgers, and Maggie had a long list of instructions for the cook. “Make it cry” meant, as one would guess, “add onions.” Variations for hamburger preparation numbered into the dozens.

Old-time diner orders came back into focus recently as I stood in a sandwich line.

The guy in front of me wanted every possible vegetable on his hamburger,

naming some veggies repeatedly. The lady taking the order was old school. That's what her instructions to the cook suggested, anyway.

“Drag it through the garden,” said she. Upon reaching home, I found the “dinerlingo.com” website, and sure enough, “drag it through the garden” is an old term.

It was enlightening to find hundreds of colorful terms heard in diners. One was “Adam's ale, hold the hail.” This meant, of course, a glass of water without ice.

“Belly cheat” is diner slang for apron. It's worth an Internet visit for readers of a certain age. Some of the terms are worth repeating; some of 'em aren't. Many are obvious, but some are cleverly finessed.

Several I'd never heard, such as “Bronx vanilla,” garlic; “cluck and grunt,” eggs and bacon; “hamlette,” omelette with ham; “make it moo,” add cream; “nervous pudding,” jello; “on the hoof,” rare; “wrecked and crying,” scrambled eggs with onions, and “wimpy,” which, of course, refers to hamburgers.

“Wimpy” was a character in the popular Popeye cartoons, and it also is the name of a well-known ‘burger chain’ founded in the 1930s....

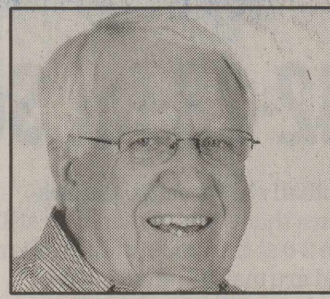
All this talk about dining brings to mind late comedian Jerry Clower, whose bulk suggested he was fond of food.

He joked about an early diner visit for breakfast. “How do you like your eggs?” the waitress asked. “I like 'em fine,” he responded, and, asked how many: “I wouldn't 'yeller' up my mouth for less than a dozen.”

While paying the cashier, he noticed a small open toothpick holder. He started using one, and perceived a glare from the lady at the register. Fearing he had violated “diner etiquette,” he quickly deposited the toothpick back in the holder, commenting, “I guess you thought I was going to walk out of here with that toothpick without paying for it,” he said.

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A Book About the Balloon Lady

About fifteen years ago I had a call from a woman who was writing an article for a major magazine about Mrs. Constance Wolf of Bluebell, Pennsylvania.

In 1961, Mrs. Wolf set a number of world balloon records when she stayed aloft for some forty hours on a flight that

originated in Big Spring. She said her mission was to take the record of women's free balloon flight away from the Russians. I was news director of a radio station in Big Spring then and accompanied her ground crew on that adventure and reported on the progress of the flight to the nation.

What got people involved in following this 56 year old grandmother was the fact that we in the ground crew never saw her balloon after it left Big Spring, even though we were reporting on sightings we picked up from airports, news media and law enforcement agencies in Texas, New Mexico, Kansas and Oklahoma. We were watching the clock and late in the flight I reported, “if Mrs. Wolf is still in the air, she has broken the Russian record.” The uncertainty of whether Mrs. Wolf was still up there became a major story and attracted listeners and readers across the USA. It was the biggest story I've ever covered. She landed safely in a field near Boley, Oklahoma and broke the Russian record by four hours. Mrs. Wolf and I corresponded by mail until her death.

A few weeks ago I received a call from that same woman who had contacted me years ago. She is Jeanne Marie Laskas, who has written books that appear on the New York Times best-seller list. She wrote the book CONCUSSION about football injuries, which was made into a major movie starring Will Smith. She has won numerous writing and journalism awards for her work that has appeared in Esquire, The New Yorker, the Smithsonian, GQ, the Washington Post Magazine and others. She heads up the writing program at the University of Pittsburgh. She is writing a book about Mrs. Wolf. She previously wrote a book titled THE BALLOON LADY AND OTHER PEOPLE I KNOW.

She sent two researchers down to interview me and to look at the material I have about Mrs. Wolf and her flight. One of them recorded my every word from hello to goodbye. Since the book will have an accompanying audio feature, the girl with the mike and recorder had me read some of the reports that I had sent to the station during the flight. They had me take them to the former Hamilton Flying Field, the place where the balloon launch occurred and to the site of the motel where Mrs. Wolf stayed.

I didn't know it at the time, but Mrs. Wolf was extremely prominent in Philadelphia society. She and her husband, an attorney who was a general in the armed services, had lavish parties on their estate. Occasionally they would require guests to arrive in their airplanes. Mrs. Wolf's balloon was used in the movie AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 DAYS. Among other honors, she was the first woman to fly a balloon over the Alps. The researchers said I was the only person they had interviewed who actually knew Mrs. Wolf. They brought with them copies of letters I had written to the woman balloonist over the years. I still have some of her letters to me.

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and eventually managed to push the Broncos ahead in the third.

Although they were slow at the start, the Broncos came charging back in the second half and took over the game pulling off a 42-28 victory and second win for the season.

Sonora's Jarrett Jackson was quick to answer Llano's first touchdown with a score of his own early in the second quarter and Brandon Martinez added the extra point tying the score 7-7.

Sonora managed another touchdown in the second when Kaden Cordell connected with Wesley Dutton who ran the ball 56 yards to paydirt. Again, Brandon Martinez added the extra point notching up the score 14-7.

Minutes later, Llano's Cade Fly slipped through the Broncos defense and scored. Diego Garcia completed the kick and the score was again tied at 14-14 as time expired in the second quarter.

Following a half-time locker room talk, the Broncos came charging back in the second half of the game.

Starting off the third quarter, Llano's Dalton Moore broke the tie when he crossed the end zone.

Determined to put the Broncos ahead, Dutton ran 15 yards to score on a pass from Cordell and tied things up again.

Keeping up the momentum, Dutton again found new wind and raced down the field 85 yards completing his third touchdown for the Broncos Friday evening putting them in the lead. The kick by Martinez was good and the Broncos took the lead 28-21.

Hoping to push the Broncos a little further

ahead of their competition, Cordell sprinted 24 yards to the end zone as the buzzer sounded and Sonora celebrated a 35-21 lead over the Yellowjackets at the end of the third.

In a showdown fourth quarter, the duo of Brian Van Winkle and Evan Shannon put additional points on the scoreboard less than 2 minutes into the final stanza.

Van Winkle and Shannon connected on a pass and Shannon ran 19 yards to score. Martinez earned the extra point for the Broncos and the score was set at 42-21.

Although Sonora didn't score further in the fourth, the Yellowjackets earned an additional 7 points when Keele scored his second touchdown with only 12 seconds left to play and Garcia made good on the kick making the final score 42-28.

Leading the Broncos in scoring Wesley Dutton carried the ball 156 yards on 3 touchdowns.

Kaden Cordell had 24 yards on 1 touchdown, Jarrett Jackson has 6 yards on 1 touchdown and Evan Shannon had 19 yards on 1 touchdown.

Cordell and Hunter Bunch lead the Broncos in tackles with 2 each. Brandon Martinez, Alex Mata, John Deleon and Jansen Morris each had a tackle in the game.

Coach Cordell called his team "resilient" during their team talk following the end of the game applauding his players for rising to the occasion and achieving a well-deserved win despite their challenges on the field.

Aside from having to compensate for the size and speed of their opponents, the Broncos also endured holding multiple times

throughout the game. None the less, they kept their heads in the game making whatever adjustments necessary to overcome any and all adversity.

"That's a true test of a team," Cordell said to his players. "How you can respond when things don't go like they normally

should go. I challenged a lot of people in that locker room at half time and you answered. We had team effort across the board. These are the games that help us to play in December. We pushed ourselves harder tonight and I am extremely proud of the way you my guys finished. There's no doubt what so ever that the Llano yellowjackets lined up against the

Sonora broncos tonight.

Cordell also recognized the Llano coaching staff as well as their players. The Yellowjackets are a good ball club who proved to yet another test for the Broncos, a team of young players with only their second ball game under the Friday night lights, he said.

"Very fortunate to be 2-0," Cordell said. "Llano was a big test for this young

Bronco team. Several players grew up and answered the challenge that was given to them at halftime. Extremely proud of the young men and the assistant coaches for making the necessary adjustments which led to a come from behind victory. We hope to carry that momentum into our 2nd home game of the season against the Junction Eagles."

| SCORE BY QUARTER | |
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| SONORA | 00 - 14 - 21 - 07 = 42 |
| LLANO | 00 - 14 - 07 - 07 = 28 |

SECOND QUARTER
LLANO — 10:57 BROOKS KEELE 63 yd run on pass from Cade Fly (Kick good)
SONORA — 7:24 JARRETT JACKSON 6 yd run (Kick good)
SONORA — 5:10 WESLEY DUTTON 56 yd run on pass from Kaden Cordell (Kick good)
LLANO — 3:46 CADE FLY 4 yd run (Kick good)

THIRD QUARTER
LLANO — 9:27 DALTON MOORE 11 yd run (Kick good)
SONORA — 5:11 WESLEY DUTTON 15 yd run on pass from Cordell (Kick good)
SONORA — 2:46 WESLEY DUTTON 85 yd run on pass from Cordell (Kick good)
SONORA — 0:00 KADEN CORDELL 24 yd run (Kick good)

FOURTH QUARTER
SONORA — 1:46 EVAN SHANNON 19 yd run on pass from Brian VanWinkle (Kick good)
LLANO — 0:12 BROOKS KEELE 6 yd run on pass from Cade Fly (Kick good)

INDIVIDUAL STATS
RUSHING
SONORA — Jarrett Jackson 16-75, J.R. Velasquez 2-1; Kaden Cordell 10-28; Brian VanWinkle 1-0
LLANO — Ben Walling 13-61; Cade Fly 12-17; Dalton Moore 3-14; Logan Dugger 1-3; Kaleb Dodson 1-2; Mason Brooks 1-0
PASSING
SONORA — Kaden Cordell 14-34-326 yds; Brian VanWinkle 1-1-19 yds; Jarrett Jackson 0-1-0
LLANO — Cade Fly 25-36-363 yds; Kaleb Dodson 1-1-32
RECEIVING
SONORA — Wesley Dutton 6-248; Jarrett Jackson 6-47; Evan Shannon -1-19; Marcos Talamantes 1-14; Brandon Martinez 1-8; Brock Aschenbeck 0-0
LLANO — Brooks Keele 5-166; Aaron Brown 6-132; Hayden Godfrey 6-57; Ben Walling 1-13; Anthony Watson 2-13; Dalton Moore 1-10; Logan Dugger 3-8; Mason Brooks 2-(4)

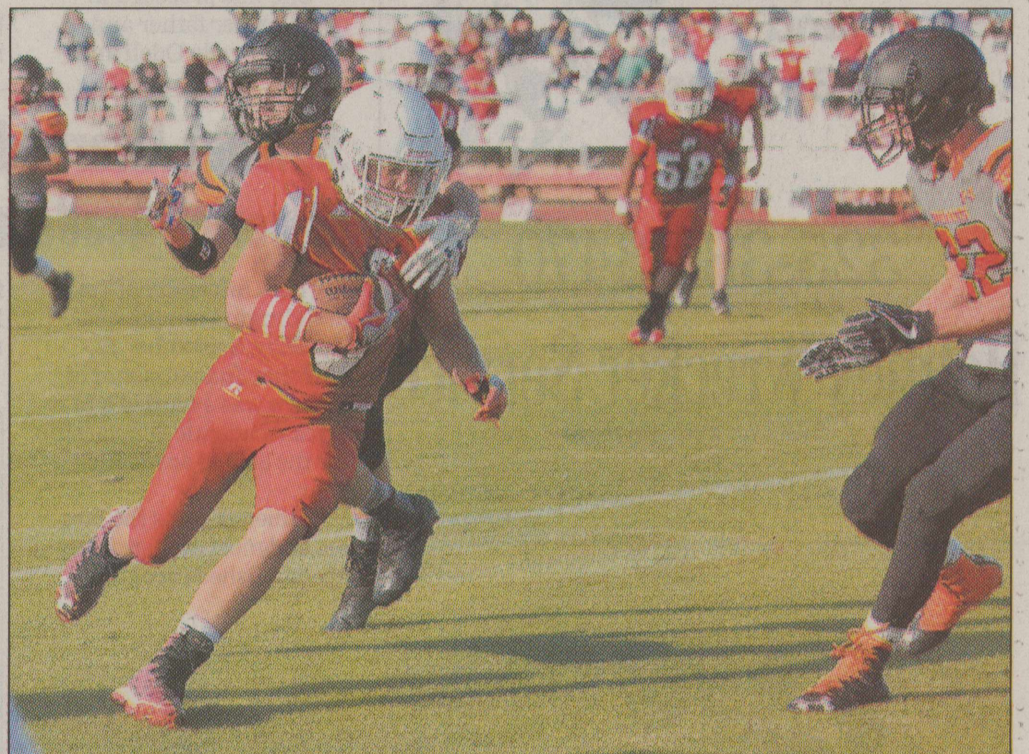
Sonora Broncos vs. Junction Eagles

Friday, Sept. 15

7:30 p.m. Kickoff

Bronco Stadium

Broncos Junior Varsity Action



Levi Garrett breaks through the Llano defense on his way to the end zone during Thursday's game between the JV Broncos and JV Yellow Jackets, September 7, 2017, at Bronco Stadium. The JV Broncos will travel to Junction this Thursday, September 14th to play the Eagles. Game time is set for 7:30 p.m.

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OBITUARIES

Martha Ellen Mills Carlisle April 23, 1949 – September 11, 2017



Martha Ellen Mills Carlisle, age 68, of San Angelo, passed away peacefully at her residence on September 11, 2017.

Martha was born in Bronte on April 23, 1949 and retired from Verizon (formerly GTE).

She was preceded in death by her father and mother, Brady Odell and

Lola Marie Mills of San Angelo.

Martha is survived by her sister, Glenda (James) Barton of Sonora, two daughters, Tammy Morrow of San Angelo and Crystal (Steve) Wallace of Spring, TX, grandson, Joshua Morrow of San Angelo and numerous nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews.

A graveside service was held September 13, 2017 at Fairview Cemetery in Bronte. Services were under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home, in San Angelo. In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to Hospice of San Angelo.

Online condolences may be made at www.shafferpioneer.com.

Jimenez Awarded 2017-18 UTA Maverick Academic Scholarship

The University of Texas at Arlington announced Tuesday, September 12, 2017 that Juan Jimenez of Sonora was awarded a Maverick Academic Scholarship for the 2017-18 academic year.

Jimenez joins the largest and most academically accomplished incoming

freshman class in UTA's history, according to a news release.

Congratulations Juan!



Sonora ISD Menu

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

Monday September 18 Breakfast

Waffles, Bacon, or Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Fruit, Milk

Lunch

Country Fried Stake, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Okra, Roll, Milk

After School Program

Muffin, Milk

Tuesday September 19 Breakfast

Peanut Butter Jelly Sandwich, or Cereal, Crackers, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk

Lunch

Meat and Cheese Chalupa, Refried Beans, Salsa, Lettuce, Tomato, Rosy Applesauce, Milk

After School Program

Fruit, Yogurt

Wednesday September 20 Breakfast

Breakfast Pizza, or Cereal, Crackers, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk

Lunch

Chicken Tenders, Texas Toast, Gravy, Broccoli, Sweet Potatoes Fries, Mixed Vegetables, Crispy Cereal Treat, Milk

After School Program

Baked Chips, Juice

Thursday September 21 Breakfast

Sausage Egg Cheeses Sandwich, or Cereal, Crackers, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk

Lunch

Chicken Spaghetti, Bread Sticks, Garden Salad, Carrots, Apple Slices, Milk

After School Program

Crackers, Cheddar Fish, Juice

Friday September 22 Breakfast

Pita Pocket Breakfast, or Cereal, Crackers, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk

Lunch

Shrimp Poppers, Mac and Cheese, Coleslaw, Savory Green Beans, Orange Smiles, Milk

After School Program

1/2 Sandwich, Milk

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Valentina Gonzales Gallegos February 14, 1934 – August 31, 2017



Valentina Gonzales Gallegos was called to her heavenly home on August 31, 2017 at the age of 83. She passed peacefully with family by her side.

Valentina was born in Crystal City, Texas on February 14, 1934.

She was raised by her grandparents the late Valentin and Paulita Favela.

Valentina was the daughter of the late Petra Favela and the late Juan and Teodora Gonzales.

She was married to the love of her life, the late Francisco (Kiko) Gallegos for 34 years.

Valentina devoted most of her life as a caregiver to family, friends and anyone that she thought needed her assistance.

She was a devoted Catholic and was a very faithful servant to the Lord.

She loved the Devine Mercy celebration and was a member of the St. Anne's Guadalupe.

She enjoyed having lunch with friends at the Senior Center and playing BINGO on Mondays. She also loved going to Dairy Queen for ice cream cones and banana splits with her very good friend Teresita.

Valentina was known as the #1 cheerleader for the Sonora Broncos. She missed very few games beginning when her children and grandchildren were in Sonora schools.

She hadn't had any family members on the team or band in several years, but she was always at home as well as out of town games cheering and yelling at the referees for throwing out too many yellow flags.

She would have "VICTORY" parties at her home after home games often serving her famous menudo and tamales.

Coach Cordell and Coach Favila presented her family a team autographed football and the first game of the season was dedicated to her.

She was surely enjoying this honor tremendously with a big smile from

heaven on Friday. She also loved watching the Dallas Cowboys games.

A highlight in her life was when her grandson Raymond took her to watch the game at Texas Stadium.

Valentina is preceded in death by her husband, grandparents, parents and brother Eloy Gonzales.

Valentina is survived by her daughter Mary Gallegos Martinez, grandson and his wife Raymond and Jean Martinez and great-grandsons Matthew and Michael, granddaughter and her husband Angela and Joseph Gonzales and great-grandsons Danny and Isaiiah, her son and his wife Carlos and Antonia Gallegos and granddaughter Gabriella Gallegos Duran and great-grandchildren Anna, JC and Richard, grandson and his wife Frank David and Kim Gallegos and great-grandchildren Xavier, Aria and Leelee.

She is also survived by her son and his wife Frank and Lilia Gallegos and grand-kitty Frenzy, her daughter and husband Cecilia and Arturo Galindo, grandson and his wife Conrad and Kathy Galindo and great-grandchildren Priya and Oren.

She also survived by her brother Juan Gonzales, sisters Elida, Pura Elia, and Carmen Gonzales and Juanita and husband Leopoldo Rodriguez and numerous cousins, nephews and nieces.

She had many endearing names; Valentina, Tina, Vale, Mommy, Mom, Mama, Wuelita, Grandma Valentina, Grandma Valentines and Aunt Valentina. She will be missed by all who loved her and knew her.

Her family wishes to express their most sincere thanks to everyone that called and visited her, brought food before and after her passing, attended the service and accompanied family for the rosary novena and continue to visit and share good memories.

Special thanks to Antonia Gallegos for cooking anything she asked for and for the family so the focus could be on her care.

To Marissa and Santiago Faz and Juanita Herrera and Elvia Lopez and everyone that helped them with the meal after the burial service.

There was so much love shared by so many to be able to list everyone's name. Love to all!

Learn About Agriculture and Natural Resources in 4-H!

The start of the school year also marks the start of the 4-H year.

Though the program has much to offer, it is a good place for outdoor types.

Let's look at just a few of the projects in the natural resource areas which you might check out.

1. The Outdoor Education project is aimed at youth with interest in the outdoors.

Participants of the seven-week series will learn basic biology, habitat identification, and ecology.

The project will also offer learning experiences such as camping skills, wildlife sign identification, outdoor survival skills, first aid, angler skills, and more.

2. You might also consider the shooting sports project.

The two disciplines we offer are rifle and archery.

Participants will learn firearm safety and shooting skills. Teams can compete at invitational meets and district contests.

3. For those who want

to get their hands dirty, there is horticulture or entomology.

Horticulture participants can do anything from build a miniature greenhouse, to worm farming, and crafts.

Entomology offers an exploration of the amazing world of insects.

4. Range science offers an opportunity for youth to learn which plants are toxic, which ones are preferred by wildlife, and which offer grazing value to livestock.

They will also learn to identify a plant's longevity (annual or perennial), season of growth, origin, and economic value.

You can join and compete on Range Evaluation and Pasture Grass Identification teams.

5. For those with interest in animal science, there are wool and mohair judging contests.

Wool and mohair judging are two separate contests.

Participants learn to evaluate fleeces with regard



Pascual Hernandez

Weekly Crossword Puzzle

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| 1. Speak out | 65. Numero ____ | 3. Own | 21. Algonquin |
| 5. Explorer Johnson | 66. Carnival show | 4. Warm | 24. Space agcy. |
| 8. Crustacean | 67. Rose part | 5. Spread | 25. City near |
| 12. Talks wildly | 68. Girl of song | 6. Exercise | Minneapolis |
| 14. Ad ____ | 69. Flowering shrub | 7. Subside | 26. Just |
| 15. Ice skate part | 70. Viewed | 8. Earth | 28. Strip of wood |
| 16. Daughter of Cercyon | 71. Vane dir. | 9. Cereal grass | 30. Splendor |
| 17. Greek letter | 72. Becomes listless | 10. Yemen seaport | 31. Mountain nymph |
| 18. Beer | DOWN | 11. Austrian composer | 32. Simpleton |
| 19. Be understood | 1. Boast | 13. Establish | 34. Pinochle score |
| 22. Proper | 2. French composer | 15. Clamorous | 36. Anger |
| 23. Organic soil | | 20. Core of anything | 37. Heartfelt |
| 24. Elko, ____: abbr. | | | 39. Suit to ____ |
| 27. Accomplish | | | 41. Indifferent |
| 29. Rooster | | | 42. Proverb |
| 33. First man | | | 47. The Gold Bug author |
| 35. Incursion | | | 49. Nacre |
| 38. Water wheel | | | 52. Hiatus |
| 40. Show aloofness | | | 53. Former beverage heaters |
| 43. Old-womanish | | | 55. The Innocents |
| 44. Chief | | | Abroad author |
| 45. Window part | | | 56. Dozes |
| 46. Be in accord | | | 57. Double curve |
| 48. Discuss | | | 58. Board or bag |
| 50. Color | | | 59. Grain husks |
| 51. Drink excessively | | | 60. Aperture |
| 54. Obtain | | | 61. Plinth |
| 56. Maintain secrecy | | | 62. Peruse |
| 64. Greek marketplace | | | 63. Calendar abbreviations |

See solution on Page 8

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SHS Student Council Helps Rural Kids on Texas Coast

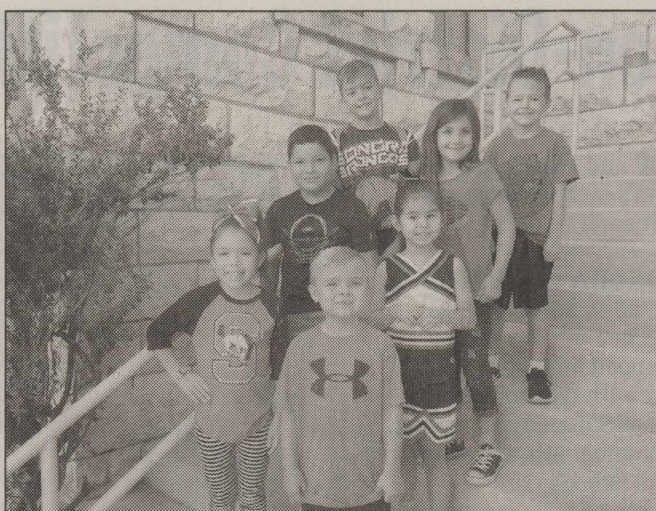
SHS Student Council raised a total of \$1,092 for the Texas Rural Education Association (TREA) Hurricane Relief Fund to help students in areas affected by Hurricane Harvey.

Students collected money during the September 1st football game between Sonora and Ozona at Bronco Stadium in Sonora.

Don Rogers, Executive

Director, TREA, thanked Sonora ISD and the community for their efforts on behalf of rural kids on the Texas coast.

Rogers stated the "We will distribute those funds for students school supplies as soon as we determine those schools most in need of help," Rogers said in an e-mail to SISD Superintendent Ross Aschenbeck.



Elementary School Students for the week of September 11th through September 15th. Powell Moore, Pre-K, Isabella Fuentes, K, Kynlie Gonzales, 1st, Caidn Cardenas, 2nd, Madelyn Hernandez, 3rd, Ryan Mendez, 4th, Weston Fisher, 5th. | COURTESY PHOTO

County Hires New Librarian

Taking a minute to reflect on the events of 911, Sutton County Commissioners began their regular meeting Monday, September 11, 2017, with a special prayer and tribute to the American flag, before moving on to hiring a new librarian and other agenda items.

In regular business, the court approved the minutes of the August 28 regular meeting and the August 23 and August 29 special meetings with one correction noted as well as the accounts payable and treasurer's report, as presented.

Next, Judge Jody Harris reported 1,061 new cases for the month of August of which 654 were DPS and 407 were Sheriff's Office. In comparison to the 560 cases reported last August, the difference is an increase of 501 new cases.

He also reported 863 cases closed resulting in revenues of \$129,333.34 retained by the county and \$75,896.80 retained by the state.

Additionally, Judge Harris reported 32 cases magistrate, 3 requests for a court appointed attorney and 1 inquest for the month of August.

Next, Sheriff Oscar Chavez reported a total of 447 dispatch calls, 3 civil processes received and 12 civil processes served during the month of August. He also reported a daily average of inmates at 10.8 at a cost of \$1.88 per meal.

Additionally, he reported a total of \$445.00 collected in fees, \$369.49 inmate phone fees collected

and a total of \$20,809.61 in traffic citations paid to JP.

Extension agents Pascual Hernandez and Jessica Stapper updated commissioners on current activities and upcoming events.

Hernandez reported that the annual Field Day this past August was a success benefiting 4-H students.

He also informed commissioners about an upcoming Wildlife Habitat Workshop, set for October 26th.

Additionally, a youth hunter education course will be available in late October.

Stapper updated commissioners on 4-H activities including the club's recent meeting marking a new year and officers as well as plans for photography and nutrition classes in the near future.

After accepting the monthly library report, commissioners recognized Florie Gonzales, retiring from her position of librarian. Mike Villanueva presented her with a gift to thank her for her service.

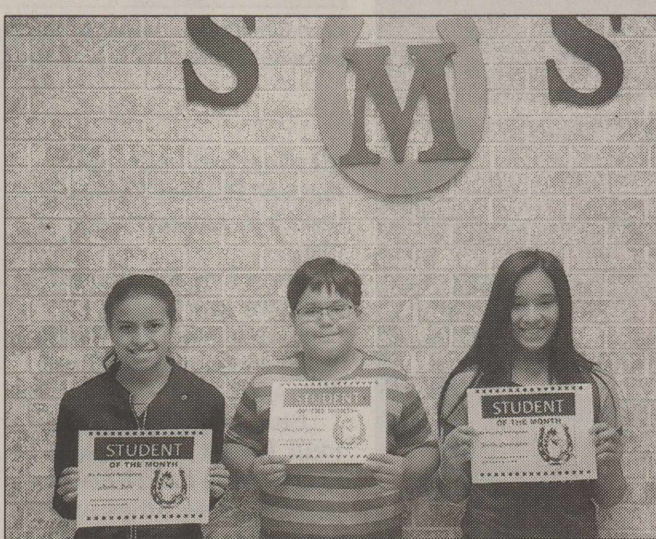
Resuming regular business, County Attorney David Wallace reported a total of \$115.38 in hot check recovery.

County Clerk Rachel Duran reported \$5,057.28 collected in district court fees, \$6,635.10 collected in county court fees and \$4,344.00 collected in land fees and titles.

In other business, the court heard information and presentations from the Rural Transit Services before voting to approve a 1-year interlocal agreement

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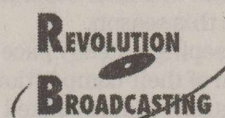
Sonora ISD Students of the Week



Sonora Middle School Students for the week of September 11th through September 15th. Atalia Ruiz, 6th, Joe Ivan Abrego, 7th, Yailin Dominguez, 8th. | COURTESY PHOTO

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CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS: Voter ID Law

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2 preserving the requirement of an ID while allowing those without an accepted ID to vote by signing a sworn declaration stating that they have a reasonable impediment to obtaining one.

Furthermore, Senate Bill 5, a law passed by the Texas Legislature this year amending the voter ID law to comply with a prior 5th Circuit ruling, takes effect in 2018, Paxton said. Paxton echoed the U.S. Department of Justice, saying the new law "eradicates any discriminatory effect or intent" and expands voter identification options.

DACA decision pleases AG

Attorney General Paxton on Sept. 5 applauded President Donald Trump's decision to phase out within the next six months the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program created by President Barack Obama in 2012.

DACA granted lawful presence and work permits to nearly 800,000 people who were brought to the U.S. as children by foreign nationals. President Trump left it to Congress to pass a law by March 5, 2018, that would allow affected individuals to continue residing in the U.S.

Hegar reports on taxes

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar last week

released the total of state revenues collected during the fiscal year that began Sept. 1, 2016, and ended Aug. 31, 2017. Hegar also posted a state revenue report for the month of August.

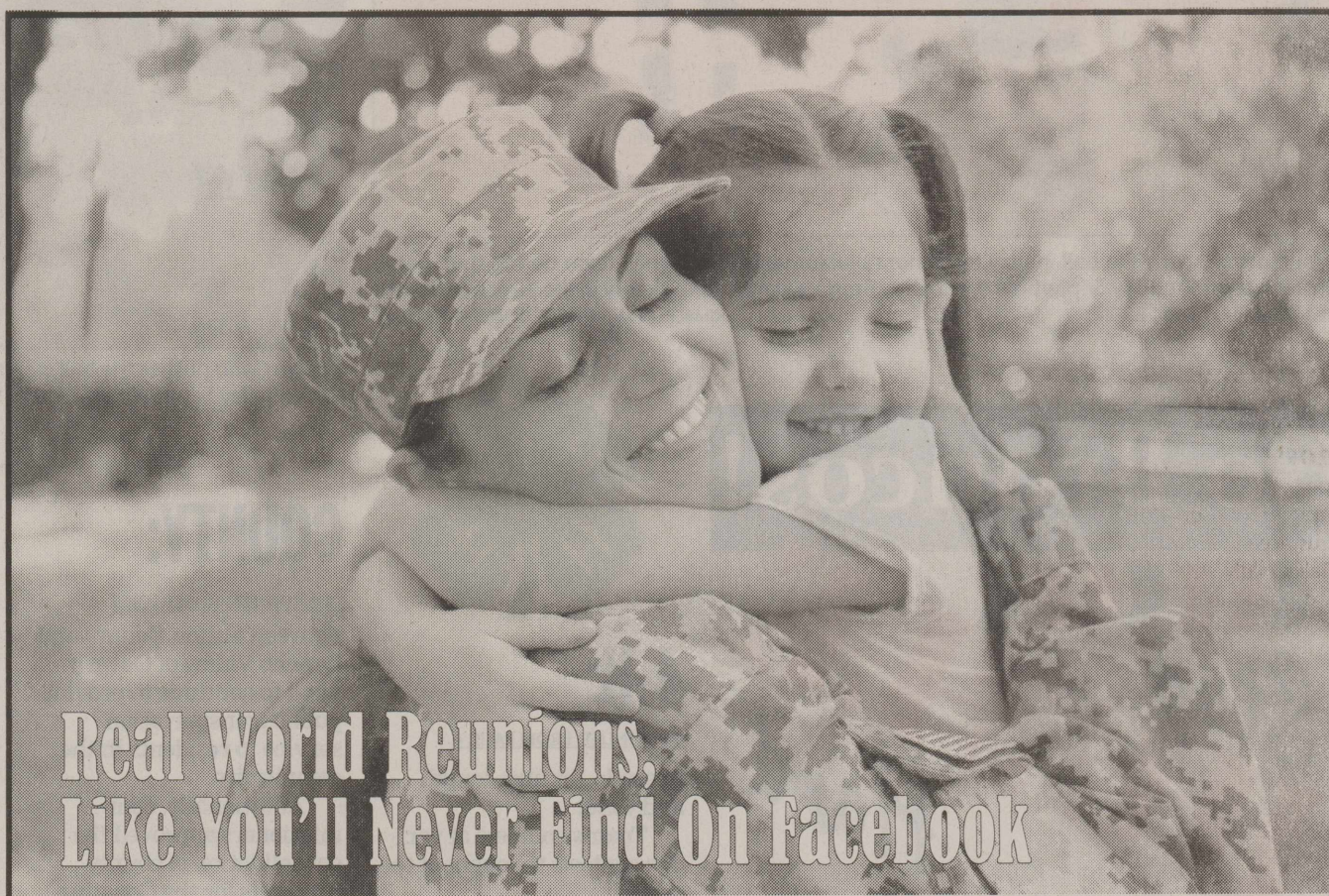
Sales tax revenue for the year was \$28.9 billion, 0.3 percent ahead of the \$28.8 billion projected in the January biennial revenue estimate, and general revenue-related revenue was \$52.3 billion, or 1.2 percent ahead of the projection of \$51.7 billion. State sales tax revenue for the month of August totaled \$2.48 billion, 0.9 percent less than in August 2016, he said.

Also, Hegar reported that Texas' "all funds" tax collections for fiscal year 2017 came to \$49.6 billion, or 0.2 percent less than his \$49.7 billion projection, and all funds revenue totaled \$111.2 billion, or 1.4 percent less than his \$112.8 billion projection.

Revenue distribution set

Comptroller Hegar on Sept. 7 announced his office would send cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts \$668.3 million in local sales tax allocations for September, an amount 6.2 percent more than the Office of the Comptroller distributed in September 2016.

Allocations are based on sales made in July by businesses that report tax monthly.



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Remember What's Truly Important

Lady Broncos Dig into Non-District Competition at Home and Away

SONORA vs. MILES
23-25, 25-17, 23-25, 25-20, 15-12

The Lady Broncos volleyed through a busy week of games last week starting with their non-district match against the Miles Lady Bulldogs Tuesday, September 5th, in Miles.

Looking to avenge their loss to Miles in the Central Tournament the varsity ladies played a high energy 5-set game against the Lady Bulldogs.

This was their seventh game this season.

Keeping a steady pace ahead of their competition, the varsity ladies walked

away with the win with scores of 23-25, 25-17, 23-25, 25-20, 15-12.

Leading her team in the victory, Mary Kyle Johnson had 1 ace, 26 kills, 2 blocks, and 24 digs. Carly Brown also helped her teammates dominate the game by contributing 17 kills, 6 blocks, and 12 digs. Jackilyn Sykes had 2 aces, 13 digs, 2 blocks, and 44 assists, Noelia Tovar had 2 aces, 2 kills, and 16 digs and Lane Cahill had 2 kills, 3 blocks, and 4 digs.

Delaney Ramsdell and Karah Martinez also contributed 1 ace and 1 dig as well as 26 digs respectively. Clarissa Rodriguez added

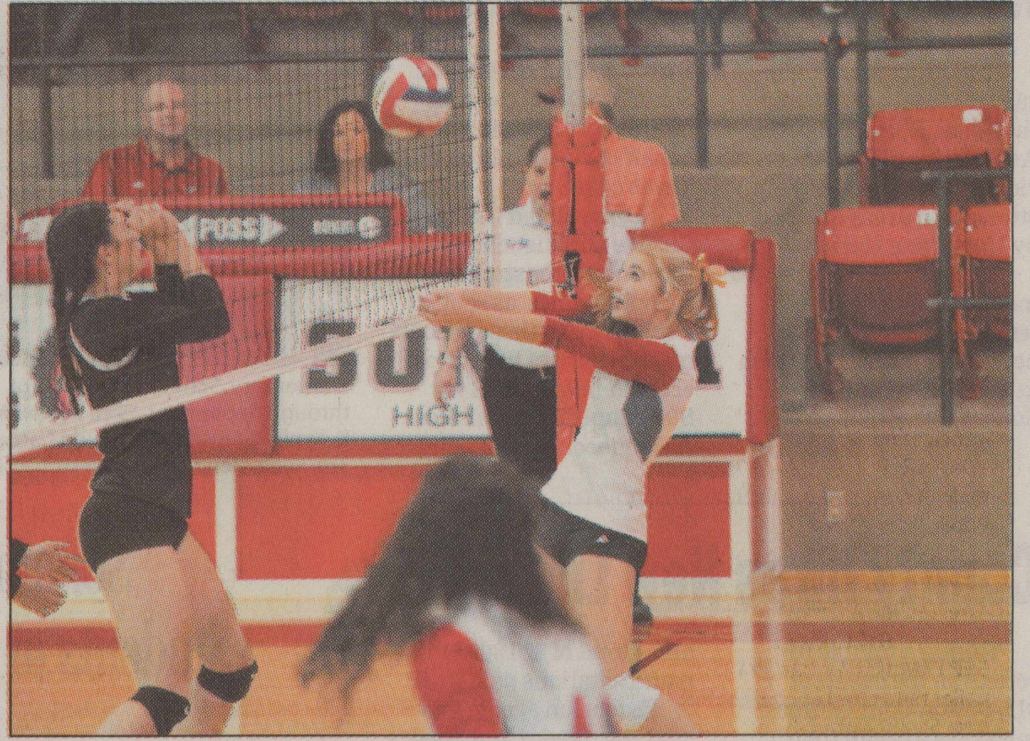
1 kill and 1 block to the team's overall success on the court.

SONORA vs. JUNCTION
25-9, 25-6, & 25-21

The Lady Broncos wrapped up their week of play with two home court games Saturday afternoon, September 9th, at Sonora High School.

First the ladies matched up against the Junction Lady Eagles for another victory following a 3-set game with scores of 25-9, 25-6, & 25-21.

Contributing to the win, Jackilyn Sykes had 2 kills, 16 assists, and 5 digs, Karah



Lane Cahill keeps the ball in play during the varsity volleyball match between Sonora and Water Valley Saturday, September 9, 2017. The Lady Broncos beat the Lady Wildcats 25-21, 22-25, 25-20, & 25-18. KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS



Delaney Ramsdell goes up for a kill during Saturday's varsity game between the Lady Broncos and Lady Eagles, September 9, 2017. Sonora won the 3-set match with scores of 25-9, 25-6, & 25-21 before playing their next game later in the day. KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

Martinez had 1 kill and 6 digs and Delaney Ramsdell had 1 kill, 1 assist, and 9 digs.

Mary Kyle Johnson led her team with 11 kills, 1 block, and 3 digs and Noelia Tovar contributed 3 kills, 6 digs, and 1 ace.

Clarissa Rodriguez had 1 kill, 1 block and 5 digs, Carly Brown had 2 kills, 1 block, 2 assists, 3 digs, and 4 aces and Lane Cahill had 2 digs and 3 aces.

After a short recess, the Lady Broncos were back in action competing against the Water Valley Lady Wildcats.

SONORA vs WATER VALLEY
25-21, 22-25, 25-20, & 25-18

Next, the varsity team pulled off another victory

in an exciting 4-set win with scores of 25-21, 22-25, 25-20, & 25-18.

Assuring that the team stay ahead of their opponent, all of the ladies stepped up and contributed to the win.

Carly Brown had 1 ace, 18 kills, 2 blocks, and 12 digs. Noelia Tovar had 1 ace, 1 assist, 1 block, and 10 digs and Jackilyn Sykes had 1 ace, 43 assists, 1 block, and 11 digs.

Mary Kyle Johnson had 1 ace, 25 kills, 2 blocks, and 7 digs, Lane Cahill had 1 ace, 1 kill, 1 assist, 1 block, and 5 digs, Delaney Ramsdell had 2 aces, 4 kills, 1 block, and 7 digs and Karah Martinez had 17 digs.

The junior varsity ladies also had a good day on the court Saturday taking the

win in a 3-set game against Junction.

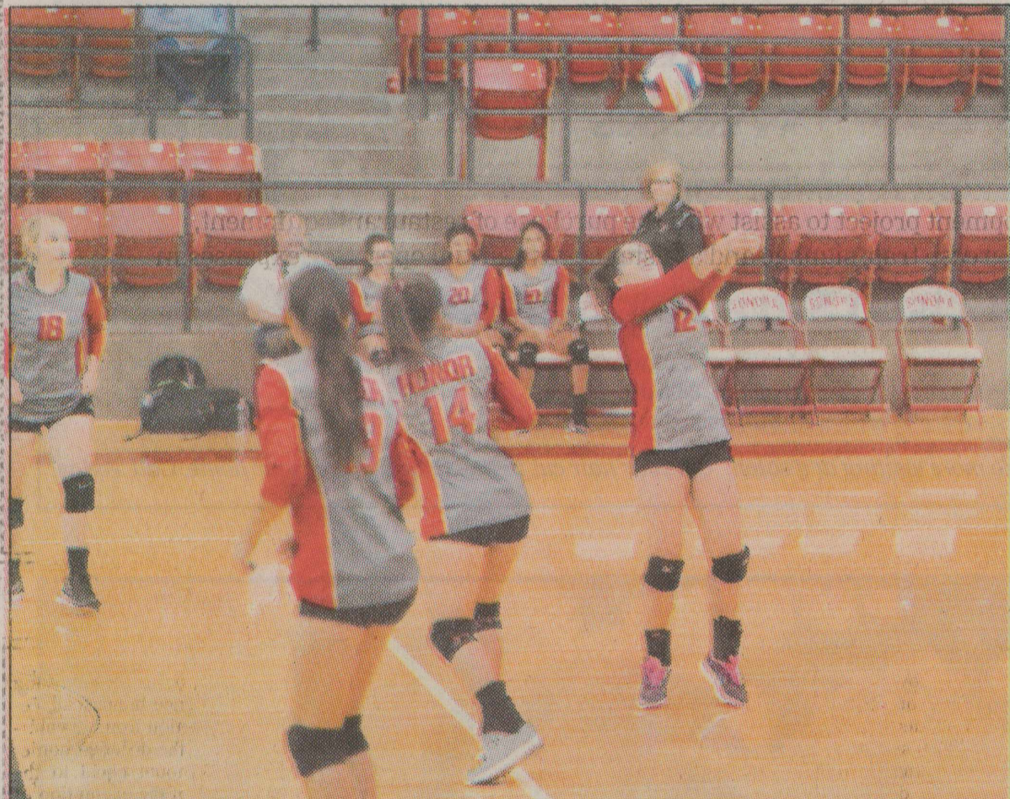
Sonora JV vs Junction JV 25-14, 13-25, 25-22.

The Lady Broncos were on the road again this past Tuesday, September 12th, traveling to Fredericksburg. A report of that game will be available in the next issue of the Devil's River News.

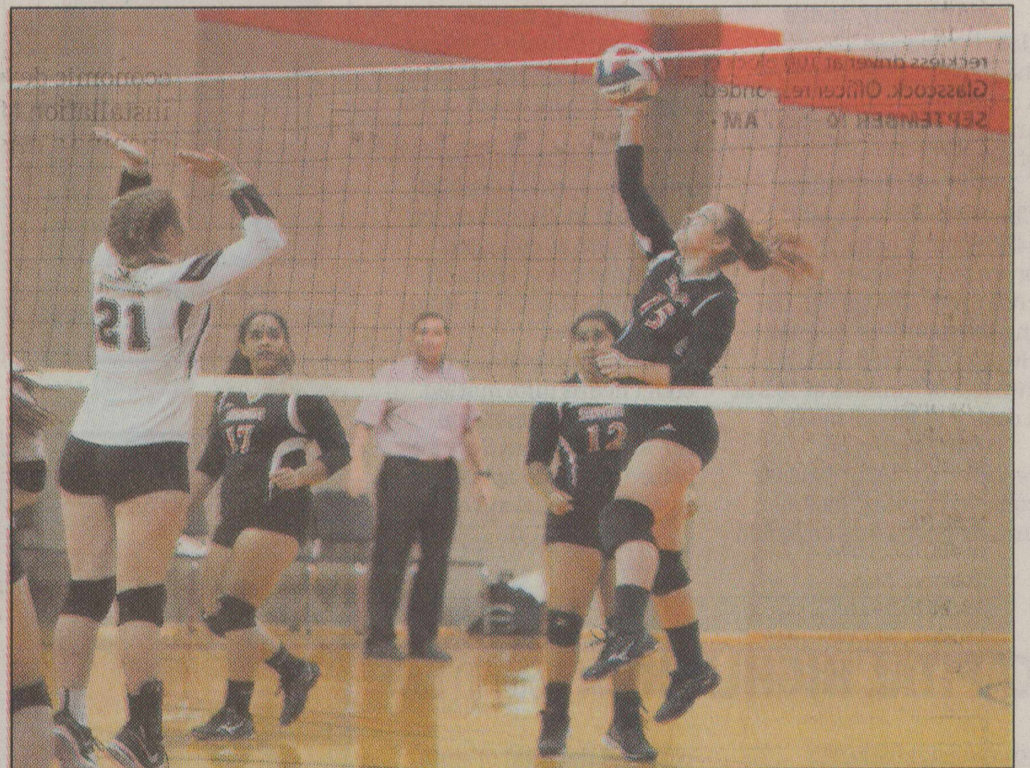
Next, the Lady Broncos volleyball teams travel to Crane Saturday, September 16 to compete in a non-district match against the Lady Cranes.

Game time is set for 10:00 a.m. for freshman and junior varsity teams followed by the varsity at 11:00 a.m.

Everyone is encouraged to make the trip and cheer for the players.



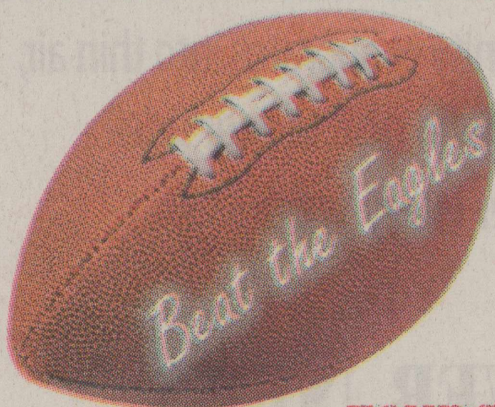
Dekota Morrow keeps the ball in play for Sonora's junior varsity volleyball team during their game against Junction Saturday, September 9. The Lady Broncos claimed the victory in the 3-set match with scores of 25-14, 13-25, 25-22. KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS



Kaitlyn Gann pushes the ball over the net during the freshman volleyball game between Sonora and Water Valley Saturday, September 9, 2017, in Sonora. KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

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4-H:

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to grade, texture, length and yield.

Teams compete at various contests throughout the spring.

There will also be an opportunity for those who want to learn to evaluate livestock or want to learn about veterinary science.

Hands-on activities provide visual examples and opportunities to learn subject matter, but also decision-making skills.

These events also offer fun learning experiences. The cost?

For many of these activities, it's as simple as becoming a member (\$25 per year).

One more thing, all adults who serve as volunteers or project leaders must go through a screening process (background check).

4-H has many other projects to offer.

If you'd like to have your kids explore these activities, please come by or call the Sutton County Extension Office at 387-3101.

COUNTY:

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between Sutton County and Concho Valley of Government to continue to provide public transportation service to residents in the community.

Additionally, commissioners approved the consolidation of county precincts for the Constitutional Amendment Election in November. The election will be held at the Sutton County Annex Building.

Commissioners also approved an agreement between Frontier Communications and the County Clerk for the purpose of providing phone service.

The court also approved a nomination of Maura Weingart to remain the Appraisal District Director.

Following a question by Mike Villanueva regarding the legitimacy of Judge

Steve Smith's authority to solely interview and make a decision on who to hire as the new librarian, the court tabled the agenda item to hire a new librarian pending further review by the County Attorney.

Wallace was excused from the meeting to begin his research while commissioners continued with the agenda.

Upon returning, Wallace explained that there were no regulations stating whether or not commissioners were required to interview and or decide on regular hiring of county employees.

Therefore, the court accepted Judge Smith's recommendation to hire Debra Brown as the new librarian. She begins her post October 1st.

In his report, Judge

Smith informed commissioners about concerns over dry landscape in the area despite rainfall in the past month and the potential for fires.

Erring on the side of caution, the court approved a burn ban resolution to enact the ban for all of Sutton County for the next 90 days. Commissioners will review it again at that time.

Without further discussion or public comments, the meeting adjourned.

Judge Steve Smith presided over the meeting, Commissioners Carl Teaff, Mike Villanueva, Fred Perez and Bob Brockman were present.

The next regular meeting of the Sutton County Commissioners is set for Monday, September 25, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at the County Annex Building.



Countywide Burn Ban Is In Effect

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 8 • Rodolfo Fonseca, 41-year-old male of Sonora. Arrested for Public Intoxication.
 • David Reynosa, 61-year-old male of Sonora. Arrested for Public Intoxication.
 • Esmeralda Ortiz Borrego, 47-year-old female of Sonora. Arrested for Warrant for Theft.

INCIDENTS

SEPTEMBER 4 - 1:26 PM • Caller requested animal control near Steakhouse. Officer responded.
SEPTEMBER 5 - 10:32 AM • Caller requested to speak to Officer at Petro Plus yard. Officer responded.
12:48 PM • Caller reported found property at 500 block of US Hwy 277 North. Officer responded.
3:15 PM • 9-1-1 call at 400 block of Del Rio. Officer responded-accidental call.
SEPTEMBER 7 - 5:56 PM • Caller requested to speak to an officer at 1000 block of Crockett. Officer responded.
7:56 PM • Caller requested to speak to an officer at Sutton County Park. Officer responded.
9:27 PM • Caller reported a theft at Stripes 267. Officer responded.
SEPTEMBER 8 - 5:33 PM • Caller reported an intoxicated driver area of S. Crockett. Officer responded.
SEPTEMBER 9 - 10:10 AM • Caller requested animal control at Sonic area. Officer responded.
6:29 PM • Agency requested to assist Sutton County Sheriff's deputy on I-10 at 414 mm.
11:14 PM • Caller reported a reckless driver at 100 block of Glasscock. Officer responded.
SEPTEMBER 10 - 9:27 AM • Caller reported theft at 300 block of W. College. Officer responded.
10:06 AM • Caller reported theft at 200 block of W. College. Officer responded.
10:51 AM • Caller reported an illegally parked vehicle at 700 block of Mesquite. Officer responded.
5:28 PM • Caller reported theft at 1100 block of Crockett. Officer responded.
9:56 PM • Caller reported theft at 400 block of E. College. Officer responded.
10:26 PM • Caller reported loud music at 500 block of Mata. Officer responded.

SUTTON COUNTY SHERIFF ARRESTS

SEPTEMBER 4 • 1 illegal alien was held for transport by Border Patrol.
SEPTEMBER 5 • Ida Villarreal 51-year-old female of Ozona. Arrested for a warrant out of Crockett County.
 • Ernesto Villarreal 35-year-old male of Ozona. Arrested for Possession of Marijuana, < 2oz.
SEPTEMBER 9 • Andres Nunez 30-year-old male of Mission. Arrested for Driving while License Invalid.
 • Octavio Hernandez 24-year-old male of Brownsville. Arrested on a Cameron County warrant.

INCIDENTS

SEPTEMBER 4 - 3:11 PM • Caller reported smoke on RR 864 and PR 202. Deputies and SVFD responded.
7:50 PM • Caller reported disturbance in the draw behind West 1st. Deputy and Officer responded.
SEPTEMBER 5 - 4:55 AM • Caller reported a horse on CR 104. Deputy responded.
3:51 PM • Caller reported a dumpster on fire on the corner of Ben Juarez and San Francisco. Deputies and SVFD responded.
SEPTEMBER 7 - 11:45 AM • Caller reported cows on Bond RD. 8-10 miles. Deputy responded.
SEPTEMBER 8 - 1:58 PM • Caller reported a female with a child walking down I-10 at 427 mm. Deputy responded.
SEPTEMBER 9 - 9:15 PM • Caller reported a stranded motorist on I-10 at 432 mm. Deputy responded.

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Reader Recipes

"Ann's Toasted Pecans"

Lolabeth Jones is an honorary member of the Sonora Woman's Club as well as the 2016-2017 Cookbook Committee Chairwoman.

This recipe for "Toasted Pecans" by Ann Eustance was shared with her many years ago and remains in the current Woman's Club Cookbook.

It is the perfect salty snack for any party.

- 1/4 cup butter
- 1 tsp seasoned salt
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 5 shakes of Tabasco sauce
- 1 quart pecan halves
- 2 tsp Worcestershire sauce

Preheat oven to 300'. In a jelly roll pan, melt butter. Add next 3 ingredients and stir.

Add pecans stirring to coat the nuts with butter.

Toast on oven for 15 minutes.

Remove and add Worcestershire sauce; stir to mix well.

Return to oven and toast for 5-10 more minutes.

Watch carefully - don't let them get too brown.

NOTICE

To the Public:

As of the September 1, 2017, My book, *Faded Rimrock Memories* will no longer be sold to the public at Sutton County Steak House.

This book will continue to be available at Simon Store, The Wool House, the local drug store, the Country Store in Ozona until supplies are exhausted.

Joe N. Brown

Devil's River News Weekly Rainfall Report

| Month | Year-to-Date Total | Month | Year-to-Date Total |
|-------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| September 1-12 | 0.00 in. | September 1-12 | 0.08 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 | 1.68 in. |
| 2017 Year-to-Date Total | 18.56 in. | 2017 Year-to-Date Total | 17.42 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. |

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Sonora Economic Development Corporation

PUBLIC HEARING FOR EXPENDING SECTION 4B TAX PROCEEDS

The City Council will hold a public hearing concerning the Sonora Economic Development Corporation expending Section 4B sales tax funds for the following project:

Proposed project to provide \$34,000.00 to Whitt Peaslee, dba Pit Stop Barbecue for an economic development project to assist with the purchase of restaurant equipment, installation of a grease trap, signage and assistance with initial operating expenses in opening a new restaurant in Sonora.

The hearing will be held on Monday, September 18, 2017 at 6:00 p.m., City Hall, 201 E. Main, Sonora, Texas.

All citizens are invited to attend and provide the council with written or oral comments.

PUBLIC NOTICE Brief Explanatory Statements of Proposed Constitutional Amendments Special Election, November 7, 2017

Proposition Number 1 (HJR 21)

HJR 21 proposes a constitutional amendment that would permit the Texas legislature to expand the circumstances under which a partially disabled veteran or their spouse may qualify for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of part of the market value of the veteran's residence homestead. Currently, the Texas legislature may provide that a partially disabled veteran or their spouse is entitled to an exemption from ad valorem taxation of a percentage of the market value of the disabled veteran's residence homestead only if the residence homestead was donated to the disabled veteran by a charitable organization at no cost to the veteran. The amendment would allow the Texas legislature to provide that the exemption also may be taken when the residence homestead was donated, sold, or transferred to the disabled veteran by a charitable organization for less than the market value of the residence homestead. The amendment also harmonizes certain related provisions of the Texas Constitution.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of part of the market value of the residence homestead of a partially disabled veteran or the surviving spouse of a partially disabled veteran if the residence homestead was donated to the disabled veteran by a charitable organization for less than the market value of the residence homestead and harmonizing certain related provisions of the Texas Constitution."

Proposition Number 2 (SJR 60)

SJR 60 proposes a constitutional amendment to require that certain conditions be met for the refinancing of a home equity loan to be secured by a voluntary lien on a homestead. The amendment also would: redefine what is excluded in the calculation of the cap on fees associated with a home equity

loan, lower the cap from 3% to 2% of the original principal amount of the extension of credit, and specify that such fees are in addition to any bona fide discount points used to buy down the interest rate. The amendment would further specify the list of authorized lenders to make home equity loans, change the threshold for an advance of a home equity line of credit, allow agricultural property owners to acquire home equity loans, and update technical terminology in the Texas Constitution. The amendment would be effective on January 1, 2018, and applicable only to a home equity loan made or refinanced on or after that date.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to establish a lower amount for expenses that can be charged to a borrower and removing certain financing expense limitations for a home equity loan, changing certain options for the refinancing of home equity loans, changing the threshold for an advance of a home equity line of credit, and allowing home equity loans on agricultural homesteads."

Proposition Number 3 (SJR 34)

SJR 34 proposes a constitutional amendment that would prevent certain office holders from serving indefinitely beyond the expiration of their term. Office holders who are appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate and receive no salary would only be able to serve until the last day of the first regular session of the Texas legislature that begins after their term expires.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment limiting the service of certain officeholders appointed by the governor and confirmed by the senate after the expiration of the person's term of office."

Proposition Number 4 (SJR 6)

SJR 6 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow the Texas legislature to require any court that is hearing a challenge to the constitutionality of a state

statute to notify the attorney general of that challenge, if the party raising the challenge notifies the court that the party is challenging the constitutionality of such statute. Additionally, the amendment would allow the Texas legislature to set a period of not more than 45 days following the notification to the attorney general that the court must wait before rendering a judgment that a state statute is unconstitutional.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to require a court to provide notice to the attorney general of a challenge to the constitutionality of a state statute and authorizing the legislature to prescribe a waiting period before the court may enter a judgment holding the statute unconstitutional."

Proposition Number 5 (HJR 100)

HJR 100 proposes a constitutional amendment to provide a more detailed definition of "professional sports team" for purposes of their charitable foundations, which the Texas legislature may permit to hold charitable raffles. The amendment also deletes a requirement that an eligible professional sports team charitable foundation permitted by the Texas legislature to hold charitable raffles had to be in existence on January 1, 2016.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment on professional sports team charitable foundations conducting charitable raffles."

Proposition Number 6 (SJR 1)

SJR 1 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow the Texas legislature by general law to provide that a surviving spouse of a first responder who is killed or fatally injured in the line of duty is entitled to receive an exemption from ad valorem taxation from all or part of the market value on the surviving spouse's residence homestead, as long as the surviving spouse has not remarried since the death of the first responder. It would also allow the Texas legislature to provide that the surviving spouse, who qualifies and receives the exemption and then qualifies a

different property as the surviving spouse's residence homestead, receive an exemption from ad valorem taxation of the different homestead in an amount equal to the dollar amount of the exemption of the first homestead for which the exemption was received in the last year in which the surviving spouse received the exemption for that first homestead. Like the initial exemption, this benefit will only remain available if the surviving spouse has not remarried since the death of the first responder. The proposed amendment would apply only to ad valorem taxes imposed for a tax year beginning on or after January 1, 2018.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a first responder who is killed or fatally injured in the line of duty."

Proposition Number 7 (HJR 37)

HJR 37 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow the Texas legislature to make an exception to the law regarding the award of certain prizes. Currently, the Texas Constitution requires the Texas legislature to pass laws prohibiting lotteries, raffles, and other programs where the award of gifts is based on luck or chance. The proposed amendment would make an exception to this general rule to allow the Texas legislature to authorize credit unions and other financial institutions to institute programs which, in order to encourage savings, would award prizes based on luck or chance to the credit union's or financial institution's customers.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment relating to legislative authority to permit credit unions and other financial institutions to award prizes by lot to promote savings."

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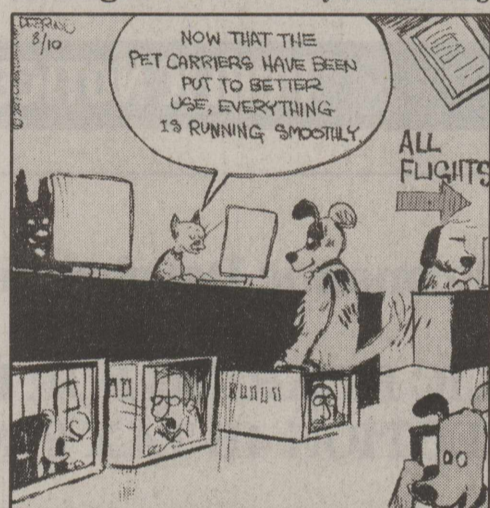
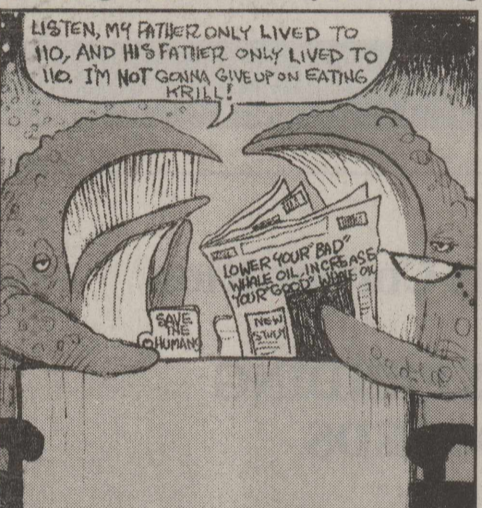


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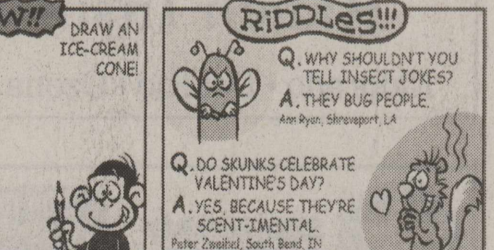
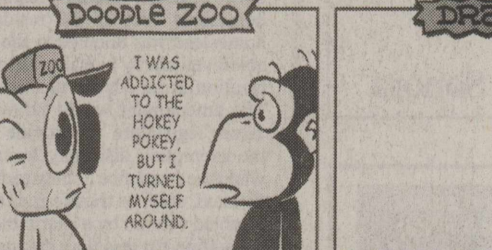
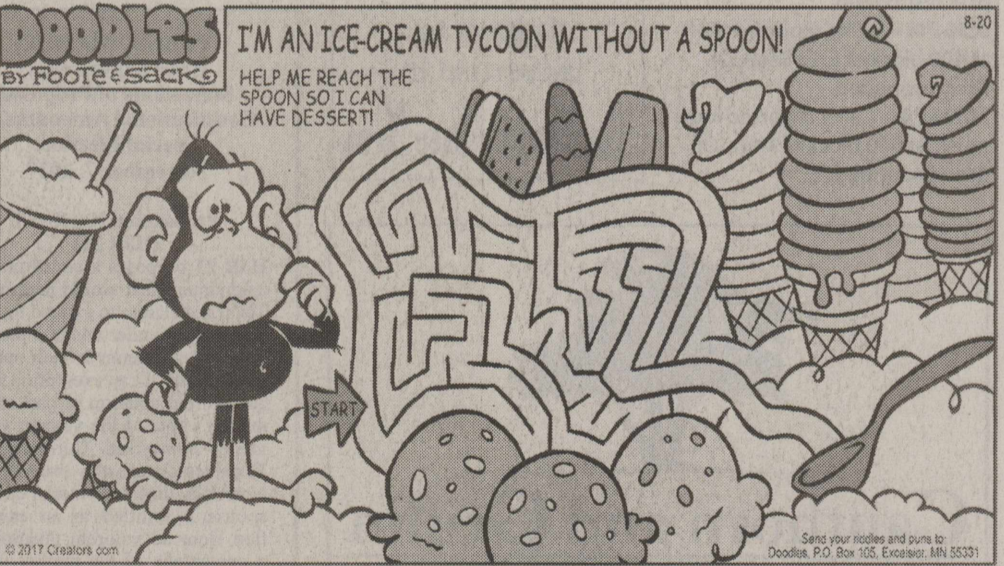
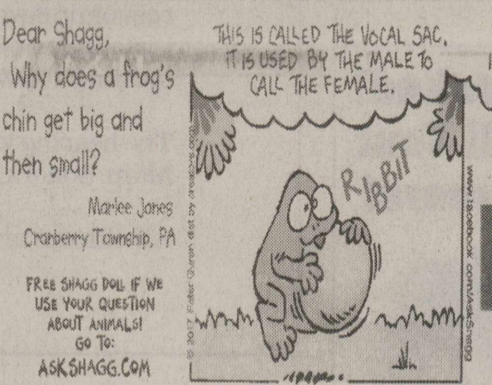
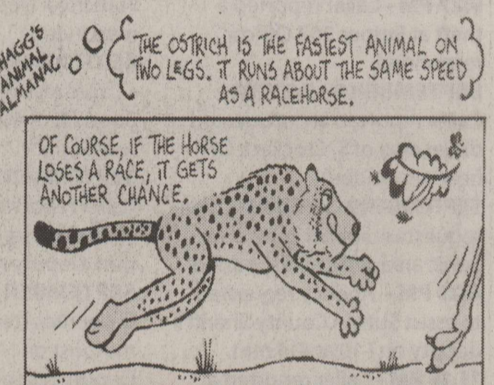
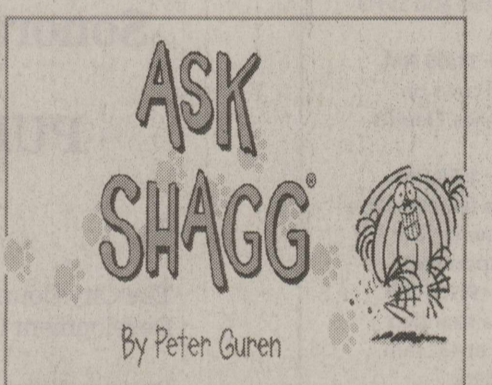
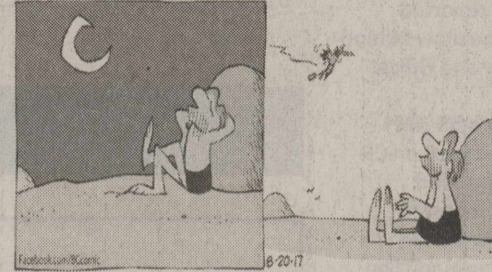
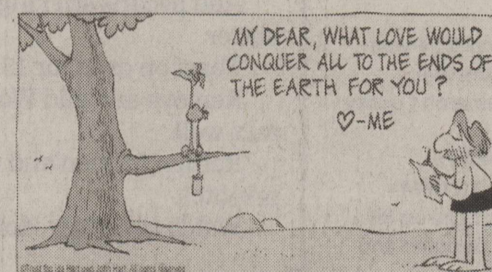
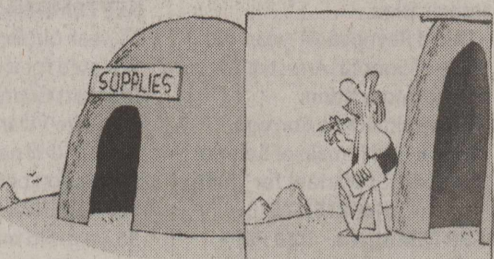


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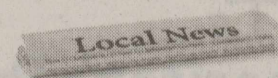
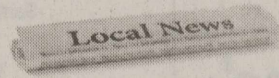
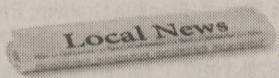
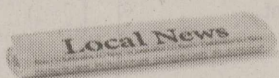
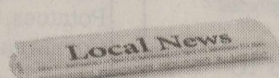
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Cave Cuties Kickin' It



The Sonora U9 Cave Cuties recreational soccer team opened their season against the San Angelo Phoenix Saturday, September 9, 2017 in San Angelo. The girls demonstrated good team work and improved skills pushing them ahead in their fall season of play. Cave Cuties pictured (L-R) Maribel Ibanez, Kenzee Bryant, Delilah Alonso, Brook Kaiser and Belen Esparza. | COURTESY PHOTO

SCHD Board Votes to Continue Employee Health Coverage

After reviewing and discussing, at length, all options for continued employee health coverage, the Sutton County Hospital District Board of Trustees approved to continue coverage through Blue Cross Blue Shield with a health savings account during their regular meeting Monday, September 11, 2017.

Following a closed-door session, the board approved the coverage plan, however

they elected not to contribute to the HSA, saving the district \$214,000 annually. Employees will be responsible for contributing to their HSA accounts.

Additionally, trustees reviewed the 2018 draft budget but the final budget will not be approved until October.

In regular business, the board approved the minutes from the August 14 regular meeting and August 21

special meeting with one corrected noted.

They also approved the financial report and August 2017 expenditures as presented.

In other business, trustees approved the appointment of Lynn Burchell as Quality Assurance and Performance Improvement (QAPI) coordinator for Alvis F. Johnson Home Health & Hospice.

Additionally, the board

approved a list of physicians to serve as one-year provisional courtesy staff, one-year provisional consulting staff and one-year reappointment consulting staff.

Further, they approved the Policies and Procedures manuals for each department as reviewed and revised.

Trustees then went behind closed doors to discuss Nursing Committee,

Medical Staff and PI Committee reports.

No action was taken in the open session that followed.

Again, they went behind closed doors for discussion. Upon reconvening in open session, the board voted to approve the employee health coverage.

Without further business or comments from the public, the meeting was

adjourned.

President Sharon Holman presided over the meeting. Trustees Edward Earwood, Don Longoria, John Henry Strauch, Leonora Pool, Adaleta Alvarez and Mary Humphrey were present.

The next regular meeting of the SCHD Board of Directors is set for October 9, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Wellness Center.



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Senior Center

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- Tuesday September 19**
Pork Roast, Broccoli, Carrot Raisins, Salad, Wheat Roll, Fruit Cake, Milk
- Wednesday September 20**
Chicken Salad, Lettuce, Potato Salad, Pea Salad, Wheat Roll, Fruit Salad, Cookie, Milk
- Thursday September 21**
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