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Bi-District Champions



The Sonora Broncos football team rallies around the Bi-district Championship trophy as it was presented at the end of Thursday's first round playoff game against Coleman, November 16, 2017, at San Angelo Stadium. DANNY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

Caroling Cops

In celebration of the upcoming holidays, Sonora Police Department Officers will be out and about caroling in neighborhoods around Sonora Monday and Tuesday, December 4th and 5th, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Residents are encouraged to open their doors and listen to local law enforcement sing familiar holiday carols.

Additionally, the Sonora PD will also be accepting new and unwrapped toy donations during this time for the annual toy drive.

Please show support for those who serve and protect everyday and help support efforts for a better Christmas for children in the community.

To schedule toy pick-up and/or caroling, please call 387-3888.

HAPPY
THANKSGIVING

Broncos Shutout Coleman in Playoff Opener, Head North to Area Round

Undefeated and more determined – the Sonora Broncos will be in action again this Friday, November 24th when they take on the Spearman Lynx in the second playoff round.

The Broncos remain undefeated in Class 3A Division II football this year holding an 11-0 season record overall and 4-0 in district. Spearman is 6-5 overall and 3-2 in district.

Both teams are looking to move on to the next round of playoff games.

Head Coach Jeff Cordell said going into Friday's game the goal is the same as it has been since their first game of the season – to be 1-0.

With that in mind, Sonora and Spearman came face to face, in last year's playoffs as well.

The Broncos found themselves behind in the first half of the game before eventually pulling off the victory over the Lynx.

If the Broncos don't come

to play this Friday they could find themselves in the same situation.

Offensively, the Lynx continue to be a challenge for any opponent including the undefeated Sonora Broncos.

"Spearman will be a very tough formidable opponent," Cordell said. "Spearman runs an unorthodox offense, especially in today's era. It is very similar to the "Single Wing". They start in one formation and then move to another formation before the ball is snapped. They use a lot of misdirection to try and confuse the defense. They will "milk" the clock and snap the ball with very little time left on the play clock."

Defensively, they have strength and skill in their favor.

"Defensively, they are very sound and physical," Cordell said. "They do a great job of running to the football. It is hard to find any weaknesses for them defensively."

Perhaps the most deciding factor into the outcome of Friday's game will be preparation.

Despite an upset to the routine due to it being a holiday week, coupled with a long road trip, the Broncos coaching staff are working to keep the players well prepared to defend their title.

As always, the Broncos must have a great week of preparation if they want to have an opportunity to be successful Friday afternoon, according to Cordell.

That being said, the Broncos coaching staff are working to keep the players well prepared for their upcoming game, he added.

"The Lynx themselves will be the biggest challenge for the Broncos. They are well coached and very athletic. All of the Broncos are good to go and looking forward to our next challenge. As always, our mindset will be 1-0."

Kick off is 4:00 p.m. at

Abernathy High School Antelope Stadium.

Everyone is encouraged to make the trip to show their support and cheer for the Broncos.

Sonora 43 – Coleman 0

The Sonora Broncos defeated Coleman in the opening run of the playoffs this past Thursday, November 16, 2017, with an impressive 43-0 shutout clinching the Class 3A Division II Bi-district championship at San Angelo Stadium.

It could easily have been a back and forth battle on the gridiron if not for the Broncos aggressive offense taking over the momentum early in the game.

The 43-0 victory was evidence that it was a good night for the Broncos.

Head Coach Jeff Cordell said the final score was proof that the Broncos were in control and focused on taking care of business.

SEE PLAYOFF ON PAGE 10

The Devil's River News wishes you a Happy Thanksgiving. Our office will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 23rd and 24th, for the holiday and local sports events. The regular weekly issue of the DRN will be published and distributed as usual.



Shoppers Find Something for Everyone at Local Christmas Bazaar

Local sellers and shoppers took advantage of the annual More the Merrier Christmas Bazaar this past Thursday, November 16, 2017, in preparation of the upcoming holiday season.

Chamber Director Donna Garrett said she was happy to see so many people both locally and from surrounding areas participate in the event.

"We do this as a service to the community, businesses and crafters," Garrett said. "It is a chance to get a jump start on Christmas shopping while also helping to support local trades."

More than two dozen vendors set up booths in the Sutton County Civic Center from morning until evening peddling a wide variety of goods.

Shoppers checked off their gift lists buying everything from hand crafted items, trade mark clothing and fresh baked goods.

Some of the specialty items included crocheted scarfs, fine jewelry, spa gift baskets, wood designs and a variety of monogrammed items.

Concessions were also available throughout the day to keep shoppers fueled as they made their way around the booths.

As a steady stream of people came and went all day no one left empty handed.

Despite a slower lower economy Garrett said she thinks the turnout for this year's event was a success.

"Of course, I wish we had had more people both selling and shopping but I think it was a good event this year," Garrett said. "It was fun and everyone seemed to benefit from it. We had some of our regular vendors who have participated in year's past and a couple of new vendors this year. And, everyone was shopping which is the real purpose of this event."



Local residents and crafters gather at the Civic Center to buy and sell during the annual More the Merrier Christmas Bazaar Thursday, November 16, 2017. KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

The annual More the Merrier Christmas Bazaar is hosted each year by the

Sonora Chamber of Commerce to help support the local community. For more information

on how to get involved in next year's event contact the Chamber at 325-387-2880.

FEMA Briefs Governor, Vice President on Hurricane Recovery

AUSTIN — Gov. Greg Abbott and Vice President Mike Pence on Nov. 15 received a briefing on Hurricane Harvey recovery efforts at the Federal Emergency Management Agency Joint Field Office in the capital city.

Pence, in town for the Republican Governors Association conference, joined Abbott, FEMA Administrator Brock Long, Energy Secretary Rick Perry and state and local officials to discuss ways to improve federal and state coordination of resources. Abbott thanked Pence for "his commitment to the people of Texas" in the aftermath

of the hurricane that struck the Texas coast in late August, bringing historically heavy rains, flooding and destructive winds.

"The people of Texas have suffered greatly, but I am hopeful that the response of their federal and state leaders will continue to strengthen their resolve," Abbott said. "I, along with the vice president, want to assure all victims that they will not be forgotten and we will continue to work to help get their lives back on track."

Hurricane Harvey impacted more square miles of Texas than the

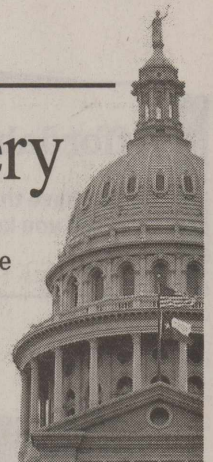
combined land area of Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont, according to the governor's office. On Nov. 10, Abbott offered words of encouragement to Texans, saying: "We are listening to our local leaders and we continue to work with our federal partners to secure more and faster funding. The road to recovery is long, but progress is being made. And each day brings new hope."

Report details funding

The Texas comptroller's office on Nov. 14 announced the release of its

monthly publication, Fiscal Notes. The issue focuses on the role of federal funding in state finances.

In 2016, Texans sent the federal government \$261 billion in taxes and the state government received \$39.5 billion in federal grants, or about 15 percent of the total federal tax tab.



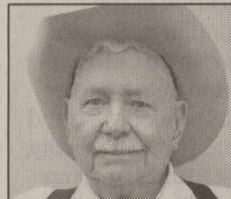
STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS
By Ed Sterling

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The Legend of the Barn Door

In the early 1970s my mother and grandmother were living at the ranch headquarters in block 156 Pecos County. Names are unimportant here as this is a family legend that will soon be forgotten.

It Happened Out West



By Joe N. Brown

At the time in question, a hurricane had come and struck at Corpus Christi, crossed over South Texas and followed the Rio Grande up to Big Bend. Here, it stalled and rained itself out.

This is where we were at this time in this tale. Mother had gone it town and left grandmother at the ranch due to the heavy rain.

At this period of time, my grandmother was at the ranch was in her early eighties, but still very active. She still milked a cow, tended to the garden, drove her car, and carried a .410 shotgun wherever she went.

About 10 o'clock that morning the barn door began to fly back and forth due to the heavy rain and strong wind. Grandmother decided she would go out to the barn and latch the door before it destroyed it self in the storm. Putting on a small rain coat, she went out to the barn.

Just as she got to the big barn door the wind brought it around and struck her in the side. This knocked her down in the rain and mud and was apparently unable to move as something was broken. Grandmother was conscious but unable to move due to shock.

Mother came back in about 30 minutes and found grandmother lying in the mud and rain, cold and wet but still conscious. She tried to move her but could not so she did the best next thing. Going into the barn, she got a blue plastic tarp and covered grandmother up.

She put heavy tools out of the shed to hold the tarp down. She then went in the ranch house and called me at my ranch and her brother Howard at Sanderson. Then she thought correctly and called the EMT ambulance at Sanderson.

We all arrived at the same time and proceeded to load grandmother into the EMT ambulance to transport her to Alpine Hospital.

The rest of us went in the house to drink some coffee, while mother and I got ready to go to Alpine.

We arrived in Alpine about an hour later and learned that grandmother was already in the operating room as her hip was broken and she was suffering from severe hypothermia.

She came out of surgery all right, so mother and I sat around the recovery room until we could speak to Dr. John Pate. He assured us that even though she was 80 years old, she was very strong and would recover after a few days in the Alpine Hospital.

We visited with Grandmother later on and decided she was in good hands and there was nothing more we could do for her. We both needed to tend to things at the ranch and would check back to Alpine the next day which we did at that time.

Grandmother survived this terrible accident and lived another 10 plus years, but every time there was a family gathering some one would bring up the legend of the barn door and the blue tarp.



Family

Family: Flawed and Fabulous, Adoring and Amusing, Messy and Magnificent, Important and Irreverent, Loyal and Loud and Yay, it's Year-round.

Just about everyone has one, but chances are yours isn't like mine and vice versa.

So what makes a family? Everything. Anything. The sum of many things. Each family is unique, and even (dare I say) weird in some (dare I say many) ways. Although you probably don't realize the weirdness of your own because it's just the way your family does things so that makes it normal for you. Like peanut butter on pancakes or ketchup on potato chips.

As for my family: We are good. We are flawed. We are loyal. We love one another. I like to think our love is unconditional but that's a hard term to grasp.

We disagree. We fight sometimes. We look out for each other. We hold each other up and build each other up. We lean on each other. We hug.

Some of us taught the others the ABCs and others of us taught life lessons we couldn't ever have imagined. We make one another better. Together we are stronger.

When one of us hurts, we all hurt. When one of us succeeds, we all celebrate. We share the mundane and the extraordinary with equal attentiveness, although we probably appreciate the extraordinary a bit more, if I am being honest.

We know our strengths and weaknesses. We know who's more likely to show up late and who might forget to flush. We know who hides the ice cream treats and who leaves the milk out on the counter. We know who likes to nap and who would prefer to sleep in. We know who uses way too much ranch dip (on pizza). We know who can help with technology issues or car problems or grammar or math.

We pick up one another's messes sometimes. We make messes sometimes. We listen. We talk. We listen some more. We sit in comfortable silence. We answer each other's calls or texts. We are friends on Facebook and in real life.

We talk politics. We talk about the weather. We talk about life. We talk about the future. We tell jokes. We share stories. We share life. We teach each other and learn from each other. We rub off in good ways on one another and try not to influence each other in the bad ones. (Not always successful, but we try.)

We whisper when someone else is sleeping. We care about each other's feelings and try to be tender when tender is needed. We watch the same shows. We cook together and eat together. We steal each other's socks and mittens and combs and brushes - but not toothbrushes - but not toothbrushes - but not toothbrushes - but not toothbrushes. Sometimes we steal the blankets.

We share a love of animals. We play laser tag with our cats. Some of us love sweet potatoes. Some of us hate sweet potatoes. We realize we don't have to be the same.

We share history, memories and DNA. Over the years we have nurtured and helped each other grow. We have the same inflections in our voice when we say certain words or phrases. Some people say we look alike, but we don't see it.

We celebrate birthdays and holidays and graduations and anniversaries. Together we've established traditions. We play croquet and board games together. We create contests out of anything and everything. Some of us are more competitive than others. We ride roller coasters. Some of us are more daring than others. We laugh at each other and with each other. We enjoy one another's company - most of the time. We look forward to our times together. We are important to each other.

We are bonded in a way that can't be defined or explained. We are imperfectly perfect.

It's family. Just family. Us. Ours. Precious, significant, fundamental, basic and unique; as I hope yours is to you.

Family.

Jill Pertler is an award-winning columnist, published playwright, author and member of the National Society of Newspaper Columnists.

Slices of Life



By Jill Pertler

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Living by the Lake

Some people around Sulphur Springs told me I needed to interview Chuck Roy who lives in the nearby community of Yantis. They told me he had just started a newspaper. I thought to myself that doesn't sound all that



Rolling Along

by Tumbleweed Smith

me to visit with him. He is a man of many talents.

Chuck enrolled in LSU to study journalism and fell in love with a philosophy major so he changed his major to philosophy. Apparently the romance ended and/or he didn't really like studying; whatever the reason, he came home. His father, a contractor, put Chuck to work roofing houses.

"I'm allergic to heights and hard work," he says, "so I went back to college and earned a degree in Electrical Engineering." He was with a firm headquartered in Tokyo for more than 25 years and worked his way up to vice president. He cast his shadow on all continents except Antarctica. Once he was in Saudi Arabia and was diverted to Norway. "I went from 122 degrees in the morning to minus 32 in the afternoon. I didn't have any warm clothes with me, so I put on all my clothes and tried to put on my suitcase."

He worked on several precision instruments, including the Mars rover. He lived in Dallas for 25 years and when it was time to retire he chose a place close to Lake Fork, a favorite family vacation spot.

Chuck's grandparents taught him to cook and he followed that up with cooking courses all over the world. He graduated from the Culinary Institute of America. His daughter didn't have a passion for cooking, so when she went to college Chuck wrote some recipes and gave them to her. He included some family stories. Chuck's wife sent the manuscript to a publisher who said it was the most unique format he had ever seen and offered to publish it. Chuck said fine.

"That resulted in a relationship with Pelican Press in New Orleans and I spent 15 years doing 11 books. Just recipes and family stories."

Not content with just a couple of careers, Chuck became a licensed fishing guide. "Fishing is what I do best," he says. He gave a couple of demonstrations to Bass Pro Shop and that led to a Saturday morning television show.

He went to Washington DC to advise some folks on mine technology and ended up going into partnership with them. He stayed in DC seven years and then sold his part of the business.

Now he's really retired, but restless. He looked around for something to do and remembered his early journalism studies in college. He bought a local newspaper. The Community Chronicle is published monthly and has 48 pages. It's now in eleven states, even though he's had the publication only a year.

"It doubles in income and influence every month," says Chuck. "I spent a lot of time doing what I thought I should do and spent time doing what I wanted to do. This is what I was intended to do. I'm having more fun than ever."

www.tumbleweedsmith.com

Heard Around Town

This Thanksgiving, I'm thankful that Jesus thought enough of me, even before I was born, to offer himself as a sacrifice for my sins. I'm completely unworthy, of course, but still very, very thankful.

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DPS Urges Drivers to Fill Up on Safety for Thanksgiving

As Texans prepare for the Thanksgiving holiday, the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) is reminding motorists to make safety a priority and to enjoy the holiday weekend responsibly.

"Thanksgiving should be a time of celebration with family and friends, and we are encouraging everyone to take some simple but potentially life-saving steps to celebrate responsibly," DPS Director Steven McCraw said. "DPS Troopers will also be on the lookout for drivers who needlessly endanger others by disregarding the law. Everyone, especially motorists, has a part to play in keeping our roadways safe, and it is imperative that you take this responsibility seriously."

DPS Troopers, and other Texas law enforcement agencies, will be patrolling Texas around-the-clock during the holiday weekend looking for drunk drivers, speeders, seat belt violators and other motorists who are endangering themselves or the public.

During the Thanksgiving weekend in 2016, DPS troopers issued 51,592 traffic citations and warnings for a variety of violations, including speeding, no insurance and seat belt/child safety seat usage.

DPS patrols also resulted in 275 driving while intoxicated arrests,

198 fugitive arrests and 141 felony arrests during the same time period.

DPS offers the following tips for safe travel during the Thanksgiving holiday:

- Do not drink and drive.
- Slow down – especially in bad weather, construction areas, heavy traffic and unfamiliar areas.

- Eliminate distractions while driving, including the use of mobile devices.

- Buckle up everyone in the vehicle – it's the law.

- Don't drive fatigued – allow plenty of time to reach your destination.

- Drive defensively, as holiday travel may present additional challenges.

- Before your trip begins, make sure your vehicle is properly maintained and always double check to make sure all cargo is secure.

- Slow down or move over for police, fire, EMS, Texas Department of Transportation vehicles and tow trucks that are stopped on the side of the road with emergency lights activated – it's the law.

Also, show the same courtesy to fellow drivers stopped along the road.

- Monitor weather and road conditions (<https://drivetexas.org>) wherever you are traveling.

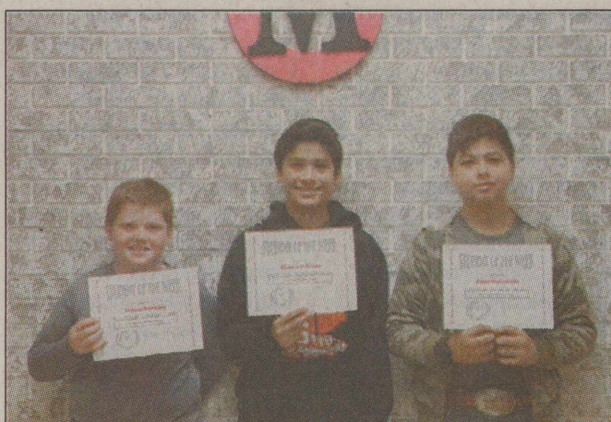
In the event of inclement weather, use extra caution on roadways.



Elementary School Students for the week of November 20th through November 24th. Itzyana Morales, Pre-K, Jason Martin, K, Ian DeLuna, 1st, Andy Rosales, 2nd, Yulexis Rosales, 3rd, Kyleigh Connors, 4th, Ashley Longoria, 5th.

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Sonora ISD Students of the Week



Sonora Middle School Students for the Week of November 20th through November 24th. Jack (Cuarto) Wardlaw, 6th, Hunter O'Banon, 7th, Jason Hernandez, 8th.

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SONORA WEATHER FORECAST

Thu 11/23	Fri 11/24	Sat 11/25	Sun 11/26	Mon 11/27
71/40	76/43	76/43	75/50	75/49
Sunrise 7:15 a.m. Sunset 5:43 p.m.	Sunrise 7:16 a.m. Sunset 5:42 p.m.	Sunrise 7:17 a.m. Sunset 5:42 p.m.	Sunrise 7:18 a.m. Sunset 5:42 p.m.	Sunrise 7:19 a.m. Sunset 5:42 p.m.

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Sonora PD Reminds Residents NO Parking on Main St. Nov. 29

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and 9:00 p.m. due to the annual Christmas parade and down town activities.

The road will be closed from Concho Avenue to Water Street.

Sonora ISD Menu

Elementary - Breakfast Free & Lunch \$2.60
Middle & High School - Breakfast \$2.10 & Lunch \$3.00
**Menu Subject to Change*

Monday November 27

Breakfast
Sausage Kolache, Yogurt or Cereal, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch
Breaded Drumsticks, Texas Toast Triangle, Baby Carrots, Seasoned Corn, Fresh Grapes, Cookie, Milk
After School Program
Muffin, Milk

Tuesday November 28

Breakfast
French Toast, Sausage or Cereal, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch
Hamburger, Cheeseburger Garnish, Oven Fries, Baby Carrots, Orange Smiles, Milk
After School Program
Fruit, Ice Cream

Wednesday November 29

Breakfast
Muffin, String Cheese, or Cereal, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch
Hot Dog, Lettuce and Tomatoes, Fresh Veggie Cup, Baked Beans, Apple-Pineapple D'Lite, Milk
After School Program
1/2 Ham and Cheese Sandwich, Juice

Thursday November 30

Breakfast
Bacon Pizza or Cereal, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch
Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes, Garden Salad, Tuscan Vegetables, Roll, Pears, Milk
After School Program
Apples, Milk

Friday December 1

Breakfast
French Toast, Sausage or Cereal, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch
Spaghetti, Breadstick, Garden Salad, Vegetables, Strawberries, Bananas, Milk
After School Program
Muffin, Milk

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Avoid the penalty by accessing Healthcare.gov for finding and purchasing a plan best suited for individuals and families. Enrollment must be complete by December 15, 2017. Stages of enrollment and coverage are as follows.

November 1, 2017: Open Enrollment started — first day to enroll, re-enroll, or change a 2018 insurance plan through the Health Insurance Marketplace

December 15, 2017: Last day to enroll in or change plans for 2018 coverage. After this date, you can enroll or change plans only if you qualify for a Special Enrollment Period.

January 1, 2018: 2018 coverage starts, if premium paid.

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<https://www.healthcare.gov>

<http://www.obamacare-plans.com>.

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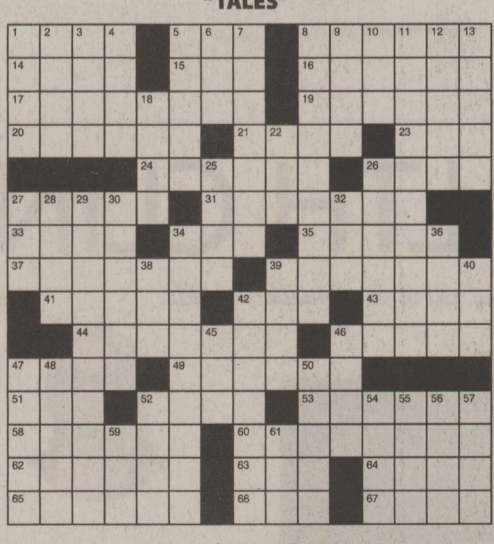
ACROSS

- Hairstyle
- French preposition
- Brawl
- Relative of the raven
- Soak, as flux
- Goddess of dawn
- Tattler
- Part of the foot
- Fluctuate
- Articles of merchandise
- Spigot
- Disgrace
- Optimistic
- Utah city
- Formal declamation
- Body of water
- Small boy
- Sharp
- Indefinite number
- Full
- Make merry
- Golfer's gadget
- Eat
- Bank employees
- Ait
- Bridge

DOWN

- Son of Neptune
- Onassis
- Droops
- Semiaquatic lizard
- Pertaining to a son
- Extra jurors
- Become apparent
- Vital statistic
- River in Spain
- Western entertainments
- Motion of assent
- In the near future
- Book of the Bible
- Not restrained
- Part in a play
- Birds of prey
- Extracted, as a cork
- Elver's parent
- Ocean liner servant
- Story for children
- Mystic symbol
- Art: L.
- Rabbit
- Spaces
- Foolish
- Thin tinplate
- Doctors' org.
- Colt
- Circuits
- Goddess of plenty
- One on the move
- Fitted harmoniously
- Cardinal number
- Frost
- Stories difficult to believe
- Sea bird
- Diminutive suffix
- Annoyance
- Still
- und Isolde
- Unit of work
- U.S. playwright
- Less dangerous
- Upper keyboard part of a piano duet
- Lubricated
- Kind of palm
- Puts into service
- Church desk
- Roman emperor
- In a little while
- Anger
- Past

"TALES"



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1st GRADE

"A" Reyna Acevedo, Geneva Alvarado, Jarrett Arebalos, Fernando Arredondo, James Wesley Barker, Rudley Bryan, Jocelyn Campa, Jayce Carrillo, Eliseo Garza, Kynlie Gonzales, April Gonzales-Marez, Jahzelle Gutierrez, Keanu Hernandez, Burkes Kissire, Shaelee Litterell, Adrialys Mata, Noah Murillo, Maegan Ramirez, Annslee Ramsyer, Justys Seaton, Lyla Solis, Peyton Taylor, Babylee Torres, Ricardo Valdez Jr, Carson Wardlaw.

"A/B" Anahi Aguayo-Romo, Kaylin Alvarado, Issac Arredondo, Jose Dominguez, Aaron Galvan, Sophia Garcia, Andrea Huichapa, Ramberto Lejia Jr., Victoria Lopez-Martin, Carlos Lopez, Andrea Pena, Kip Ryder Walker.

2nd GRADE

"A" Daniel Alviso, Kensee Bryant, Caidn Cardenas, Brailyn Galindo, Brook Kaiser, Richard Leal, Samantha Nichols, Sophia Phillips, Jack Rogers, Robert Zook Jr.

"A/B" Aanz Leigh Abalos, Kane Bunch, Evelyn Campa, Armani Coronado, Sofia Garcia, Jesus Tres Garza III, Alfredo Gaspar Jr., Kassi Gutierrez, Karysah Lopez, Presley Mayfield, Miranda Montoya, Ryan Mungia, Andy Rosales, Eduardo Salazar, Brianna Sanchez, Luke Snyder.

3rd GRADE

"A" Peyton Bailey, Gael Duenes Sosa, Madelyn Hernandez, Emily Nichols, Madison Noriega, Aaron Segura, Jayden Welborn.

"A/B" Dulce Arredondo Mares, Ariana Arredondo, Evan Arredondo, Aliyah Castilleja, Audrey Castilleja,

Natalie Castilleja, Lynden Cearly, Woody Crow III, Mia Escamilla, Arely Fernandez, Isaias Flores, Leyla Gamez, Isabella Garcia, David Haggerton, Mario Hernandez Jr, Joslin Johnson, John Emory Jones, Wyatt Killough, Jayce Martinez, Ignacio Mendoza, Grace Moore, Thomas Ramirez, Nayeli Rodriguez, Yulexis Rosales, Gunner Routh, Rogelio Ruiz, Bronson Schenkel, Elrey Silva, Kendall Thorp, Gentry Trainer, Lane Trujillo, Mateo Vasquez,

4th GRADE

"A" Fernanda Arredondo, Brody Bryan, Madison Galindo.

"A/B" Laane Abalos, Angela Acevedo, Gabriel Alviso, Raquel Buitron, Mary Jane Cantu, Angel Castilleja Jr., Kyleigh Connors, Tayvin Gonzales, Carolina Hernandez Arredondo, Leslie Hernandez, David Luna Jr., Ryan Mendez, Kellen Norell, Kody Prather, Sebastian Ramirez, Hector Rivas, Vivian Rivas, Sinise Rodriguez, Ivan Sanchez, Reilly Wardlaw, Brody Worrell.

5th GRADE

"A" Jaedyn Bailey, Jonathan Cardenas, Sicily Gutierrez, Luke Nichols, Braylin Welborn.

"A/B" Nevaeh Aleman, Carmelo Alviso, Linda Shay Boggs, Sabrina Castro, Juan Castillo, Corbin Crenwelge, Naylana Estrada, Weston Fisher, Tristan Dylan Ford, Liliana Gallegos, Owen Jones, Jorge Lejia, Ashley Longoria, Justin Lozano, Michael Angelo Lujan, Aaron Martinez, Christian Maritnez, Brian Mendoza, Jazabel Pasillas Galviz, Pete Jack Ramirez, Juliana Sanchez, Rylie Thorp, Jayla Williams,

HONOR ROLL
Sonora Middle School
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6TH GRADE

"A" Jared Contreras, Johanna Doodley, Cassia Hernandez, Kasey Lux, Jacob Martinez, Jolenne Pasillas, Marcos Perez, Luis Rivas, Agassi Rodriguez, Atalia Ruiz.

"A/B" Nayelli Agüero, Jason Alvarado, Alexa Anderson, Ileana Baker, Michal Brunclik, Ashton Bryant, Lily Chavarria, Cihthaly Delgado, Sheridan Haynes, Samuel Lira, Joshua Lozano, Aiden Luna, Emma Martinez, Alondra Medina, Arely Ortiz, Micah Ramon-Villanueva, Roberto Rodriguez, Selena Rodriguez, Elijah Samaniego, Arabella San Miguel, Conner Vyvlecka, Jack Wardlaw.

7th GRADE

"A" Ignacio Coronado, Koda Davis, Molly Friess, Gage Owen, Juan Torres-Alvarez

"A/B" Grayson Beyers, Ashley Castilleja, Austin Figueroa, Tanner Flanagan, Jonathan Galvan, Giovanni Gamez, Emilio Garcia, Sebastian Garza, Alexis Hernandez, Alma

Hernandez, Aidan Leamon, Jonathan Lozano, Trinity Luna, Madison Mayfield, Edgardo Mendez, Angel Perez, Jacob Perez, Makinna Price, Lorena Reyes, Abigail Rodriguez, Brandon Torres, Shakira Villanueva, Ava Worrell.

8th GRADE

"A" Carson Cahill, Kоди Davis, Yailin Domiguez, Jina Dooley, Elianna Edwards, Sophia Gutierrez, Abigail Mendoza.

"A/B" Ariana Arispe, Gavin Boggs, Jessica Campa, Alexandra Cardenas, Briana Espinosa, Abigail Fuentes, Christina Garcia, Guillermo Garcia, Brijida Garza, Tais Gaytan, Taryn Hamm, Catarino Hernandez, Jason Hernandez, Amaris Jimenez, Susie Levario, Emilio Lozano, Sean Mungia, Alisa Paredes, Genaro Perez, Blanca Portillo, Laci Ramirez, Victoria Regino, Alejandro Renteria, Joselyn Rodriuez, Adam Sanchez, Dalissa Sanchez, Lane Taylor, Jacqueline Torres, Tyler Walther.

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FRESHMEN

"A" Kaylynn Alvarez, Reese Baird, Osbel DeLuna, Rashed DeLuna, Jaci Dutton, Seth Edwards, Felipe Estrada, Madalyn Fisher, Juan Garza Preston Gonzalez, Reagan Owen, Harmony Ramirez, Ricardo Ramirez, Victoria Salazar.

"A/B" Sianne Alviso, Ricardo Castilleja, Ilze Contreras, Michael Creek, Jose Figueroa, Fernanda Gonzalez, Alan Hernandez, Adrian Longoria Alyssa Martinez, Michael Morales, Carla Mota, Aislin Nixon, Caleb Nolen, Aaron Noriega, Elias Pere, Miranda Renteria, Clarissa Rodriguez, Juan Ruiz, Esmeralda Salazar, Marko Vasquez, Savannah Virgin.

Cheyenne Haynes, Cara Hernandez, Mary Kyle Johnson, Avery Leamon Carlos Mendoza , Keeley Moore, Rebeckah Owen, Perla Salazar, Evan Shannon, Sterling Smith, Jackilyn Sykes, Dylan Taylor.

"A/B" Morgan Anguiano, Viviana Arellano, Jacqueline Baez , Juan Baez, Hunter Bunch, Danyse Cantu, Brittney Contreras, Payton Dawson, John Deleon, Juan Delgado, Noe Estrada, Kaitlyn Gann, Kayla Gee, Daniel Gonzales, Adriana Gonzalez , Valerie Gonzalez, Ezequiel Gutierrez, Zayda Gutierrez, Scarlot Longoria Araceli Marin, Logan McDonald, Willie B Munoz, Yesenia Rivas, Sabian Robles Ana Salas, Sabrina Serrano, Alexandria Torres, Sheridan Walther.

SOPHOMORES

"A" Enedina Alvarez, Christina Garza, Ethan Hamm, Catarina Hernandez, Wilson Johnson, Jansen Morris, Analy Palacios, Isabella Samaniego, Blayze Sykes, Traci Vickers.

"A/B" Leo Alviso, Brock Aschenbeck, Josh Barrera Samantha Escamilla, Tully Flanagan, Shyanne Gamez, Levi Garrett, Jesus Gaytan Angela Gonzalez, Oscar Gutierrez, Deborha Hernandez, Danica Jimenez, Jalen Lopez, Kami Lux, Adamari Mata, Hailey Meador, Dekota Morrow, Jordan Paredes, Melanie Perez, Kadee Petty, Aleasha Smith, Haley Smith, Thomas Talamantez, Joe Angel Torres, Katy Wardlaw, Gaby Zapata, Ashley Zook.

SENIORS

"A" Chris Adkins, Carly Brown, Kaden Cordell, Angel Covarrubiaz, Kristin Garrett, Summer Hall, Christina Hernandez, Sierra Herrada, Hazel Kent, Keegan McCollum, Elyssa Prieto, Delaney Ramsdell, Sydney Robles, Amber Vasquez.

"A/B" Melanie Acevedo, Janet Baez, Marisol Capuchin, Savannah Castro, Abel Cruz, Felicia Farley, Victor Fuentes, Bailey Gonzales, Isabel Hernandez, Jaqueline Hernandez, Jesus Herrera, Jarrett Jackson, Breeanna Johnson, Dariela Lopez, Yesenia Lujan, Peyton Matthews, Hector Mendez, Audrey Nolen, Kaytlan Noriega, Christian Ramon, Zavier Rodriguez, Jena Telles, Dylan Vaughn, Alexis Villanueva.

Sonora PD Hosts Toy Drive Benefiting Local Youth

The Sonora Police Department is hosting a toy drive from Friday, November 17th, through Tuesday, December 12th, to collect new toys for girls and boys this Christmas season.

Drop off boxes will be available throughout the community.

Locations include the Sonora PD, Sutton County Sheriff's Office, Sonora Bank, The Bank and Trust, The Sutton County Library, City Hall and the Chamber of Commerce.

All toy donations should be unwrapped. Toys are to be donated to Sonora ISD to fill the requests of children sponsored by the Angel Tree Project.

Every toy donation helps in making a better Christmas for all.

In addition, the JL Bar Ranch will be hosting a Sporting Clay Shoot on December 9th and a portion of their proceeds will be used to purchase toys which will also be donated to the toy drive.

For more information in registering for the clay shoot, please contact Paul with JL Bar ranch at 325-262-1845 or the Sonora PD at 325-387-3888.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

SONORA ISD RESCHEDULED NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS SONORA ISD'S SCHOOL FIRST RATING
(Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas)

The public hearing scheduled for 5:00 PM, Thursday, November 16, 2017 has been rescheduled on Thursday, November 30, 2017 at 5:00 PM, in the Vocational Building, 805 Prospect, Sonora, Texas.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Sonora ISD's rating on the state's financial accountability system.

PUBLIC NOTICE YOUR RIGHT TO KNOW

AgriLife to Offer Range and Pasture Workshop

As the calendar winds down, ag producers start planning and thinking about what the new year may offer.

Much of the planning revolves around how much rainfall there may be as well as what the grain markets did or are doing.

To provide insight, Texas AgriLife Extension in Sutton and Edwards counties will host a Range & Pasture Workshop on December 11th, at the Sutton County Civic Center.

On-site registration is at 8:30, with the program starting at 9 a.m.

It will be the last multi-county educational workshop for the year.

We hope to look at grain production for the current year and take a peek at what weather may be in store for next year.

We do this in hopes of being better prepared for what feed costs may be and how we'd manage our herds if we had an idea what rainfall models are predicting.

We'll also offer an overview of some of the ranch trials being done in our area which incorporate ultra-sound, RFID,

and other technologies to help producers improve lamb/kid crops & quality of the herd.

An interesting topic will be some of the AgriLife herbicide trials being conducted in our area that are seeking chemistries that better combat our problem brush species.

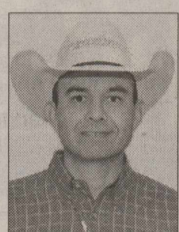
The event offers 3 continuing education units (C.E.U.s) for those with a pesticide applicator license. These will be in the Integrated Pest Management (IPM) and General categories.

Topics will include Boosting Lamb & Kid Crops Through Technology; Grain Updates & Winter Feed Cost Outlook; Brush Control & Herbicide Updates; and a Long Range Weather Outlook by the National Weather Service.

Registration cost is \$15 by December 7th and \$25 thereafter.

The fee will include program materials, lunch, and refreshments during breaks.

Please call 325-387-3101 to register and for more information.



Pascual Hernandez

CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS: Federal Funding

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Those grants pay for programs in education, health care, infrastructure and other areas, the report shows.

"The missions of our federal, state and local governments are distinct but intertwined," Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar said. "Texans pay federal income tax, so it's important to examine and monitor the value our state gets back from the folks in Washington."

In November Fiscal Notes, the Comptroller's office also takes a look at the rising importance of "telehealth" in Texas — technologies that allow doctors and other health care professionals to consult with and treat patients through audio-visual connections.

AG goes after gougers

Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton on Nov. 13 announced his office's filing of more price gouging lawsuits against businesses accused of taking advantage of Texans affected by Hurricane Harvey.

On Oct. 30, Paxton's staff notified 127 additional businesses that they were being investigated for alleged price gouging during the disaster. In all of these cases, consumers allege they were charged excessive prices for gasoline.

Paxton said, "Price gouging is illegal, unconscionable and completely opposite the spirit of cooperation we saw just about everywhere else in our state before, during and after the hurricane. My office will continue to aggressively investigate and prosecute more cases arising from Harvey."

A finding of price gouging carries civil penalties as much as \$20,000 for each violation, rising to \$250,000 for violations

targeting those 65 and older, according to the attorney general's office.

TEA releases ratings

The Texas Education Agency on Nov. 14 released the final 2017 state academic accountability ratings for more than 1,200 school districts and charters and more than 8,600 campuses.

Final ratings include the results of an appeals process that provides districts and charters an opportunity to contest preliminary ratings announced by TEA in August.

The TEA received 66 school district and campus-level appeals in 2017 compared to 104 in 2016, 72 in 2015 and 90 in 2014.

Under the final 2017 ratings, more than 90 percent of school districts and charters across Texas achieved the rating of "Met Standard." Districts, campuses, and charters receive one of three ratings under the state's accountability system: Met Standard, Met Alternative Standard or Improvement Required.

Ag day set at Capitol

The Texas Department of Agriculture announced the 2nd Annual Texas Agriculture Memorial Day would be observed at the state Capitol on Nov. 21.

As stated in the announcement: "With fewer and fewer Texans engaged in vital industry of agriculture, it is important for all Texans to recognize and appreciate the sacrifice required in producing the food and fiber we all need."

An honor guard on horseback is scheduled to deliver a commemorative wreath to the Capitol to be received by Agriculture Commissioner Sid Miller.

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 NO ARRESTS INCIDENTS

NOVEMBER 13 - 11:09 AM

• Caller requested officer at 1400 block of Glasscock. Officer responded.

10:28 PM • Caller requested officer at 100 block of W. Poplar. Officer responded.

11:42 PM • Caller reported Accident/Wreck on I-10. Officer responded to assist with traffic control.

NOVEMBER 14 - 7:30 AM

• Caller reported truancy at Loop 467 Holiday Host. SRO responded.

5:56 PM • Caller reported Welfare Concern I-10 295 mm, Rest Area. Officer responded.

7:43 PM • Caller reported a suspicious person at 200 block of E. 2nd. Officer responded.

NOVEMBER 15 - 4:24 PM • Caller reported loud music at 400 block of US HWY 277 N. Officer responded.

6:00 PM • Caller Alarm call at Everett's Pharmacy. Officer responded.

6:07 PM • Caller reported Solicitors without permit in area of Orient. Officer responded.

10:44 PM • Request for routine security walk through of LMH. Officer responded

NOVEMBER 16 - 5:38 PM • Caller reported a suspicious person(s) at Road Ranger. Officer responded.

5:46 PM • Officer flagged down for assistance at 600 block of Hwy 277 N.

5:57 PM • Caller reported an Accident/Wreck at Central and Sinaloa. Officer responded.

NOVEMBER 17 - 10:47 AM • Caller requested Animal Control at 1300 block of N. Crockett. ACO responded.

10:51 AM • Caller requested Animal Control to Holmes Wrecker. ACO responded.

1:06 PM • Officer requested to assist ACO with animal call 300 block of Del Rio. Officer responded.

4:42 PM • Agency Assistance requested on I-10 403 mm. Officer responded.

6:10 PM • Officer requested at Road Ranger for Civil Standby. Officer responded.

7:33 PM • Caller requested to

talk to officer at 500 block of Mata. Officer responded.

10:03 PM • Agency assistance requested at Sheriff's Office. Officer responded.

11:34 PM • 911 call at Road Ranger. Officer responded.

NOVEMBER 18 - 9:59 AM • Caller reported Welfare Concern at 7-11. Officer responded.

NOVEMBER 19 - 3:12 PM • Caller reported Welfare Concern at 300 block of W. 5th. Officer responded.

SUTTON COUNTY SHERIFF ARRESTS

NOVEMBER 15 • Emily Lloyd, 19-year-old female of Pembroke Pines Fl., was arrested for Possession of Marijuana.

• One Illegal Alien detained for Border Patrol.

NOVEMBER 17 • One Illegal Alien detained for Border Patrol.

• Charles Davies, 25-year-old male of San Antonio, was arrested for Possession of Marijuana.

INCIDENTS

NOVEMBER 13 - 12:19 PM • Caller reported an abandoned vehicle on U.S. Hwy 277 S. Deputy responded.

11:38 PM • Caller reported a one vehicle rollover on I-10 at 427 mm. Deputy, EMS, DPS, SVFD, and PD responded.

NOVEMBER 14 - 3:52 AM • Caller reported a two vehicle crash on I-10 at 404 mm. Deputy, EMS and DPS responded.

5:23 PM • Caller reported a suicidal subject on I-10 at 394 mm, Rest Area. Deputies responded.

NOVEMBER 15 - 4:35 PM • Caller reported a suspicious person on U.S. Hwy 277 S and SCR 406. Deputy responded.

NOVEMBER 16 - 2:55 AM • Caller reported a possible vehicle fire on I-10 at 411 mm. Deputy responded.

5:50 PM • Caller reported a one vehicle crash on Sinaloa Central. Deputy responded.

NOVEMBER 17 • Caller reported a crash on I-10 at 388 mm. Deputy Responded.

NOVEMBER 18 • Caller reported a crash on I-10 at 391 mm. Deputies, EMS, and DPS responded.

OBITUARIES

Jack Harrell Sharp September 29, 1929 - November 18, 2017

Jack Harrell Sharp, age 88, passed away peacefully Saturday, November 18, 2017 after a lengthy illness.

Jack was born September 29, 1929 in Sander-son, Texas.

He and his family moved to Sonora in 1942, where he resided his entire life.

He graduated from Sonora High School in 1948, where he was a member of the first Bronco Football team that played under electric lights.

Jack met the love of his life, Peggy Willman, while attending school in Sonora.

The two were married on January 6, 1951, six days before he left to serve in the United States Army on January 7, 1951.

He was stationed in Korea until November 12, 1952, when he returned home to start his family.

Jack held various jobs until June of 1957, when he went to work for El Paso Natural Gas. He retired from EPNG in 1994, after 37 years.

Jack enjoyed and was active in youth sports,

serving as a referee and umpire over 10 years.

He was a member of Dee Ora Masonic Lodge #715 for 45+ years, and was an Endowed Member of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry.

Jack is survived by his wife of 66 years, Peggy Willman Sharp, a daughter Katherine Sharp of Dickenson, Texas, a son Mickey Sharp and wife Storie of Glen Rose, Texas, and two grandchildren Garret and Dawsyn, that he adored and spoiled rotten.

He was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers and one sister.

The family would like to say a very special thank you to Lynn Burchell, R.N., with Alvis F. Johnson Home Health and Hospice and her helpers, Kyle, Pat, and Letty for all that they did to assist over the last two and a half months.

A graveside memorial service will be held Friday, November 24, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. in Sonora Cemetery.

Online condolences may be made at lovefuneralhome.net.

DEATH NOTICE

Daniel Brown November 14, 1943 - November 18, 2017

Daniel Brown, age 74, died Saturday, November 18, 2017 in Ft. Worth.

Survivors include daughter Lesa Robertson of Ft. Worth, brothers John Brown of Sonora, Nelson Brown of Sonora, and Patrick Brown, Jr. of Cisco, and sisters Nita

Davila of Austin, and Christine Lopez of San Angelo.

Graveside services were held Monday, November 20, 2017 in Sonora Cemetery.

Arrangements were under the direction of Love Funeral Home.



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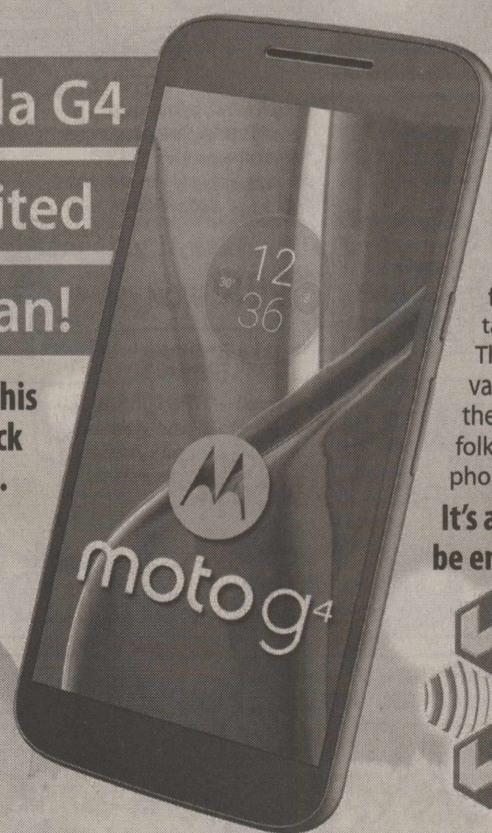
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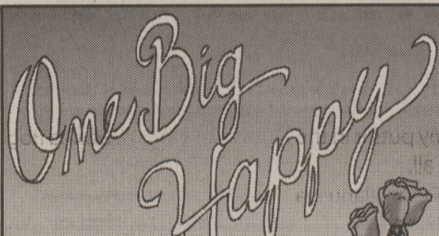
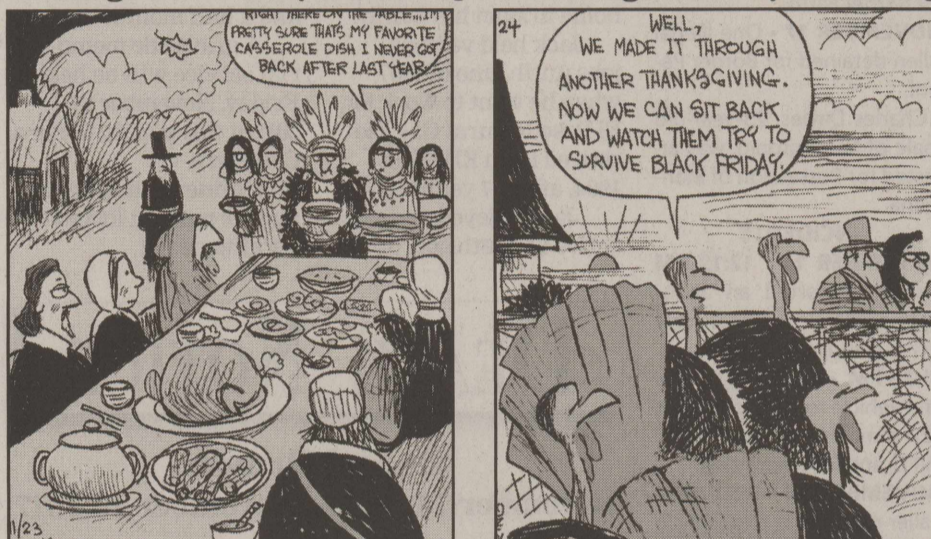
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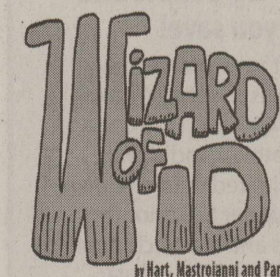
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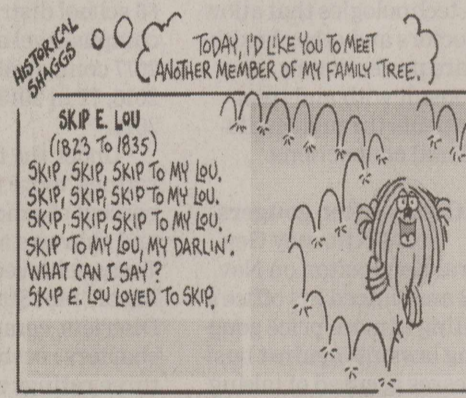
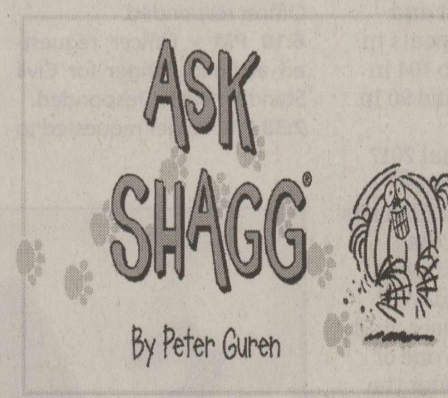
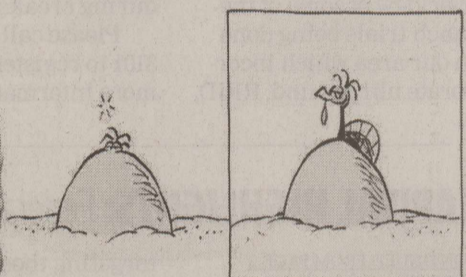
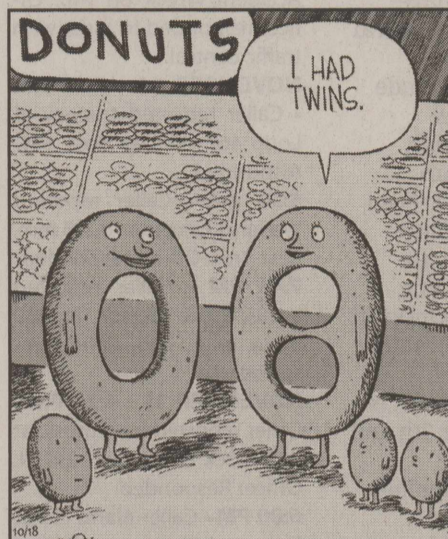


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THE ORIGINAL WORD MAZE PUZZLE

NATURAL FIBERS

ALL WORDS TO BE CONSTRUCTED PERTAIN TO THE ABOVE TOPIC. TO YOUR ADVANTAGE ONE WORD HAS ALREADY BEEN TRACED. YOU MUST TRACE THE THREE REMAINING WORDS, USING ONLY THE LETTERS DESIGNATED BY THE DARKENED CIRCLES. WORDS MAY BEGIN AND END FROM EITHER COLUMN BUT EACH LETTER CAN ONLY BE USED ONCE.

EACH PUZZLE HAS A DIFFICULTY RATING (ABOVE). FOUR STARS SIGNIFY THE HIGHEST DEGREE OF DIFFICULTY.

GIVEN BELOW ARE THE POINT VALUES FOR EACH WORD. YOUR WORDS MUST CORRECTLY MATCH THESE POINT VALUES.

12 **SILK**

SEE SOLUTIONS ON PAGE 12

PURVIS:

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First, you snatch him and kill him. Then you have to get all of his guts out. Next, you have to dig into his skin and bone him. Finally, you eat him, unless the mountain lion eats the human, named Sally, and her last name is Mrs. Purvis.
- Harper Trainer

First, you go to Mexico to buy a turkey. Next, you have to cut it and put it in the barbecue. Finally, You eat it!
- Davis Fuentes

First, you put oil in the pan and put it on the stove. Next, you put the turkey in the pan to cook it. Then you have to wait. Finally, you see if it is done by taking it out. Then you get a drink and eat the turkey.
- Neno Estrada

First, you put it in the thing to cook something, like a cake.

Next, you put sticks to make a fire and light it. Finally, you eat the turkey.
- Daimond Lopez

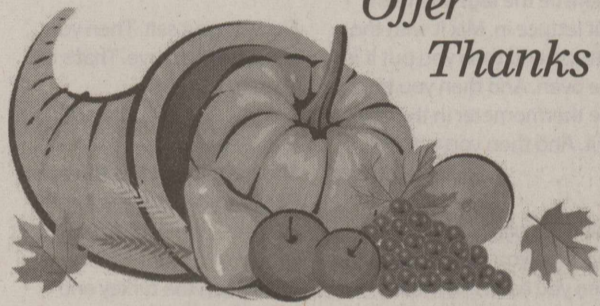
First, you shoot him. Then, if he is dead you poke his head to check if he is dead. If he is dead, you pull off his feathers. Next, you shave him with shaving knife. Then you cut off his head with a sharp knife, not a butter knife! Finally, you put him in the oven. Then call everyone you love and care about to come eat. Then make a big circle and say a prayer while holding hands.
- Hadley Trainer

First, you go get a turkey at the store so you can cook it. Next, you put the turkey's head on his neck. Then you give him food, and put him in a tree. This will fatten him up. Then you pull his feathers out. Finally you cook him and eat him!
- Jesus Cardona



Mrs. Purvis's Kindergarten Class | COURTESY PHOTO

Sonora First Graders Offer Thanks



Mrs. Roger's First grade Class

I am thankful for my mom and my dad because they make me food.
- Carlos Lopez

I am thankful for my mom and dad because they help me with my hormg.
- Keanu

I am thankful for my mom and dad because they help me with my homwrc.
- Chloe Acevedo

I am thankful for my mom and dad because the kuk for my.
- Gisell Fernandez

I am thankful for miy dad because hey kuks.
- Dekota Bertinot

I am thankful for my mom and sisters and my gremol and my grepol. I luv my femle my femle is th best.
- Ryder Walker

I am thankful for my ant because she help me clen my rum and because I love hrr.
- Abraham Reyes.

I am thankful for mi mom because she hlp me clen mi rom.
- Brenda Rocha

I am thankful for my pone and God too. I am alsothankful for my dog Buty. Areeblos.



Mrs. Roger's First grade Class | COURTESY PHOTO

Mrs. Taylor's First Grade Class

I am thankful for my best teachers. I am aslo thankful for learning.
- Ricardo Valdez Jr.

I am thankful for my mom and my dad and for my food and my god.
- Kaylin

I am thankful for God. I am

I am olsow thankfol for my mommy her name is Pat Arebalos.
- Jarrett Arebalos

I am thankful for my sistr and my dad because they help me win I foloff my bick.
- Jose Dominguez

I am thankful for Kisses because mommy give them.
- Andrea

I am thankful for my mom and my dad because they help me with my homework And they mak me brekfest lunch and dinner. Sometimes my mom and dad help me with my londre. They also help me clean my room.
- Maegan Ramirez

I am thankful for my family because they show me reyspect. Also I am thankful for food and wodr. I am also thankful for shelltr. also everytheng.
- Shaelee Litterell

I am thankful for my family because tha giv me love and I nou my dogz love me ther craze.
- Victoria Lopez.

I am thankful for Jamee and Chasee and Rilee because tha luv me.
- Carson Wardlaw

I am thankful for mi mom and dad because I lov them.
- Ian Deluna

also thankful for my family and my sister I am thankful for my teachers.
- Kynlie Gonzales

I am thankful for My family. and My mom and dad. I am thankful for my dog.
- Andrea Pena

I am thankful for my mom. and family. And food god and dad.
- Jace Braden

I am thankful for my Brtha I emthnakfo for Godd I emthankfol for family.
- Maribell Ibanez

I am thankful for God food. I am thankful for my family.
- Romberto

Im am thankful for my fiends family. I am thankful for God. I am thankful for my fiends school.
- Destiny

I am thankful for a mom and a dad and adog.
- Blake

I am thankful for My famlee. I am thankful for mi mom.
- Issac



Mrs. Taylor's First Grade Class | COURTESY PHOTO

Mrs. De Luna's 1st Grade Class

I am thankful for the prinses becoss it is prety.
- Naomi Fernandez

I am thankful for my granmo Griselda bkus she givs me waterr I wunt
- Alison Lopez

I am thankful for my fumili becoss they giv me hugs and luv.
- Melay Fernandez Palacios

I am thankful for toys bicus I get to plei with them.
- Aaron De Luna

I am thankful for my mommy because she plays with me.
- Adrialys Mata

I am thankful for my mom becuss we do a lot of things togethr.
- Sophia

I am thankful for my brothr Jame because we ea tegeedr.
- William Herrera

I am thankful for my dog

I am thankful for God. I am osle thankful for my dad and my mom.
- Lyla Solis

I am thankful for food, I am thankful for school.
- Baylee

I am thankful for my family. and my friends. and god. and my teacher.
- Jahzelle Gutierrez

I am thankful for my family I am thankful for my mom.
- Wesley Baker

I am thankful for God. I an thankful for school.
- Tiago Deluna

I am thankful for my mon becausei lovet them.
- Anthony Reyes

I am thankful for my mom and dad and brthr and grunma. I am thankful because they hep my.
- Gabby Castro

I am thankful for my family I am thankful for my mom.

I am thankful for God. I an thankful for school.

I am thankful for my mon becausei lovet them.
- Mirella Martinez

I am thankful for my mom and dad my sistrs and my bruthr. I am thankful because I love them.
- Ethan Goins

Ms. Rodriguez's First Grade Class | COURTESY PHOTO

Sonora Second Graders



Ms. Schmitz's Second Grade Class

I am thankful for my mom when she makes me breakfast in the morning. Also when my Fameliy yost to go to my football games.
- Ryan Mungia

I am thankful for being funny and sily and I like ot each Bugs and frogs and toads also snakes and foxs.
- Allen Smith

I am thankful for evry thing my teacher dose in school I love doing math and reading.
- Armani Coronado

I am thankful for my family and for my friends and I am thankful for my sistrs baby and I am os thankful for my sister.
- Karysah Lopez

I am thankful for my family and friends. Also, I am thankful for the holidays like Thanksgiving, Christmas, 4 of July, and Valentines day.
- Sophia Phillips

I am thankful for My family and my friend. And my mom she wus always rite by my side she gis got out of srgre but she is ok. And my sister and my brother their are very nise. And my dad he so nise he

mace me happy.
- Miranda Mata

I am thankful for having a cave for people to see and a home, a dad a mom, a cat, food, family, and friends. I am thankful for a sun, a moon, grass, soiol, water, trees, for air, teachers, having a chirch, clothes, a refrejerater, ice cubes.
- Presley Mayfield

I am thankful for my momand my dad and my cats andmy famle.
- Edward Mata

I am thankful for my mom give me football.
- Dason Granger

I am thankful for my family. and my brother and dog.
- Jesiah Martinez

I am thankful for being a christian spending time with my famile seeing people that is a christian i am thankful for my mom and my dad.
- Hardy Purvis

I am thankful for sharing turkey and corn. My family is togethr.
- David Gutierrez

I am thankful for my dogs. alive. freinds. school. most of all. I'm thankful for my family.
- Luke Snyder

becuss we play trics.
- Joselyn Campa

I am thankful for my Dad becaushe shears his mone with me.
- Ariaahi Aguayo-Romo

I am thankful for God because he made our wrold.
- Peyton Taylor

I am thankful for my family becuss thay help me.
- Justys Seaton

I am thankful for God because I woud not be alive.
- Burkes

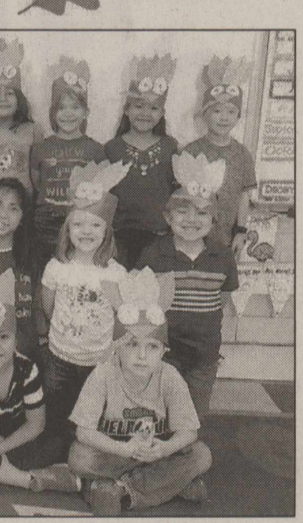
I am thankful for my perakeet that past away becuaes he was my best friend pet.
- Jayce Carrillo

I am thankful for my mimis cat Tommy because she was speshl to me my Mimi and my Pa bucause she was very nice.
- Annslee Ramseyer

I am thankful for my heart foob and my pet. Mom and dad god. I am thankful because my brudir he plas wif me.
- April Gonzales

I am thankful for my teacher and my families and my frands and my pets I amthankful Because my famules helps me out and my dogs help me hunt and my dogs help me hunt and my frands help me win and my teacher hepls me learn.
- Ruth Cybryan

I am thankful for god and my famle and my food and my scool. I am thankful be cause I luv them.
- Arron Galvan.



Mrs. De Luna's First Grade Class | COURTESY PHOTO

Ms. Rodriguez's First Grade Class

I am thankful for my Teacher because she heps us with math. I am thankful because my famle get me foond.
- Noah Murillo

I am thankful for mom and dad fud famule Nies to god I am thankful because i am for my teshr thaefo peckus I luvum benaes to mom.
- Fernando Arredondo.

I am thankful for my bruths and my mome and my dade. I am thankful becage god be hmed us. I am thankful because my mom feds me.
- Gillia Norre

I am thankful for bruthr and sistr mi mom and dad. because mi mom macs food and mi bad plase with me and mi brothr heps me with mi homrsk and mi sistr macs laf.
- Eliseo Garza

I am thankful for my famle and my dad and my mom and my bruthr and mys sistr and my techer I am thankful because i love them.

I am thankful for my heart foob and my pet. Mom and dad god. I am thankful because my brudir he plas wif me.
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- Arron Galvan.

I am thankful for my teacher my mom my sistr. I am thankful because my teacher heps leourn. my mom helps me learn new things.
- Keatan Fort

I am thankful for my mom and my dad and sistr and bruth. I am thankful because they hep me.
- Nevaeh Escobar



Ms. Schmitz's Second Grade Class | COURTESY PHOTO

Mrs. Powell's Second Grade Class

I am thankful for my family because they help me on my howmwork. And they luv me and I luv they to. They care for me and I care forn they to.
- Eduardo Salazar

I am thankful for my dad and my mom because they macke me foud and they mack me brounes cupckacks on my berthay and cack and mack me play football and put me in school and git us candey to it is fun.
- Buddha Guerra

I am thankful for my family because they love me and I love them. I also love my little sister. My family is the best thing I could ever have. We go to church together because we believe in god.
- Richard Leal

I am thankful for my family because thay teach me how to play football. I am also thankful for my teacher because she helps us larn

abote evrything. Lastly, I am thankfulfor God.
- Jesus

I am thankful for My dad and my mom for being thare for me when my dog died and for supporting when I was doing cheer I was so happy it was so much fun I had a grait time and me and my frend Bricley had dipping dose for brecfist we got bnanslit thay were so good and cookey and crem I had bnanslit and Bricley had cookeyancrem.
- Aanz Leigh Brianne Abalos

I am thankful for My family be cus they are nice they love me and I love them and I love living in sonora.
- Kabe Bunch

I am thankful for My mom and dad because they do every thing for me and my breather. and because they keep us safe. and I'm also thankful for my Breather.
- Brook Kaiser

I am thankful for my family and my dog also my dad and

POWELL:

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mom also my ant and the're nice to me. and they give me muny. Also give me something to eat.

- Gregorio Almedo

I am thankful for my family because they give me a jelly bread and evey things I am also thankful for them. they love me and I love them I am thankful for everything and they let me have a sleep over on weekens I am thankful.

- Sofia

I am thankful for my parents and my siblings. I am aslo

thankful for my food and drinks. I am also thankful for my 3 dogs and 1 cat. I am also thankful for my school and all of my techers. I am thankful that I have lots of friends and family I love them.

- Brailyn Renae Galindo

I am thankful for my mom my teacher I am thankful for dog.

- Sebastian

I am thankful for My cat. I am thankful for my famy I am thankful for my mom I am thankful for my dad I am thankful for my dog.

- Sighey Froberg



Mrs. Powell's Second Grade Class | COURTESY PHOTO

Mrs. Cearley's Second Grade Class

I am thankful for my mom because she loves me. I am also thankful for my haws because if i didnt have it i wood'nt srive. Last i am thankful for My frends because thay help me.

- trysten Lane Parker

I am thankful for my family because thec clenare rooms my dad and my mom and me my sister and my brother clenare rooms. And I do all the time my mom make diner.

- Nathan Rivas

I am thankful for my family because Thay lat me go to my cusin house to play on The swing and my mom mack cack for my frand happy prThay it was fin. I am Thankful for my scool and I love sonora Broncos because we live in This Toun.

- Melissa

I am thankful for my friends becuse they are ther forme win im sad. Im thankful for my familybecaus they loveme for who I am. I'm thankdul for the bible because it teaches me about God and Jeasus.

- Kenzeel Bryant

I am thankful for family because I love them. I am thankful for my school because they hlep me lern and because I love it. I am thankful for the food because it. I am thankful for food because ceeps us ulive.

- Caidn Cardenas

I am thankful for my famiybecus they tack cer uve me. I liv her in sunora becus I thenck its a gerat town. Also my ferends mack me happy pla with them.

- Alexander

I am thankful for family becus thay make me happy. I am thankful for my cunehre becus it is make food. I am thankful for my Bibl becus lrd a bat God.

- Adele

I am thankful for my mom bekos I like to help hre bekos it is hord for hreto wrk.

- Noah Pruneda.

I am thankful for my stitr because she love me my mom she is funny give me kiss to bed. my dad give me toys. and he is swet.

- Riley Saucedo

I am thankfu for My family because they care for me. I am aslo thankful for my house because if I didn't have my house I woud'nt live. Last I am thankful for my life because if I did'nt have my life I woud'nt do all this stuff.

- Daniel Alviso

I am thankful for My mom and dad. Because I love them and I cere for them. I am thankful for the town of Sonora for their Suceraty. Last, I am thankful for my cusens Because wen I am skerd thae cere about me.

- Hope

I am thankful for my antes because she pick me up and make us food for me and my sister, mom, dad, gramol. I am thankfor the Neely family and thay brght us a house and gave my dad a job and I like the goats. I am thankful for my family thay do a lot for meand my sister.

- Brianna Sanchez

Im a thankful for my family because they love me and care for me. I also like there names Emily, Hannah, and Derek. I am also thankfull for my friends Robert, Trysten, and Ryan.

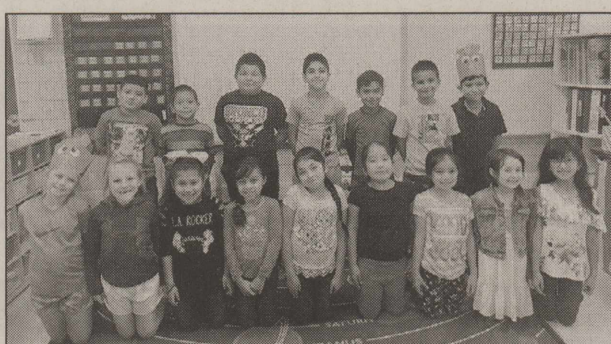
- Jack

I am thankful for my family and frined and teachers they bring joy to me. My frinds make me laghe. My family helps me wen ime scard. The techers tech use more things.

- Robert Zook

I am thankful for my family and I am Thankful for the best world I have naw. I am Thankful for god because He is The best forther. I have The best thing I am Thankful about is my family!

- Mia Reyes



Mrs. Hernandez's Second Grade Class | COURTESY PHOTO

Mrs. Hernandez Second Grade Class

I am thankful for my family. For the food around the Earth. All my friends. The Sonora Elementre school.

- Donato Gonzalez

I am thankful for my sister because am not be boring and play whith har hid and sick and play whit all or toys and it so fun have a sister or brother and it so fun because what ever we want! and wen they grow we can play like run and do a lot of thing and I love my sister.

- Brysa Parada

I am thankful for Mrs. Hernandez is bestteacher ever. My frend name is Brysa. end my bes fend to is Donato. end jose. end alfredo. end my mom end my dad.

- Kevin Ordanes Machado.

I am thankful for my ant because she let me brush her hiar and my fris becuse they are so nise to me and my famiy that cook for my.

- Payten White

I am Thankful for my family because I help my family to clean the hause. I can help my mom to put the clous to dry. I help to thro the trash uay and help my mom take kare of my litell Brother.

- Andy Rosales

I am thankful for helping my familly because I shod be thnknful for my familly and have fun and eat turkey and my family wach foot ball.

- Luis Lopez

I am thankful for my mom becose she takescare of me and feed me and she also love's me too. i am also thankful for my teacher becus she is sweet like a unicorn a magical one and she is the perfect teacher for me.

- Mariselda Martinez

I am thankful for my famaly because we clen the hous and wash. the dishes and fix the bed. and they macke me thankful to and I have to macke them feel thnknful, and they do so much for me to.

- Yarixa Gonzalez-Ozuna

I am thankful for my friends and my teacher. Becus they make me happy when I am sad. My teacher helps me a lot when i am cunfus or when i need help with a word.

- Miranda Montoya

I am thankful for Ryder and frins evrewan even my teacher even my famle. I love my cuzns my Ant stefuny and ucl Tem and greek and Dlanam my mommy daddy Johny Maddiy.

- Morrigan Layn Starr

I am thankful for my thoughtful family because they care for me and buy me clouse, pants, shause. And sometimes Toys.

- Kaasi Gutierrez.

I am thankful for my family because they sometimes help me with my homeork at nighty and they let me do something for them and they let me help them.

- Evelyn Campa

I am thankful for my teacher because she is very nice, helpful and sweet and is the best teacher ever!

- Samantha Nichols

I am thankful for my family and for shooting a turcky on thaincksgiving and racking the leves and my teacher and my dog.

- Alfredo Gaspar

I am thankful for my famaly and my frend and my techer becuse she let us see the 3D shaps and I am thankful for my cosen lan.

- Jose Aguayo

I am thankul for my familia por ser tan buena con migo y ser muy amistos con migo.

- Aaron Jimenez

Local FFA Shines in Competition

Local FFA students have been busy practicing, improving and winning as seen by their recent accomplishments in area competitions.

Under the direction of FFA instructor Tim Flanagan, the future leaders placed first in junior quiz and second in junior chapter conducting, senior chapter conducting, junior skills, senior skills, public relations and junior quiz while competing in the Angelo State University Invitational LDE held October 31, 2017 in San Angelo.

From there, they were awarded first place in junior chapter conducting, second place in junior creed speaking, third place in senior chapter conducting and junior quiz during the Tarleton State University Invitational in Stephenville.

Of the 152 students competing, Sonora High

School's Jaci Dutton earned third place high individual in the junior quiz contest.

Students competing in public relations were awarded fourth place and those competing in junior skills and senior skills earned sixth place overall.

Finally, Sonora was awarded the statewide sweepstakes for single teacher departments during the TSU competition.

Moving on to the district contest in Grape Creek held November 8th, Sonora FFA students were awarded first place in senior chapter conducting, junior and senior quiz, public relations and ag issues forum. Additionally they earned second place in junior chapter conducting ad third place in job interview.

All of these students deserve commendation for their hard work and accomplishments.

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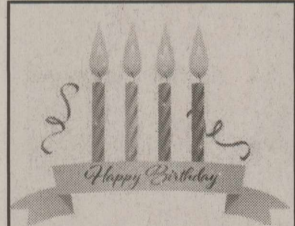
November 1-21	0.17 in.	November 1-21	0.13 in.
October	0.11 in.	October	0.07 in.
September	3.83 in.	September	3.05 in.
August	1.82 in.	August	3.66 in.
July	4.21 in.	July	3.79 in.
June	3.07 in.	June	0.41 in.
May	3.68 in.	May	2.92 in.
April	1.23 in.	April	2.48 in.
March	0.79 in.	March	1.00 in.
February	1.36 in.	February	1.48 in.
January	2.40 in.	January	1.68 in.
2017 Year-to-Date Total	22.67 in.	2017 Year-to-Date Total	20.67 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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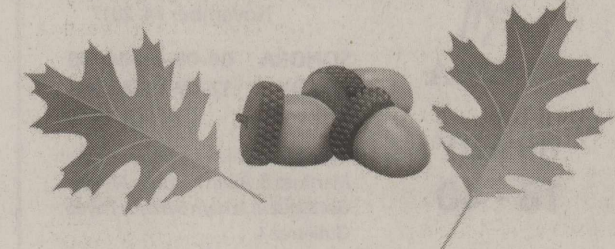
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- 24th Tommy Love, Paige Love-Sykes, Maray Cearley, Brandon Duncan, Johnell Casparis
- 25th Ty Love
- 26th Julia Pope, Bob Brockman, Patty Reiner, Tim Thorp
- 27th Jimmy Holman, Derek Van Winkle, Stacie Phillips
- 28th Stetson Hall, Brandon Wood, Monte Dillard, Kristy Edwards
- 29th Richard Palmer, Butch Adkins,
- 30th Garrett Jaeger, Justin McDaniel

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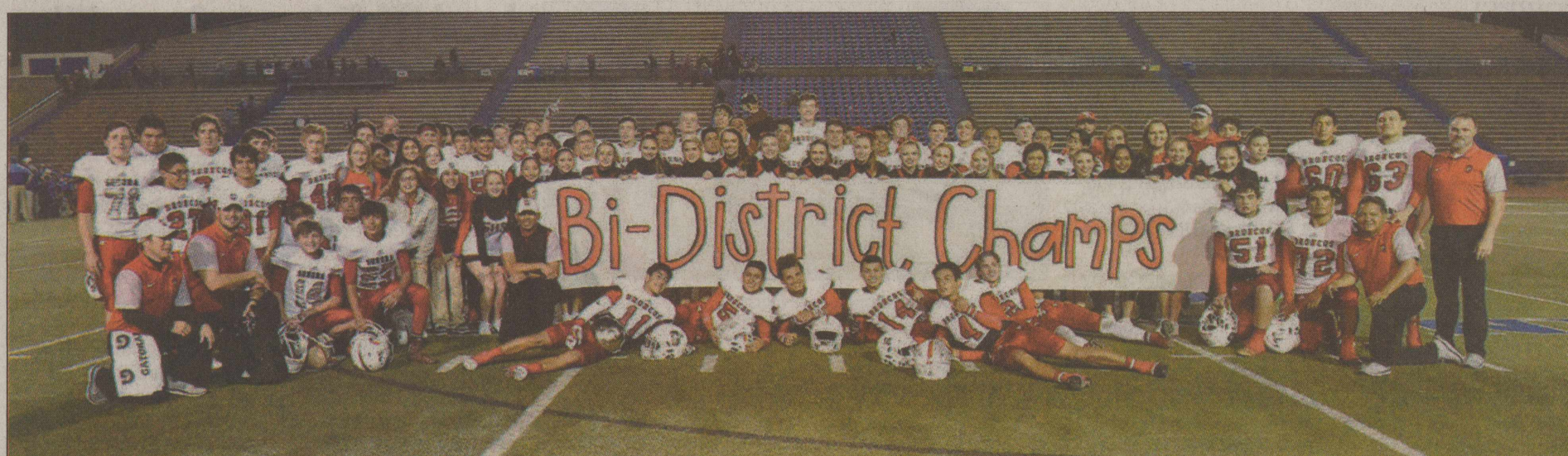
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There's nothing wrong with sharing recipes and family photos, or laughing at cat videos and funny memes, as long as you

Remember What's Truly Important



Sonora students and coaches pose in front of a banner following Thursday's victory over Coleman, November 16, 2017, at San Angelo Stadium. The 11-0 Broncos were awarded the Class 3A Division II Bi-district championship trophy at the end of the game. **DANNY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS**

PLAYOFF:

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Aside from the 28 point lead over Coleman in the first half of Thursday's game being exactly what the Broncos needed to ensure their chances of a win, they added another 15 points in the second half for the impressive shutout victory.

"That is a pretty good average, Cordell said. "We weren't as crisp in the third quarter but we still were very productive offensively in the second half of play. Defense played extremely well and kept the Bluecats off the board. Shut outs are hard to come by especially in the playoffs."

As for those additional points in the second and keeping the Bearcats off of the scoreboard, Cordell said, "All of this was accomplished with basically our reserves playing the majority of the second half."

Sonora had 18 first downs compared to Coleman's 12 and the Broncos ran 16 offensive plays scoring 28 points in the first half of the game before notching the score for a total of 43 points in the game.

From the first whistle blow, Sonora's defense pushed back the Bearcats

allowing the Broncos' offense to explode lighting up the scoreboard until the clock expired at the end of the fourth.

Holding the Bearcats to zero, Sonora racked up six touchdowns and seven extra points for an impressive 43-0 victory.

As with every game this season, the Broncos took Thursday's challenge seriously and remained focused on taking care of business.

Broncos quarterback Kaden Cordell threw 229 yards and three touchdowns completing 11 of 19 passes for a touchdown in the second quarter.

Broncos running back Jarrett Jackson had seven carries for 86 yards and a touchdown.

Wesley Dutton ran for 66 yards on a touchdown pass from Cordell and Willie Munoz sprinted 21 yards to cross the end zone also on a pass from Cordell.

Backup quarterback Brian Van Winkle was 4 for 4 for 121 yards and a touchdown pass to Abel Cruz. Cruz ran 83 yards to find paydirt in the fourth quarter.

This was the second shutout for the year for



Broncos quarterback Kaden Cordell runs through the Bearcats' defense to score a touchdown in the second quarter of Thursday's round one playoff game between Sonora and Coleman, November 16, 2017, at San Angelo Stadium. **KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS**

this Friday, November 24, 2017, at 4:00 p.m., at Abernathy High School's Antelope Stadium.

SCORE BY QUARTER

SONORA 14-14-07-08=43

COLEMAN 00-00-00-00=00

FIRST QUARTER

SONORA — 8:55 WESLEY DUTTON 66 yd run on pass from Kaden Cordell (Kick Good)

SONORA — 1:08 JARRETT JACKSON 46 yd run (Kick Good)

SECOND QUARTER

SONORA — 11:12 KADEN CORDELL 9 yd run (Kick Good)

SONORA — 00:26 JARRETT JACKSON 39 yd run on a pass from Kaden Cordell (Kick Good)

THIRD QUARTER

SONORA — 8:27 WILLIE MUNOZ 21 yd run on pass from Kaden Cordell (Kick Good)

SONORA — 11:21 ABEL CRUZ 83 yd run on pass from Brian Van Winkle (Kick Good)

INDIVIDUAL STATS

RUSHING
SONORA — Kaden Cordell 5-58; Jarrett Jackson 7-86; Willie Munoz 1-37; Wilson Johnson 6-10

PASSING
SONORA — Kaden Cordell 11-19-229 yds; Brian Van Winkle 4-4-121 yds

RECEIVING
SONORA — Jarrett Jackson 2-41; Willie Munoz 2-39; Marcos Talamantes 2-12; Abel Cruz 1-83; Wesley Dutton 5-108; Dylan Taylor 1-36; Wilson Johnson 1-30; John DeLeon 1-1

Sonora vs. Spearman

Friday, Nov. 24
4:00 p.m. Kickoff
Antelope Stadium, Abernathy, TX
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the Broncos defense and the sixth time to hold their opponent to eight or less points in a game. Sonora improved

to 11-0, while Coleman closed their season 3-8. Advancing to the Area round, the Broncos are set to play Spearman

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Junior Varsity
November 18, 2017

SONORA
v.
JUNCTION
25 - 30

SONORA 04-02-04-20=30
JUNCTION 08-00-04-13=25

SCORERS: Rivers Martinez 3; Esmeralda Salazar 2; Alyssa Martinez 7; Cheyenne Haynes 6; Dekota Morrow 12.



Chayenne Haynes dribbles the ball down center court on her way to the net during Tuesday's game between the junior varsity Lady Broncos and Lady Bearcats, November 14, 2017, in Sonora. **KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS**



Gabby Zapata takes a shot for the Lady Broncos despite an attempted block by a Lady Bearcat during the varsity basketball game between Sonora and Ballinger on Tuesday, November 14, 2017, in Sonora. **KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS**

LADY BRONCOS

Varsity
November 18, 2017

SONORA
v.
JUNCTION
24 - 37

SONORA 04-01-08-11=24
JUNCTION 09-10-09-09=37

SCORERS: Gabby Zapata 1; Aislin Nixon 7; Audrey Nolen 8; Angela Gonzalez 2; Jakilyn Sykes 6.

LADY BRONCOS

Junior Varsity
November 14, 2017

SONORA
v.
BRADY
22 - 32

SONORA 07-04-06-05=22
BRADY 02-14-08-08=32

SCORERS: Rivers Martinez 2; Esmeralda Salazar 1; Alyssa Martinez 2; Shyanne Gamez 1; Clarissa Rodriguez 14; Cheyenne Haynes 1; Dekota Morrow 1.

LADY BRONCOS

Varsity
November 14, 2017

SONORA
v.
BRADY
18 - 40

SONORA 06-05-03-04=18
BRADY 12-09-13-06=40

SCORERS: Aleasha Smith 1; Karah Martinez 8; Aislin Nixon 2; Angela Gonzalez 4; Jakilyn Sykes 2; Zayda Gutierrez 1.

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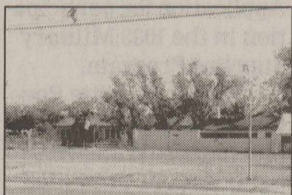
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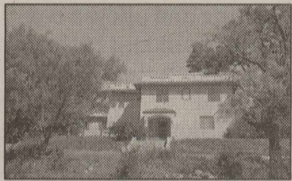
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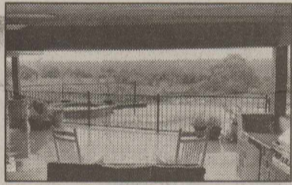
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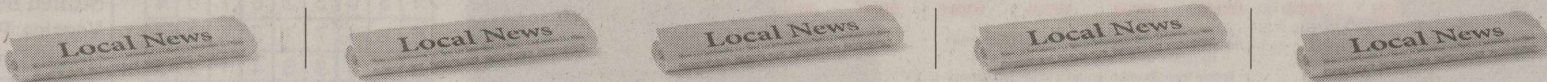
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City Council OK's Funds to Promote Tourism and Preserve Historic Windmill

The City of Sonora City Council considered and approved several requests from Max Howarth on behalf of the Sonora Tourism Committee during their regular monthly meeting Monday, November 20, 2017.

These actions included the approval of David Smith to the Tourism Committee as the replacement for Robin Street, representing SEDC, the October 2017 Hots Financial Report.

Additionally, they approved utilizing Hotel Occupancy Tax, in the amount of \$15,000, to support a project to restore the historic Sutton County jail and make it a Museum and tourist attraction and \$7,000 to support a music

performance/dance associated with the 2018 Sonora Rodeo.

Finally, the council approved a supplemental grant of Hotel Occupancy Tax, in the amount of \$5,000 to help the Sonora Chamber of Commerce cover a deficit in funding of the 2017 Dry Devil's River Music Flood.

In addition, the council also approved an agreement with TxDOT to move and maintain the windmill donated by Jimmy Holma, Holman Ranch, to the decorative wall planter located on US 277 North and Loop 467. Additionally, they approved Holman's request to relocate the windmill to preserve it as part of the local history of Sonora. The windmill


originated at the Holman Ranch and dates back to the early 1900's.

In regular business, the council approved regular consent agenda items as presented including the minutes of the October 16, 2017 meeting, Sonora Police and Senior Center reports for September and October.

In other business, council members heard a second reading of Resolution No. 2017-R-11 to expend Type B funds for Whitt Peasley, dba Pit Stop Barbeque in the Amount of \$34,000.00 to assist with a Grease Trap, Signage, Equipment and Initial Operating Costs. Betty Hernandez read aloud the details of the resolution. Mr. Peasley was present to answer



A photo illustration shows the historic Holman Ranch windmill located atop the Sonora decorative planter on U.S. Hwy 277 and Loop 467 as proposed during Monday's City Council meeting. The council approved an agreement with TxDOT to move and maintain the windmill. KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS



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any questions. There was no discussion.

Debra Hobbs spoke to the council about plans for the annual community Christmas event set for Wednesday, November 29th. They approved her request to close roadways along Concho Street, Main Street and Water Avenue to allow for a parade route and activities in the downtown area between 5 p.m. and 9 p.m.

Considering information provided by Austin Engineering Co., Inc. and City Manager Ed Carrasco, the council members also approved contract change order No. 2 regarding the Love's Infrastructure, lift station.

Further, they considered a request from WTG to approve its third annual gas reliability infrastructure program interim rate adjustment. The 93-cent increase is part of an existing contract between the City of Sonora and WTG. No action was taken as it was

not necessary due to the automatic rate adjustment in effect.

With representatives present to answer questions, the council approved to grant a telecommunications cabinet easement to Hill Country Telecommunications, LLC. The easement is located near the Sonora Police Department Headquarters.

The council then heard a request to consider granting another easement to Hill Country Telecommunications, LLC to place another cabinet on city property. The council approved a motion to allow city administration the ability to look for other locations within the city.

Moving through the agenda, council members approved JoAnn Hernandez for their nominee for the 2018-19 Election of Sutton County Appraisal District Directors, a motion to certify the 2017 Tax Roll and Resolution No. 2017-R-11A and Election Agreement to have a joint election on May 5, 2018.

The City of Sonora along with the Sutton County Water Board, Sonora ISD and the Sutton County Hospital District election will be conducted by County Clerk Rachel Duran using the county's election

equipment.

Upon hearing information Sonora Police Chief Art Fuentes, the council approved to accept two live animal traps that were donated to the Animal Control Department.

They also approved a motion authorizing Chief Fuentes to submit a Law Enforcement Agency Application for participation in the 1033 Military Supplies Program.

Finally, Brigitte Rogers addressed the council and requested answers to her questions presented at the October 16th regular meeting regarding sewer and water.

Mr. Carrasco acknowledged her request countering it with a request that all questions be submitted to him in writing and allow a reasonable amount of time to research them and respond.

Without further discussion or visitor comments, the council adjourned.

Mayor Wanda Shurley presided over the meeting. Manuel Martinez, Juanita Barrera, Cody Gann and Norm Rouselot was present.

The next regular meeting of the City of Sonora City Council is set for Monday, December 18, 2017, at 6:00 p.m., at City Hall.



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Local Beekeepers Club to Meet

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Membership area includes Sutton County and the surrounding area. Topics of discussion

in Thursday's meeting include club By-laws, future meeting dates, Texas Beekeepers Association membership, Master Beekeeper certification and eliminating Africanized bees.

For more information contact Cynthia Schiotis at 210-317-5596 or whitehornapiary@gmail.com.

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Tuesday November 28
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