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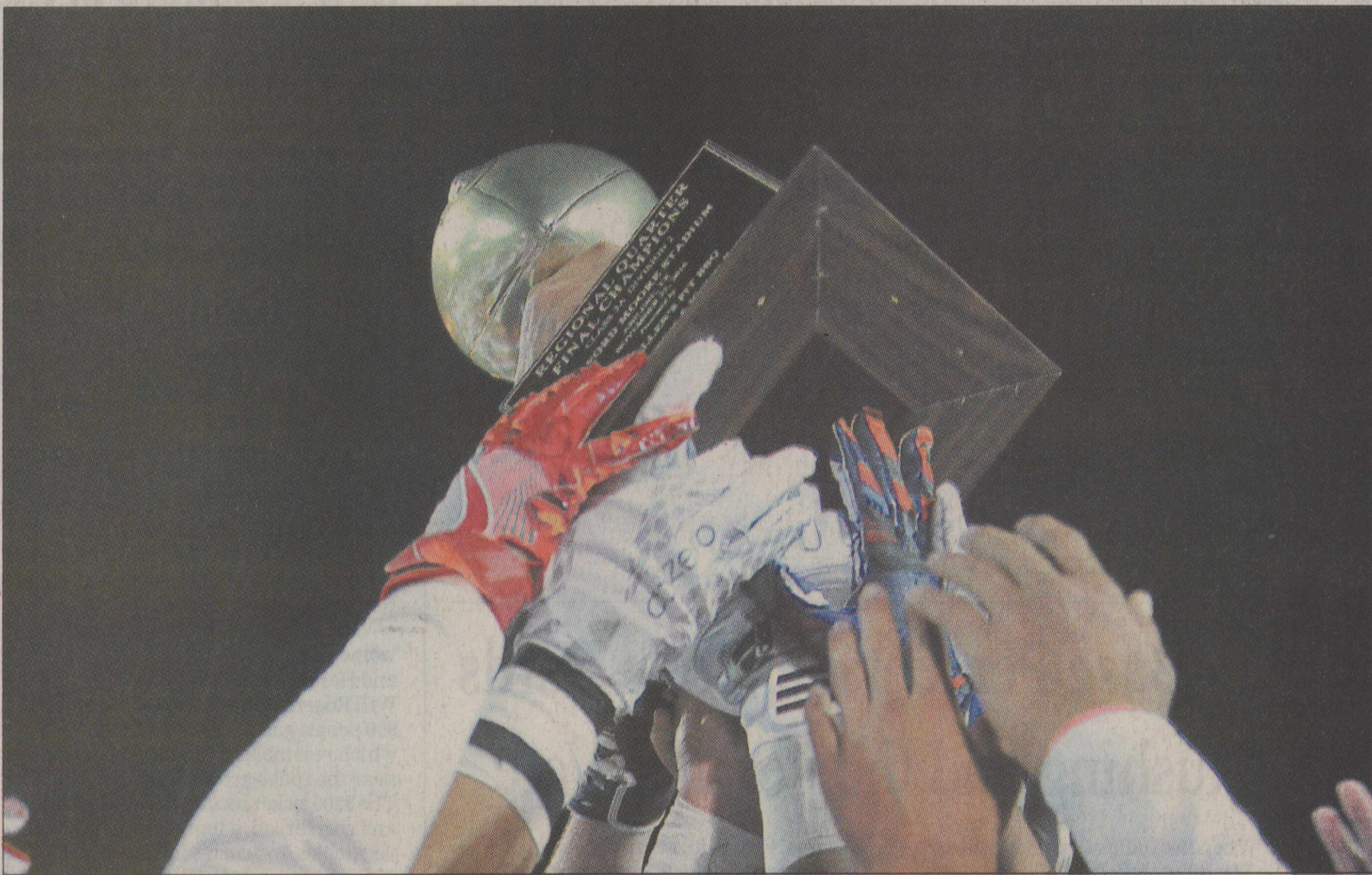
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THE CHASE FOR SEIS:



40 **3 Down, 3 to Go!** 36



The Broncos hold high their Regional Semi-Final Championship trophy Friday following the team's narrow 40-36 win over Childress. The Broncos played a close scoring game from the start of the game but ensured their win with a final touchdown and last minute interception in the last quarter. The team travels to Lubbock this Friday to take on Canadian in a Regional Final matchup at Lowrey Field. Kickoff is slated for 7 p.m. **DANNY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS**

Broncos Edge Childress in Nail-biting Regional Semi-final

The Sonora Broncos traveled to Abilene Friday, November 25 and took down Childress 40-36 in a great back and forth Regional Semi-final Championship game at McMurray Stadium.

Taking the field in their usual explosive style, the Broncos scored early in the first quarter and often throughout the game.

Both teams fought a back and forth battle throughout every stanza but the Broncos managed just enough to pull off the win in the fourth quarter.

"It's one of the top three wins in my 24-year career," Coach David T. Sine said. "It could very well be the best because we were 14 point underdogs and we played

a really good football team. The most they've allowed is 37 points and we were able to put 40 on the board."

Lineman Josh Galindo, a senior, said the win is proof that if they all [the Broncos football players] step up to the challenge and work together, no team can stand in their way of reaching their goal. Although all of their victories play an important part in getting them to the next level, Galindo said this win was extraordinary.

"It's huge. We couldn't want

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for anything better," Galindo said. "I guess you could say, this game is like a miracle

comeback. It was really, really tight. We dug deep and in our hearts, we knew we could win this one."

Looking ahead to the next game, with his head held high and a wide smile, Galindo said he is especially proud to be part of such a great group of seniors.

Thomas Talamantez couldn't agree more, "The 18 seniors on our team stepped up and took on the leadership that we

needed to win this."

Hundreds of Bronco Nation fans filled the stadium loudly cheering and chanting, "Chase for Seis," as the players poised themselves to be focused and win.

"A special thanks to all of you that traveled in abundance to Abilene Friday night. Our coaching staff and players truly appreciate your support, you made an incredible impact on the outcome of the game," Sine said.

Less than four minutes into the first quarter, Kaden Cordell found paydirt putting the Broncos on the scoreboard at the 8:45

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NRA Foundation Awards Grants to Police Department, Sheriff's Office

The Sonora Police Department and Sutton County Sheriff's Department received checks totalling \$4,488.95 during a special check presentation Monday, November 28, 2016 in front of the Sutton County Courthouse.

The NRA Foundation awarded the Sonora Police Department and the Sutton County Sheriff's Department grant monies for the purchase of Body Worn Cameras for law enforcement officers.

"We are very excited about the addition of Body Worn Cameras for our officers and deputies," Chief William Dudley said. "And I am pleased that the NRA is making an investment in our community."

Individually, the SPD received \$1,770 and the SC Sheriff's Department received \$2,718.95 in monies from the grant written by Melissa Fuentes, SPD Administrative Assistant.

Fuentes submitted the grant to the NRA Foundation in November 2015 and a congratulatory letter was received by both agencies in March 2016.

Deputy Duwayne Castro said that these funds greatly help the Sheriff's Department in the purchase of equipment used to enhance the safety and security of the citizens of Sutton County.

"The Sutton County Sheriff's Office greatly appreciates the contribution by the NRA,"



Pictured (Frnt L-R) Chief William Dudley, Deputy DuWayne Castro, Terri Johnson, Tonya Brown, Elaine Donaldson; (Back L-R) Kyle Donaldson, Carl Johnson, Billy Martin, Glen Love. (Not Pictured) Charlie Brown, Danine Brister, Cliff Brister, Bobby Dictson, Billy Dictson, Tim Thorp and Donna Keese. **DANNY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS**

Castro said. "The funds go a long way in purchasing equipment that the Sheriff's Office would not generally afford to purchase."

A press release stated that both the SPD and Sheriff's Department were recognized for proudly serving and protecting the citizens of the City of Sonora

and Sutton County, as well as, their emphasis on the importance of Officer Safety.

Additionally, the community, the Sonora Police Department and the Sutton County Sheriff's Office, will greatly benefit from the purchase of these Body Worn Cameras, according to the release.

Established in 1871, the National Rifle Association is America's oldest civil rights and sportsmen's group involving more than five million members. The NRA continues its mission to uphold Second Amendment rights and is the leader in firearm

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Citizens Required to Pay Taxes Assessed Prior to De-annexation per City Council

City Council members approved a motion that requires residents of Loma Alta and Sinaloa to pay city taxes assessed and owed prior to the De-annexation of the two subdivisions. The motion carried during their regular meeting Monday, November 21, 2016.

Before moving into regular business, Ed Carrasco, Sonora City Manager reported general update information regarding water supply to the new Love's Travel Center, City Hall window replacement, January 2017 audit and the upcoming Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) inspection on the city's water and sewer infrastructure improvements.

Progress on the completion of water supply to the Love's Travel Center is delayed due to TCEQ. Approval was denied by TCEQ allowing the installation of water wells servicing the new facility due to the lack of proof of deed.

TCEQ is also expected to complete a routine inspection of the water and sewer infrastructure improvements and a report will be made available.

Further, a report will be available following the regular January 2017 audit of the City financials.

Finally, the necessary window replacements on City Hall are complete. Windows were replaced due to hail damage.

In regular business, the council approved the minutes of the October 17, 2016 regular meeting, Senior Center monthly reports and the Sonora Police Department monthly report as presented.

Although they approved a request by Debra Hobbs in a previous meeting, the council approved specific streets closures including Concho Avenue, Main Street, and Water Street to accommodate the Christmas activities taking place on Wednesday, November 30, 2016.

Council members heard a Second Reading and approved Resolution 2016-R-11 to Expend 4b

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County Commissioners Honor Bill Webster During Special Meeting

County Commissioners handled a wide variety of agenda items ranging from seeking bonds for newly elected county officers to accepting donated playground equipment during a special meeting Monday, November 28.

The court approved the pursuit of bonds to cover newly elected county officers during the November General Election.

County officers include Bob Brockman, County Commissioner Precinct 2, Carl Teaff, County Commissioner Precinct 3, Oscar Chavez, Sutton County Sheriff, Kathy Sanchez Marshall, Tax Assessor-Collector and David Wallace, County Attorney.

In other business, commissioners accepted a donation of playground equipment to be placed at the Sutton County Park. The equipment, which is geared towards young children ages 2 to 5 years, is presently located at the Presbyterian Church of the Good Shepherd. Commissioners approved a minimal cost to re-locate the equipment from the church to the park.

In regular business, the court approved the minutes from the October 11, October 24 and November 14 regular meeting with one correction.

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Texas African American History Memorial Unveiled at Capitol

AUSTIN — A crowd of citizens and dignitaries gathered on the south lawn of the state Capitol on Nov. 19 to witness the unveiling of the Texas African American History Memorial.

The 32-foot-wide, 27-foot-tall bronze monument by sculptor Ed Dwight depicts images of African-Americans in Texas from modern times going back nearly 500 years.

Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner, a former long-time member of the Texas House of Representatives, spoke at the event.

"This monument stands as a marker that no matter how smart you may think you are, no matter how gifted you may be, and no matter what contribution you may

have made, we are standing on the foundation and the shoulders of people who have sacrificed to get us where we are today," Turner said.

Gov. Greg Abbott, who also delivered remarks at the ceremony, said: "Today we come together to proudly honor the African-Americans who helped to grow Texas from the bounty of the land, from the sweat of their toil and from the passion of their dreams."

"We are reminded that our work is not yet done," Abbott said. "If we are to truly elevate Texas to its limitless potential, we must continue to expand liberty and opportunity for all."

The effort to have a monument to the

contributions of Texas' African-Americans commissioned and installed on the Capitol grounds was launched some 20 years ago, according to the Texas African-American Memorial Foundation, an organization created to raise funds for the project.

Oil discovery is reported

The United States Geological Survey on Nov. 15 announced the largest estimate of "continuous oil" ever assessed in the United States, and it's in Texas.

The Wolfcamp shale in the Midland Basin portion of the Permian Basin contains an estimated mean of 20 billion barrels of oil, 16 trillion cubic feet of associated natural gas and 1.6 billion barrels of

natural gas liquids.

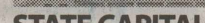
This estimate, according to the USGS, consists of undiscovered, technically recoverable resources.

The estimate of continuous oil in the Midland Basin Wolfcamp shale assessment is nearly three times larger than that of the 2013 USGS Bakken-Three Forks, which is situated in a land area that includes the western two-thirds of North Dakota, the northwestern

STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

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Marriage Rules

I've been contemplating marriage. Not getting married. I took care of that task years ago.

I've been contemplating marriage as in the concept of. My daughter recently tied the knot and I've been reminiscing about my own newlywed days - and some of the lessons learned since way back then.

Slices of Life



By Jill Pertier

When I signed up for this deal called marriage, I had no idea what I was getting myself into. Neither did my husband. If someone had told us marriage might be challenging and difficult, we wouldn't have believed them. How could loving another person be difficult? (Ha!) Thank goodness for our naivety. And optimism.

Now, all these years later, I think we'd both say marriage can be challenging (not to mention a bit of hard work). But it is good work, and challenges are opportunities for growth. And when done right, it gets easier and more fulfilling as the years pass. Most days.

Since saying "I do," my better half and I have learned a few tidbits (Dare I say rules?) about successfully navigating this thing called wedded bliss. If we were to give unsolicited advice to our daughter and other newlys (which of course we never would), here's what we might say:

1. First, realize there are no rules, really. Think of these as starting points.
2. Over the years, you will break most if not all these rules (a.k.a. starting points). So will your spouse. Forgive him or her and just as importantly, forgive yourself.
3. It's not about you. It's about both of you. If you live out your marriage as though it's about you, you'll likely have a short marriage - or at the very least an unhappy one.

4. Eat meals together. At least once each day. They will serve as an anchor and provide an opportunity to share time and conversation with each other. It's the seemingly small habits like this that fortify your relationship. In a marriage, small things can be big things.

5. Sleep in the same bed. Even if it seems more convenient not to. Even if one of you snores or kicks the covers off (not that I'm implying anything). Love is hardly ever convenient.

Waking together gives you a few moments to plan your day, and plot your strategies - if you have children. It also gives you the opportunity to experience morning breath and morning hair.

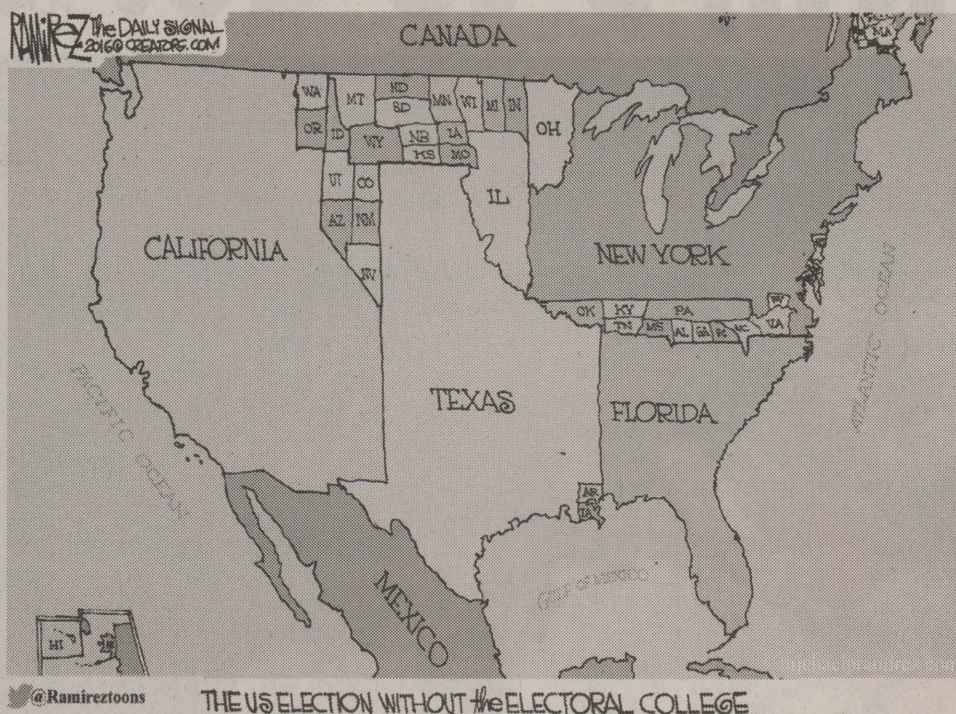
It gives you the chance to say good morning before the chaos of the rest of your day proceeds.

6. Always kiss each other goodbye. It's also nice to kiss hello and good night and happy Groundhog's day, but goodbye is the one to make a priority. You never know if a goodbye will be your last, and you'd regret forever if you hadn't paid enough attention to seal it with a kiss.

7. Realize you do not have to agree on everything. Chances are even after decades you won't have come to terms about the thermostat. It's the bane of many a great marriage and a war that can't be won. There are countless similar battles involving laundry folding techniques, vacation destinations, parenting practices and driving habits (which could be a category in itself).

8. Falling in love is easy; staying there not always so. Work to keep things new. Don't be distracted by the multitude of life experiences that could come between you and your spouse. This includes your job and your children.

There are more (there always could be more) but eight is enough for one day. When we got married years ago, our pockets may have been empty, but our hearts were as full as our hair was big. Now we relive those emotions (but not the hairstyle) through our daughter and son-in-law and we are glad for times when life comes full circle.



THE US ELECTION WITHOUT THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE

On Base Percentage, Total Yards Rushing and the Popular Vote

When the Dallas Cowboys defeated the Washington Redskins on Thanksgiving Day, they did so in spite of the fact that Washington quarterback Kirk Cousins threw for more yards and more touchdowns than did Dallas quarterback Dak Prescott. The Redskins also gained more total yards than the Cowboys.

So how is it possible that Dallas won the game?

That seems to be the logic behind the latest barrage of complaints about the electoral college.

Those who would prefer that Hillary Clinton had won the election point to her advantage in the popular vote and ask how the electoral college could possibly award the presidency to Donald Trump.

Short answer - that's the way the founding fathers set it up. This isn't the first time that a presidential campaign structured to generate big numbers in a couple of highly-populated states, lost to one that concentrated on the voters in a large group of less populous swing states. The first time was in 1824 when John Quincy Adams lost the election to Andrew Jackson.

It happened again in 1876 when Rutherford B. Hayes defeated Samuel J. Tilden and again 1888 when Benjamin Harrison bested Grover Cleveland.

The most recent example came in 2000 when Al Gore won the popular vote with big margins in California and New York but lost the election to George W. Bush when a handful of swing states including Florida went to Bush.

Compare it, if you will, to a high-powered baseball team that relies on doubles, triples and home runs coming out on the losing end to a team that plays sound defense and generates a few runs with bunts, hit-and-runs, stolen bases and savvy base running.

No, it doesn't always turn out that way, but on occasion, small ball can prevail over the long ball, especially if a crafty manager knows going in that he will have to manufacture a couple of runs in order to win the game.

I've heard the argument that in a true democracy the popular vote should be all that counts. But we live in a republic, not a democracy, and we rely on our elected representatives to govern for us. It is a system that has served us well for more than two centuries.

So, let's look back to the founding fathers and ask why they might have set things up this way.

First of all, Jefferson, Madison,

Adams, Franklin, et al., were men of exceptional intellect and foresight. They understood then as we should today that tyranny comes in many forms. They were every bit as worried about the tyranny of the majority as they were about any tyranny that Parliament or King George III might have perpetrated.

That's why Congress was set up with an upper and lower chamber - the House of Representatives being more responsive (democratic) and the Senate more reflective (republican). The House is like the sails that drive a ship across the water while the Senate is like the rudder and the keel, providing both direction and stability.

The same logic went into the creation of the electoral college. In their day, the founders feared that New York, Pennsylvania and Virginia, the large states of the day, could easily overwhelm the other ten states and carry every election. They devised the electoral college as a way of forcing presidential candidates to pay attention to even the smallest and least populated states.

The electoral college was so brilliant in design and simple in function that it easily scaled up as the nation expanded westward across the continent.

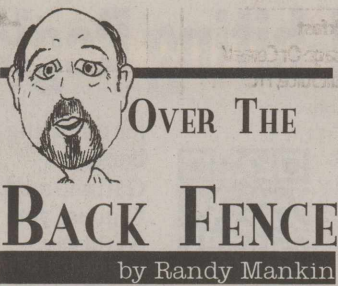
Ohio, Indiana, Tennessee and Michigan all held great sway at one time or another as the country grew. Now the big four include California, Texas, New York and Michigan.

And still the electoral college continues to function as it was designed.

It's not that the folks protesting today don't understand all of this, because they do. They just don't like the outcome of this year's election.

I find it ironic that Jill Stein, the Green Party candidate, is seeking recounts in a handful of states that Hillary Clinton lost in hopes of turning the tide in her favor. Especially since it was Stein herself who siphoned away enough votes from Clinton to hand the victory to Donald Trump.

Maybe if Hillary Clinton hadn't been swinging for the fences in New York and California she might have had more time to lay down a bunt in Michigan or steal a base in Wisconsin. By concentrating more on the smaller states she very likely would have won the job she so desperately wanted. Then she and her voters would be the ones who were celebrating and casting aspersions on Donald Trump and his supporters for being a bunch of sore losers.



OVER THE

BACK FENCE

by Randy Mankin

New Members in the Cowgirl Hall of Fame

It was like a fashion show for women's upscale western wear. There were signs of elegance and grace among those present, most of whom were women dressed in boots, hats, long dresses, suede suits with fringe, miniskirts and items seen in fancy

magazines like *Cowboys and Indians*.

Turquoise was the jewelry of choice and the boots were art objects, with their colors and designs. Some vendors were on hand with all types of western merchandise for women, including purses in several types of leathers with price tags in the thousands of dollars.

The event was the induction of four women into the National Cowgirl Museum and Hall of Fame, located in Fort Worth's Will Rogers Coliseum area. More than 900 people gathered in the Roundup Inn, which resembles a convention center. It's near the rodeo grounds and stock pens. The \$200 ticket included a meal of salad and corn bread, a tenderloin steak with vegetables and corn soufflé and a dessert of spiced nutmeg tres leches. Table decorations had everything from rotating sculptures made of horseshoes to impressive bronze pieces. Guests were not allowed to take them home.

If you haven't been to the Cowgirl Museum, you should go. It is a state-of-the-art museum with a two-story moving mobile that has both still photographs and videos on it. The mobile was designed by a group from Paris, France that also did the displays in the museum.

The facility had its beginnings in 1975 in Hereford, Texas. At first it was housed in a temporary location, later moved into a home. In 1990 the museum organizers wanted more exposure so they put the museum up for bids to several cities. Fort Worth submitted the highest bid and in 1992 the museum was moved to Cowtown. An art deco building was constructed to house the honorees' artifacts and photos and the museum opened in its present location in 2002.

In the forty-one years the museum has been in operation only 224 women from all over the United States have been inducted into the National Cowgirl Hall of Fame. Four or five are selected each year among several nominations. "We're not looking for just great women," says Dr. Diana Vela, Associate Executive Director. "We're looking for exceptionally great women."

The nominees go through three separate screenings, which come after a several page narrative about them is submitted. Supporting material is carefully examined and facts are checked.

This year's inductees include Marilyn Williams Harris of Arizona, a rancher and philanthropist; Pat North Ommert of California, a trick rider and movie stunt woman; and Veryl Goodnight of Colorado, a sculptor and painter.

The only Texan among the group and the first Jewish woman inducted into the Hall of Fame is Frances Rosenthal Kallison, a community activist who lived in San Antonio before her death in 2004. Many of her family and friends attended her induction.

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Heard Around Town

A recent study has found that women who carry a little extra weight live longer than the men who are foolish enough to mention it.

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Giving Thanks



Sonora Middle School hosted a special Parent Appreciation luncheon for students and their families on Thursday, November 17, 2016. | COURTESY PHOTO

Sutton County Underground Water Conservation District Reminds Citizens to Winterize Water Wells

By Meredith Earwood, Operations Manager, Sutton County UWCD

As we are enjoying cooler temperatures and settling in for the Holidays, Sutton Co. UWCD would like to send a friendly reminder that it is time to winterize your water system.

While we do not typically experience an abundance of snow or long periods of freezing temperatures, it only takes a few hours during the night of below 32 degrees Fahrenheit (F) to break your pipes.

When water freezes it expands and can cause a fracture or crack in pipes, especially exposed pipes in unheated areas, outside and above ground.

Take the following precautions to avoid a major problem this winter:

1. Drain water from any pressure or storage tanks that are not needed.
2. Wrap all pipes and storage tanks that are above ground, exposed, or in unheated areas of the home (attic, garage, etc.) with foam pipe insulation, or some type of heavy fabric.
3. Never turn off the heat if leaving your home



during cooler months. Set the thermostat to at least 55 degrees Fahrenheit so the pipes in your home do not freeze.

4. If you have a pump house equipped with an electrical receptacle, plug in a thermostat controlled heater to protect the equipment in the pump house save money on your electrical bill.

The same is true for exposed pipes near an electrical outlet; you can use a special pipe tape that contains electrical wiring.

This tape has an electrical plug, which can be plugged into a thermostat switch like the one pictured, that in turn is plugged into the electrical receptacle.

This switch will turn on the electricity to the heater tape when the temperature approaches 32 degrees Fahrenheit and will turn off the electricity when the

temperature approaches 50 degrees Fahrenheit

By following these tips, you can protect your water system and save money.

As always, contact the Sutton County Underground Water Conservation District for any questions or assistance.

We can be reached at 325-387-2369 or by email at sutuwcd7@verizon.net



Sonora ISD Menu

PK-5th : Free Breakfast & \$2.45 lunch
Middle & High School: \$1.95 Breakfast & \$2.85 lunch

*Menu Subject to Change

Monday- December 5th

Breakfast
Pancakes/Sausage Or Cereal/
Crackers, 100% Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch
Ravioli w/ Meatsauce, Chicken
Nuggets w/ Mashed Potatoes, or
Chicken Fajita Salad

Roll, Garden Salad, Tuscan
Vegetables, Fresh Seasonal Fruit,
Milk Variety

After School Program

Muffin, Milk

Tuesday- December 6th

Breakfast
Sausage Kolache / Yogurt Or Cereal/
Crackers, 100% Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Variety
Lunch
Asian Bowl w/ Eggroll, Pizza, or Chef
Salad

Baby Carrots, Steamed Broccoli,
Chilled Pineapple, Sugar Cookie,
Milk Variety

After School Program

Fruit, Raisins, Milk

Wednesday- December 7th

Breakfast
Biscuit/ Egg/ Sausage Or Cereal /
Crackers, 100% Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Variety
Lunch
HB or CH. Burger w/ Hamburger
Gamish, Pulled Pork Slider w/ Multi
Grain Chips or Santa Fe Salad

Oven Fries, Coleslaw, Fresh Veggie
Cup, Orange Smiles, Milk Variety

After School Program

Baked Chips and Juice

Thursday- December 8th

Breakfast
Breakfast Pizza Or Cereal / Crackers,
100% Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk Variety
Lunch
Tex-Mex Stack, Chicken Fajitas w/
Tortilla, or Crispy Chicken Salad

Lettuce & Tomato Gamish, Refried
Beans, Salsa, Tiny Tomato Cup, Hot
Cinnamon Apples, Milk Variety

After School Program

Lime Sherbet and Milk

Friday- December 9th

Breakfast
Breakfast Club Or Cereal/ Crackers,
100% Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk Variety
Lunch
Chicken Parmesan w/ Breadstick,
Pig In A Blanket, or Tuna Salad

Garden Salad, Savory Green Beans,
Apple Slices, Milk Variety

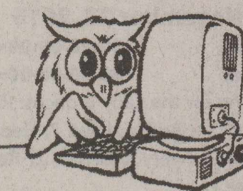
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EVENT CANCELLATION

More the Merrier Christmas Bazaar has been cancelled due to the Broncos football playoff game.

The Sonora Chamber of Commerce apologizes for any inconvenience and wishes the Broncos Best of Luck in their game.

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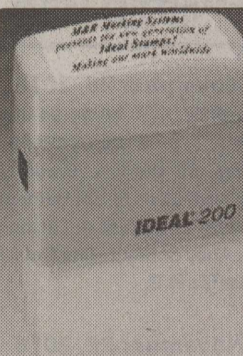
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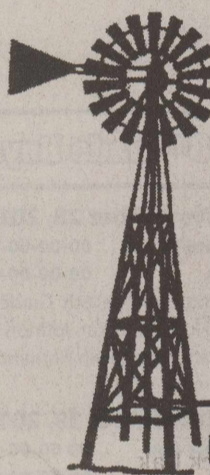


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SONORA WEATHER FORECAST

Thu 12/1	Fri 12/2	Sat 12/3	Sun 12/4	Mon 12/5
64/45	56/44	47/37	55/37	58/42
Abundant sunshine. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the mid 40s.	Showers. Highs in the mid 50s and lows in the mid 40s.	Mainly cloudy and rainy. Highs in the upper 40s and lows in the upper 30s.	Morning clouds followed by afternoon sun. Highs in the mid 50s and lows in the upper 30s.	A few clouds. Highs in the upper 50s and lows in the low 40s.
Sunrise: 7:22 AM Sunset: 5:41 PM	Sunrise: 7:23 AM Sunset: 5:41 PM	Sunrise: 7:24 AM Sunset: 5:41 PM	Sunrise: 7:25 AM Sunset: 5:41 PM	Sunrise: 7:25 AM Sunset: 5:41 PM

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FREE Community Event

Varsity Girls

November 22, 2016
Sonora 00-00-00-00=23
Ozona 00-00-00-00=40
Scoring for the Lady Broncos: Riley Walker 11; Audry Nolen 7; Denyse Cantu 2; Avery Leamon 2; Keely Moore 1.

JV Girls

November 22, 2016
Sonora 04-04-06-07=21
Ozona 05-07-06-02=20
Scoring for the Lady Broncos: Zyda Gutierrez 5; Shyanne Gamez 4; Christina Garza 4; Angela Gonzalez 4; Aleasha Smith 2; Danica Jimenez 2.

7th Grade Girls

November 28, 2016
Sonora "A" 10-04-04-08=26
TLCA 00-02-00-00=02
Scoring for the 7th Grade Lady Colts: Kodi Davis 8; Abi Hernandez 6; Joselyn Rodriguez 4; Carson Cahill 2; Abby Benny 2; Jina Dooley 2; Jacque Torres 2.

November 28, 2016
Sonora "B" 12-14-04-10=43
TLCA 00-02-00-01=03
Scoring for the 7th Grade Lady Colts: Skylar Mogford 12; Jackie Galindo 6; Susie Levario 6; Yailin Dominguez 4; Briana Espinosa 4; Carolina Elizondo 2; Abigail Duncan 2; Joslyn Falcon 2; Amaris Jimenez 2.

8th Grade Boys

November 28, 2016
Sonora White 00-00-00-00=00
TLCA 00-00-00-00=00
Scoring for the 8th Grade Colts: Jose Figueroa 7; Zac Joffrion 6; Alan Hernandez 4; Kalvin Hernandez 2.

November 28, 2016
Sonora Red 00-00-00-00=33
TLCA 00-00-00-00=17
Scoring for the 8th Grade Colts: Michael Creek 6; Kevan Flores 6; Brady Vyvlecka 4; Elias Perez 5; Preston Gonzalez 2; Caleb Nolen 4; Jay Morales 4; Jovan Garza 2.

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Kaden Cordell breaks away on a sprint to the goal line during the first quarter of Friday's Regional Semi-final game between Sonora and Childress. Cordell found paydirt twice in the first quarter of the game helping the Broncos to their victory 40-36 over the Bobcats.

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BRONCOS VICTORY:

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Childress crossed the goal line at the 7:52 mark to even the score.

Cordell found the end zone again to regain the lead over the Bobcats but Childress crossed the goal line two minutes later and the first stanza ended in a tie 14-14.

Liam Yourgalite notched the score early in the second quarter establishing the Broncos lead over the Bobcats.

The back and forth action continued into the fourth quarter in a tight race to victory.

Despite penalties, the Broncos held on.

Jarrett Jackson turned things around with a touchdown interception at the 7:10 mark in the fourth re-establishing the Broncos lead over Childress and sealing the deal for the Championship.

"We are going to play football in December," Sine said. "And, that's the expectations in Sonora. We are all in this together. I am blessed with a wonderful staff and some great football players and the fans of bronco nation are outstanding."

On Friday, December 2, 2016 your Sonora Broncos will play the Canadian Wildcats in the Class 3A Regional Finals.

The game will be played

at Lowrey Field in Lubbock. Kickoff is set for 7:00 p.m.

Everyone is encouraged to come out and support the Broncos. But, for those who cannot make it to the game, the contest will be carried live on KHOS 92.1 FM with Virgil Burge and Craig Leonard calling the game from the press box.

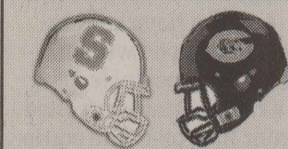
the Week: JV Scout Team Offense Sponsored by Just Bling It Rita Gonzales

Trainer of the Week: Samantha Castro Sponsored by Mungia Southwest Heating and AC

Coach of the Week: 2016 Sonora Bronco Coaching Staff Sponsored by Buck N Bass-Terry Johnson

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Sonora Broncos vs Canadian Wildcats



When: 7:00 p.m., Friday, Dec. 2
Where: Lubbock, TX
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Players of the Week vs Childress include:

Special Teams Player of the Week: Bronco Kickoff Team Sponsored by Eddy Smith KHOS FM 92.1

Offensive Lineman of the Week: Julian Guerra
Christian Ramon-Andrew Martinez-Josh Galindo
Bryndon Robles Sponsored by Kirk Joy

Hit of the Week: Drew Buitron Sponsored by Leonard Livestock

Defensive Player of the Week: Juan Villanueva Sponsored by Virgil Burge

Offensive Player of the Week: Kaden Cordell Sponsored by Sonora Knights of Columbus

Scout Team Player of

SCORE BY QUARTER	
SONORA	14-13-06-07 = 40
CHILDRESS	14-13-00-08 = 36

FIRST QUARTER
SONORA - Kaden Cordell Rushing TD (PAT Good)
CHILDRESS - Rushing TD (PAT Failed)
SONORA - Kaden Cordell Rushing TD (PAT Good)
CHILDRESS - Rushing TD (2 PT Good)

SECOND QUARTER
SONORA - Michael Solis on pass from Cordell (PAT Good)
SONORA - Jarrett Jackson on Pass from Cordell (PAT Failed)
CHILDRESS - TD (PAT Failed)
CHILDRESS - TD (PAT Failed)

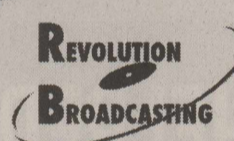
THIRD QUARTER
SONORA - Wesley Dutton on Pass from Cordell (PAT Failed)

FOURTH QUARTER
CHILDRESS - TD (2 PT CONVERSION)
SONORA - Jackson on pass from Cordell (PAT Good)

INDIVIDUAL STATS	
RUSHING	SONORA - Noah SanMiguel 1-(2); Kaden Cordell 14-72; Jarrett Jackson 8-29
PASSING	SONORA - Kaden Cordell 20-26-361; Noah San Miguel 0-1;
RECEIVING	SONORA - Noah San Miguel 6-109; Michael Solis 3-51; Wesley Dutton 1-61; Liam Yourgalite 1-11; Jarrett Jackson 9-129

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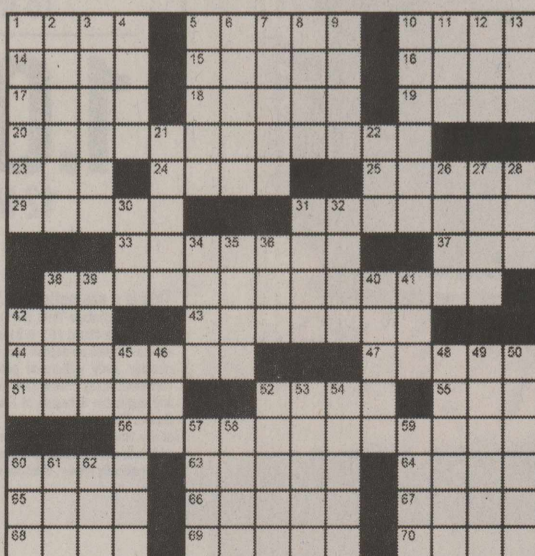
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Weekly Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS**
- Vandals
 - loading (marathoner's prep)
 - "Get lost!"
 - "Paradise Lost," e.g.
 - Roughly
 - Common street name
 - la Douce
 - Build up
 - Kon-Tiki Museum site
 - Gibberish
 - "2001" mainframe
 - Brews
 - Go (into)
 - Long lock
 - Old Mazda truck line
 - Error
 - Gun advocate grp.
 - Speaking frankly
 - Part of HRH
 - Mad Ludwig's land
 - End a hug
 - Glossy brown fur
 - Hawke of "Training Day"
 - Polish's partner
 - Sharp feller
 - Home of the groundhog

- Punxsutawney Phil
Japanese soup
Actress Verdugo
Add to the pot
After-school cookie
anchor
Hide
Existed
Big name in computers
Circle segments
- DOWN**
- Elevation
 - Hullabaloo
 - Light-footed
 - Sign of healing
 - Bedouin's mount
 - Quarters
 - Rakes
 - Keg stopper
 - Italian eight
 - Cigar enthusiast
 - Suffers from
 - Engine need
 - Plastic Band
 - Corrective eye surgery

"BIRD IS THE WORD"



See solution on Page 8

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Members of the SHS Bronco Band dance to music while standing on the sideline before the start of the second half of Friday's game between Sonora and Childress.

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Hundreds of Bronco Nation fans traveled to Abilene to cheer on their players during the Regional Semi-final Championship game Friday night at McMurray Stadium.

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PAY TAXES:

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Sales Tax Funds on a community development project to assist Eaton Hill Nature Preserve with a portion of the operating expenses for the fiscal year October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017.

The council also heard a Second Reading and approved Resolution 2016-R-11A to expend 4b Sales Tax Funds on an economic development project to provide assistance to The Devil's River News for a portion of their expenses to purchase needed equipment for their Sonora location.

Resolutions were read aloud by Betty Hernandez in the absence of Robin Street, Administrator of Sonora Economic Development Corporation.

In other business, council members unanimously approved Resolution 2016-R-11B authorizing the change of date for December 19, 2016 regular meeting to December 12, 2016.

Council members also approved replacing and authorizing city personnel names on the signatory cards at Sonora Bank accounts.

After some discussion, the council tabled any decisions regarding city ordinances regulating issuing electrical permits pending further information and legal counsel.

The council also tabled the agenda item regarding a request from WTG to approve its Third Annual Gas Reliability Infrastructure Program Interim Rate Adjustment pending further information.

Finally, council members approved amending the current fiscal year budget to reflect grant funds received by the Sonora Police Department.

The Sonora PD received \$63,000.00 through a Homeland Security grant. Some of the funds will be used to purchase new equipment to aid officers in performing their duty more efficiently, effectively as well as provide safety to both citizens and officers, according to Police Chief William Dudley.

Additionally, council members approved

Resolution No. 2016-R-11C allowing the use of Body-Worn Cameras for Law Enforcement personnel.

The council went behind closed doors for a brief discussion between the Council and its' attorney.

Upon returning to open session, council members approved the following motion, "The City of Sonora requires all taxes paid per the bill received from the Sutton County Appraisal District. Further, each account is responsible for city taxes, January 1, 2016 through May 19, 2016. The city will pursuant to local government Code 43.148 develop a cost analysis of what money the city spent for direct benefit to the de-annexed areas. Each tax account will be reimbursed their proportional share after these costs are deducted. All reimbursement will be paid within 180 days of the date that their taxes are paid in full."

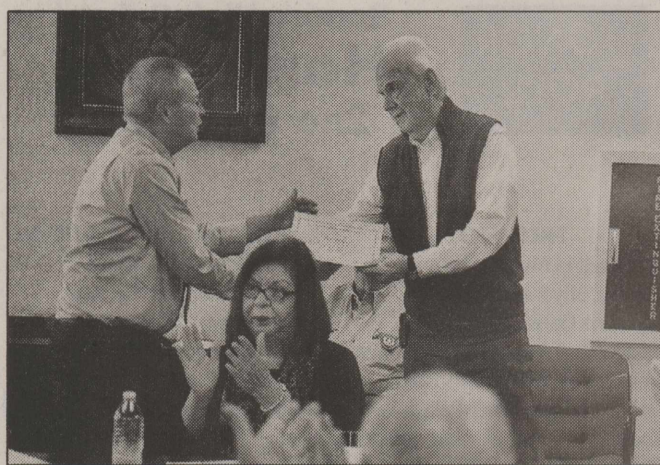
Brigitte Rogers spoke during the visitor comments portion of the meeting. She voiced concerns regarding the taxation decision and the effects on the elderly and disabled. Rogers said it is her understanding that those taxes are frozen and residents are not required to pay. City Attorney David Kosub explained that taxes were assessed by the SCAD and are repayment of all taxes owed prior to de-annexation is mandatory.

Rogers also inquired about the increase on her city utility bill for garbage collection and disposal. The increase is part of an annual cost increase specified in the original contract between the City of Sonora and Republic trash Services.

Without further discussion or action the meeting adjourned.

Mayor Wanda Shurley presided over the meeting. Council members Todd Munn, Norm Rousselot, Juanita Barrera and Doug Chandler were present.

The next regular meeting of the City Council is slated for December 12, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.



Judge Steve Smith presented a certificate of appreciation to Bill Webster during a special meeting of the County Commissioners Monday, November 28. Webster is retiring after many years of service in law enforcement in Sutton County.

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COMMISSIONERS:

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Commissioners approved the financials as presented as well as the county library report as presented.

No auditor's report was available

In other business, the court discussed the need to approve payment of the remainder of Oscar Chavez's vacation leave due to his transfer from a county employee to an elected official at the end of the year.

The commissioners agreed that the leave falls under the acceptable paid leave and Chavez will be compensation for any accrued leave at the time his employment ends. In addition, the court approved adopting an agent for pursuing and negotiating electric utility contracts for the county utilities.

A bid notice will be advertised for the benefit of all electric providers wanting to offer services.

Cliff Brister, County Wildlife Damage Management Technician, otherwise known as a trapper, introduced Jill House, the newest member of the Texas Wildlife Services Program team. House is a seasoned trapper who brings knowledge and understanding of rabies and other diseases

that plague feral animals in the area.

Last on the agenda Judge Steve Smith, presented a certificate of recognition and gift token of appreciation to Bill Webster on behalf of Sutton County for his years of local law enforcement services.

Without further discussion or action the court adjourned.

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

The next regular meeting of the Sutton County Commissioners is slated for December 12, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. at the Sutton County Annex Building.

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Devil's River News Weekly Rainfall Report

November 1-29	2.05 in.	November 1-29	2.23 in.
October	0.00 in.	October	0.00 in.
September	5.78 in.	September	4.31 in.
August	1.74 in.	August	4.82 in.
July	.19 in.	July	.00 in.
June	3.16 in.	June	3.97 in.
May	2.70 in.	May	5.31 in.
April	2.58 in.	April	2.85 in.
March	3.39 in.	March	2.82 in.
February	0.77 in.	February	1.04 in.
January	0.36 in.	January	0.38 in.
2016 Year-to-Date TOTAL	22.72 in.	2016 Year-to-Date TOTAL	27.83 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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CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS: Shale Oil

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corner of South Dakota and northeastern Montana, and extends northward into the Canadian provinces of Saskatchewan and Manitoba.

Continuous oil and gas, according to the USGS, are dispersed throughout a geologic formation rather than existing as discrete, localized occurrences, such as those in conventional accumulations. Because of that, continuous resources commonly require special technical drilling and recovery methods, such as hydraulic fracturing.

Texas economy adds jobs

The Texas Workforce Commission on Nov. 18 announced Texas grew by an estimated 13,700 non-farm jobs in October and the state has added jobs in 18 of the past 19 months.

Also, Texas' seasonally adjusted unemployment rate decreased to 4.7 percent in October, down slightly from 4.8 percent in September, and remained below the national rate of 4.9 percent.

"Texas employers continue to demonstrate the resiliency of the Texas economy with 207,500 jobs added over the past year," said Andres Alcantar, chair of the Texas Workforce

Commission.

Abbott releases tax return

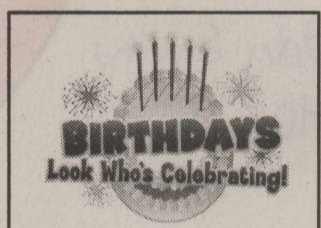
Gov. Abbott on Nov. 22 released his federal tax return for 2015.

The document shows:
- \$119,819 in total wages earned;
- \$42,544 paid in property taxes;
- 37 percent combined local, state and federal tax burden; and
- \$13,125 in charitable contributions.

Anti-smoking bills filed State Sen. Carlos Uresti, D-San Antonio, recently filed SB 183, legislation to increase the legal age to purchase, possess or consume tobacco and nicotine products in Texas from 18 to 21 years of age.

Uresti also filed SB 228, legislation that would allow municipalities to determine a smoking age that is best for their communities.

The bills are supported by a broad coalition of Texans, Uresti said, and pointed out that "tobacco use kills more people than alcohol, AIDS, car crashes, illegal drugs, murders and suicides combined." Cities and the state have an obligation to discourage young people from taking up a habit that is likely to shorten their lives, he added.



- December Birthdays**
1st Ruth Espy, Linda Wallace, Patsy Johnson, Jock Dutton
2nd Barry Black, Olivia Longoria, Cassie Krieg, Glen Richardson, Kalle Mendez, Bobbie Lou Mayer
3rd Sam Perez, Kelly Holder, Gus Ward, Frank Lopez, Jacob Adams, Jayla Williams
4th Darla Lipham, Joe Fincher, Tabitha Sanchez-Abrego
5th Becki Harris, Gary Leonard, Erika Campbell, Jaylee Martin
6th Kaija Valkonen
7th Micah Liggett
8th Mace Joy, Willie Gutierrez, Cameron Sims

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U.S. Customs and Border Protection Officers keep a close eye on the Del Rio Port of Entry. | COURTESY PHOTO

CBP Officers Seize 250 Pounds of Marijuana at Del Rio Port of Entry

DEL RIO, Texas - U.S. Customs and Border Protection officers at the Del Rio Port of Entry recently seized a load of suspected marijuana hidden inside a commercial trailer.

"Smugglers go to great lengths to get their illicit products into the U.S.," said Port Director Alberto D. Perez, Del Rio Port of Entry. "The training, experience and dedication of our front-line CBP officers has prevented yet another load of contraband from reaching our communities."

On Nov. 25, CBP officers at the Del Rio Port of Entry import lot inspected a tractor-trailer as it arrived

from Mexico.

Using a CBP canine and non-intrusive imaging equipment, officers discovered a compartment inside the trailer that contained 316 packages of alleged marijuana, weighing a total of 251.4 pounds.

The trailer was seized and turned over to Homeland Security Investigations for further investigation.

CBP's Del Rio Port of Entry is part of the Joint Task Force-West South Texas Corridor, which leverages federal, state and local resources to combat transnational criminal organizations.

HONOR ROLL

Sonora High School Honor Roll 2nd Six Weeks

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"A" Enequina Alvarez, Josh Barrera, Shyanne Gamez, Christina Garza, Angela Gonzalez, Ethan Hamm, Catarina Hernandez, Wilson Johnson, Dalylah Lopez, Analy Palacios, Kadee Petty, Isabella Samaniego, Blayne Sykes, Traci Vickers, Kathryn Wardlaw
 "A/B" Braden Adams, Ethan Adams, Brock Aschenbeck, Jayde Bean, Christian Castilleja, Darrek Castro, Harley Daniel, Aldo Deluna, Slade Dermody, Samantha Escamilla, Richard Espinosa, Mariana Fernandez, Tully Flanagan, Daisy Fuentes, Manuel Fuentes, Destiny Garcia, Levi Garrett, Jesus Gaytan, Oscar Gutierrez, Deborah Hernandez, Danica Jimenez, Sarah Kimbrell, Jalen Lopez, Johnny Luna, Kami Lux, Adamari Mata, Jansen Morris, Dekota Morrow, Josh O'Banon, Jordan Paredes, Melanie Perez, Abigail Portillo, Kevin Ramos, Claritza Romo, Destiny Seaton, Haley Smith, Thomas Talamantez, Angel Torres, Davien Vasquez, Gaby Zapata, Ashley Zook

SOPHOMORES

"A" Juan Baez, Lane Cahill, Wesley Dutton, Kayla Grace Edwards, Cara Hernandez, Mary Kyle Johnson, Avery

Leamon, Carlos Mendoza, Keeley Moore, Rebeckah Owen, Evan Shannon, Walker Sine, Sterling Smith, Dylan Taylor
 "A/B" Viviana Arellano, Jacqueline Baez, Trista Bush, Alex Castilleja, Brittny Contreras, Payton Dawson, Noe Estrada, Kaitlyn Gann, Adriana Gonzalez, Zayda Gutierrez, Scarlot Longoria, A J Lopez, Araceli Marin, Rivers Martinez, Logan McDonald, Willie B. Munoz, Lesli Ramirez, Sabian Robles, Ana Salas, Perla Salazar, Jackilyn Sykes, Carlos Vela, Natalia Villalobos, Sheridan Walthier

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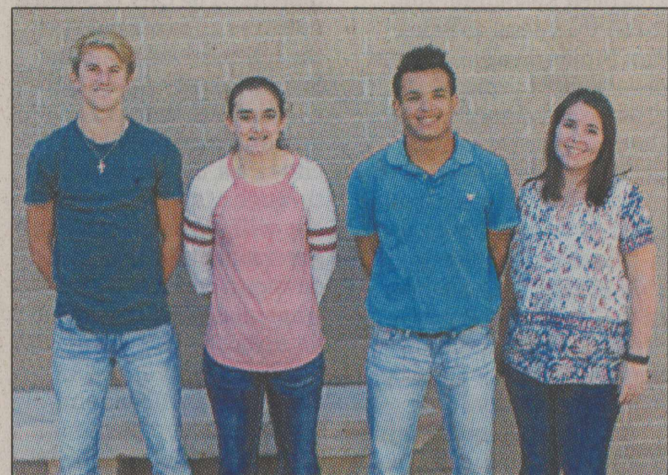
"A" Savannah Castro, Kaden Cordell, Angel Covarrubiaz, Victor Fuentes, Christina Hernandez, Audry Nolen Delaney Ramsdell, Zavier Rodriguez, Amber Vasquez
 "A/B" Melanie Acevedo, Christopher Adkins, Janet Baez, Carly Brown, Mark Chavez, Abel Cruz, Felicia Farley, Sylvester Galvan, Kristin Garrett, Bailey Gonzales, Summer Hall, Sierra Herrada, Jarrett Jackson, Dariela Lopez, Olivia Martinez, Peyton Matthews, Keegan McCollum, Robin McGuffin, Elyssa Prieto, Marcos Talamantes, Noelia Tovar

SENIORS

"A" Autumn Ayala, Dakota

Castro, Samantha Castro, Shayna Edwards, Bianca Fay, Sky Jennings, Juan Miguel Jimenez, Katelyn Lipham Meivelyn Medrano, Jessica Paredes, Henry Ramos, Kristy Sanchez, Tate Shannon, Holly Sparks, Claire Thiebaud
 "A/B" Bethany Agüero, Tonya Bounds, Layla Burke, Grady Bush, Mayra Capuchina, Brittany Covarrubiaz, Kade Creek, Jose DeLuna, Netza Estrada, April

Fraire, Zeke Galindo, Caleb Galvan, Gabriel Garcia, Julian Guerra, Isaiiah Lira, Abby Lopez, Ariel Lugo, Esteban Marin, Ryker Marshall, Rafael Mendoza, Alyssa Moreno, Michael Mungia, Marlene Ortiz, Kylie Reiner, Isela Rivas, Bryndon Robles, Sydney Robles, Nydia Rodriguez, Ramon Rodriguez, Michael Solis, Jasmine Talamantez, Mollie Taylor, Riley Umphress, Robert Zapata, Carter Zook



(L-R) Slade Dermody, Rebekah Owen, Jarrett Jackson, and Shayna Edwards. | COURTESY PHOTO

SHS Students of the Month

Sonora High School is proud to announce its Students of the Month for November 2016. Slade Dermody, 9th, Rebekah Owen, 10th, Jarrett Jackson, 11th, Shayna Edwards, 12th. Students are nominated by the SHS teaching staff and recognized for their citizenship and work ethic in the classroom and extracurricular activities. Congratulations!

Three More to Go, Mighty Broncos!

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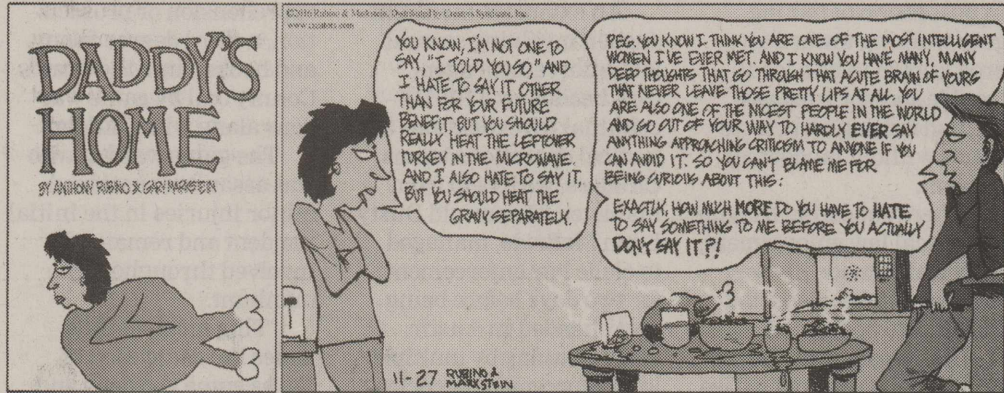
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Sonora Broncos vs. Canadian Wildcats - 7 p.m. on Friday, December 2 at Lowery Field in Lubbock

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Speed Bumps

by Dave Coverly



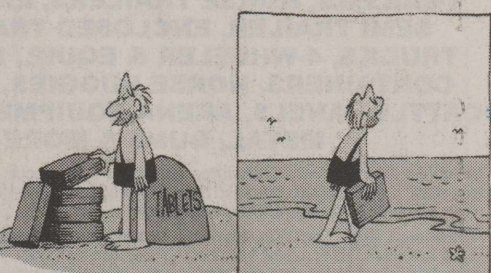
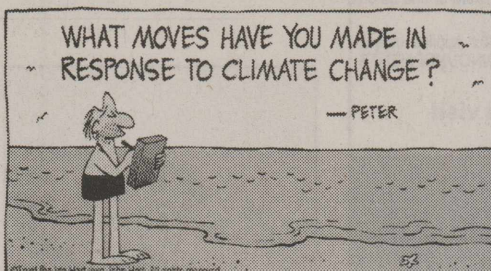
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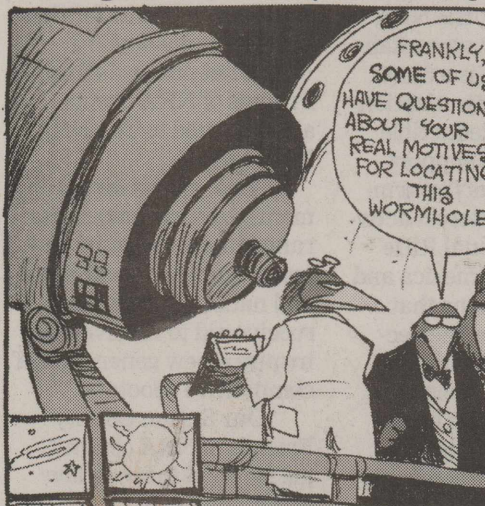
Dogs of C-Kennel

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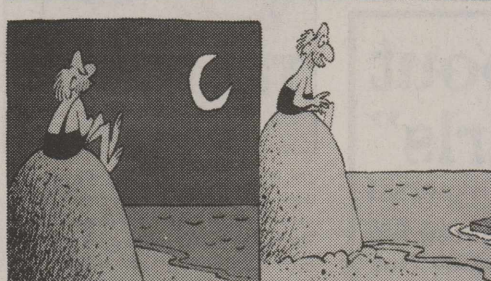
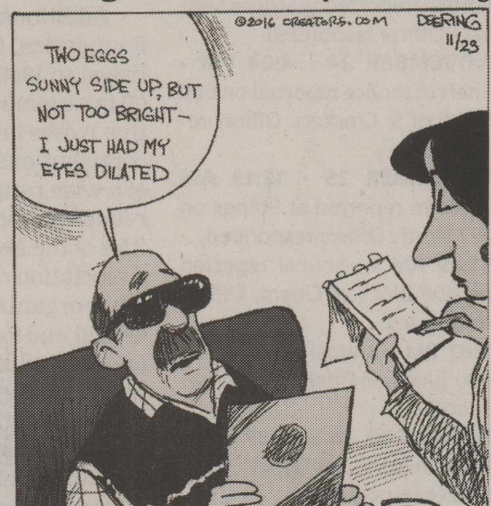
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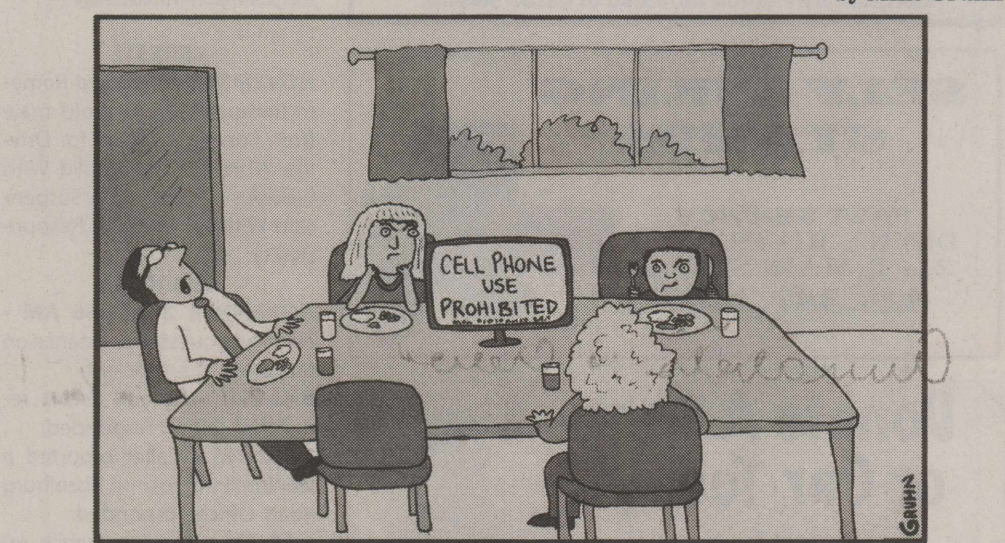
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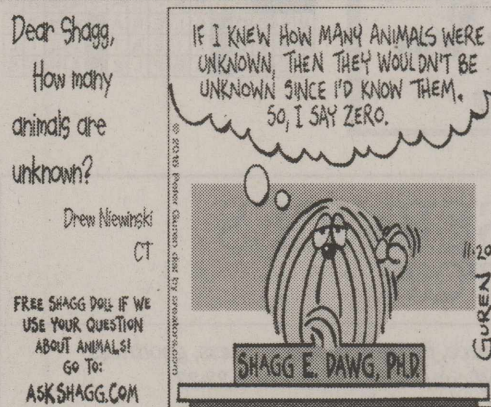
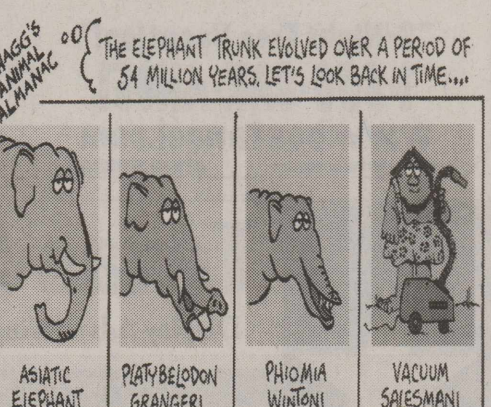
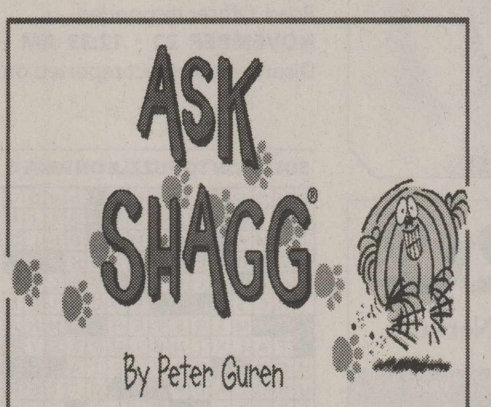
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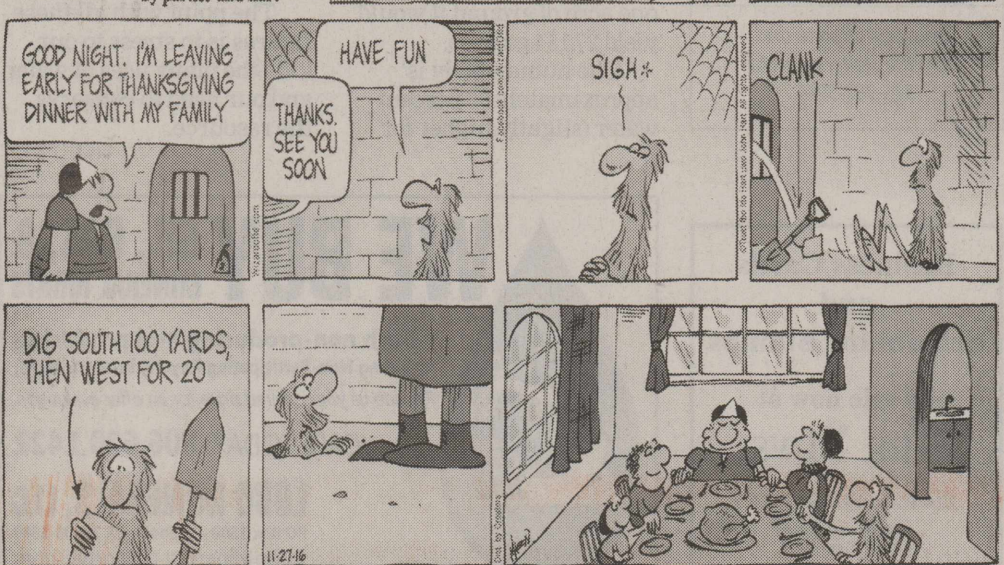
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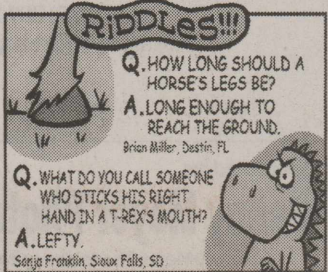
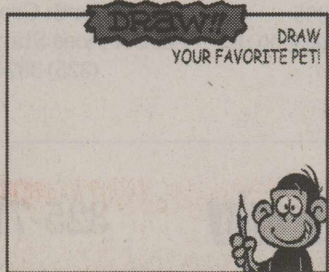
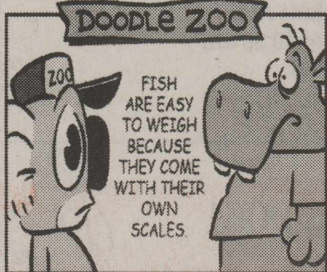
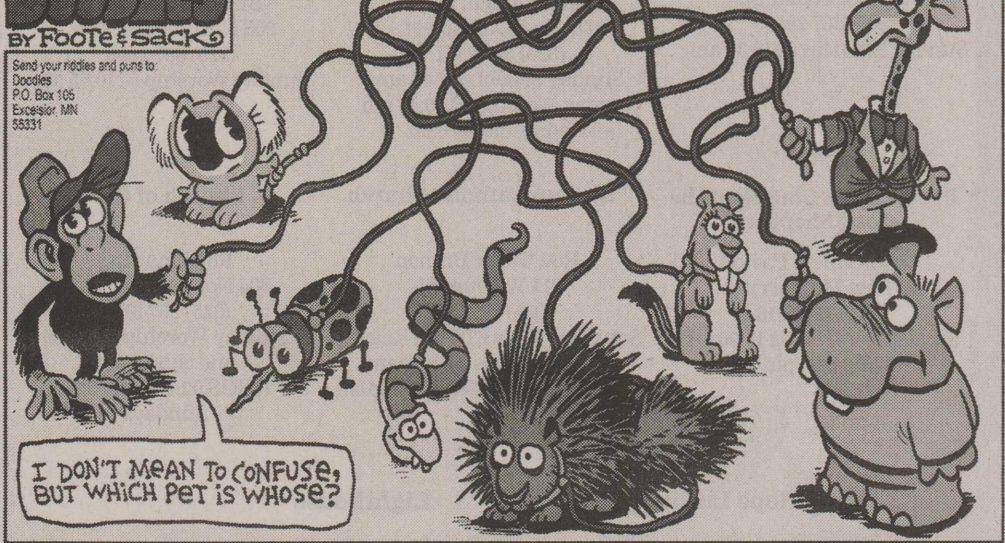
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TPWD Filing Felony Charges Following Assault on Texas Game Warden

AUSTIN - Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) law enforcement officials filed felony charges last Friday in Bastrop County on 36-year-old Jake Russell Childers for resisting arrest and assault on a state game warden attempting to make an arrest.

Acting on notifications from several law enforcement agencies that Childers posed a safety threat to police and the public, was wanted on eight outstanding felony arrest warrants, and was suspected of involvement in illegal hunting activities, a Bastrop County game warden initiated a surveillance operation near the home of a known relative.

In the early morning hours of Sunday, Nov. 13,

the game warden observed Childers leaving the home in possession of fishing gear walking toward an area known to be a local trouble spot for trespassing and fishing on private ponds without landowner consent.

After requesting backup from local law enforcement, the warden made his way to a location he suspected Childers to be headed.

Due to concerns the individual was about to flee the area, the decision was made to initiate contact with the suspect prior to backup arriving on scene.

As the game warden attempted to put him in handcuffs, Childers resisted arrest and assaulted the game warden. After an intense struggle, Childers

escaped into thick woods nearby.


An extensive manhunt ensued involving several law enforcement agencies, headed by TPWD's criminal investigations and tactical operations teams. Childers, with help from his sister, 34-year-old Dusty Lynn McBride, managed to elude law enforcement for two days before being apprehended in Austin early Tuesday by multiple law enforcement agencies, including state game wardens, state troopers, Austin police and Bastrop County sheriff's deputies.

At the time of his arrest, Childers had numerous outstanding felony warrants out of Live Oak County on various charges, including assault and burglary.

His sister was also arrested for hindering apprehension or prosecution, a third degree felony, and booked into the Travis County Jail by game wardens along with Childers.

The game warden who was assaulted sustained minor injuries in the initial incident and remained involved throughout the manhunt.

"This incident illustrates the dedication of Texas game wardens and the risks our officers face every day while carrying out their duties as state police officers," said Col. Craig Hunter, TPWD Director of Law Enforcement. "It is the responsibility of every Texas game warden to ensure the public's safety on and off the pavement."



The Blotter

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

ARRESTS

NOVEMBER 27 • David Romero-Ronquillo, 25 year-old male from Sonora, arrested for Driving While License Invalid With Previous Conviction/Suspension Without Financial Responsibility.

INCIDENTS

NOVEMBER 21 - 8:46 AM • Agency requested assistance on 600 block of S. Crockett.
9:42 AM • Funeral escort requested. Officer responded.
12:32 PM • Caller reported a leaning light post on Kisselburg Road. Officer responded.
6:47 PM • Accident/wreck reported 2 miles down Bond Road. Officer responded.
NOVEMBER 22 - 12:33 AM • Disorderly conduct reported on

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1200 block of Glasscock Ave. Officer responded.
10:58 AM • Disturbance call on 100 block of Deerwood. Officer responded.
7:20 PM • Suspicious persons reported on 500 block of Mata Street.
NOVEMBER 23 - 8:07 AM • Forgery reported at Stripes Subway. Officer responded.
NOVEMBER 24 - 4:04 PM • Theft of service reported on 600 block of S. Crockett. Officer responded.
NOVEMBER 25 - 12:13 AM • Alarm reported at Stripes on 277 North. Officer responded.
11:29 AM • Animal reported on 600 block of Orient. Officer responded.
3:02 PM • Animal reported on 600 block of Orient. Officer responded.
NOVEMBER 26 - 12:39 AM • Alarm reported at Family Dollar. Officer responded.
8:45 AM • Reckless driving reported on St. Ann's and Rock Ave. Officer responded.
10:37 AM • Animal reported on 200 block of N. Crockett. Officer responded.
12:27 PM • 9-1-1 call. Officer responded to assist.
1:28 PM • Suspicious activity reported on 1900 block of Tayloe Ave. Officer responded.
8:27 PM • Suspicious vehicle reported on 500 block of N. Crockett. Officer responded.
NOVEMBER 27 - 6:41 PM • Intoxicated driver reported on 600 block of S. Crockett. Officer responded.
10:16 PM • Complainant needed to speak to officer at LMH. Officer responded.

NRA:

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education and training for law-abiding gun owners, law enforcement and the military according to the release.

Additionally, the NRA Foundation, Inc. was established in 1990. It is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization that raises tax-deductible contributions in support of a wide range of firearm-related public interest activities of the National Rifle Association of America and other organizations that defend and foster the Second Amendment rights of all law-abiding Americans.

These activities are designed to promote firearm and hunting safety, to enhance marksmanship skills of those participating in the shootings sports, and to educate the general public about firearms in their historic, technological, and artistic context.

Friends of NRA is a grassroots fund-raising program that fosters community involvement to organize and, with help from NRA field staff, plan community events for firearms enthusiasts.

All net proceeds from Friends of NRA events are allocated to The NRA Foundation.

Thus, grants for equipment, training materials, range improvements, and more, qualified local, state, and national programs receive aid to involve and inspire a new generation of competitive shooters.

"Our Sutton County Friends of NRA committee is proud that our law enforcement entities took the time and efforts needed to apply for grant funding," Tonya Brown, Friends of NRA Committee member said. "We are excited to be a vital part of the funding."

Water Facts & Figures

For years, the Extension Service has partnered up with the Natural Resource Conservation Service and the Sutton County Underground Water Conservation

adult males). Depending on the age of the home and appliances, a family of 4 uses about 400 gallons daily (all uses).

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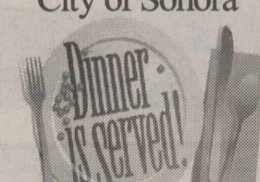
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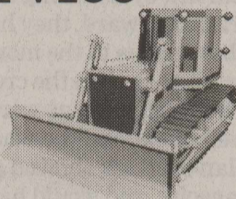
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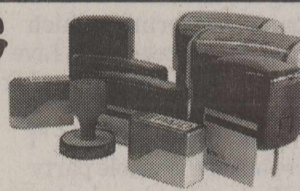
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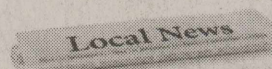
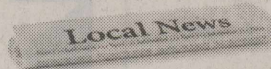
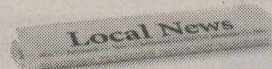
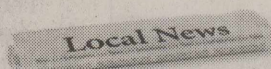
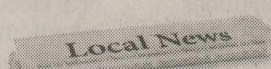
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Camp Lancaster consisted of tents and portable structures near Live Oak Creek. It was the soldiers' task to construct the permanent buildings, protect travelers along the San Antonio to El Paso Road, and scout the area. Within a year the camp was upgraded to Fort Lancaster.

On October 12, 1855, Captain Stephen Carpenter, Company H Commander, was eager to explore the head of Live Oak Creek and search for trees for a flag pole. The creek supplied Camp Lancaster with fresh water. A small party was organized consisting of Captain Carpenter, Dr. Jacob Stillman, Privates Beardall, Dennen, and McCulloch, and a civilian teamster (wagon driver). Also included was a mule-pulled wagon and Captain Carpenter's dogs, Cola and Quail.

The group traveled upstream observing the lush vegetation, wild grape vines and live oaks. After traveling for some time, they came upon a grove of hackberry and gum-trees. The trees had straight trunks, ideal for a flag pole. The teamster and several members remained there to cut trees to be taken back to camp. Captain Carpenter, Dr. Stillman and the dogs continued upstream.

Wild turkeys were plentiful in the area and Captain Carpenter could not pass up the opportunity of an easy hunt. After crossing paths with a turkey, he fired his gun, wounding the bird. Captain Carpenter and his dogs followed after the turkey making their way over a nearby ridge. Expecting to find an injured bird, instead he stumbled upon a group of Apache mounted with bows, arrows, lances and a few guns. He estimated nineteen warriors and they appeared to be ready for battle.

Had he been seen? The Captain, after making a

quick observation made his way back down the ridge. Perhaps he had not been spotted as all was still calm. Captain Carpenter, Dr. Stillman and the dogs quickly returned to the thicket where the rest of the party was working. After informing everyone about the situation, all haste was made to load the wagon so the party could return together.

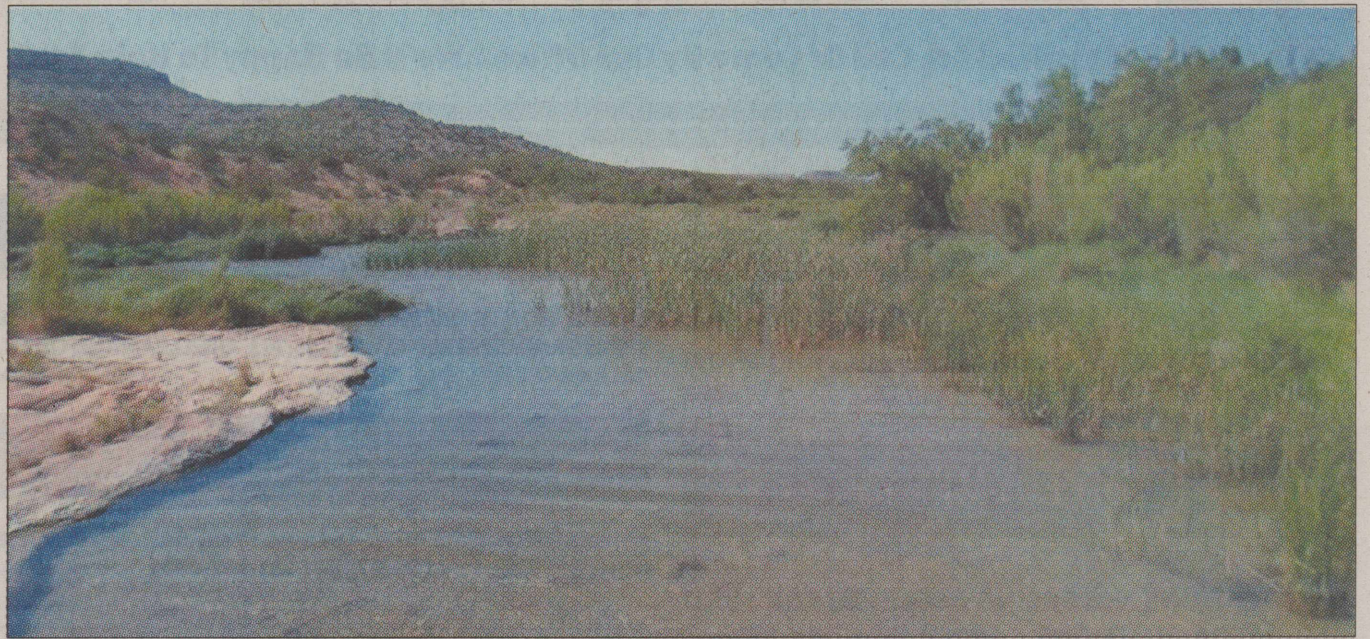
Several of the soldiers, including Captain Carpenter, proceeded to a point of defense in front of the wagon team and to keep watch on the trail. As the soldiers suspected, it was not long before the Apache were spotted. Gunfire erupted as the Apache opened fire on the soldiers. The Apache dismounted and approached trying to encircle the soldiers.

Dr. Stillman recorded the occasion: "The Indians approached under cover of the brushes, rising to let fly an arrow, and immediately hiding again, before a sight could be drawn upon them..."

Shots were fired from both sides as the skirmish escalated. Suddenly, two of the Apache emerged from the brush and charged towards the civilian teamster, overtaking him near the creek. It was a fierce situation and close combat. The soldiers fired back, shooting several of the warriors. Many of the attackers remained hidden shooting from behind the brush while one Apache attempted to steal the wagon and mule team.

Pvt. McCulloch was shot in the foot with an arrow and Captain Carpenter nearly faced death himself. Dr. Stillman recorded the captain's encounter: "One arrow had struck his horse, which was rearing and plunging one severed the strap at his shoulder, which held his shot belt, another transfixed his boot from behind, passing between the sock and his leg... a fourth pierced his heavily quilted hunting coat, and passed through, and a fifth struck his hand in which he held his gun..."

Outnumbered, nearly three to one, it seemed as though the soldiers might be surrounded and killed. Just as quick as the fighting had started the Apache withdrew into the brush along the creek and carried their dead and wounded, according to their custom. Captain Carpenter, the other soldiers and



Live Oak Creek was once a flanked with tents and portable structures belonging to Camp Lancaster soldiers supplying them with fresh water. As well, it was the site of many battles fought between soldiers and Indians inhabiting the area during the 1800's. Today, the waterway of Live Oak Creek still navigates through the area. | COURTESY PHOTO

the captain's dogs made their way back to Camp Lancaster.

During the chaos of battle, Dr. Stillman was separated from the rest of the party and forced to retreat back to Camp Lancaster. After reporting the situation, a rescue party was formed, which quickly proceeded up Live Oak Creek to find the other soldiers.

Dr. Stillman wrote: "I reported the whole party killed, as I had no doubt they were... The probable death of Captain Carpenter, who was so much beloved

by the whole command, created a most painful sensation. There was a hurrying of men to arms, and a party started off on foot at quick time."

Near dusk, Captain Carpenter and the remaining party returned, grateful they had survived. A search party continued towards the location of the skirmish and recovered the wagon along with one of the mules. The soldiers found a harness, a bear skin, Apache apparel, and arrows scattered over the area.

After surveying the area, Dr. Stillman observed

the following: "They (the Apache) knew that I had escaped to camp, and that reinforcements would soon be at hand, and they lost no time in getting away... These Indians were a band of Apaches, and as we learned by following their trail afterward, they had observed us in the morning as we passed up the creek... Their dispositions were well made, and the whole plan of attack showed great sagacity, and would have been successful in cutting off every man in the party, were it not that they wanted victory too cheap."

Several of the Apache and the civilian teamster lost their lives in the skirmish. The skirmish on Live Oak Creek served as a reminder of the danger soldiers faced on the frontier.

It was a day they never forgot.

In the years following, the soldiers of Fort Lancaster would fight in other skirmishes with Native Americans. Despite the isolation and dangers of West Texas, the soldiers continued their duty to establish the fort and guard the road. They undoubtedly played a role in shaping the

Texas Sees First Locally Transmitted Case of the Zika Virus

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The first locally transmitted case of the Zika virus has been identified in the Rio Grande Valley, the Texas Department of State Health Services and Cameron County Department of Health and Human Services announced Monday.

Lab tests last week confirmed the infection of a woman in Cameron County, according to the announcement. The woman said she had not travelled to Mexico or anywhere else with ongoing Zika virus risks. Further investigation is needed to find out how and where she was infected.

"We knew it was only a matter of time before we saw a Zika case spread by a mosquito in Texas," said Dr. John Hellerstedt, health services commissioner. "We still don't believe the virus will become widespread in Texas, but there could be more cases, so people need to protect themselves from mosquito bites, especially in parts of the state that stay relatively warm in the fall and winter."

Health workers from Cameron County and DSHS will be sweeping the area



Aedes aegypti mosquitoes can transmit the Zika virus, which has been linked to birth defects, to humans. Officials say there have been no cases of mosquito-to-human transmission in Texas.

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where the woman lives to educate the public about the virus and collect voluntary urine samples to determine if more people are infected.

As of last week, Texas had 257 confirmed cases of Zika virus disease. However, all known cases were associated with travel.

According to the news release, there are no other

suspected cases of the virus in Texas at this time.

Following Monday's announcement, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission issued a news release saying it will reinstate the Medicaid benefit for mosquito repellent. According to the release, the benefit will begin Tuesday and be

in place through December "given the possibility of local transmission and risk of Zika in the local community."

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Medicaid Brings Back Mosquito Repellent Benefit

AUSTIN – The Texas Health and Human Services Commission announced today that it is reinstating the Medicaid benefit for mosquito repellent due to the first reported case of Zika virus disease likely transmitted by a mosquito in Texas.

Texas quickly made the decision to bring back the benefit, which had ended Oct. 31, given the possibility of local transmission and

risk of Zika in the local community. The newly reported case is a Cameron County resident who is not pregnant. Zika is spread primarily by mosquito bite and can cause severe birth defects in unborn children whose mothers are infected while pregnant.

The benefit begins tomorrow and will be in place through December, as the state collects more information about the case

and scope of transmission in Texas.

"We will do all that we can to protect Texans and slow the spread of the Zika virus," said HHSC Executive Commissioner Charles Smith. "Insect repellent is the best way to protect yourself, and we want it to be widely available."

Eligible Texas women can go to participating pharmacies to pick up mosquito repellent, as Texas Medicaid has a standing order for mosquito repellent prescriptions for women who are between the ages of 10 and 45 or pregnant.

The benefit includes two cans per month per eligible beneficiary. Women are encouraged to call the pharmacy ahead of time because supply can vary by location.

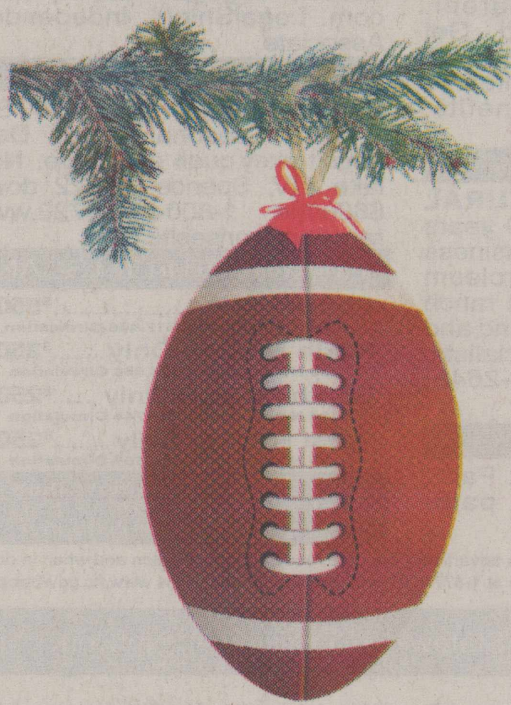
Women eligible for the

Medicaid, CHIP and CHIP-Perinate programs are covered. Women covered under the Healthy Texas Women and Children with Special Health Care Needs programs also can receive the benefit.

The following Zika-related items also are covered under current Texas Medicaid benefits:

- Family planning services
 - Contraceptives
 - Diagnostic testing
 - Targeted case management
 - Physical therapy
 - Long term services and support
 - Acetaminophen and oral electrolytes for Zika symptoms
 - Potential coverage for additional ultrasounds for pregnant women
- For more information about the Zika virus, visit [TexasZika.org](https://www.texaszika.org).

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