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2017 District Golf Champions



The Sonora Broncos and Lady Broncos Golf players were named 2017 4-3A District Champions Monday, April 3, 2017. Players advancing to the Regional Competition are set to play later this month in Baird. (Front row L-R) Ryker Marshall, Levi Garrett, Evan Shannon, Josh Galindo, Thomas Talamantez, Brock Aschenbeck, Ty Perez, Isaiah Lira, Ronald Pincince. (Back row L-R) Coach David Gallegos, Kylie Reiner, Sterling Smith, Allison Murphy, Araceli Marin, Elyssa Prieto, Holly Sparks, Jaley Smith, Marisol Capuchin, Scarlot Longoria, Coach Jeff Cordell.

Business as Usual for Commissioners

County Commissioners handled the usual agenda items during their meeting Monday, April 10, 2017.

In regular business, the court approved the minutes of the March 27 regular meeting and the accounts payable as presented.

No auditor's report was made available. However, commissioners approved the treasurer's quarterly and monthly reports without questions.

Jodi Harris presented a report for the Office of Justice of the Peace. Harris stated that he has completed additional training required for him to carry out the duties of his position. He also presented totals for the month of March including 743 docket cases, 21 magistrated cases and 1 inquest. Harris also reported a total of \$180,447.42 collected in revenue of which \$106,663.40 is retained by the county.

Sheriff Oscar Chavez reported 764 dispatch calls for the month of March, an average of 12.9 inmates and a total \$6,627.72 collected in fees.

He also updated the court on personnel activities and department upgrades. The Uniform Crime Records are now up to date and all Sheriff's Office personnel have received instruction on the use of body cameras. In addition, new security cameras have been installed in the department.

Standley Clay Anderson reported that the Road and Bridge department is staying busy with general road maintenance and Library Director Florie Gonzales, updated commissioners on the upcoming book sale during the month of May and preparations for the Summer Reading Program scheduled for June.

Extension Agent Pascual Hernandez updated the court on recent 4-H activities and upcoming community events. Judging continues for the 4-H teams throughout the month of April the Neighbors Meeting Neighbors Program is set for Saturday, April 22 and a Feral Hog Trapping program is also scheduled for May 2nd.

Additionally, Jessica Stapper reminded the court about the Do Well Be Well Diabetes Wellness Program that is currently underway as well as the upcoming Winning with Nutrition Program benefiting Sonora Middle School students. Noting the completion of the Walk Across Texas Program, Stapper informed the court about the celebration event scheduled for

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Sonora Golfers Advance to Regional Tournament

The Sonora Broncos were named 2017 4-3A District Golf Champions following their win Monday, April 3, 2017 in San Angelo.

Josh Galindo and Isaiah Lira were also named Individual District Champions. They were awarded third place.

Players advancing to the upcoming Regional include Josh Galindo-75, Isaiah Lira-83, Evan Shannon-86, Ryker Marshall-94 and Ronald Pincince-101.

Second team scores include Thomas Talamantez-91, also advancing to Regionals as Medalist.

Brock Aschenbeck- 104, Ty Perez- 104 and Levi Garrett-118.

The Sonora Broncos participating in the Regional Golf contest are scheduled to play Monday and Tuesday, April 24-25 at Shady Oaks Golf Course in Baird.

The Sonora Lady Broncos Red Team was also awarded

District Golf Championships at Quicksand Golf Course.

Team players Holly Sparks, Kylie Reiner, Elyssa Prieto, Marisol Capuchin, and Araceli Marin finished in first place. This win ups their record to six consecutive tournaments wins this season.

Members of the Sonora White team, Sterling Smith, Haley Smith, Scarlot Longoria and Allison Murphy placed third in the competition.

The Sonora White team has had three runner up finishes and two third place finishes on the season.

Lady Broncos players advancing to the Regional Match will play Wednesday and Thursday, April 26-27, 2017 in Baird.

All of the players deserve congratulations for their hard work this season and everyone is encouraged to come out and show their Bronco Nation spirit in support of Sonora athletes.

Girls Doubles Team Brings Home District Championship

The Sonora High School Tennis team continued their exceptional season record Tuesday and Wednesday, April 4-5, 2017 with a District Championship.

Competing in Reagan County, the girls double's team of Sky Jennings and Peyton Matthews brought home the District title with an easy 6-1, 6-2 victory over Perez and Segovia from Reagan County.

In the first round, Sky and Peyton defeated Clark and Hansen from TLCA 6-0, 6-0.

Then, in the semifinals, the girls cruised past Foster and Weise from Wall by a score of 6-1, 6-0.

With this win, Jennings and Matthews advance to compete in the upcoming regional tennis tournament.

Bringing home fourth place finishes for the Broncos were the boys doubles team of Dylan Taylor and Marcos Talamantez, girls singles player Carly Brown, and boys' singles player Brian VanWinkle.

Esteban Marin, David Delgado, Carlos Regino, Blayze Sykes, Aldo Deluna, Claire Thiebaud, Bianca Fay, Mary Kyle Johnson, Noelia Tovar and Riley Walker also competed for top spots in the District tournament.

Next, Sonora's Jennings and Matthews travel to Abilene to compete in the Regional Tournament which is set for Wednesday and Thursday, April 17-18 at Rose Park.

Please congratulate all of the players for their hard work this season as well as for their participation in one of the most competitive District 3A matches.



Sky Jennings and Peyton Matthews were named District 3A Champions during the District Tournament on April 4-5, 2017 in Reagan County. The girls' doubles' team won 6-1, 6-2 over Reagan County and 6-0, 6-0 over TLCA. Advancing to the Regional competition, Jennings and Matthews are set to compete Wednesday and Thursday, April 17-18 in Abilene.

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No Drama for SCHD Board

The Sutton County Hospital District Board of Directors covered their regular meeting agenda in about thirty minutes Monday, April 10, 2017 marking a break from the unrest during the past months.

In regular business, the board approved the minutes of the March 13, 2017 meeting as amended.

Next, with little discussion, they approved the financial report ending February 28, 2017 as well as the March expenditures.

It was noted that the Home Health Services have been discontinued. However, care will continue for patients who are currently receiving services, until the program is completely phased out. The Hospice Program will continue as usual. It was also noted that the hospital is still experiencing a decline in

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Next Step: House, Senate Work Toward Budget Agreement

AUSTIN — After more than 15 hours of floor debate, the Texas House of Representatives on April 7 approved a balanced, \$218 billion, state budget for fiscal years 2018-2019.

During the debate, state representatives proposed some 378 amendments to the House version of Senate Bill 1, although many were tabled or withdrawn.

The House version of the proposed budget must now undergo the scrutiny of the Senate, which passed its own \$218 billion version on March 28. Members of the House and Senate will meet in a conference committee to reconcile differences in the two versions and finalize a budget that then can be sent to Gov. Greg Abbott for approval.

The House version, which cuts overall state spending by more than \$1 billion compared to the current 2016-2017 budget, provides an additional \$1.5 billion for public schools, \$500 million to address a shortfall in the health care program for retired teachers and an increase of more than \$450 million to address crises in Child Protective Services and foster care. It also puts more resources toward mental health services and Texas Grant scholarships, and it protects voter-approved funding for transportation improvements, House Speaker Joe Straus explained.

Straus expressed appreciation for the work of House Appropriations Committee

Chair John Zerwas, R-Richmond, and fellow committee members, and to House members, who voted 131-16 in favor of the budget. "This plan keeps Texas living within its means while making investments that will strengthen our economy and brighten our future," Straus said.

Also, Straus pointed out, on April 7, the House approved House Bill 2, legislation to provide funding to close a Medicaid shortfall and to fulfill other supplementary needs, such as family and protective services, to finish the current fiscal biennium.

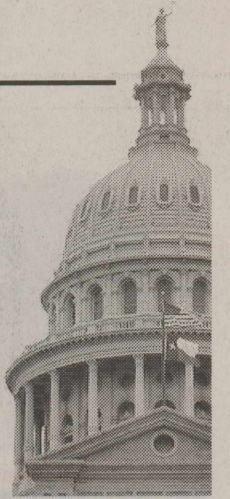
As in previous years, health and human services uses about 40 percent of the state's general revenue, while education uses 33 percent and transportation, about 10

percent. Also, currently, the federal government funds about one third of the state budget.

Revenue intake increases

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar on April 4 announced that state sales tax revenue totaled \$2.24 billion in March, an amount 3 percent greater than in March 2016.

"Overall net growth in sales tax revenue SEE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS ON PAGE 8



STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

Grilling Revisited

We never mastered the barbecue grill. Oh, we tried, of course — in the early years of our marriage.

We charred countless chicken breasts and burned a multitude of steaks. Shrimp on the barbie was never as it was supposed to be. No amount of barbecue sauce could salvage our calamities. Our collective lack of grilling ability was so expansive we even managed to light our patio on fire once.

Slices of Life



By Jill Pertler

We didn't want to be quitters and blamed our failures on the charcoal. The embers were unpredictable — like Goldilocks' porridge either too hot or too cold.

We decided the remedy for our barbecuelessness was a gas grill. It would give us an even, steady heat. We tossed out the charcoal and invested in gas.

Unfortunately for us, having gas was a bit unpleasant and turned out to be nothing but hot air. The charcoal to gas conversion did not produce the palatable outcomes we'd hoped for. We continued to create meals that consisted of tough and chewy overdone meat and limp and soggy vegetables. Yum.

We never discussed the decision to throw in the towel (or grill as the case may be). After trial after trial and failure after failure I guess we both came to the same silent conclusion. Neither of us was born with the grilling gene. So we gave up and moved our meal prep indoors.

That was then. This is now.

Last weekend, in a flurry of charcoal-optimized optimism, we bought a grill.

We weren't in the market for a new grill. We didn't even plan to look at the grill department. But there it was, on an endcap looking all shiny and new, full of possibilities and practically calling our names.

My husband saw it first. It drew him in like char to a steak.

It wasn't big and fancy or anything like that. A monster grill with lots of knobs and whistles would have been intimidating for both of us. This was a miniature model, suitable for a tabletop, or in our case a boat.

"We can use it this summer," my husband said. "Think how fun it will be to grill up some burgers or brats on the pontoon."

He had me at summer.

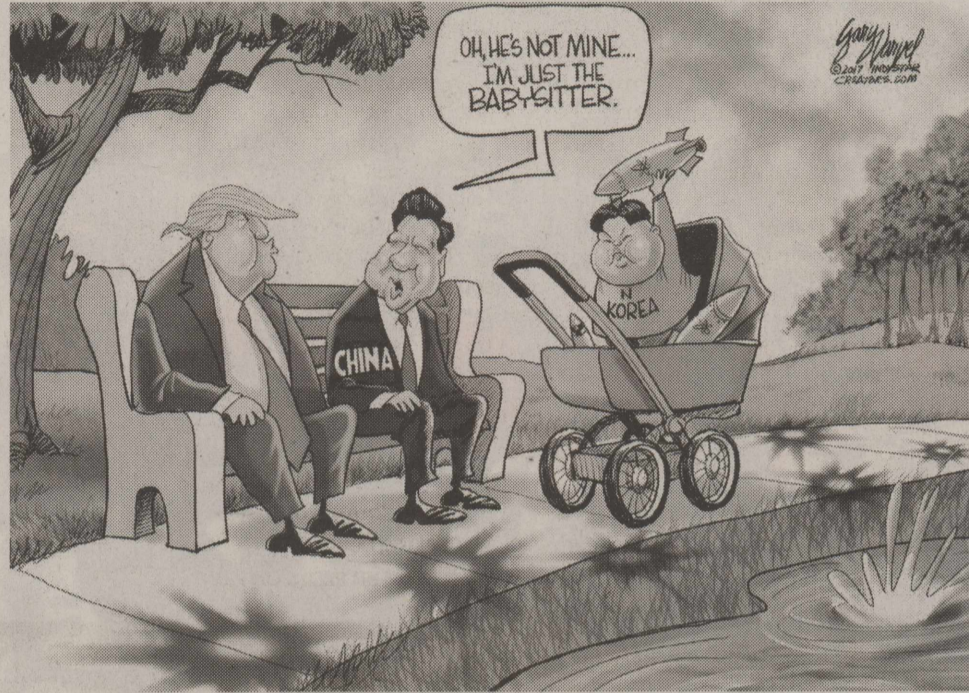
It sounded like such a good and easy idea at the store. When we arrived home with our purchase, I couldn't help but remember our past with gas. My husband remained enthused. He was ready to take the grill for its maiden voyage that very evening.

So we bought some steaks and we did what would have been impossible in our early years of marriage. We Googled, "How to grill steak."

There before us on the screen were countless recipes, blogs, how-tos and articles all about grilling the perfect steak. We took notes and prepared to prepare. Which we did. We even preheated the grill and waited for it to reach the precise temperature. We set a timer. When it comes to grilling, it seems time and temperature are everything — or at least key to not burning your meat. Which we did not do. The steaks were cooked perfectly and tasted delicious.

I can hardly wait to take it on the boat this summer. We may not grill every meal to perfection but we are going in the right direction and I can optimistically say we are no longer wimps on the barbie.

Jill Pertler is an award-winning syndicated columnist, published playwright, author and member of the National Society of Newspaper Columnists. Don't miss a slice; follow the Slices of Life page on Facebook.



The Day I Quit Chewing Tobacco

First let's have some background and history. Tobacco chewing was an accepted habit back in the early days. Almost all men, and some women, chewed plug tobacco.

There were several brands that I can remember, Tinsley's Thick, Star, Days Work and Brown Mule. All stores had a bin of various brands of plug tobaccos. To the best of my memory most sold for 10 cents a plug, just take your choice.

My introduction to chewing tobacco came when I was about 18 and was day working on various ranches in West Texas. I had hired out to work the shearing round up in eastern Terrell County.

This rancher had two sons about my age and both were chewing. One chewed Brown Mule and other Days Work brands. It didn't take many days before I was induced to try a chew, which I did. After learning how to chew and spit, I always had a plug in my shirt pocket.

During this period I developed a taste for Days Work. For a young cowboy this was the macho thing to do.

Enough history and background. Time went on and I became proficient at both chewing and spitting.

After working days on many different ranches, I hired out to break horses on the Wine Glass Ranch in the Pecos County. The owner had bought some two and three-year old broncs and hired me and Pete Zepeda, from Sanderson, to break them. We started with two each and would ride them on the round pen first, then lead them outside snubbed to a big gentle ranch horse. I will always remember this big grey work horse, who the rancher named Domino, and he was good at his job.

We each had ridden and broke two or three that were turned out with saddle horses. I had begun to think I was quite the "Jinete" — Spanish for bronc rider.

Now, during this time I had learned not to try to chew tobacco and ride a

bucking horse. No, this just did not work at all.

About then, I drew a big slab-sided bay, a three-year old colt that I had named Dynamite for obvious reasons. We had ridden him around the round pen about three times and had led him around horse trap snubbed up to Domino about three times. He was beginning to handle fairly well and I had begun to trust him some.

One morning I told Pete if he would open the gate for me and Dynamite, I would ride him around the north pasture. This was a mistake, but that comes later.

Pete agreed and off we went for a morning ride. Things were going good. The sun was shining and the bronc was handing and trotting good. I was feeling so good about everything that I got a big chaw of Days Work and began chewing as I rode a long.

Now, the north pasture bordered along the southern pacific railroad right-of-way for about two miles. I had everything under control, my day was good, my horse was sweating and my chaw was just right. Wrong!

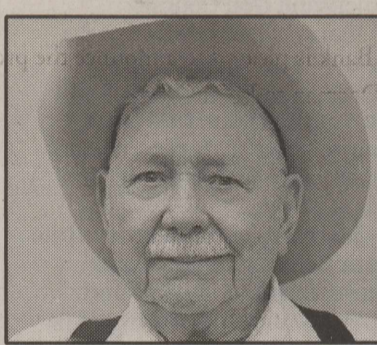
About then, a freight train came coasting down the hill from behind me. As the engine got about even with me and Dynamite, the engineer let off his surplus steam. This steam came out behind the driver wheel and reached out to the right-of-way fence.

Needless to say, this caught me about half asleep and Dynamite knew some booger had got him. He spooked and I may have rode two jumps before he unloaded me. I hit the ground on the back of my neck and swallowed that big chaw of Days Work.

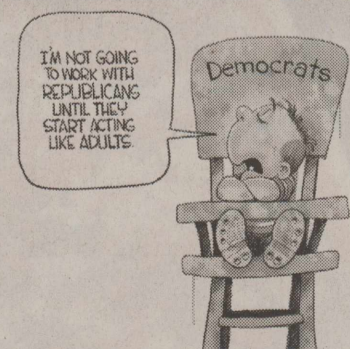
When it hit the bottom of my belly, I began to throw up my breakfast and various other unidentified items. Finally, I got enough strength to walk back to the well and get a drink of cool water, thinking this would clean out my sick stomach. Wrong again! After several convulsions, I lay down on the grass hoping I would just die. No luck!

After a while, Pete came in leading my horse. I managed to mount up to ride back to the ranch. Just after, I threw that plug of tobacco as far away as I could. I have never chewed tobacco since and won't if I live to be 100 years old.

It Happened Out West



by Joe N. Brown



Sherman's Sacred Landfill

A small, aging congregation attends Sherman's only synagogue, Temple Beth Emeth. When the president of the congregation, Andy Faber, went to prepare for



Rolling Along

by Tumbleweed Smith

Friday night services, he discovered the synagogue had been burglarized and vandalized. There was considerable damage to the sanctuary. The Torah scroll, which had originally been used in Poland prior to World War Two, was missing. The community, like the congregation, was devastated over what happened and offered any assistance necessary. Sherman police called in the FBI, Texas Rangers and Anti-Defamation League to investigate. Within a week after news of the burglary hit the media, two young men confessed to the crime. They said they had buried the Torah in the city's landfill, which covers several acres.

Finding the Torah was out of the question, since it was probably buried several feet and the ground was soggy from recent rains. In Jewish tradition, when books or scrolls are no longer used, they are buried. The sacred space where the items are buried is called a genizah. City and county officials gave their hearty approval to converting the landfill into a genizah.

Rabbi Brian Zimmerman was called in to conduct the ceremony. "The Torah is our most sacred possession and its value emotionally and spiritually is priceless," he said. The crowd gathered at the landfill was small. Members of the congregation didn't want to notify the media about the event, since the solemn occasion was more of a religious service than a public event.

Rabbi Zimmerman asked each person to share stories about how the scroll bore testament to the most important moments in their religious and spiritual lives. Each person told of how the Torah had been used at weddings, funerals, and ceremonies involving their children and grandchildren. After the stories, it was time for the memorial prayer.

When the group arrived at the landfill, Rabbi Zimmerman said there were hundreds and hundreds of blackbirds making loud screeching noises.

"It was sometimes difficult to even hear the people telling their stories about the Torah. The sounds from the birds were just deafening. They were flying back and forth over the landfill. We started saying the Kaddish, which is a prayer asking God to bring life to us, used usually when we mourn loved ones who pass. All of a sudden in the middle of the prayer we noticed it was incredibly quiet. There was complete silence. All the birds were still and sitting on the landfill. There was no sound except for us. We finished our prayer and looked at each other, commenting on the fact that the birds were quiet. It was a powerful moment. It reminded me that there are things in this world that we can't understand. People say there are moments when you really feel connected to something higher. That would be number one in my years as a rabbi."

Because of all the help the community provided repairing the synagogue, it was rededicated less than three months after the burglary. A synagogue in Arkansas provided another Torah.

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Heard Around Town

It's not so hard to tell real news from fake news. For example, I heard that Tony Romo was retiring to take a job as a football expert for CBS Sports. Yeah....right!

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Tate Shannon

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Tate Shannon Headed to UIL Academic State Meet

Members of the SHS UIL Academic team earned top spots during the UIL Regional Meet this past Saturday, April 8, 2017 in Abilene.

Since early fall 2016, students have been working hard on their achievements.

In first place, Tate Shannon is advancing to the State Competition, representing Sonora.

UIL Academic Regional Results:

Computer Science: 2nd place team.

Tate Shannon, 4th, alternate to state.

Kaden Cordell, 14th.

Sky Jennings, 19th.

Kristy Sanchez, 12th.

Literary Criticism

3rd place team.

Tate Shannon, 1st, Advanced to State.

Hazel Kent, 13th.

Delaney Ramsdell, 9th.

Henry Ramos, 18th.

Spelling:

6th place team.

Christina Hernandez, tied

for 12th. Cara Hernandez, 19th. Jasmine Talamantez, 41st. Samantha Castro, 40th.

Ready Writing:

Kristy Sanchez, participated.

Headline Writing:

Kristy Sanchez, participated.

Math:

Tate Shannon, 22nd.

Number Sense:

6th place team.

Tate Shannon, 11th.

Kaden Cordell, 16th.

Wesley Dutton, 29th.

Mary Kyle Johnson, 21st.

Poetry:

Layla Burke, 5th.

Prose:

Shayna Edwards, participated.

Lincoln Douglas Debate:

Hazel Kent, participated.

The State Meet is set for Friday, April 21 in Austin.

All of the students deserve commendation for their hard work and academic accomplishments this year.

Warm, Wet Weather Invites Livestock Pests

We've all enjoyed the rain this spring, but wet weather also brings pests for livestock. Some are external, while others are internal.

Let's discuss three common pests: stomach worms, horn flies, and ticks.

1. The most damaging parasitic roundworm is the *Haemonchus contortus* or barber pole worm. During rainy periods, eggs are spread through the animal's manure. The larvae then move to plant leaves where sheep eat them. Affected animals become anemic, weak, and lose weight, but can also die from high loads. Anthelmintics (dewormers) can be effective control measures, especially when administered during the parasite's dormant stages before the eggs contaminate the pasture. Use your veterinarian. Fecal egg counts can determine if treatment is needed. Seven to ten days after

treatment, use fecal egg counts to determine if drug was effective. There should be a 95 percent reduction in fecal egg count in order to consider the drug effective.

There is some disagreement among researchers as to how much of the herd should be treated. Some say it's best to treat every animal, while others advise treating only the animals that need treatment.

Proponents of treating only weakened animals point out that routinely treating all animals can lead to worm populations resistant to the class of dewormer being used.

They say that leaving some parasites in the animals and on the pasture, that are susceptible to the dewormer being used improves its effectiveness in later treatments.

2. The horn fly, *Haematobia irritans*, is one of the most predominant insects impacting beef cattle.



Pascual Hernandez

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FBC Welcomes Everyone to Celebrate Easter Sunday Service and Egg Hunt

The First Baptist Church of Sonora welcomes everyone to celebrate Easter with a special service and community egg hunt Sunday, April 16, 2017.

Easter service is set for 10:00 a.m. Sunday morning followed by a huge Easter egg hunt that will take place in the church playground area. About 10,000 plastic eggs, filled with treats, will

be waiting for children of all ages to collect.

The first annual FBC Community Easter Egg Hunt is open to all children and families who wish to participate.

Everyone is encouraged to come out and participate in a special Easter Sunday of worship and fun at First Baptist Church, located at 111 East Oak Street, Sonora.

Why does the early bird always get the worm? Because he reads about it in

THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS CLASSIFIED ADS

SONORA BANK PROMOTES STEFAN DORMAN TO LOAN OFFICER.

Sonora Bank is pleased to announce the promotion of Stefan Dorman to Loan Officer.

Stefan joined Sonora Bank in August of 2016 as a Credit Analyst; he will office at our Sonora Branch.

Stefan earned a Bachelor of Science in Land & Natural Resource Management from Texas Tech University and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Maryland. Prior to joining Sonora Bank, Stefan was a Senior Consultant for Chevron Deepwater Exploration & Major Capital Projects in Houston, Texas.

On the weekends Stefan can be found on the nearly 150 year-old Sutton County family ranch on the North Llano River with his wife Johnna (Adams) and 5 daughters; Tatum (13), Scout (12), Reese Elizabeth (10), Reese Riley (10), and Quincy (2).

Please come by our Sonora location and congratulate Stefan on his promotion.



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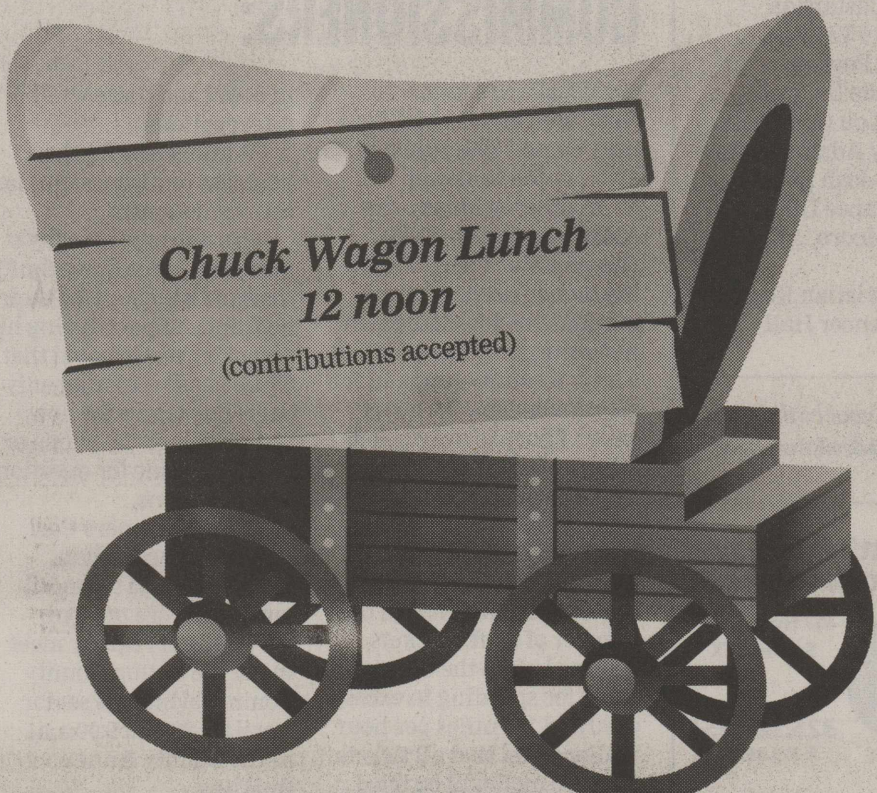
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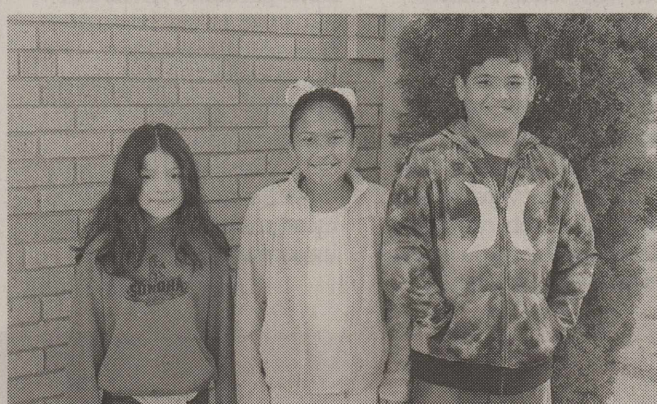
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Sonora Elementary School Students for the week of April 10-14, 2017, James Geske, Pre-K, Fernando Arredondo, K, Aanz'Leigh Abalos, 1st, Eian Duncan, 2nd. | COURTESY PHOTO

Sonora ISD Students of the Week

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Sonora Intermediate School Students for the week of April 10-14, 2017, Jennifer Garcia, 3rd, Abigail Solis, 4th, and Elijah Samaniego, 5th. | COURTESY PHOTO

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OBITUARIES

William (Bo) John Covey III July 17, 1954 - April 8, 2017

Bo Covey, 62, passed away at his home in Mertzon, Texas on April 8, 2017.

Bo was born in Sonora on July 17, 1954. He was a loving husband, father, paw-paw, and friend. He enjoyed spending his free time with his wife, Karen, working on their garden and tending to their animals.

He is preceded in death by his parents, William (Bill) and Amanda Covey, sister, Catherine Haukeness and brother, Michael Covey.

He is survived by his wife, Karen Covey, of

Mertzon, daughter, Jennifer Creek, and husband, Jeremy Creek, of Comanche, daughter, Cherri Covey, of San Angelo, daughter, Alisha Snodgrass, and husband, Zed Snodgrass, of Sonora, step-daughter, Shana McAllister, of Mertzon and step-daughter, Jodi Nanny, of Mertzon.

He is also survived by six grandchildren and a great grandchild on the way.

Services will be held at the Church of Christ in Sonora Saturday, April 22, 2017 at 11:00 a.m.

Sonora Broncos Defeat Ballinger Bearcats 4-3

Fans enjoyed an exciting game between the Sonora Varsity Broncos and Ballinger Bearcats this past Thursday, April 6, 2017 at Bronco Stadium.

On the bump, Isaiah Lira pitched three innings, giving up three runs, four hits, striking out four, and walking one.

Also, on the bump, Jalen Lopez, tossed four innings allowing zero runs, two hits, striking out five, and walking zero.

Cody Herral pitched for the Bearcats.

Ballinger's big inning came thanks to a single by Reid Matschek and a double by Clayton Hagey.

However, some fine infield play by Sonora's Henry Ramos and Daniel Gonzales kept the Bearcats from moving runners.

Taking the lead with three runs in the fourth inning, the Broncos stayed the Bearcats until the end

of the game.

Michael Mungia, Noah SanMiguel, Levi Garrett, Caleb Galvan, Ramos and Raully Ojeda each collected one hit helping the Broncos to victory.

Sure-handed, Sonora earned their bragging right by not committing a single error.

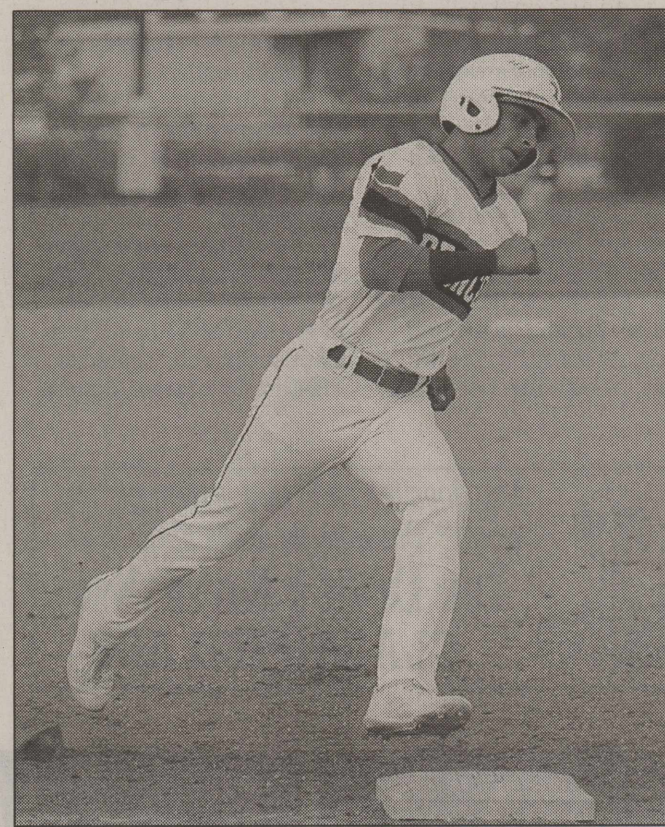
SanMiguel was recognized for the most plays with nine, followed by Daniel Gonzales with four.

The Varsity Broncos are now at 14-2 overall and 3-2 District play at the turn.

The JV Broncos fell to the Bearcats with a 1-19 loss.

Following their next game against the Wall Hawks, the Varsity Broncos return home to take on TLCA Thursday, April 13, 2017. JV also plays TLCA at home Thursday.

Varsity game time is set for 7:00 p.m. and JV game time is set for 4:00 p.m. at Broncos Baseball Field.



Noah SanMiguel rounds third base during Thursday's game between Sonora and Ballinger, April 6, 2017 at Bronco baseball field. SanMiguel completed nine plays over seven innings helping the Broncos with their 4-3 win over the Bearcats.

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SCHD BOARD:

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revenue due to economic factors as well as a shortage of nurses.

The final agenda item included the approval of recommendations for provisional and consulting staff. All board members present voted in support of the recommendations.

Without further discussion or comments the meeting was adjourned.

President Sharon Holman presided over the meeting. Edward Earwood, Lenora Pool and Don Longoria were present. Adalita Alvarez, Mary Humphrey and John Henry Strauch were absent.

The next regular meeting of the SCHD Board is set for May 8, 2017 at the Wellness Center.

Weekly Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1. Broad-topped hill
5. Pickets
10. Precipitate
14. Hebrew 6th month
15. Racemose inflorescence
16. Puritanical, as a law
17. Red cedar
20. Tennis, ___?
21. Cigar
22. French fem. saint
23. Register of abused pinball game
25. Hindu discipline
27. Comforted
31. Novelist-playwright Hughes
35. Old English money of account
36. Comes close
38. Un-inebriated
39. Bit
41. Hang
43. Hindu angel
44. Mah-jongg pieces
46. Graceful waterfowl
48. Pirate beverage
49. Black ink items
51. Evade
53. Grooves

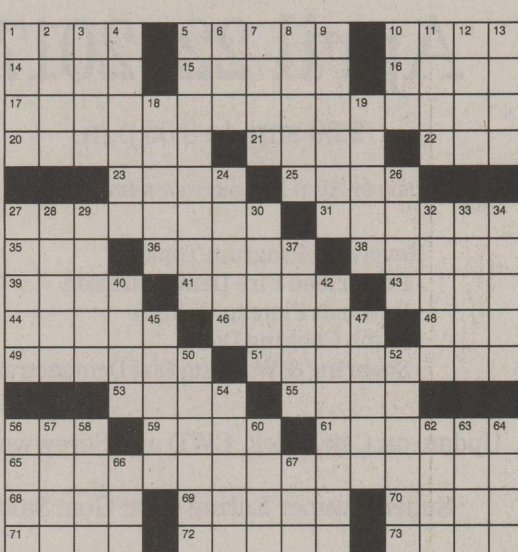
DOWN

1. Mauna Loa product
5. Eft
56. Catch
59. O'Brien and Boone
61. Make effervescent
65. Freshwater slider
68. Easy gait
69. Verify
70. Take care of
71. Suitable
72. Sutured
73. Greek Mars

ACROSS

2. Chief god of the Eddas
3. Contrary youngster
4. Crooks slang: pl.
5. Walled with wood
6. Friend, in France
7. Shakespearean king
8. Savor
9. Torpor
10. Baseball stat
11. Mont Blanc's range
12. Hard fat
13. Answer to roll call
18. Skin protuberance
19. Haile Selassie
24. Crocodile ___
26. Animal without feet
27. ___ Rica
28. Avifauna
29. Nabs
30. Sketches
32. Reich president, 1919-25
33. Skit
34. Bindlestiff
37. Franco's country
40. Viscount or baron
42. Made oneself popular
45. Cylindrical Buddhist mound
47. Water conduit
50. Postage and internal revenue
52. Layers
54. Goggle
56. Stuff from Gilead
57. E. Indian fragrant wood
58. Openmouthed stare
60. Put things away
62. Mime
63. Prong
64. Zed and omega
66. Feed the pot
67. Abel's mother

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- 15th Tibba Edmondson, Austin Castaneda
- 16th Tori Valliant, Victoria Powers
- 17th Slade Dermody, Bonnie Lou Campbell, Daphney Adams, Stoney Holmes, Josh Barrera
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April 26th at the LMH Wellness Center. The public is also invited to attend.

In other business, the court heard from EMS Director T.J. Thorp regarding money needed for the purchase of new equipment including stretchers. Due to a lack of county funds in the current budget, the court asked Thorp to also look at other available options to help afford this purchase.

Before welcoming closing comments, County Attorney David Wallace reported an increase in the number of traffic tickets coming before the county court for speeding in excess of 90 and 100 miles per hour. Wallace said that all tickets over 100 mph will be tried

in court and there will be no exceptions.

Without any further business or discussion, the court adjourned.

Presiding over today's meeting, Judge Steve Smith thanked his court for their help and support during his recent leave. He noted that while he is returning only part-time status for now, he is available by phone or email anytime for questions or discussions.

Commissioners Carl Teaff, Bob Brockman, Fred Perez and Mike Villanueva were present.

The next regular meeting of the Sutton County Commissioners is set for April 24, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Annex Building.



Nydia Rodriguez catches a pass to first base for an out on the Lady Bearcats during Thursday's game between Sonora and Ballinger Thursday, April 6, 2017. The Lady Broncos won 6-10 over the Lady Bearcats.
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The Blotter



The Blotter is a summary of the previous week's activity by the Sonora Police Department and the Sutton County Sheriff's Office. For practical reasons of time and space, The Blotter does not include every call made to the police department or Sheriff's Office, nor does it include routine security checks, minor traffic stops or routine patrols. Accidents of major impact may be reported separately. Subjects reported to have been arrested are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

SONORA PD ARRESTS

APRIL 9 • Michael Brandon Luttrell, 26-year old male. Arrested on two Schleicher County warrants.

INCIDENTS

APRIL 3 - 5:01 PM • Animal control call at 1200 block of Orient. Officer responded.

5:12 PM • Officer assistance requested at 100 block of Sawyer Ct. Officer responded.

7:40 PM • Officer requested at 1500 block of Glasscock. Officer responded.

7:47 PM • Caller reported a suspicious vehicle at East Chestnut and South Concho. Officer responded.

7:57 PM • Officer requested at Will Carver Park. Officer responded.

9:40 PM • Caller requested traffic control for AirMed call LMH. Officer responded.

APRIL 5 - 9:52 AM • Caller reported reckless driving 300 block of Prospect. Officer responded.

APRIL 6 - 9:54 AM • Caller reported theft at Middle School. Officer responded.

5:44 PM • Caller reported a suspicious person at 300 block of Hwy 277 North. Officer responded.

7:12 PM • Caller reported a suspicious person at La Mexicana. Officer responded.

8:45 PM • Agency assistance requested at 100 block of Central. Officer responded.

APRIL 7 - 9:46 AM • Animal control requested at 1200 block of St. Ann's and Central. Officer responded.

12:41 PM • Caller reported suspicious person at Orient and Del Rio. Officer responded.

1:38 PM • Caller reported burglary of building at Schlumberg Comp. Officer responded.

2:28 PM • Caller requested EMS at 700 block of St. Ann's. Officer responded.

6:46 PM • Agency assistance requested at 1100 block of Glasscock Ave. Officer responded.

9:17 PM • Caller reported intoxicated person at 510 S. Crockett Ave. Officer responded.

10:09 PM • Caller reported loud music at 900 block of Taylor Ave. Officer responded.

APRIL 8 - 6:04 AM • Caller reported welfare concern at 900 block of North Crockett. Officer responded.

11:08 AM • Agency assistance requested at I-10 mm 403. Officer responded.

4:22 PM • Caller reported intoxicated driver at 400 exit. Officer responded.

9:17 PM • Caller requested welfare check at 700 block of St. Ann's. Officer responded.

APRIL 9 - 5:26 AM • Caller reported disturbance at 1100 block of Tayloe Ave. Officer responded.

8:44 AM • Animal control requested at South Service Road by 399 exit. Officer responded.

2:02 PM • Caller reported welfare check at 600 block of Tayloe Ave. Officer responded.

6:49 PM • Caller reported a suspicious person at 500 block of East 2nd. Officer responded.

SUTTON COUNTY SHERIFF ARRESTS

APRIL 3 • Theodore Carpenter, 27-year old male of New Braunfels, TX. Arrested for possession on marijuana under 2oz.

APRIL 4 • Armando Moreno-Martinez, 42-year old male of Winnie, TX. Arrested on a court order to

serve 48 hours in the County Jail.

APRIL 6 • John Stuckey, 33-year old male of Austin, TX. Arrested on a Sutton County warrant.

APRIL 8 • Deaja Renee Vicente, 19-year old male of Compton, CA. Arrested for Possession of Marijuana.

• Aaliyah Monay Jones, 19-Year old female of Hawthorne, Ca. Arrested for Possession Of Marijuana.

• Davian Samuel Rollins, 26-Year old male of Los Angeles, CA. Arrested For Possession Of Marijuana.

INCIDENTS

APRIL 3 - 7:13 PM • Caller reported suspicious activity on 277 South. Deputies responded.

11:56 AM • Caller reported a hazard in the roadway on Ben Juarez. Deputy responded.

APRIL 4 - 8:28 PM • Caller reported livestock on road 8 miles North on 2129. Deputy responded.

APRIL 5 - 4:41 PM • Caller reported livestock on I-10 at 402 mm. Deputy responded.

4:47 PM • Caller reported down power line on Hwy 277 S, 2 miles before Hwy 55. Deputy responded.

7:05 PM • Family disturbance reported on Central Ave. Deputy responded.

APRIL 6 - 9:18 PM • Caller reported goats on Hwy 277 N. Deputy responded.

APRIL 7 - 12:37 PM • Caller reported a stranded motorist on I-10 mm 394. Deputy responded.

7:44 PM • Caller reported a reckless driver on I-10. Call was transferred to Crockett County.

8:01 PM • Caller reported a reckless driver on I-10 access road. Deputy responded.

APRIL 9 - 08:28 AM • Caller reported livestock on I-10 mm 399 exit. Deputy responded.

8:59 AM • Caller reported livestock on I-10 mm 399 exit. Deputy responded.

9:54 PM • Caller reported an open door at the Civic Center. Office responded.

Sonora Varsity Softball Hammers Ballinger 10-6

The Sonora Lady Broncos took on the Ballinger Lady Bearcats in a district rematch Thursday, April 6, 2017 in Sonora.

Lighting up the score board, Ballinger struck first in the top of the first inning off of a fielder's choice ground ball. But that didn't discourage the Lady Broncos. They answered back with 4 runs of their own in the bottom of the first.

Riley Walker led the scoring with a single up the middle. Keeping the momentum alive, Walker stole second and third bases, followed by a Keeley Moore walk. With runners at first and third, Nydia Rodriguez slammed her second home run of the season beyond the center field wall notching the score to 3-1. Also, adding to the excitement, Dekota Morrow hammered a line drive single to left and Kristin Garrett followed things up with a walk of her own.

With luck on their side, the Lady Broncos batter, Audrey Nolen, put the ball in play and sprinted to second base on an unfortunate miscue from the Ballinger second baseman.

But, Ballinger worked their way out of the jam by turning a double play and catching a line drive off the bat of Katy Jo Wardlaw. However, Morrow managed another run on the board off of a wild pitch from Ballinger.

In the bottom of the third, Nolen added to the board with a hard ground ball to center field, scoring Garrett from third base. Garrett opened the inning with a leadoff triple to left field. The Lady Broncos kept Lady Bearcats at bay until the fourth inning when they scored again on a fielder's choice. Sonora immediately answered with a single to left field by Morrow. A few more runs by the Ballinger eventually tied

the score at the sixth.

Finally, Moore and Rodriguez hit back to back ground ball singles loading the bases for Garrett.

Luckily, a fielder's choice by the shortstop, allowed Garrett to get on base and Moore to come around and score.

With runners at first and second, Nolen singled on a ground ball to the shortstop, again, loading the bases. Stepping up to bat, Wardlaw drilled a line drive shot to left field for a base clearing triple, which proved to be enough to stave off the Lady Bearcats.

With a game, winning effort, the Lady Broncos out hit the Lady Bearcats 14 to 3 and Walker, Rodriguez, Morrow, Nolen, and Wardlaw each collected multiple hits in the game.

Wardlaw earned the win for the Lady Broncos in the circle, tossing seven complete innings, allowing six runs (0 earned runs), three hits, and striking out six.

Despite a good effort, the JV Lady Broncos came up short 4-8 in their game against the Ballinger JV.

Christina Garza threw the complete game, allowing only four hits throughout the game. Also, noteworthy, Shyanne Gamez came up big with a line drive to left field to score two runs. Gamez picked off quite a few runners on the base paths as well to keep two runs from scoring.

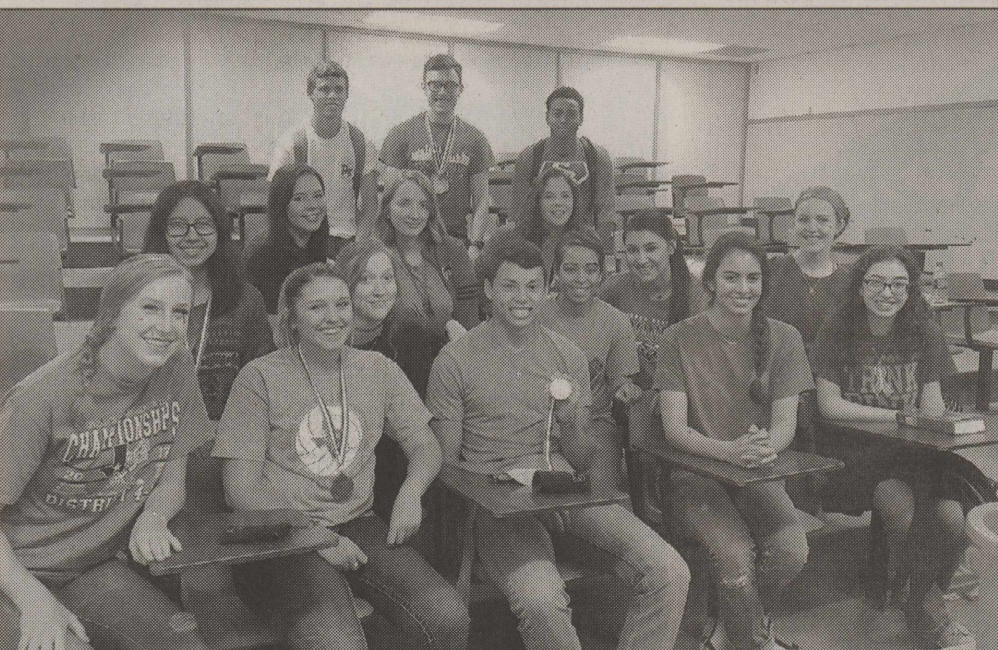
Sonora's Valerie Gonzalez also made a big double play at second base off of a line drive, and then picked off the runner at third base.

Looking for their next win, the Lady Broncos return to action at home again Thursday, April 13 against TLCA.

Varsity game time is set for 6:30 p.m. and JV game time is set for 4:30 p.m.

Everyone is encouraged to come out and show their support for the Sonora Lady Broncos.

UIL Regional Academic Scholars



Members of the SHS UIL Academic team earned top spots during the UIL Regional Meet this Saturday, April 8, 2017 in Abilene. (SEE STORY ON PAGE 3) Team members include: (Front L-R) Mary Kyle Johnson, Sky Jennings, Kaden Cordell, Christina Hernandez and Cara Hernandez. (Second Row L-R) Kristy Sanchez, Layla Burke, Jasmine Talamantez, Samantha Castro and Delaney Ramsdell. (Third Row L-R) Shayna Edwards, Hazel Kent and Kayla Grace Edwards. Back Row (L-R) Wesley Dutton, Tate Shannon and Henry Ramos. | COURTESY PHOTO

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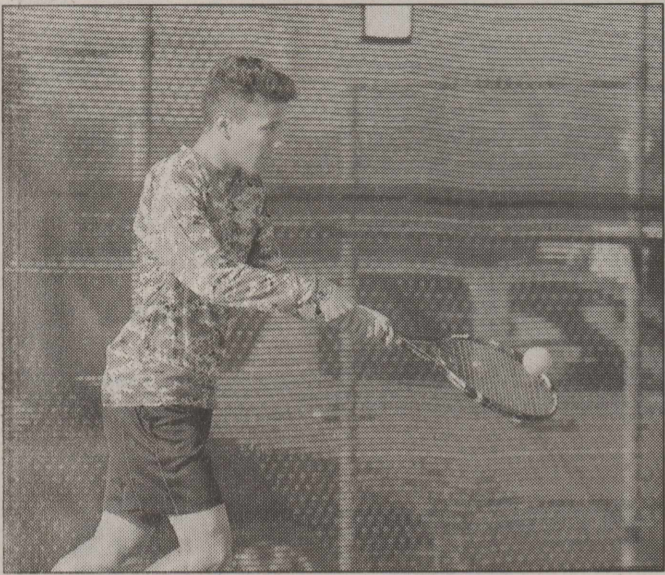
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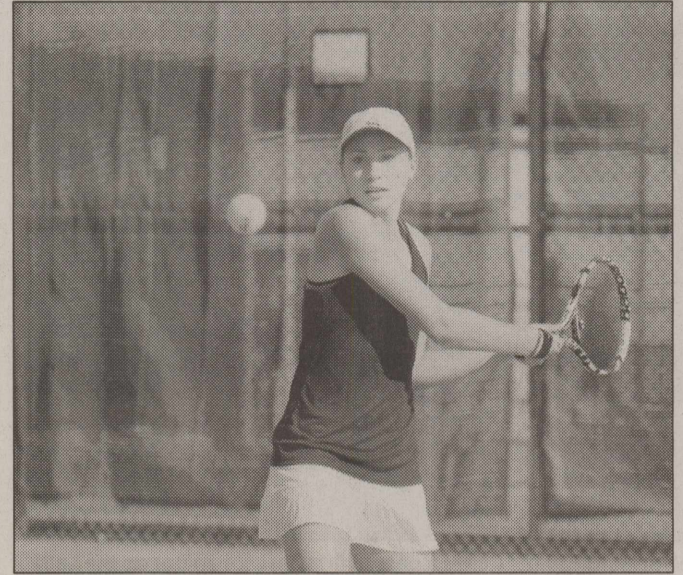
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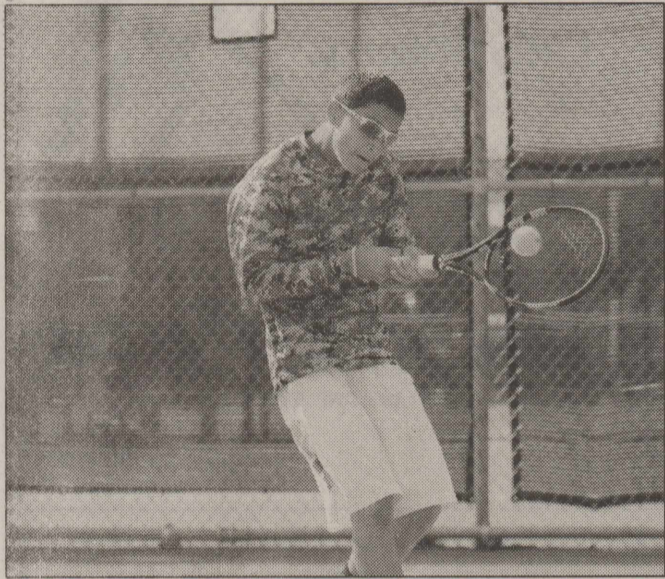
Marcos Talamantez teamed up with Dylan Taylor to finish in 4th place during the District Tournament April 4-5, 2017, in Reagan County. JL MANKIN | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS



Bianca Fay challenged her competition during the District Tournament, April 4-5, in Reagan County. JL MANKIN | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS



Carly Brown earned 4th place for her skill on the court during the District Tournament, April 4-5, in Reagan County. JL MANKIN | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS



Brian VanWinkle finished in 4th place among his competition in boys singles during the District Tourney April 4-5 in Reagan County. JL MANKIN | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS



Mary Kyle Johnson keeps her eye on the ball while returning it to her opponent during the District Tournament, April 4-5, in Reagan County. JL MANKIN | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS



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Sky Jennings and her teammate Peyton Matthews were awarded the 2017 District Championship. Jennings and Matthews earned the title for their 6-1,6-2 win in the girls doubles. JL MANKIN | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS



Peyton Matthews earned the 2017 District title following the competition in Reagan County, April 4-5. Matthews and her teammate Sky Jennings were girls doubles champions. JL MANKIN | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

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Sonora Junior High Tennis Competes in Sonora Tourney

With Junior High Tennis season already underway in Sonora, the players are not wasting any time perfecting their game. Seventh and eighth graders showed off their skills on the court this past Saturday, April 8, 2017 competing against players from other areas schools including Eldorado, Junction and Reagan County.

In the seventh-grade girls singles Abby Bennie earned the bronze medal for her win over Reagan County, 7-6 (7-2) and Christina Garcia won the Consolation, 6-4. Tais Gaytan and Abigail Mendoza also competed in seventh grade

girls singles. In seventh grade girls doubles, the team of Alexandra Cardenas and Abby Fuentes earned second place and the team of Kodi Davis and Joselyn Rodriguez earned third place while the team of Yailin Dominguez and Belle Arispe lost in the Consolation finals, 3-6.

Lane Taylor beat Reagan County, 6-3, also earning a bronze medal in the seventh-grade boys singles. Zach Hailey was applauded for his effort while competing in his first tourney and the boys doubles team of Christoval Lira and Tyler Walther claimed the

third-place medal. It was a tougher contest for the eighth-grade division. In girls singles, Aislin Nixon lost her 3rd place match against Cervantez from Reagan County, 1-6 and Madalyn Fisher, plagued by ankle issues, lost 1-6, to Miles.

In doubles action, Rashel DeLuna and Jaci Dutton fell to Reagan County 1-6 and Esmerelda Salazar and Sianne Alvizo earned third place with a score of 6-1.

In boys singles, Preston Gonzalez, brought home a silver medal after losing in the finals 0-6, to Reagan County and Michael Creek and Brady

Vyvlecka participated in boys doubles. The mixed doubles team of Elias Perez and Fernanda Gonzalez also brought home a silver medal, beating both, Reagan County and Junction teams, before falling in their last match, 3-6.

Thank you to all of the varsity tennis players who came out to help the junior high athletes, keep score and volunteer at the concession stands.

Please congratulate all of the players on their hard work and achievements during the tournament.

Next, the Colts and Lady Colts travel to Ozona to compete Saturday, April 22, 2017.

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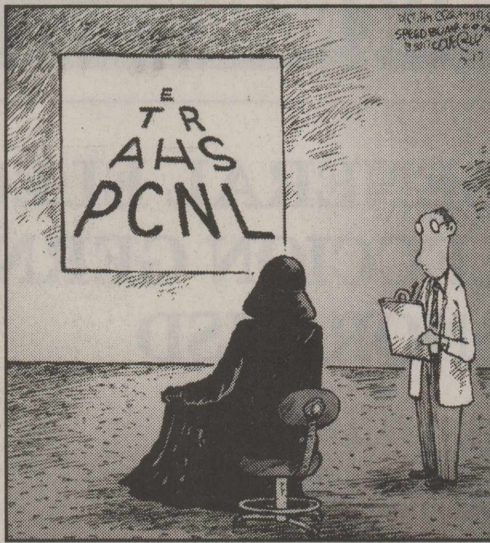
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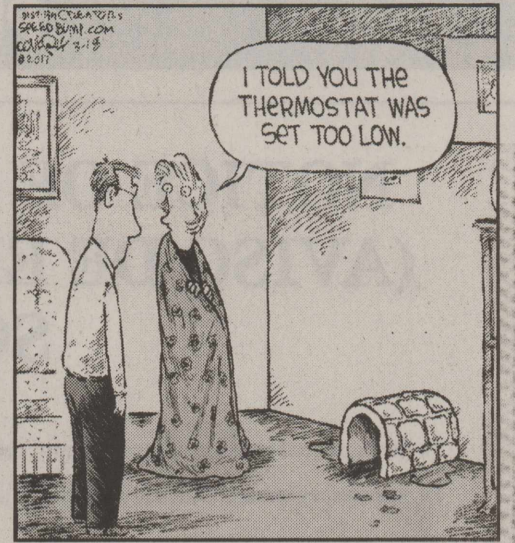
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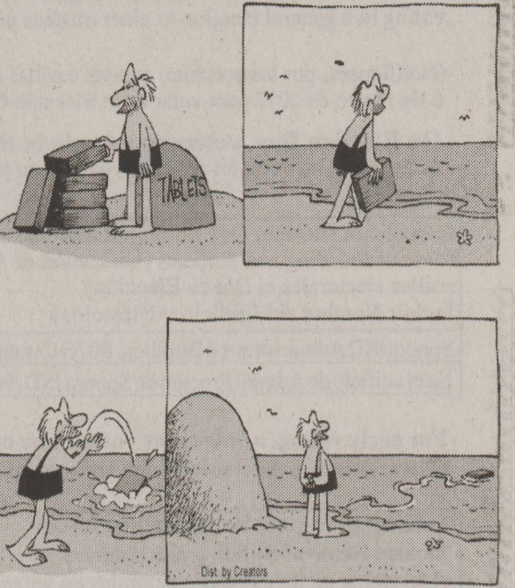
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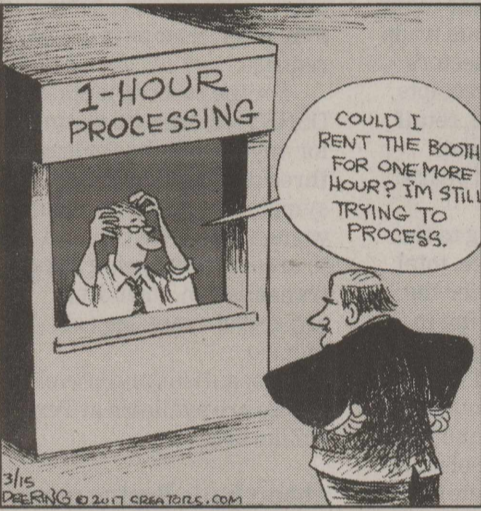
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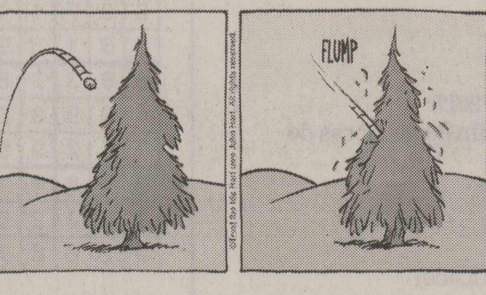
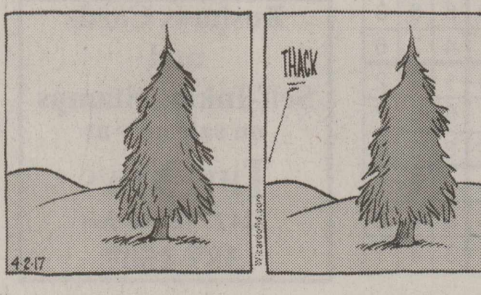
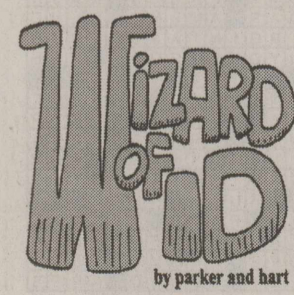
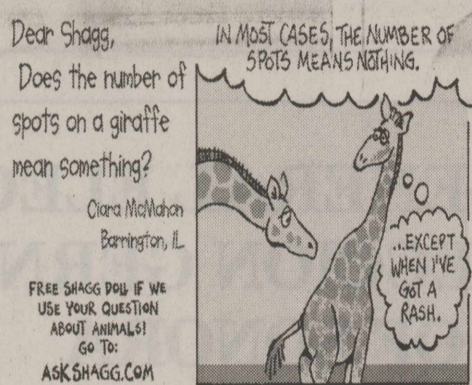
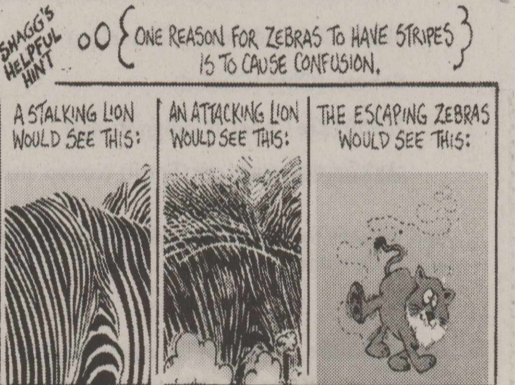
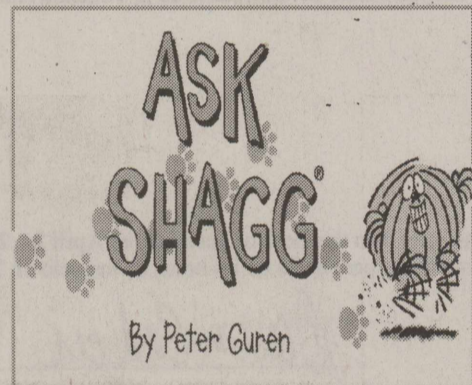
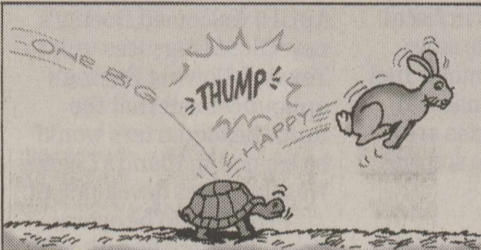
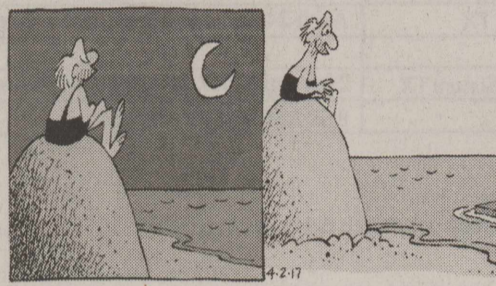
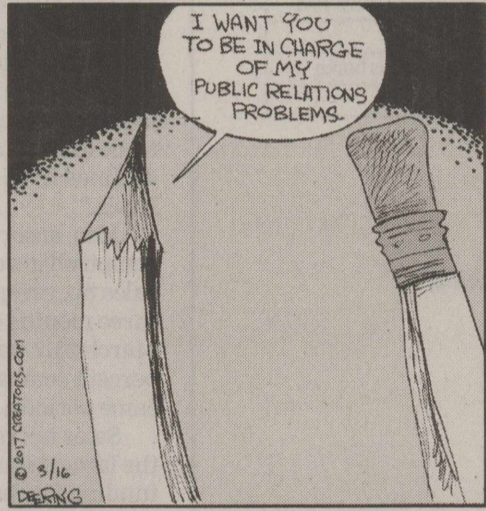
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los votantes registrados Condado de Sutton, Texas)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 6, 2017, for voting in a general election to elect trustees precinct 1 precinct 3, Sonora ISD.

(Notifíquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales citados abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 6 de mayo de 2017 para votar en la Elección General para elegir la mesa directiva de Sonora ISD recinto uno y tres.

On Election Day, voters must vote in their precinct where registered to vote. (El Día de Elección, los votantes deberán votar en su precinto donde están inscritos para votar.)

Location of Election Day Polling Places Include Name of Building and Address (Ubicación de las casillas electorales el Día de Elección) (Incluir Nombre del Edificio y Dirección)	Precinct Number(s) (Número de precinto)
Sonora ISD Administration Building, 807 S Concho	1 and 3
En el edificio de Administración de Sonora ISD, 807 S Concho	1 y 3

For early voting, a voter may vote at any of the locations listed below:
(Para Votación Adelantada, los votantes podrán votar en cualquiera de las ubicaciones nombradas abajo.)

Locations for Early Voting Polling Places Include Name of Building and Address (Ubicación de las casillas electorales de votación adelantada) (Incluir Nombre del Edificio y Dirección)	Days and Hours of Operation (Días y Horas Hábiles)
Sutton County Annex 300 E. Oak Ste. 300 Sonora, TX	April 24, 2017 to May 2, 2017 from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM
Anexo del Condado de Sutton 300 E. Oak Ste. 300 Sonora TX	24 de abril, 2017, terminando el 2 de mayo, 2017 de las horas 8:30 AM hasta las 4:30 PM

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:
(Las solicitudes para boletas de votación adelantada por correo deberán enviarse a:)

Rachel Chavez Duran (Name of Early Voting Clerk) (Nombre del Secretario de la Votación Adelantada)
300 E. Oak (Address) (Dirección)
Sonora, (City) (Ciudad)
76950 (Zip Code) (Código Postal)
clerk@suttoncounty.org (Email) (correo electrónico)

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on: April 25, 2017 (Las solicitudes para boletas de votación adelantada por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el: 25 de abril, 2017)

Issued this the 15th day of February, 2017

(Emitida este día 15 de febrero de, 2017)

Wanda Shurley
Signature of Presiding Officer (Firma del Oficial que Preside)

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION GERNERAL) CITY OF SONORA

To the Registered Voters of Sonora, Texas:
(A los votantes registrados del Ciudad de Sonora, Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling place listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 6, 2017, for voting in a general election to elect the following:
(Notifíquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales citadas abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 6 de Mayo de 2017 para votar en la Eleccion General para elegir:

ELECTION OF COUNCILMEMBER FROM WARD 1
ELECCION DE COUNCILMEMBER DE PUPILO 1

ELECTION OF COUNCILMEMBER FROM WARD 2
ELECCION DE COUNCILMEMBER DE PUPILO 2.

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACE:
(DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

Ward 1 and Ward 2 City Hall 201 E. Main St.
De Pupilo 1 y De Pupilo 2 Pasillo de Ciudad

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at City Hall, 201 E. Main, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on April 24, 2017 and ending on May 2, 2017. Please note that on April 28, 2017, the hours will be from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Extended hours for the Early Voting City Election will be from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on April 25 and May 2, 2017.

(La votacion adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en el Pasillo de la ciudad, 201 E. Main entre las 8:00 a.m. de la manana y las 5:00 p.m. de la tarde empezando el 24 de abril, 2017 y terminado el 2 de mayo, 2017. Abril 28, 2017, las horas son de las 8:00 a.m. hasta las 4:00 p.m. Horas extendidos para las Votaciones adelantadas para la ciudad seran de las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 25 de abril y el 2 de mayo, 2017.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan enviarse a:)

Belia Fay
(Name of Early Voting Clerk)
(Nombre del Secretario (a) de la Votacion Adelantada)
201 E. Main Sonora, Texas 76950
(Address) (Direccion) (City) (Cuidad) ((Zip Code) (Zona Postal)
belia.fay@sonora-texas.com

Application for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 25, 2017.
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el 25 de abril, 2017).

Issued this the 3rd day of March, 2017.
(Emitada este día 3 de marzo, 2017.)

/s/Wanda Shurley
Signature of Mayor (Firma del Alcade)

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It is a small but relentless blood-sucking fly that feeds on cattle 30 to 40 times per day. Both male and female horn flies feed on blood, leaving the backs of cattle only for short periods when depositing egg batches into fresh manure.

Using insecticide-impregnated ear tags is an efficient way to manage horn flies and there are an assortment of products on the market. Following are ear tag guidelines. Tag after seeing 100 horn flies per animal, but remove at the recommended time.

Rotate classes of insecticides (such as organophosphates, pyrethroids, or avermectin) each year; use any organophosphate for one year and then switch to any pyrethroid or other class the next year. It is also

a good idea to include a mid-season treatment.

3. Tick control chemicals (acaricide) choices include diazinon, pyrethroids, carbaryl and avermectins. Dipping vats have been shown to be effective ways to treat cattle by making them walk through the acaricide baths but recent years have shown a decrease in this method except at the border for cattle fever tick populations.

Applying the products with a high-pressure sprayer or pour-ons are other options, as well as dusts. Ear tags were originally designed to be used against ticks and are still very effective in preventing infestations but the movement away from ear tags for horn fly control has led to an increase in tick outbreaks on cattle.

CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS: Revenue

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represents mixed performances by major industry sectors," Hegar said, in an agency news release. "Collections from the manufacturing, wholesale trade and information sectors increased, while receipts from construction, retail trade and restaurants declined from last year's levels."

Also, according to the comptroller's office, total sales tax revenue for the three months ending in March 2017 was up by 2.1 percent compared with the same period a year ago.

Sales tax revenue is the largest source of state funding for the state budget, accounting for 58 percent of all tax collections in fiscal 2016. Motor vehicle sales and rental taxes, motor fuel taxes and oil and natural gas production taxes are also large revenue sources for the state.

Zika virus risk increases

As temperatures continue to climb, mosquito activity will increase, so people statewide should protect themselves from mosquitoes at home and while traveling to areas where Zika is spreading, the Texas Department of State Health Services recommended last week.

On April 3, the agency issued an alert calling for the testing of all pregnant residents of Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr, Webb,

Willacy and Zapata counties in both the first and second trimesters of pregnancy and any resident who has a rash plus at least one other common Zika symptom: fever, joint pain or eye redness.

For the rest of the state, DSHS recommends testing for anyone who has at least three of those four Zika symptoms and all pregnant women who have traveled to areas with ongoing Zika transmission, including any travel to any part of Mexico.

Precautions and travel advice are available at TexasZika.org.

Abbott hails Boeing move

Gov. Greg Abbott on April 5 welcomed Boeing's new Global Services unit to Texas, following Boeing's announcement that the unit's headquarters would be located in Plano's Legacy West business development.

Projected to be operational in July, the unit will house leadership and support staff and will serve as the central hub for 20,000 employees around the world.

In November 2016, Boeing announced the debut of Global Services, a unit to integrate its defense, space and commercial sectors' service capabilities "into a single, customer-focused business, providing agile, cost-competitive services to commercial and defense customers worldwide."

SONORA WEATHER FORECAST

Thu 4/13	Fri 4/14	Sat 4/15	Sun 4/16	Mon 4/17
76/62	78/62	80/63	81/63	78/59
Sunrise 7:18 a.m. Sunset 8:09 p.m.	Sunrise 7:17 a.m. Sunset 8:09 p.m.	Sunrise 7:15 a.m. Sunset 8:10 p.m.	Sunrise 7:14 a.m. Sunset 8:11 p.m.	Sunrise 7:13 a.m. Sunset 8:11 p.m.

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Sonora Hosts District 3A Track and Field

Varsity Boys Run Away with District Championship

It comes as no surprise that the Sonora Broncos Varsity Boys earned the District 3A Track and Field championship Monday, April 10, 2017 in Sonora.

The Broncos raced ahead of their competition finishing with a total 259 points. The Lady Broncos Varsity earned third place, in their home meet, with a total 103 points.

Holding fourth place, both the JV boys, with 124 points, and the JV Girls, with 42 points, demonstrated improved skill while participating in a variety of events.

Varsity Boys Results:

100 M Run: Jarret Jackson, 1st, 11.07, Walker Sine, 11, 12.06 and Abel Cruz, 12, 12.09.

200 M Run: Michael Solis, 1st 23.26 and Kaden Cordell, 3rd, 23.67.

400 M Run: Wesley Dutton, 2nd, 52.92, Wilson Johnson, 3rd 52.92 and Fred Velazquez, 9th, 54.21.

800 M Run: Slade Dermody, 2nd, 2:01.65, Evan Shannon, 3rd, 2:04.26 and Raully Ojeda, 5th,

2:08.59.

1600 Yard Run: Evan Shannon, 1st, 4:39.56, Slade Dermody, 3rd, 4:51.34 and Raully Ojeda, 6th, 5:02.10.

3200 M Run: Evan Shannon, 2nd, 10:37.90 and Raully Ojeda, 4th, 11:32.88.

110 M Hurdles: Carter Zook, 1st, 14.33, Willie Munoz, 3rd, 15.53 and Jasen Morris, 7th, 17.84.

300 M Hurdles: Carter Zook, 1st, 39.04 and Willie Munoz, 4th, 43.02.

100 M Relay: Solis, Jackson, Buitron and Dutton, 1st, 43.55.

200 M Relay: Buitron, Jackson, Cordell and Munoz, 1st, 1:30.99.

400 M Relay: Carter, Buitron, Dutton and Johnson, 1st, 3:23.31.

High Jump: Kaden Cordell, 1st, 6-00.00, Wilson Johnson, 2nd, 5-10.00 and Kade Creek, 5th, 5-06.00.

Long Jump: Drew Buitron, 2nd, 20-20.75 and Carter Zook, 5th, 19-09.00.

Triple Jump: David Delgado, 5th, 40-0 and Willie Munoz, 6th, 39-3 1/2.

Pole Vault:

John De Leon, 4th, 12-00.00, Carter Zook, 5th, 11-06.00 and Willie Munoz, 6th, 10-06.00.

Discus: Michael Solis, 1st, 145-05.50 and Liam Yopurgalite, 3rd, 127-06.50.

Shot Put: Liam Yourgalite, 1st, 48-10.00.

Michael Solis, 4th, 44-01.00 and Julian Guerra, 13th, 35-07.75.

Triple Jump: Kaden Cordell, 1st, 42-08.50, David Delgado, 2nd, 40-03.75 and Willie Munoz, 3rd, 39-08.25.

Varsity Girls Results:

100 M Run: Lane Cahill, 5th, 13.48 and Savannah Castro, 15th, 14.59.

200 M Run: Karah Martinez, 4th, 28.62.

400 M Run: Mary Kyle, Johnson, 2nd 1:03.17.

800 M Run: Mary Kyle Johnsons, 2nd, 2:28.16.

1600 M Run: Traci Vickers, 7th, 6:42.18 and Analy Palacios, 9th, 6:55.52.

3200 M Run: Traci Vickers, 4th, 14:22.90.

300 M Hurdles:

Carly Brown, 2nd, 50.03.

100 M Relay: Gonzalez, Smith, Martinez and Cahill, 6th, 55.59.

200 M Relay: Brown, Smith, Gonzalez, Martinez and Cahill, 2nd, 1:51.79.

400 M Relay: Brown, Smith, Gonzalez and Johnson, 3rd, 4:21.34.

High Jump: Mary Kyle Johnson, 2nd, 5-00.

Pole Vault: Lane Cahill, 2nd, 9-06.00 and Aleasha Smith, 4th, 7-06.00.

Long Jump: Karah Martinez, 2nd, 15-10.75 and Angela Gonzalez, 4th, 15-06.50.

Triple Jump: Carly Brown, 3rd, 32-10.25 and Karah Martinez, 6th, 31-03.50.

Discus: Olivia Martinez, 12th, 58-04.50 and Deborah, Hernandez, 13th, 55-08.

JV Boys Results:

100 M Run: Oscar Gutierrez, 1st, 11.88, Brandon Martinez, 6th, 12.34 and Ethan Adams, 15th, 13.53.

200 M Run: Brandon Adams, 7th, 26.00, Brock Aschenbeck, 8th,

26.10 and Carlos Medoza, 11th, 28.70.

400 M Run: Jalen Lopez, 1st, 56.08, Daniel Gonzalez, 9th, 59.26 and Mark Chavez, 12th, 1:02.29.

800 M Run: Jacob Obannon, 12th, 2:45.04 and Joe Torres, 13th, 2:48.07.

1600 M Run: Rafael Alviso, 7th, 5:51.14, Ariel, Salazar, 9th, 6:05.97 and Jacob Obannon, 10th, 6:17.15.

3200 M Run: Josh Barrera, 3rd, 12:23.12 and Rafael Alviso, 7th, 13:10.79.

110 M Hurdles: Josh Barrera, 1st, 19.13, Keegan McCullum,

2nd, 19.77 and Marcos Talamantes, 4th, 20.91.

300 M Hurdles: Josh Barrera, 2nd, 47.51 and Keegan McCollum, 51.25.

100 M Relay: Mata, Adams, Infante and Gutierrez, 3rd, 48.19.

200 M Relay: Rodriguez, Adams, Martinez and Infante, 4th, 1:46.05.

400 M Relay: McCollum, Gutierrez, Lopez and Aschenbeck, 3rd, 3:56.86.

Long Jump:

Oscar Gutierrez, 6th, 17-09.50 and Alex Mata, 9th, 16-05.50.

Shot Put: Donald Kimbrell, 4th, 103-07.

Triple Jump: Braden Adams, 3rd, 35-06.50.

Pole Vault: Jacob Obannon, 3rd, 8-06.00.

Discus: Donald Kimbrell, 4th, 103-07.

JV Girls Results:

400 M Run: Christina Garza, 5th, 1:13.83.

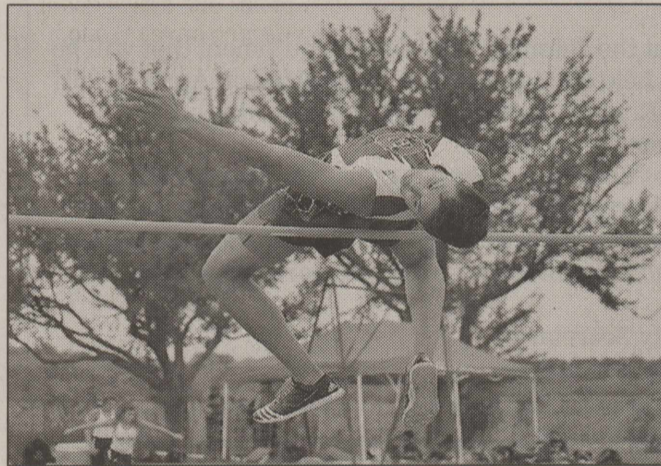
800 M Run: Rivers, Martinez, 3rd, 2:54.87.

1600 M Run: Rivers Martinez, 2nd, 6:57.61 and Britany Covarrubias, 7th, 7:37.98.

100 M Hurdles: Ashley Zook, 2nd, 20.40.33 and Harley Daniel, 3rd, 20.42.

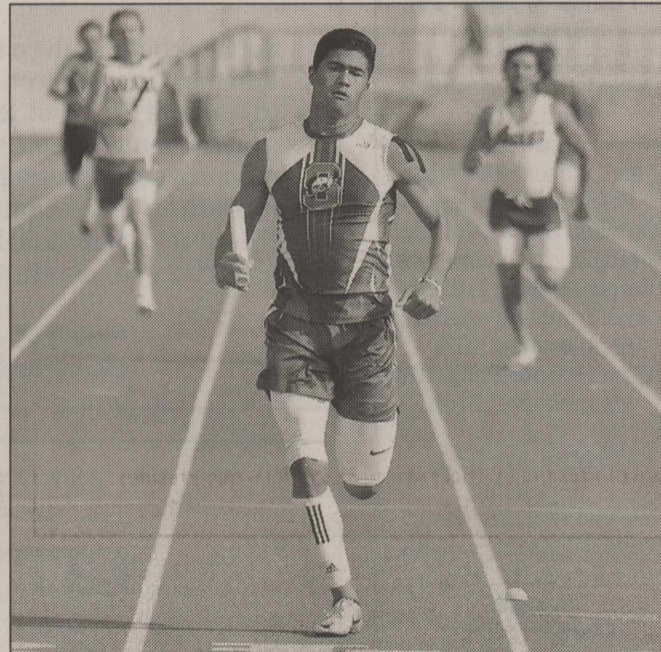
300 M Hurdles: Ashley Zook, 2nd, 56.33 and Harley Daniel, 5th, 1:00.93.

Next, the Broncos and Lady Broncos compete in the Area Track Meet. Sonora will once again host the meet set for Monday, April 17, 2017 at Bronco Stadium.



Kaden Cordell was awarded 1st place, 6-00.00, in the boys High Jump during the District 3A Track Meet, Monday, April 10, 2017, in Sonora. Cordell also placed 2nd in the 200 Meter Run and 1st in the 200 Meter Relay along with teammates Drew Buitron Jarrett Jackson and Willie Munoz.

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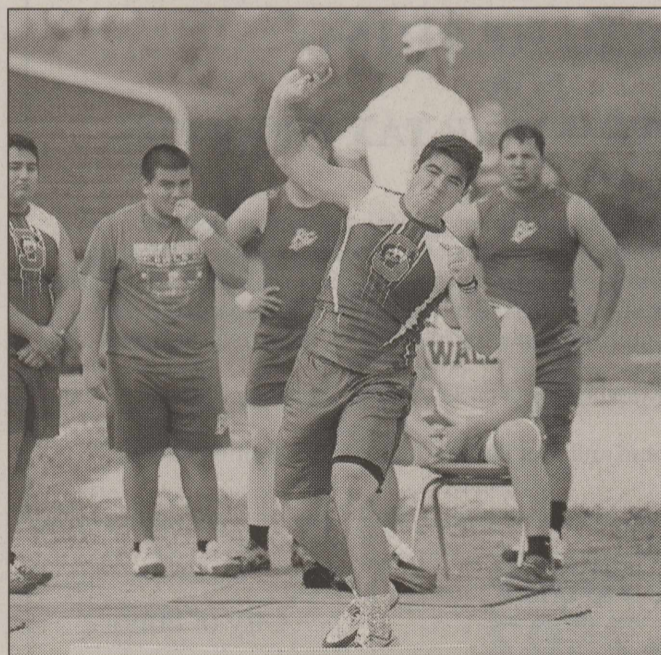
Drew Buitron along with his teammates placed 1st in both the 100 Meter and 200 Meter relays while competing in the District 3A Track Meet, Monday, April 10, 2017, in Sonora. Buitron also earned 2nd place in the Long Jump event with 20-20.75.

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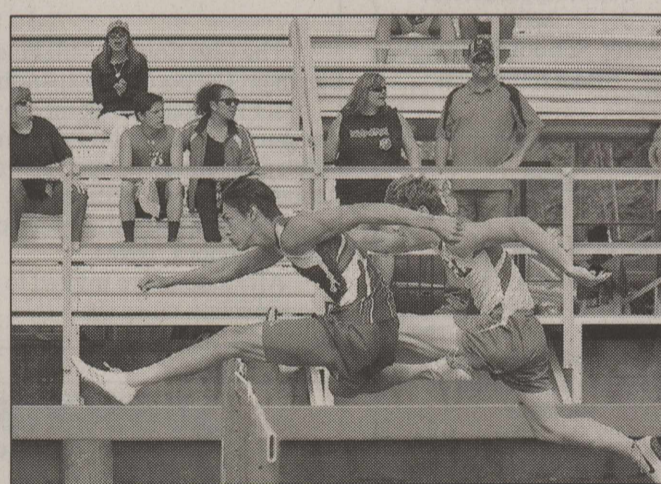
Mary Kyle Johnson was awarded 2nd place, with a 5-00, in the High Jump during the District 3A Meet Monday, April 10, 2017, in Sonora. Johnson also earned 2nd place in the 200 Meter Run.

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Liam Yourgalite placed 1st place in Shot Put on Monday, April 10, 2017, during the District 3A Track and Field Meet in Sonora. Yourgalite also placed 3rd in Discus.

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Carter Zook hurdles to 1st place in the 110 M Hurdle, Monday, April 10, 2017 during the District 3A competition in Sonora. Zook also placed 5th among the athletes competing in the Pole Vault.

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Karah Martinez earned 2nd place in the Long Jump and 6th place in the Triple Jump during Monday's District 3A Track Meet, April 10, 2017 in Sonora.

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Sonora Hosts Junior High District 3A Track and Field Competition

The Sonora 8th grade Lady Colts were awarded second place, with a total 132 points, during the District Meet Friday, April 7, 2017. The boys placed fifth among their competitors, with a total 76 points.

The 7th grade athletes also demonstrated skill and effort while competing in the meet. The 7th grade girls were awarded second place with 114.5 points and the 7th grade boys placed 4th with 86.5 points.

8th Grade Girls Results:

100 M Run: Sianne Alviso, 18th, 16.22.

200 M Run: Miranda Renteria, 5th, 31.16.

400 M Run: Miranda Renteria, 4th, 1:17.55, Sianne Alviso, 11th, 1:24.61, 2400 Esmeralda Salazar, 4th, 1:14.27 and Harmony Ramirez, 5th, 1:13.34.

100 M Hurdles: Clarissa Rodriguez, 4th, 18.38 and Jaci Dutton, 6th, 20.80.

300 M Hurdles: Fernanda, Gonzales, 1st, 52.53 and Alyssa Martinez, 3rd, 55.00.

100 M Relay: Nixon, Rodriguez, Gonzales and Martinez, 1st, 54.34.

200 M Run: Nixon, Renteria, Salazar and Ramirez, 6th, 2:15.31.

400 M Relay: Rodriguez, Martinez, Nixon and Gonzales, 2nd, 4:44.50.

8th Grade Boys Results:

100 M Run: Zach Joffrion, 7th, 13.55 and Juan Ruiz, 14th, 14.14.

200 M Run: Ricky Castilleja, 8th, 28.80, Zach Joffrion, 9th, 28.85 and Ricardo Ramirez, 13th, 29.94.

400 M Run: Caleb Nolen, 2nd, 59.55 and Juanito Limon, 5th, 1:06.10.

1600 M Run: Calvin Hernandez, 5th, 5:57.74.

300 M Hudlers: Preston Gonzales, 3rd, 49.68.

400 M Relay: Perez, Nolen, Hernandez and Gonzales, 3rd, 49.62.

200 M Relay: Perez, Hernandez, Joffrion and Limon, 4th, 4:02.93.

400 M Relay: Perez, Nolen, Limon and Gonzales, 3rd, 4:02.93.

High Jump: Michael Creek, 9th, 4-06.00.

Pole Vault: Caleb Nolen, 1st, 10-00.00 and Brandy Vylecka, 9th, 6-06.00.

Long Jump: Elias Perez, 4th, 16-11.00 and Preston Gonzales, 5th, 16-03.50.

Triple Jump: Preston Gonzales, 2nd, 33-10.00.

Shot Put:

J Morales, 5th, 36-01.50.

Discus: Owen Reagan, 8th, 97-09.

7th Grade Girls Results:

100 M Run: Carson Cahill, 2nd, 14.13 and Jacaline Torres, 11th, 16.91.

200 M Run: Carson Cahill, 1st, 30.62 and Jessica Campa, 10th, 33.40.

800 M Run: Alexandra Cardenas, 8th, 3:11.65.

1600 M Run: Laci Ramirez, 2nd, 7:19.18.

2400 M Run: Joselyn Rodriguez, 2nd, 10:10.00.

300 M Hurdles: Abby Bennie, 5th 1:01.29.

100 M Relay: Dominguez, Bennie, Rodriguez and Mungia, 4th, 2:01.90.

400 M Relay: Regino, Rodriguez,

Dominguez and Davis, 3rd 4:50.78.

High Jump: Christina Garcia, 4th, 4-00.00.

Pole Vault: Abby Bennie, 2nd, 7-00.00.

Long Jump: Carson Cahill, 4th, 13.07.00.

Triple Jump: Christina Garcia, 9th, 24-11.25 and Abby Ducan, 12th, 22-10.75.

Discus: Yalin Domiguez, 4th, 58-10.

7th Grade Boys Results:

100 M Run: Zach Hailey, 9th, 14.56.

200 M Run: Frankie Ortiz, 10th, 31.31.

400 M Run: Mario De la Fuente, 7th, 1:11.80.

800 M Run: Lane Taylor, 6th, 2:47.56.

100 M Hurdles: Sean Mungia, 6th, 22.75.

300 M Hurdles: Fernando Gonzalez, 2nd,

50.23, and Cristoval Lira, 5th, 55.13.

100 M Relay: Mungia, Juarez, Lira and Gonzlaez, 2nd, 54.61.

200 M Run: Garcia, Tyler, De la Fuente and Mungia, 5th, 2:01.18.

400 M Run: Lira, Hernandez, Dela Fuente and Gonzalez, 3rd, 4:34.27.


High Jump: Cristoval Lira, 6th, 4-04.00.

Long Jump: Fernando Gonzales, 6th, 15-04.75.

Triple Jump: Fernando Gonzales, 3rd, 30-08.00, Sean Mungia, 4th, 30-03.50 and Guillermo Garcia, 6th, 27-09.00.

Shot Put: Ivan Fuentes, 2nd, 32-11.00 and Mario De la Fuente, 3rd, 31-01.5000 and Mario Fernandez, 7th, 29-01.50.

Discus: Alex Renteria, 2nd, 91-04.

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Devil's River News Weekly Rainfall Report

April 1-11	0.96 in.	April 1-11	2.09 in.
March	0.07 in.	March	0.17 in.
February	1.36 in.	February	1.48 in.
January	2.40 in.	January	1.68 in.
2017 Year-to-Date Total	4.79 in.	2017 Year-to-Date Total	5.42 in.
2016	25.10 in.	2016	29.22 in.
2015	23.87 in.	2015	25.31 in.
2014	14.32 in.	2014	12.72 in.
2013	25.12 in.	2013	25.00 in.
2012	16.06 in.	2012	17.82 in.
2011	11.50 in.	2011	10.49 in.
2010	20.37 in.	2010	17.94 in.
2009	21.67 in.	2009	28.44 in.

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*Menu Subject to Change

Monday April 17
NO SCHOOL

Tuesday April 18
Breakfast
Breakfast Strudel, Yougurt or Cereal, Crackers, 100% Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch
Country Fried Steak, Gravy, Meatloaf, Chicken Salad, Roll, Mashed Potatoes, Savory Green Beans, Strawberry Cup, Milk
After School Program
Fruited Jello, Cheese Stick

Wednesday April 19
Breakfast
Eggs, Sausage, Biscuit, or Cereal, Crackers, Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch
Chicken Spatetti, Bread Stick, Pizza, Santa Fe Salad, Vegetable Medeley, Orange Smiles, Milk
After School Program
Backed Chips, Juice

Thursday April 20
Breakfast
Pancakes, Bacon, or Cereal, Crackers, Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch
Meat, Cheese Tostadas, Enchiladas, Crispy Chicken Salsa, Garden Salad, Zesty Cucumbers, Refried Beans, Lettuce and Tomato Garnish, Applesauce, Milk
After School Program
Granola Bar, Milk

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SMS Students of the Month (L-R) Aidan Leamon, Abigail Fuentes and Preston Gonzalez. COURTESY PHOTO

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PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF SONORA

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(AVISO PUBLICO DE PROBAR EL EQUIPO PARA TABULAR AUTOMATICAMENTE)

Notice is hereby given that the automatic tabulating equipment that will be used in the General Election held on May 6, 2017 will be tested on April 18, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at City Hall, 201 E. Main, Sonora, Texas to ascertain that it will accurately count the vote's cast for all offices.

Advierta por la presente es dado que el equipo automatico que tabula que se utilizara en la Eleccion 6 de mayo de 2017 aguantó fue probado el en el 18 de abril de 2017 a las 10:00 de la mañana en el Pasillo de la ciudad, Sonora, Texas para acertar que contara exactamente el molde del voto para todas oficinas.

Belia Fay, City Secretary
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PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF SONORA

PUBLIC HEARING FOR EXPENDING SECTION 4B TAX PROCEEDS

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

- Proposed quality of life project to provide assistance to Sonora Dental and Braces to purchase a Digital Panoramic I-Max Touch that will help facilitate patient education and enhanced specialty communication with 70% less radiation exposure that the model currently utilized.

The hearing will be held on Monday, April 17, 2017 at 6:00 p.m., City Hall, 201 E. Main, Sonora, Texas.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: EARLIE WILLIAMS IV,
DEFENDANT in the above-
stylized and numbered case:

This citation is issued to a petition filed by the above-named Plaintiff on MAY 27, 2016. The Plaintiff's attorney's name and address, or the Plaintiff's address, if they have no attorney, are SWTEC 101 E GILLIS, ELDORADO, TX 76904. Your answer must be filed with this court, located at 2 SOUTH DIVIDE, ELDORADO, TX 76936.

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TxDOT Urges Drivers to Stay Focused on the Road, as Distracted-Driving Crashes Increase Statewide

Distracted driving crashes in Texas up 3 percent in 2016

An estimated 1 in 5 traffic crashes in Texas is caused by distracted driving, and the problem is getting worse. As part of National Distracted Driving Awareness Month in April, the Texas Department of Transportation is launching its "Talk, Text, Crash" campaign to remind drivers

to stay focused on the road. "People are dying on Texas roadways because drivers are diverting their attention from the road to talk on a phone, send a text, post to social media or engage in some other distracting behavior," TxDOT Executive Director James Bass said. "When drivers

take their focus off the road, they put themselves, their passengers and others at risk. It's just not worth it." Last year, there were 108,962 distracted driving crashes in Texas - up 3 percent over 2015. Those crashes killed 452 people and seriously injured another 3,068.

These crashes are highest among younger drivers ages 16 to 34.

In Texas, 38 percent of drivers say they regularly or sometimes use a cell phone while driving.

Text messaging is particularly dangerous as reaction times double when drivers read or send text messages.

A driver texting at 55 mph will lose sight of the road for nearly five seconds, which is comparable to driving the length

of a football field while blindfolded.

While mobile phone use is the most recognizable driving distraction, other high-risk activities that can take your eyes or mind off the road include adjusting a music player, grooming, eating or programming a navigation system.

The "Talk, Text, Crash" campaign reminds drivers to:

- Put away the phone - or turn it off - before getting behind the wheel.
- Pull over to a safe location

if you must talk or text.

• Use an app that will block texts and calls while driving.

• Tell friends, family and colleagues you won't respond to calls or texts when driving.

• Always give driving your full attention.

See more at: <http://prmediarelease.com/txdot-urges-drivers-to-stay-focused-on-the-road-as-distracted-driving-crashes-increase-statewide/#sthash.YHuS2jc6.dpuf>

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Pat Gomez, RN, BSN visits with Sonora residents Ken and Candy Nelson during the Clinic (B) Open House Thursday, April 6, 2017. KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

Stop the Raid on Texas Schoolbook Funds

By Colby Nichols, Legislative Counsel, Instructional Materials Coordinators' Association of Texas

More than 150 years ago, Texans set aside a fund to provide free textbooks to children in the state's public schools, and ever since leaders have worked to keep faith with that covenant. Until now.

Now, the Texas legislature seems determined on abandoning their commitment and raiding the proceeds of the Permanent School Fund which provides not only for books, but the 21st Century technology our children will need to succeed.

Your Texas Senate has adopted a budget which cuts the fund for technology and textbooks by \$104 million from the proceeds from the Permanent School Fund.

Similarly, the House has proposed to cut the same fund by \$125 million.

Texas legislators frequently say more money should be spent in classrooms, but these cuts fly in the face of that rhetoric. No resources can be more directly tied to students and classroom instruction than the instructional materials allotment (IMA) which both

chambers of the Legislature propose to cut.

Cutting these funds tears books and instructional technology from the hands of Texas school children.

A century-and-a-half of Texas leaders have understood that instructional materials provided free-of-charge to our students are vital to public education. In 2011, the Legislature channeled proceeds of the Permanent School Fund to pay for instructional materials, technological equipment, and technology-related services for all districts and open-enrollment charter schools.

Legislative members constantly hound schools to provide for a "21st Century education." The State even wants to provide expanded broadband access for that purpose. This requires a substantial investment in technology. School districts around the state were ready to upgrade and purchase technology in the current biennium because no major instructional material updates were anticipated. The Legislature's proposed raiding of the IMA will prevent this needed improvement.

These are not tax funds; they're the return on 150 years of investment in the future of children. In fact, that may be the reason lawmakers want to siphon the funds away from kids; they can look like heroes who balanced a budget without raising taxes.

The Instructional Material Coordinators' Association of Texas believes raiding these funds - balancing the budget on the backs of Texas schoolchildren - establishes a dangerous precedent and a tempting target for future state policymakers. In the future, there will be more temptation to pilfer the PSF proceeds to avoid the harsh realities of budget-making and when the time comes for a major overhaul of materials - English/Language arts in the next biennium, for example - kids will come up short.

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