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# SISD to Upgrade Internet at Elementary and Middle School Campuses

Sonora ISD's board of trustees approved upgrading internet service at the elementary and middle school campuses to a more efficient fiber optic technology during their regular meeting Wednesday, October 18, 2017.

The upgrade will cost the district \$129,540 for hardware, installation and monthly service costs included in a five-year agreement to provide fiber optic service. The option to discontinue service is also included in the agreement.

The board approved a bid from Weaver Technologies, LLC for a one time installation cost, in the amount of \$14,340, to install fiber optic cable to and from both campuses and a central network operations center (NOC).

Trustees also approved a service agreement with FiberLight, LLC to provide fiber optic internet services at a cost of \$1,600 per month or \$19,200 annually, a savings of \$2,035.60 per year compared to other bids received.

Moreover, the new service will allow improved bandwidth to 100 Mbps for better connectability and usage by students, teachers and staff.

In regular business, the board approved the usual reports and minutes of the previous meeting before moving on to other business.

Trustees approved a budget amendment, as presented, for a \$5,000 donation to the

SEE SISD ON PAGE 7

# City of Sonora Sold Landfill Scales in 2010

An explanation as to the where abouts of a set of scales, once located at a public dump site managed by the City of Sonora, adds up to a sales transaction approved by members of a previous city council.

Since the discussion of a rate charge on trash for contractors and individuals not residing within the City of Sonora city limits during the August 21st regular meeting of the city council, questions regarding a set of scales has continued to draw the attention of Sonora residents.

Although the agenda item was tabled, the location of the scales remains in question as well as how to determine a cost for the disposal of solid waste at the city's current dump site.

Minutes of a city council meeting held December 15, 2009, revealed a decision, by council members at that time, to remove and sell the scales

SEE SCALES ON PAGE 10

# District 4-3A Volleyball Champions



The Sonora varsity volleyball team and coaches display their District 4-3A Championship trophy following the final regular season volleyball game against Grape Creek, Tuesday, October 24, 2017, bumping them to 8-0 for the season. The Lady Broncos beat Grape Creek 25-12, 25-22 and 25-16. Sonora will travel to Sterling City next Monday, October 30th, to play Crane for the Bi-district playoffs. Game time is set for 6:30 p.m. Pictured (Front L-R): Delaney Ramsdell, Jackilyn Sykes, Noelia Tovar, Karah Martinez and Carly Brown. (Middle Row): Mary Kyle Johnson, Lane Cahill, Avery Leamon Coach Dana Tomesch and Head Coach Kayla Perez. (Back) Don Brown.



The Sonora Broncos celebrate a turnover in the second quarter of Friday's game against Alpine. Hunter Bunch, #2, and Alex Mata, #20, jump with excitement as the Broncos take possession of the ball. Immediately following the Broncos takeover of the ball, Jarrett Jackson sprinted to the end zone scoring his second TD of the night. The Broncos beat the Bucks 41-6.

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## Broncos Bump Season Record to 7-0 with Victory Over Alpine, Going for 8th Win

Seven straight wins, so far this season, puts the odds of a district championship in favor of the Sonora Broncos as they look for another win this Friday when they host the Reagan County Owls at Bronco Stadium.

The Broncos won their seventh game against the Alpine Bucks with a score of 41-6 last Friday night.

The Owls will also be looking for a win after beating the

TLCA Eagles 40-0 last week. Ranked 7 in District 3A, the Sonora Broncos are 7-0 this season and averaging 40 plus points per game compared to the number 29 ranked Owls who are 5-3

points per game.

The fate of the Owls may have already been revealed earlier this season when they fell to Ozona 29-16 while Sonora took home a 54-8 win

this season and averaging 30

over the Lions.

Nevertheless, Head Coach
Jeff Cordell said Friday's
game between Sonora and
Reagan County will be a fierce
battle on the field.

Aside from the potential district title on the line and challenges posed by Reagan County players, Cordell said Owls Head Coach Blake Weston, the former offensive

coordinator for the Sonora Broncos, has done a great job of directing their program in his first year as a head coach. Additionally, the Owls will be looking to avenge their loss to the Broncos last year.

'This will be another tough match up for a couple of reasons, Cordell said. "The Owls believe they can win the district championship and believe that the district championship goes through Reagan County and not Sutton County. They will be flying high and looking to upset the Broncos on Friday night in Bronco Stadium. The Owls also remember what the Broncos did to them last year in Big Lake. The Owls were undefeated going into that game and the Broncos end their win streak. The owls would love to do the same thing to the

Broncos."

Football fans should watch for Reagan County's Samuel Goodloe and Alex Chavez as they can change a game in a heartbeat.

As for the Broncos, eyes should be on all of the players, at all times, because anyone of them has the potential to impact the game as already seen in games this season.

The Broncos will welcome the Owls to Bronco Stadium for a conference game Friday, October 27th. Kickoff is set for 7:30 p.m. and everyone is encouraged to come out and show their Bronco Nation spirit by cheering on the players.

As always, the game will be carried live on KHOS 92.1 FM with Virgil Burge and Craig Leonard bringing you

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# Portal Enables Donors to Help Harvey-Stricken Schools

AUSTIN - Texas Education Commissioner Morath on Oct. 17 announced that school systems needing instructional materials - either because of enrollment of students displaced by Hurricane Harvey or from property damage caused by the hurricane — can create an online list for donors to access.

Potential donors can find the lists through the Texas Education Agency's Instructional Materials Assistance web page: https://tea.texas.gov/Academics/ Hurricane\_Harvey\_Instructional\_ Materials...

"From the initial days of the hurricane, many people have stepped forward wanting to help. The TEA Instructional Materials Assistance web page provides a way to see what school districts truly need and then allow for those needs to be met," Morath said.

Morath called the electronic system a type of "wedding registry" where school districts can post their instructional materials needs. Donors can elect to fulfill a district's needs list completely or in part, and the agency's educational materials ordering system updates the list to help avoid duplication of supply donations.

To date, 14 school districts have created needs lists in the system. The materials on those lists total approximately \$1.2 million.

The system has paired three potential donating districts with three districts in need. One district has already indicated all its identified needs are

#### **Declaration** is renewed

Gov. Greg Abbott on Oct. 20 issued a proclamation renewing his ongoing disaster declaration for 60 Texas counties impacted by Hurricane Harvey, which struck the Lone Star State in late August.

Disaster counties include: Aransas,

Austin, Bee, Brazoria, Calhoun, Chambers, Colorado, DeWitt, Fayette, Fort Bend, Galveston, Goliad, Gonzales, Harris, Jackson, Jefferson, Jim Wells, Karnes, Kleberg, Lavaca, Liberty, Live Oak, Matago rda, Nueces, Refugio, San Patricio, Victo-By Ed Sterling ria, Waller, Whar-

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# Hey, Baby

There are 7.5 billion people in the world. That's 75 followed by eight zeros. A billion is hard for the average mind to fathom. One billion is equivalent to a thousand millions. In other words,

Slices of Life



By Jill Pertler

number. There are 7.5 billion of us living, eating and breathing here

a really big

on planet earth. And although each of us is unique, we have one thing in common. Each

of us-without exception - began our journey in the same way. As newborn babies. Naked and afraid.

Think about that. Let it sink in. Look around and embrace the concept. 90-year old grandfathers. Middle-aged women. 20-something men. Teenagers. Rock stars. Movie stars. Coal miners. Cab drivers. Computer scientists. Rocket scientists. The rich. The poor. Elite athletes. You. Your neighbor. Your neighbor's neighbor. Everyone. All. Of. Us.

We inhabit this planet and (so far) the only way to get here is by being a baby. It's a major life experience shared by all 7.5 billion of us. Wow.

Every one of us was somebody's itty bit of a newborn. (Although teenagers definitely do not want to be reminded of this fact.)

It's likely someone waited for our arrival. A mother carried us and let her body be overcome by our girth. When space became tight we left the world we'd known for nine months to enter a

We were all born helpless - completely dependent on others for our very survival. Crying was about all we had in our arsenal. We didn't have enough muscle control to hold our own head up. We couldn't roll over. We pooped our

In the best scenarios we were cuddled by the grown-ups who loved us and smothered by big sisters or big brothers who just wanted a hug from the tiny baby. Some of us were the recipients of sloppy wet kisses from the dog or kneading paws from the cat.

Our mothers and fathers and caregivers changed our diapers and kept us clean. They fed us and made sure we were growing and meeting appropriate milestones. They interpreted our cries and knew which one meant we were hungry and which indicated a need for a nap. They got up in wee hours to tend to our needs and readjust our blankets. They held us and rocked us goodnight. But for their care, we would have died.

Each of us, without exception, was a newborn and totally dependent on others for our basic needs. We all come from humble beginnings.

We aren't really cognizant of this. Of course we acknowledge the fact, but we aren't aware of it on a regular basis. We see what we see in the here and now. That's makes us human. We perceive people as older than us, younger than us and sometimes about the same age as us. But we hardly ever look at an adult and think, "I bet he was a cute baby."

We don't see others the way they (and we) came into this world: naked, crying and a little bit messy.

Maybe we should. In these times when everyone seems to focus on differences, maybe we should go back to the basics and realize there is at least one thing we have in common. Maybe we should be more aware of how we all got our start in this world.

Not a perfect solution, but perhaps

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# Battling Misconceptions at the Alamo

In My Opinion

by Dr. Bruce Winders

The one thing that I've learned after being at the Alamo for twenty-one years is that there is a great amount of misinformation surrounding our state's most treasured site. These ideas are often held by people who care passionately about the site and its history. My task as the Alamo's curator and historian is to help sepa-

rate fact from fiction so that visitors understand what has taken place here and why it matters.

Once, I spoke with a visitor who insisted that David Crockett was just a cartoon character. Clearly this person was mistaken, despite the strength of his conviction. Knowing that Crockett was a real per-

son is important to the Alamo's story. Another time, a representative from a prominent lingerie company wanted to use the Alamo as a backdrop for a photo shoot because it made such a picturesque setting. The pastel lighting they planned to use, he said, would make it look divine. We asked him if they would do something like that at the Vietnam War Memorial. He replied that, of course they wouldn't, because it wouldn't be right. Our director then pointed out that was the same reason there would be no lingerie shoot at the Alamo. Facts and tone

are important to us. I have dealt with competing notions of the Alamo for years. The fact is, what the Alamo means to one person may not be what it means to someone else at all. Any effort to make changes at the site immediately causes devotees to put up their guards and prepare to

defend their respective positions. Today's battle is being fought on the internet. The current Alamo master plan has generated a flurry of comments that are being expressed on social media. In an effort to set the issue straight, I'd like to clarify what is really happening by addressing some ques-

tions we are currently being asked. First, no, the Alamo is not being re-named. In the early 1800s, when the Alamo was no longer being used as a mission, a troop of Spanish presidial soldiers from Alamo de Parras occupied the compound. It then became known as the Alamo, and its name remains the Alamo today. Some claim there are plans to go back to the mission name, but that has never been proposed.

Second, the 1836 battle is central to the site's history and will remain so. Every day at the Alamo, we tell the story of the 1836 siege and battle. A key element of the plana is to define the footprint of the historic battlefield, allowing us to introduce even more educational programs into the area for visitors and school groups, living history, and ceremonies and activities that honor the site and the men who died here.

There is also false information about the physical setting and environment in which the site will exist. The plans are to remove the "carnival-like atmosphere" that now greets visitors, not expand it. Today, the 1836 battlefield is covered with asphalt streets and sidewalks. Cars and buses drive

across it every day. Have you ever tried to talk to school children in the plaza or conduct a tour there over the street noise? I have, and it's extremely difficult and challenging. Most visitors do not realize they are standing on sacred

The goal is to create a space where visitors can learn and reflect on their

the battlefield will only happen when greater control is placed over traffic, street preachers, boxing matches, etc. The creation of the 20,000 square feet of dynamic 1836 battle exhibits in the Crockett Block and the adjacent buildings will drastically alter the current environment, making it clear to visitors that the Alamo has a larger historical footprint than they imagined. The tone will improve.

Most importantly, though, preservation of the Alamo's historic structures is the plan's first and most urgent priority. Scientific studies have been conducted on the church and the long barrack, and conservation specialists are reviewing their findings in order to develop strategies to preserve their integrity. Additionally, an archeological component will be built into the plan so we can continue to learn about the Alamo that lies just below the surface. Both are indicative that the General Land Office is taking seriously its responsibility to safeguard the Alamo for future generations.

As we saw with the tabling of the early structural glass wall concept, the plan is still evolving, and will continue to do so for some time. I am certain, however, that what moves forward will be innovative, thoughtful, and appropriate for an important historical icon like the Alamo.

People are passionate about the Alamo. This is why there have been several plans over the years to reinterpret Alamo Plaza as a more meaningful and reverent site. The current master plan intends to do just that: Revitalize the space while returning reverence to what we all agree is hallowed ground.

The Alamo deserves a thoughtful and truthful planning process. Until more official information comes out, let's remember Winston Churchill's admonishment that, "A lie gets halfway around the world before the truth has a chance to get its pants on."

Classifieds are due by Monday at 5 p.m.

Dr. Bruce Winders is the historian and curator of the Alamo.

# **Sweet Potato Royalty in Gilmer**

We arrived in Gilmer the day before I was to keynote the all service club luncheon to kickoff the activities surrounding Yamboree, one of the largest festivals in Texas. It attracts upwards



Along

by Tumbleweed Smith

of 100,000 people. One of our hosts gave us tickets to the coronation of Queen Yam. I really didn't

know what to expect, since Gilmer has a population of around 5,000.

As usually happens in small towns, the event exceeded my expectations by about a thousand percent. It was true pomp and circumstance on a par with a royal wedding or coronation in England. The queen and her court were presented along with a series of Duchesses, the Noble Order of the Garter and the Bearer of the Royal Scepter. Court dancers provided entertainment.

All princesses had a royal promenade around the packed auditorium and when it came time for Queen Madison Lee of the House of Dean to make her appearance, the crowd showed its appreciation with quiet respect. You could almost hear the smiles breaking across faces and heads nodding up and down. It was an elegant evening. The queen's train was at least twenty feet long. Four train guards managed the folds of material.

The coronation lasted more than two hours and the entire event was repeated the following night to accommodate the people who wanted to see

This is the 80th year for Yamboree. It was started in 1935, the same year Johnny Mathis was born in Gilmer. It was canceled for two years during WWII. The reason for the celebration is of course the sweet potato, a major crop in 1935 when the state encouraged communities to stage some sort of event for the state's centennial in 1936.

A huge carnival takes place downtown and there are numerous contests involving yam pie and other delicacies made from the vegetable. Booths offer all kinds of merchandise and there is an antique auto show. The program listing all the events is a narrow booklet with 140 pages.

Modest stands offering sweet potatoes for sale line the streets leading downtown. Schools turn out the Thursday and Friday of Yamboree weekend because kids are showing their animals in the livestock barn.

When I was asked to speak at the all service club luncheon I had no idea it was the event where US presidents, Texas governors, heads of major industries and other prominent people have graced the podium. The crowd filled the high school gymnasium and the entire experience was a humbling one

I did manage to interview some yam farmers, the president of the Yamboree Brandon Garmon and of course, Queen Yam Madison Lee Dean. Joyce Raabe is in charge of judging the yam pie contest. She told me no spices are allowed in the preparation of the pies. "It must be just sweet potato."

Judges are from out of town.

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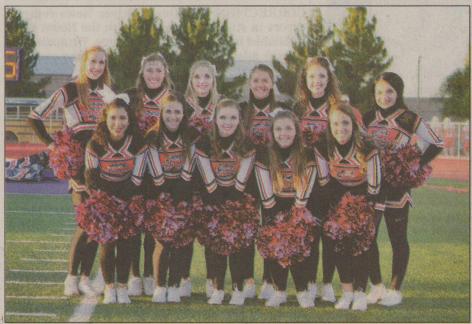
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Sonora High School varsity cheerleaders gear up for the start of Friday's game between the Broncos and the Alpine Bucks, October 20, 2017, at Buck Stadium. (L-R) Front Row: Jordan Paredes, Haley Smith, Felicia Farley, Kaitlyn Gann and Summer Hall. Back Row: Mary Kyle Johnson, Carly Brown, Lane Cahill, Traci Vickers, Avery Leamon and Gabby Zapata.

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able to score on our first offensive position, something we haven't done on previous road trips."

Surpassing the Bucks in offense Sonora had 423 yards compared to the Bucks 250 yards.

Leading the Broncos, Jarrett Jackson, Evan Shannon, Abel Cruz and Willie Munoz each crossed the end zone, notching the score to a final 41 points.

Additionally, Sonora had 215 yards passing, led by Kaden Cordell with 9 -22, compared to Alpine's 202, led by Aaron Frost with 12-21.

Further, the Broncos

had 208 yards rushing and 215 yards receiving compared to the Bucks 48 and 202 respectively.

**Turnovers by Hunter** Bunch, Thomas Talamantez. Willie Munoz and Abel Cruz also contributed to the Broncos success over the Bucks.

Despite leaving some points behind due to penalties, bad plays and other factors, not in their favor, Cordell commended his defense on another outstanding ball game.

"Our defense played another outstanding ball game, Cordell said. "Created turnovers and gave our offense a chance

to find the end zone. The Alpine Bucks defense gave our offense some fits at times. They had a good game plan coming in. We just capitalized on some of their mistakes coupled with the fact we had some kids make some big-time plays. Willie Munoz, Abel Cruz, Jarrett Jackson and Evan Shannon all had huge catches for us. Very easily the Broncos could have had a shutout and scored 50 plus. But a win is a win."

Looking to stay undefeated, Sonora will host Reagan County next Friday, October 27th, at Bronco Stadium.

**CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1** all of the action from the home press box.

Sonora 41 - Alpine 6 The Sonora Broncos bumped their 2017 season record to 7-0 with a 41-6 win over the Alpine

**Bucks this past Friday** 

night, at Buck Stadium. Unlike in previous away games this season, the road trip did not seem to affect the Broncos start



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

#### **Monday October 30 Breakfast**

Waffles, Bacon, or Cereal, Crackers, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk Lunch

Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Okra, Roll, Strawberry Cup, Milk After School Program

Country Fried Steak,

Cereal, Milk

**Tuesday October 31** Breakfast Breakfast Pizza, or Cereal, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk Lunch

Barbecue on a Bun, Mac and Cheese, Baby Carrots, Green Beans, Orange Smiles, Milk **After School Program** Fruit, Ice Cream

#### Wednesday November 1 **Breakfast**

Bacon Pizza, Yogurt, or Cereal, Crackers, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk

Lunch Hamburger Garnish, Broccoli, Sweet Potato Fries, Fruit, Milk

After School Program Backed Chips, Juice

#### **Thursday November 2** Breakfast

Sausage, Egg, Cheese Sandwich or Cereal, Toast, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk

Lunch Enchiladas, Salsa, Refried Beans, Cucumbers, Lettuce, Tomato, Apple Sauce,

Milk **After School Program** Nutrigrain Bar

#### Friday November 3 **Breakfast**

Pita Pocket Breakfast, or Cereal, Crackers, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk Lunch Pizza, Garden Salad,

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to Friday's game.

Instead, they came out fast, hit hard and scored often. The Broncos offense racked up a total of 28 points in the first half of the game while the defense stopped the Bucks from scoring any points of their own.

Then, they added another 13 points in the second half of the game and sent Alpine home with only 6 points and another loss for their season.

**Head Coach Jeff** Cordell said Friday's win was more than just a chance for the Broncos to set themselves up for a District 4-3A Championship.

'This was significant for the Broncos," Cordell said. "It put them in a position to win the 4-3A District Championship. The Broncos got off to a fast start despite a threehour bus ride. We were

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SONORA-7:57 JARRETT JACKSON

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Sonora's Abel Cruz, Hunter Bunch, Willie Munoz and Thomas Talamantez pose for a photo with the turnover belt following Friday's game between the Broncos and the Alpine Bucks, October 20, 2017. KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS



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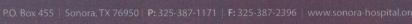
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# Sonora ISD Students of the Week



Sonora Middle School Students of the Month of October 23rd through October 27th, Sheridan Haynes, 6th, Ari De Luna, 7th, COURTESY PHOTO Christina Garcia, 8th.



Members of the Sonora Downtown Lions Club wish to express their appreciation to the donors and buyers for making the 80th annual auction a huge success. Proceeds totaled over seventeen thousand dollars from cash donations, raffle sales, and auction bidding.

Also, we offer a special thanks to Amy and Blayze Sykes (Sutton County Steakhouse) and the restaurant staff for providing the wonderful meal. A crowd of over one hundred enjoyed the great menu of chicken fried steak and the trimmings.

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#### HONOR ROLL

#### **Sonora Elementary School Honor Roll** 1st Six Weeks

**CORRECTION: The Devil's River News regrets** errors in student names listed in the Honor Roll published in the October 12th issue. We apologize for any misunderstanding this may have caused.

#### 1st GRADE

"A" Geneva Alvarado, Jarrett Arebalos, Fernando Arredondo, Blair Blackbird, Rudley Bryan, Jayce Carrillo, Aaron Deluna, Aaron Galvan, Eliseo Garza, Kynlie Gonzales, Keanu Hernandez, Burkes Kissire, Carlos Lopez, Adrialys Mata, Noah Murillo, Maegan Ramirez, Annslee Ramseyer, Justys Seaton, Peyton Taylor, Ricardo Valdez Jr and Carson Wardlaw.

"A/B" Reyna Acevedo, Anahi Aguayo Romo, James Wesley Baker, Jocelyn Campa, Tiago Deluna, Jose Dominguez, Melany Fernandez Palacios, Keaton Foster, Sophia Garcia, April Gonzalez Marez, Jahzelle Gutierrez, William Herrera, Andrea Huichapa, Ramberto Leija Jr. Shaelee Litterell, Victoria Lopez Martin, Mirella Martinez, Gillian Norrell, Andrea Pena, Abraham Reyes, Lyla Solis and Kip Ryder Walker.

#### 2nd GRADE

"A" Aanz'leigh Abalos Delilah Alonso, Kenzie Bryant, Kane Bunch, Caidn Cardenas, Brailyn Galindo, Alfredo Gaspar Jr, Brook Kaiser, Richard leal, Presley Mayfield, Miranda Montoya, Samantha Nichols and Jack Rogers. "A/B" Daniel Alviso, Evelyn Campa, Armani Coronado, Sofia Garcia, Jesus Garza III, Donato Gonzalez Jr, Kaasi Gutierrez, Luis Lopez Rodriguez, Ryan Mungia, Mariselda Parra Martinez, Sophia Phillips, Andy Rosales, Brianna Sanchez, Luke Snyder, Payten White, Kayli Woods and Robert Zook Jr.

#### **3rd GRADE**

"A" Evan Arredondo, Peyton Bailey, Gael Dunes Sosa, Madelyn Hernadez, Wyatt Killough, Emily Nichols, Gunner Routh, Aaron Segura and Gentri Trainer.

'A/B" Ariana Arredondo, Sara Bertinot, Jacob Bryan, Audrey Castilleia, Lynden Cearly, Woody Crow III, David Noah Davis, Mia Escamilla, Isaias

Flores, Xavier Gallegos, Leyla Gamez, David Haggerton, Mario Hernandez Jr, Alejandra Hernandez, John Emory Jones, Jaylen Lozano, Jayce Martinez, Grace Moore, Madison Noriega, David Pruneda, Thomas Ramirez, Sydney Routh, Rogelio Ruiz, Bronson Schenkel, Elrey Silva, Kendall Thorp, Lane Trujillo, Mateo Vasquez, Jayden Welborn and Eli Worrell

#### 4th GRADE

"A" Mary Jane Cantu, Kyleigh Conners, Madison Galindo and Sinise Rodriguez. "A/B" Laane Abalos, Angela Acevedo, Gabriel Alviso, Fernanda Arredondo, Brody Bryan, Raquel Buitron, Angel Castilleja Jr, Destany Castillo, Gavin Covarrubias, Jazlyn Garcia, Tayvin Gonzales, Allison Granger, Jose Guerra, Carolina Hernandez Arredondo, Cinthia Huerta, Hope James, David Luna Jr, Jaylee Martin, Ryan Mendez, Kellen Norrell, Kody Prather, Andrea Rios, Hector Rivas, Vivian Rivas, Steven Robles, Ivan Sanchez, Bryan Vasquez, Angelina Velasquez, Reilly Wardlaw and Brody Worrell.

#### **5TH GRADE**

"A" Johnathan Cardenas, Juan Castillo, Weston Fisher, Tristian Dylan Ford, Liliana Gallegos, Luke Nichols, Jezabel Pasillas Galaviz, Reese Thibodeau, Braylin Welborn, Jayla Williams.

"A/B" Carmelo Alviso, Jaedyn Bailey, Linda Shay Boggs, Dakota Borders, Angela Cardona, Sabrinah Castro, Corbin Crenwelge, Naylana Estrada, Kalena Foster, Richard Gutierrez Jr, Owen Jones, Jorge Leija, Brandon Litterell, Ashley Longoria, Justin Lozano, Michael Angelo Lujan, Aaron Martinez, Christian Martinez, Brian Mendoza, Hervey Meza Hernandez, Lauryn Robles, Julianna Sanchez, Abilgail Solis and Rylie Thorp.

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44. Additional

amount

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45. Author Ferber 46. Calendar term

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3. Choir part 4. Fish 5. Promote 6. Lave 7. Revoke a grant 8. Active one 71. Guided 9. Dash

"DIRECTIONAL SIGNALS"

See solution on Page 10

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10. Exist 11. Bakery employee 13. A Ford 15. Hoofer 20. Reel 21. El\_ Campeador 24. Like 25. Set of furniture 26. Seem reasonable 28. Ruin 30. Central part 31. Eat away 32. British princess 34. Icelandic literature

36. Flying saucer 37. Raison d'\_ 39. Hebrew month 41. Libertinism 42. Spiral: comb. form 47. In addition 49. Mock 52. Sluggard 53. Rushlike plant 55. Crescent-shaped 56. Vessel 57. Israeli dance 58. Cupid 59. Remain unsettled 60. Transmit 61. Clan 62. Rotate rapidly 63. Feminine suffix

26th Sonia Mata Reyes, Kimberly Gonzales 27th Chelsey Lou Campbell Burson, Lupe Jimenez, Casey Henderson, Susan Hall, Kenzee Bryant 28th Royce Miears, Tammera Atkins 29th Stephanie Powers, Jacob Gonzales, Maria Hernandez 31st Stacy Pennington, Juanita McBride, Terry Schenkel, Dod James, Braden Adams. Emily Newton, Aiden Teaff, Santiage Faz, Manuela Ariaga

#### **NOVEMBER**

1st Christian Harper, Curry Campbell, Marsha Patton, Clay Cade 2nd Stetson Perez, **Bobby Ann Dictson** 

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#### **6TH GRADE**

"A" Jared Contreras, Sheridan Haynes, Cassia Hernandez, Jolenne Pasillas Galaviz, Luis Rivas, Agassi Rodriguez, Roberto Rodriguez, Selena Rodriguez, Atalia Ruiz and Elijah Samaniego. "A/B" Nayelli Aguero, Jason Alvarado, Alexa Anderson, Ileana Barker, Emily Banda, Michal Brunclik, Jaime Buitron, Cithaly Delgado, Johanna Dooley, Jesus Fernandez, Leysi Fernandez, Hannah Galindo, Samuel Lira, Joshua Lozano, Kasey Lux, Emma Martinez, Jacob Martinez, Arelly Ortiz, Marcos Perez-Garcia, Micha Ramon-Villanueva, Joseph Telles and Jack Wardlaw.

#### 7th GRADE

"A" Koda Davis, Moly Friess, Gage Owen, Jacob Perez, Juan Torres-Alvarez and Ava Worrell. "A/B" Joseph Abrego, Sophia

Acevedo, Grayson Baird, Ashley Castilleja, Ignacio Coronado, Montserrat De La Fuente, Fernando De Luna, Austin Figueroa, Tanner Flanagan, Annika Galindo,

#### **Sonora Middle School Honor Roll** 1st Six Weeks

Jonathan Galvan, Giovanni Gamez, Emilio Garcia, Nora Gaspar, Imanol Gaytan, Alexis Guerra, Alexis Hernandez, Erika Infante, Aidan Leamon, Jonathan Lozano, Trinity Luna, Madison Mayfield, Mia McGee, Cainnan Miller, Hunter O'Banon, Makinna Price, Lorena Reyes, Brandon Rocha, Abigail Rodriguez, Alfredo Salas, Sofia Serrano, Brandon

#### 8th GRADE

Torres, Romeo Torres and

Shakira Villanueva.

"A" Carson Cahill, Kodi Davis, Yailin Dominguez, Elianna Edwards, Sophia Gutierrez and Abigail Mendoza. "A/B" Ariana Arispe, Isabella Arispe, Abby Bennie, Jessica Campa, Alexandra Cardenas, Jina Dooley, Carolina Elizondo, Briana Espinosa, Abigail Fuentes, Christina Garcia, Guillermo Garcia, Brijida Garza, Tais Gaytan, Fernando Gonzalez, Amaris Jimenez, Susie Levario, Emilio Lozano, Sean Mungia, Genaro Perez, Blanca Portillo, Laci Ramirez, Joselyn Rodriguez, Mariah Talamantes, Lane Taylor and Kristina Zabecki.

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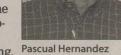
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# **Copper Toxicity In Sheep**

I was recently asked about copper toxicity in sheep. Not an easy question to answer. You'll see

You could say that sheep have a love/hate

relationship with copper. It is a necessary mineral, but is also potentially toxic. Of all our livestock, sheep are the most susceptible to copper poisoning. In a nutshell,



it's because sheep have more difficulty excreting excess copper than other livestock. But it's also true that sheep usage of copper is influenced by breed, age, health, and levels of other minerals consumed.

The level of molybdenum and sulfur in the diet affects the metabolism of copper by sheep. That's because molybdenum and sulfur work as antagonists to copper. That means that these compounds bind with copper to prevent gut absorption. They also increase excretion of absorbed copper in the liver and body tissues. In fact, molybdenum is often added to sheep diets to help prevent copper toxicity. But, too much molybdenum can actually result in copper deficiency!

Complicated, huh?

Studies by Purdue University find that in general, a sheep diet with molybdenum levels at 3 parts per million (ppm) allow sheep to tolerate 20 to 25 ppm copper. Sheep

fed diets lower in molybdenum than this tolerate lower levels of copper.

Copper toxicity can be chronic or acute. The acute toxicity happens quickly, after eating excessive

amounts of copper. The chronic form occurs when sheep are fed high copper diets over a period of time. Sheep bind the absorbed copper very tightly in the liver. When the level builds up in the liver, tissue damage occurs. As a result, large amounts of copper are released into the bloodstream. This causes the death of red blood cells and tissue damage.

Often, this may be triggered by some stress-

ful event for the sheep. Treatment of sheep with copper toxicity is "iffy". As with many things, prevention of copper toxicity is the most way of dealing with this problem. First, do not feed rations labeled for other species to sheep. Also, visit with your feed representative about copper levels in range cattle products before allowing sheep to consume them.



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.

**SUTTON COUNTY** 

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**ARRESTS** 

Conger, 21-year-old male of

Midland. Arrested on court

OCTOBER 19 • Eliazar Perez,

32-year-old male of Mission.

**INCIDENTS** 

Arrested for Driving While

OCTOBER 16 - 2:44 PM •

Caller reported a possible

office. Deputy responded.

OCTOBER 19 - 11:48 AM •

on I-10 at 390 mm. Deputy

1:41 PM • Caller reported

goats on the North Service

Road. Deputy responded.

10:15 PM • Caller requested

399 mm. Deputy responded.

**OCTOBER 20 - 10:22 AM** 

Caller reported a reckless

OCTOBER 22 - 12:06 AM •

RR 864. Deputy responded.

10:57 AM • Caller reported

10:03 PM • Caller reported a

427 mm. Deputy responded.

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possible accident on I-10 at

hazard in the roadway on

I-10 at 404 mm. Deputy

responded

driver on I-10 at 405 mm.

Deputy responded.

and SVFD responded.

Caller reported an RV on fire

Deputy responded.

**OCTOBER 16 • Charles** 

order sentencing.

License Invalid.

#### **SONORAPD ARRESTS**

OCTOBER 19. Dylan Voegeli, 25-year- old male of Frisco Texas. Arrested for Driving

#### While License Invalid. **INCIDENTS**

OCTOBER 16 - 1:19 PM • Truancy follow up call at 100 block of Deerwood. SRO responded. 1:31 PM • Truancy follow up call at 200 block of Ben Juarez. SRO responded.

1:53 PM • Warrant service at 1900 block of Tayloe. Officer responded.

3:10 PM • 9-1-1 call at 200 block of Hilltop. Officer responded to assist EMS.

11:48 PM • Caller requested security check at LMH. Officer responded.

OCTOBER 17 - 9:57 PM • Caller reported loud music at area of Uno and Real. Officer responded. 9:33 AM • Caller requested SRO at the High School, SRO

10:34 PM • Caller requested security check at LMH. Officer responded.

responded.

OCTOBER 18 - 9:39 AM • Caller reported theft at Best Western. Officer responded.

11:03 AM · Caller reported theft at 600 block of S. Crockett. Officer responded.

11:21 AM • Caller requested to meet an officer at the Sheriff's office. Officer responded. 12:42 PM • Caller requested an officer at 100 block of Calle

Useus. Officer responded. OCTOBER 20 - 10:35 AM • Caller reported a reckless driver on I-10 mm 400. Officer responded. 3:56 PM • Caller requested motorist assistance at 400 exit ramp.

Officer responded

7:48 PM • Caller reported disorderly conduct at 300 block of W. Poplar. Officer responded. OCTOBER 21 - 12:06 PM • Caller reported a welfare concern near Mesquite. Officer responded. OCTOBER 22 - 8:09 AM • Caller requested security check at 200 E. Chestnut. Officer responded. 8:11 AM • Caller requested security check at 200 block of Mulberry. Officer responded. 10:19 AM • Caller reported an

Yes, we do that, too! accident/wreck at Concho and 3rd. Officer responded. Job Tickets, Envelopes

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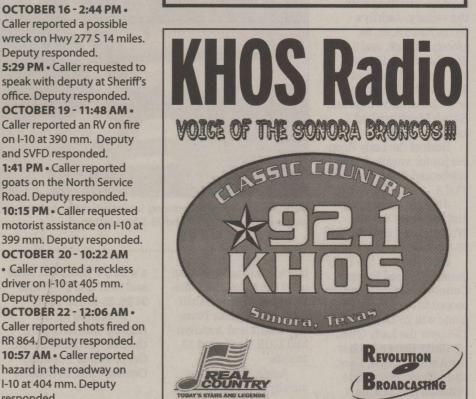
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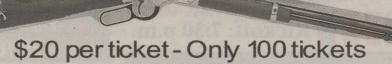
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# **CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS:** Disaster Declaration

**CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2** Cameron, Comal, Grimes. Guadalupe, Hardin, Jasper, Kerr, Lee, Leon, Madison, Milam, Montgomery, Newton, Orange, Polk, Sabine, San Augustine, San Jacinto, Trinity, Tyler, Walker, Washington and Willacy.

#### Abbott suspends rules

Gov. Abbott on Oct. 16 extended for 30 days a temporary waiver suspending vehicle registration and inspection rules for victims of Hurricane Harvey.

The extension allows Texans who reside in any of 48 counties included in the federal disaster declaration to avoid penalties for failure to timely register a vehicle or obtain a vehicle inspection.

Debris removal continues

The Texas Division of Emergency Management on Oct. 20 reported that nearly 7.5 million cubic yards of Hurricane Harvey debris had been collected so far.

The Texas Department of Transportation, individually, reported on Oct. 16 that its employees had removed more than 10 million cubic feet of debris in the four districts most impacted by Hurricane Harvey since landfall Aug. 25.

From Corpus Christi to Beaumont and towns in between those cities, TxDOT crews, composed of more than 600 employees working in weekly rotations, have worked to help clear roadways and help citizens in their ongoing

recovery efforts. Of the 25 requests for debris removal TxDOT has received, work has been completed in 10 counties and cities, the agency said.

#### **TEA** releases reports

**Preliminary Texas** Academic Performance Reports are now available online at tea.state.tx.us, **Education Commissioner** Mike Morath announced Oct. 17.

These reports provide campus-level, districtlevel, regional and statewide details of academic performance with information about staff, pro-

grams and demographics. Final ratings following the resolution of district appeals of preliminary academic accountability ratings are scheduled for release on Nov. 16.

#### Zika data is reported

Information posted by the Texas Department of State Health Services on Oct. 17 shows that some 429 individuals residing in Texas were on the federal Centers for Disease Control's Zika Pregnancy

Registry. The registry includes pregnant women with laboratory evidence of Zika infection and their infants, regardless of

laboratory evidence. To be reported as a Zika disease case in pregnancy, the pregnant woman must have had at least one clinical sign or symptom compatible with Zika and also have a positive Zika test result, according to the DSHS.

#### Former justice dies

**Texas Supreme Court** Justice Ted Z. Robertson, 96, who served on the high court from 1982 through 1988, died at his home in Dallas on Oct. 13.

Robertson served as a Dallas County probate and juvenile judge and as a state district judge in Dallas County before he was elected to the Texas Supreme Court.

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# Lady Broncos Cinch District 4-3A Volleyball Title, Advance to Playoffs

The Sonora varsity volleyball team defeated the TLCA Lady Eagles Tuesday, October 17, in San Angelo securing the District 4-3A title before finishing their last games of the regular season.

Tuesday's scores were 25-11, 25-10 and 25-8.

The ladies improved to 23-12 overall and notched their season record to 6-0.

Leading the Lady Broncos, Mary Kyle Johnson had 16 kills, 4 blocks. Delaney Ramsdell had 1 ace, 8 kills, and 9 digs and Carly Brown had 4 aces, 7 kills, 1 block, and 6 digs.

Also assisting with the victory, Jackilyn Sykes had 3 aces, 28 assists, 1 block, and 9 digs. Lane Cahill had 1 ace, 1 kill, 2 blocks, and 2 digs. Noelia Tovar had 1 ace, 3 kills, and 4 digs and Karah Martinez had 1 assist and 5 digs.

Both of the Lady Broncos junior varsity teams celebrated a win over TLCA.

JV Red scored 25-9 and 26-24 and the JV White scored 25-11 &

On Saturday, the Lady Broncos hosted Reagan County and notched their record to 7-0 win another game win 25-13, 25-7, and 25-5 over the Lady Owls.

Carly Brown led her team with 13 kills, 1 ace, and 1 block. Mary Kyle Johnson had 11 kills, 1



Delaney Ramsdell blocks during Saturday's match between Sonora and Reagan County, October 21, 2017, in Sonora. The Lady Broncos swept the Lady Owls in all three sets 25-13, 25-7, and 25-5 for a victory.

block, and 3 aces and Delaney Ramsdell had 1 ace and 4 kills. Lane Cahill had 1 kill. Noelia Tovar had 4 kills and Jackilyn had 1 kill, 1 ace, and 33 assists.

Again, both junior varsity teams took home

a win. JV Red 23-25, 25-20 and 25-17 and JV White 24-26, 25-13 and 25-15.

Wrapping up the regular season of play, the Lady Broncos hosted Grape Creek Tuesday, October 24th, in Sonora.

Head Coach Kayla
Perez said she please with
the unity, competitiveness and determination
of her players this season.
Complimenting them on
raising the bar and rising

to complete their goals.

With the District title in hand, Coach Perez said the Lady Broncos are ready for the next level of competition.

"Our first goal was winning the District Championship, Perez said. "Now, we are on to our next goals. The real fun will begin next Monday, Oct. 30th against Crane in Sterling City at 6:30 p.m. for the Bi-District playoffs." home

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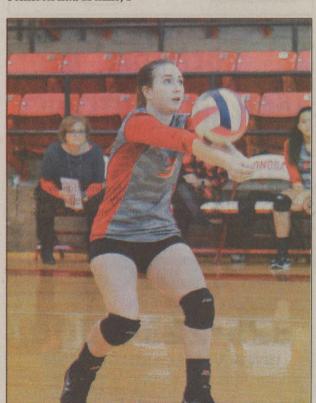
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Hailey Smith controls the ball with a dig as the Lady Broncos JV Red team takes the victory in one of three sets during Saturday's game between Sonora and Reagan County, October 21, 2017. KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

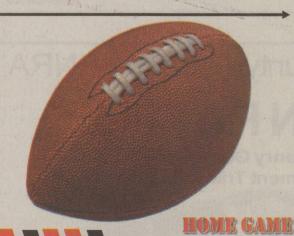
## **Broncos Junior Varsity Action**



Caleb Nolen breaks through an attempted tackle by the Alpine defense during Thursday's junior varsity football game between Sonora and Alpine, October 19, 2017, at Broncos Stadium. The Broncos beat the Bucks 22-6.

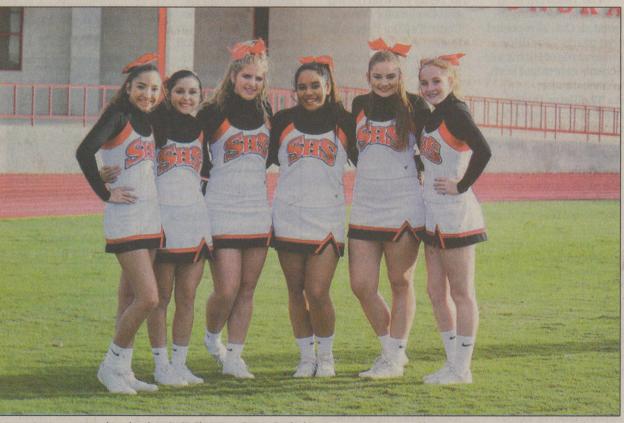
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Kickoff: 7:30 p.m.





Sonora junior varsity cheerleaders (L-R) Christina Garza, Rashel De Luna, Jaci Dutton, Shyanne Gamez, Kadee Petty and Harley Daniel get ready for Thursday's junior varsity football game between Sonora and Alpine.

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Sonora Cross Country runners line up for the start of Monday's Regional contest, October 23, 2017, in Lubbock. (L-R) Evan Shannon, Leo Alviso, Jalen Lopez, Ariel Salazar, David Delgado, Kalvin Hernandez and Elias Perez. KATHY MANKIN | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

# Sonora Ends 2017 XC Season at Regionals

Despite the travel and windy conditions, the Sonora Broncos ended their season Monday, October 23rd with some of their best times so far, this season while competing in the annual Cross Country Regional Meet, in Lubbock.

Sonora's Jalen Lopez improved his place to 50th overall, running a time of 18:28 compared to last year when he placed 86th and ran a time of 19:44

Likewise, David Delgado also improved his time and place from last year. He placed 77th running a time of 19:20 in this year's Regional competition compared to the previous year's 19th place and time of 20:49.

Seven boys represented Sonora in the

annual competition. Individual results are listed

Boys: Jalen Lopez, 50th, 18:28. David Delgado, 77th, 19:20

Evan Shannon, 94th, 19:57.

Leandro Alviso, 137, 21:28. Ariel Salazar, 144, 21:54. Kalvin Hernandez, 148, 22:17. Elias Perez, 154, 22:48

# **County to Enforce Library Policies**

Due to early voting, the Sutton County Commissioners met in the courtroom of the Sutton County Courthouse for their regular meeting Monday, October 23, 2017 to discuss and approve agenda items including a substantial amount of money not collected by the County Library.

Upon reviewing information presented by Debra Brown, Librarian, **Sutton County Commis**sioners discussed the need to adhere to policies regarding library fines as well as other issues involving the county library.

Presently, the total fines owed to the Sutton County Library totals \$11,933.54. More than 700 people are considered delinquent or currently owing money for past due or lost books and the list dates back over a decade. After a lengthy

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Sonora Booster Club.

Following an over-

items, the board approved

Superintendent Ross

Aschenbeck recognized

Regional competition and

he commended all of the

runners for their hard

Aschenbeck also

presented information

rent Texas Academic

work this season

regarding the cur-

the cross country run-

ners advancing to the

view of current budget

the 2017 Tax Levy, as

presented by the Sutton

County Tax Appraisal

District.

discussion and hearing advice from County Attorney David Wallace, commissioners agreed should be enforced to current and avoid the same issue in the future. The matter will be reviewed and discussed again in the future.

ing regular business items including meeting minutes and financials the court also approved requests to waive fees for the Sutton County Civic Center.

approved a request by the Knights of Columbus to waive the rental fee for the Civic Center, to host their annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner, Sunday, November 19th.

rental fee for the Civic Center, to accommodate "The More the Merrier" event set for Thursday, November 16th.

Moving down the agenda, the court approved to continue the Silver Choice agreement providing medical insurance for retired county employees. The plan is available to retirees at no cost to the county.

Commissioners also set a date for the annual employee appreciation dinner. The dinner will be Monday, December

As well, the court approved the closing of all county offices Friday, November 10th, for the Veteran's Day holiday.

County Attorney David Wallace gave an update on the Hill Country Telephone Cooperative. Wallace has received a written request from

SEE COUNTY ON PAGE 10

### **Local Nature Center To Host "Haunt The Hill"**

In the aura of the season, the Eaton Hill Nature Center & Preserve in Sonora will be hosting an entertaining event entitled HAUNT THE HILL on Saturday, October 28th.

From 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. the EHNC&P will be offering these family friendly events:

· Trick or Treating along the Chicken Coop Loop Trail

• Free Pumpkin Carving (while supplies last!)

 Costume Contest · Free S'mores

· House of

Creepy-Crawlies From 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., the EHNC&P will be offering a FRIGHT-FEST

hike up the Hill for more mature audiences!

If you'd like more information about this event, or to schedule an interview with the **Executive Director**, please contact Michael Price at 325.387.2615 or 325.234.3733 or email at director@eatonhillnaturecenter.org

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and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court, 112th Judicial District, of Sutton County, Texas, by the District Clerk on said date, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I have on the 27th day of September, 2017, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in November, 2017, the same being the  $7^{th}$  day of said month, at the Courthouse door, of said County in the City of Sonora, beginning at 11:00 o'clock a.m., on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all the right, title and interest of the defendants in such suit to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Sutton and the State of Texas, to-wit:

CAUSE NO. 5270; SUTTON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT V. TYLER, RODGER WAYNE A/K/A RODGER TYLER, ET AL

TRACT 1: R100991

Being Lots 1 &2, Block 66A, South Heights Addition, Sutton County, Texas.

CAUSE NO. 6010; SUTTON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT V. PAT BROWN, DECEASED

TRACT 1: GEO: R101528

Being Lot 7, Block W-35, Town of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas; being that property more particularly described in a Warranty Deed recorded in Volume 79, Page 359 of the Deed Records of

CAUSE NO. 6033; SUTTON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT V. JOHN LOPEZ, DECEASED

Being the NW 40' of Lot5, Block 59A, South Heights Addition, Town of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas; being more particularly described in a Warranty Deed recorded in Volume 298, Page 744 in the Deed Records of Sutton County, Texas.

CAUSE NO. TAX06104; SUTTON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT V. MARIA ELENA PORRAS, ET

Being the S/2 of a parcel of land described in deed of date October 24th, 1938 from Raul Castillo to Geronimo Basquez, which is of record in Volume 34, Page 117, of the Deed Records of Sutton County, Texas, said tract being in the shape of a parallelogram and being in size 116' wide from East to West and 160' in length from North to South. The Tract herein conveyed being in size 80x160' said land situated in the West Mexico Addition to the town of Sonora, Texas; being that property more particularly described in a deed Recorded in Volume 115, Page 484 of the Deed Records of Sutton

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment, interest, penalties, and costs; subject, however to the right of redemption by the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem said property, or their interest therein, in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest, penalties and costs of suit, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

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Notice of Sale, page 2

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At the time the sale begins, all bidders at the sale must be registered with the above named agent conducting the sale and be eligible to bid according to the Property Tax Code.

Dated at Sonora, Sutton County, Texas, this the 27th day of September, 2017.

/s/ Oscar Chavez OSCAR CHAVEZ SHERIFF, SUTTON COUNTY

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Commissioners also approved a request by Chamber Director Donna Garrett to waive the

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President Dawn Cahill presided over the meeting. Brady Johnson, Jesse Bustamante, Shana Castro and Cynthia Perez were present. Jerry

Jimenez and Amber

Killough were absent. A public hearing is set for November 16, 2017, at 5:00 p.m., in the Vocational Building, to discuss Sonora ISD's rating on the state's financial accountability.

The next regular meeting of the Sonora ISD Board of Trustees is set for November 16, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. in the Vocational Building.

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING** TO DISCUSS SONORA ISD'S SCHOOL FIRST RATING

(Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas)

Sonora ISD will hold a public meeting at 5:00 PM, Thursday, November 16, 2017 in the Vocational Building, 805 Prospect, Sonora, Texas.

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



**Daddy's Home** 

by Tony Rubino and Gary Markstein





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**Speed Bumps** 

by Dave Coverly Speed Bumps



by Dave Coverly

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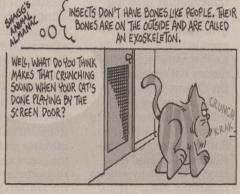








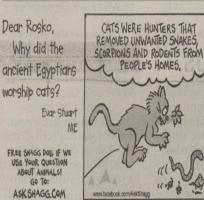
















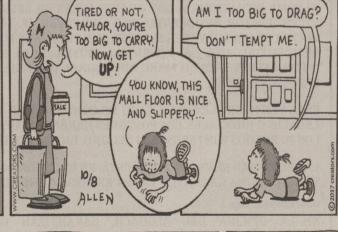




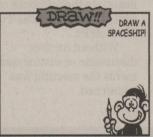












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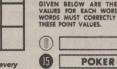




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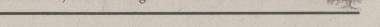
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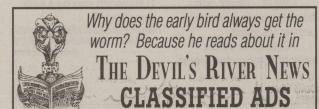
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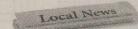
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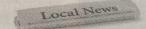
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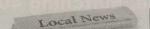


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# Reader Recipes

"Pumpkin Cake"

This recipe from 1975 Sonora Woman's Club cookbook, is courtesy of Orlene Hardgrave. The perfect treat for any Halloween or fall party.

2 cups sugar 1 1/4 cup oil 2 cups sifted flour

4 cup oil 1 tsp salt

2 eggs 1 can pumpkin 1 tsp Baking soda 3 tsp cinnamon

2 tsp vanilla

Preheat oven to 300'. In mixer, beat together first 5 ingredients; sift together dry ingredients and add to batter. Bake in tube pan for 1 1/2 hours. Cool thoroughly.

#### "Icing"

1 stick butter

3 oz cream cheese, soften

1 lb powered sugar

1 tsp vanilla

1 Tbsp butter flavoring 2-3 Tbsp milk, if needed

1 cup chopped nuts

Beat all ingredients, except nuts, until smooth. Stir in nuts and spread on cooled cake.

# **Mighty Broncos Marching Band**



The Sonora High School Mighty Bronco Band was awarded a 1st division rating for their superior performance during the U.I.L Region Marching Contest this past Saturday, October 21, in San Angelo. Band members include Melanie Acevedo, Braden Adams, Ethan Adams, Christopher Adkins, Sianne Alviso, Joshua Barrera, Darrek Castro, Jesus Chavez, Hannah Covarrubiaz, Harley Daniel, Payton Dawnson, Juan Garza, Kayla Gee, Ethan Hamm, Dylan Hazelton, Christopher Hernandez II, Alan Hernandez, Sierra Herrada, Danica Jimenez, Hazel Kent, Avery Leamon, Scarlot Longoria, Yesenia lujan, Olivia Martinez, Rivers Martinez, Hailey Meador, Malanie Perez, Elyssa Prieto, Delaney Ramsdell, Michael Shaffer Jr., Makenna Shaffer, Blayze Sykes, Marcos Talamantez and Traci Vickers.

# Halloween Makes It More Than Spooky on the Road, Safety Tips to Keep in Mind

Halloween Safety for Pedestrians, Bicyclists and Motorists

Halloween means children getting outdoors to enjoy treats, fun, and games. Although Halloween comes before the change back to standard time this year, the days are getting shorter, and the nights are getting longer. With shorter days comes more night driving. Because nighttime driving is more dangerous, it requires extra attention from motorists, as well as pedestrians and bicvclists.

The National Highway

Traffic Safety Administration reports that nearly two-thirds of all fatal pedestrian crashes and about 20 percent of fatal bicycle crashes occur in low-light conditions. According to Safe Kids, nationally, on average, children are more than twice as likely to be hit by a car and killed on Halloween than on any other day of the year.

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service agent for Sutton County, Jessica Stapper, would like to remind motorists, parents and children of the following safety tips to keep in mind during Halloween and all year long.

Tips for Motorists
• Slow down. Watch
for children walking
on roads, medians, and
curbs. Enter and exit
driveways carefully.

• Be especially alert for children darting out from between parked vehicles and from behind bushes and shrubs. They're excited – and they are not paying attention. • Never drink and drive – tonight or any night. If you are partying,

designate a driver.
Tips for Parents

 Adults should accompany children at all times and supervise their "trick or treat" activities.

• Teach children to "stop, look left-right-left, and listen" before they cross the street.

• Use a flashlight, and wear retro-reflective strips or patches on your clothing or costume to be more visible to motorists.

• Be certain that the mask does not obstruct

vision or hearing. crossy

• Ensure that costumes do not impede walking or driving ability.

Tips for Pedestrians (children and adults)

• Before crossing a street, stop at the curb or edge of the road and look left, right, and left again to be sure no cars are coming. Continue to check for traffic while on the street.

• Walk – never run – from house to house or across the road.

• Cross the street only at intersections and

crosswalks.

• When crossing at an intersection with a traffic light, be sure to watch for turning cars. Obey all pedestrian signals.

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• Walk on sidewalks whenever possible. If there are no sidewalks, walk on the left side of the street facing traffic.

By taking some extra time to make sure drivers, pedestrians, and bicyclists obey the rules, Halloween can be a safe time for all. Source: National Highway Traffic

Safety Administration, Back to School Planner.



Sonora High School athletic trainers (L-R) Sterling Smith, Marisol Capuchin, Araceli Marin, Sheridan Walther, Allison Murphy and Payton Dawson receive a friendship gift from Alpine High School before the start of Friday's game, October 20, 2017, in Alpine.

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## **COUNTY:**

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HCTC for an easement to locate a utility box. No action was taken pending further information and discussion regarding hardware needs and lease terms

Wrapping up their

discussion, the court invited visitor comments but there were no citizens to comment.

Judge Steve Smith presided over the meeting.

Carl Teaff, Fred Perez and Mike Villanueva were present.

Bob Brockman was absent.

The next regular meeting of the Sutton County Commissioners is set for Monday, November 13, 2017, at 9:00 a.m., at the County Annex Building.

# **SCALES:**

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as part of "preparing the landfill and sewer farm area for release."

The minutes of the December 15th meeting stated, "Joe Pence [Interim City Manager] informed the council that with the removal of the landfill scales, the sewer farm and landfill property would be ready for release to the property owners by May 30, 2010... A motion to approve the sale and removal of the landfill scales for \$5,000 was made by council member Bradley [Pete Bradley]. Council member Dover [Jana Dover] seconded the motion and the following votes were cast. Ayes: All members shown present. Nays: None."

A line item on the City's account ledger showed a payment received from S&P Scales, of San Antonio, in the amount of \$5,000 for the removal and purchase of scales on May 25, 2010.

Moving forward, the City of Sonora will need to purchase a set of scales, or seek out other options if a fee is imposed to dispose of solid waste at the current designated solid waste dump site.

Information regarding open city council meetings and financial records are available to the public upon request.

According to state and federal guidelines, citizens seeking information are required to complete a public information request. Open Records Requests for information from the City of Sonora may be found on the city's website at www.sonoratexas.com. Individuals may also visit www. texasattorneygeneral. gov/og/open-government for more information regarding open records requests.

Under the Freedom of

Information Act (FOIA) and State of Texas Open Records Act, any person may request information. Individuals may also specify the format in which they wish to receive the records, for example, printed, electronic form or CD.

"If information cannot be produced within 10 working days, the public information officer is required to notify a person in writing of the reasonable date and time when it will be available," according to the Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton.

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However, agencies are not required to create new records or to conduct research, analyze data, or answer questions when responding to requests according to FOIA and TORA.

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