Education and Wellness Help Prevent Stroke and Cardiovascular Disease It is recommended adults 20 and older should have their cholesterol levels checked every five years. Well-balanced diets avoiding

excessive saturated fat and including plenty of high-fiber foods such as fruits and vegetables are recommended. Diets that include "good fats," such as polyunsaturated fats, can also help lower cholesterol levels. Increasing daily physical activity can also help lower $cholesterol; moderate-intensity\ exercise\ for\ at\ least\ 2.5\ hours\ each\ week\ have\ a\ greater\ ability\ to\ lower\ their\ cholesterol\ levels.\ Changes$ in nutrition and lifestyle can go a long way. Making a few changes to your daily life can bring your cholesterol under control.





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Haunting the Hill



A young Ghoul selects the perfect pumpkin to for carving during the 2nd Annual "Haunt the Hill" at Eaton Hill Nature Center and Preserve, Saturday, November 28, 2017. Dressed in costume, people of all ages came out to take part in an evening of fun as well as frightful activities. KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

2nd Annual 'Haunt the Hill' Lures Crowd of Ghouls and Boys for Halloween Fun

Eaton Hill Nature Center and Preserve hosted its annual "Haunt the Hill" Saturday, October 28, 2017 providing a variety of Halloween activities for patrons of all ages.

Dressed in a wide range of costumes, children and adults alike took part in a variety of

activities geared for friendly family fun. One family pet also joined in the fun while wrapped in a costume fit for a canine.

Executive Director Michael Price said he was thrilled with the turnout at this year's event. Now in its second year, the event

provided a variety of activities ranging from the more traditional pumpkin carving and collecting treats to a special spooky experience after dark for the not so faint of heart.

"Everybody seemed to enjoy the creepy crawlies, of course," Price said. "And, they also enjoyed new attractions

like the S'mores and the Fright Fest."

The costume contest was also new and a big hit with visitors, he added.

Better than inviting patrons into a staged haunted house, Price welcomed brave souls into the Nature Center to take part in hands-on

experience with a variety of creepy crawlies including tarantulas, lizards and

Although Olivia Araujo, age two and a half, didn't mind her dad holding an oversized bug, she didn't want anything to do with it herself.

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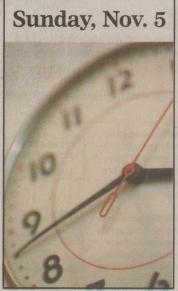
Lady Broncos Win 3-0 Over Crane, Advance in Volleyball Playoffs

The Lady Broncos varsity volleyball team won Monday's playoff match against Crane by a score of 3-0, advancing them to the Area competition.

Sonora, 27-12 overall and 8-0 in district, swept the Lady Cranes, 2-12 overall and 2-3 in district, in all three sets with scores of 25-14, 25-13 and 25-14.

Head Coach Kayla Perez said Monday's game was just the start and she is looking forward to her team

Sunday, Nov. 5



continuing to advance in the playoffs this season.

"It was a great win," Perez said. "It was an exciting first

their performance.'

playoff game and the girls played well. I am proud of

Next, the Lady Broncos

will play Amarillo River Road this Saturday, November 4th, at 12:00 noon, in Andrews.

Everyone is encouraged to

make the trip and show their support for the Lady Broncos. Congratulations and Good



Sonora varsity volleyball players pose with their trophy ball following their win against Crane Monday, October 30, 2017, in Sterling City. Pictured (Front L-R) Dekota Morrow, Karah Martinez and Delaney Ramsdell. (Back L-R) Carly Brown, Noelia Tovar, Jackilyn Sykes Coach Don Brown, Avery Leamon, Mary Kyle Johnson, Lane Cahill and Coach Kayla Perez.

KATHY MANKIN | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

Paxton Asks High Court to Approve Court-Drawn House Maps

AUSTIN — Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton on Oct. 27 filed a brief urging the U.S. Supreme Court to reverse a lower court ruling that required nine of the state's 150 House districts to be

In September, the U.S. Supreme Court temporarily stayed the federal district court's ruling. That allowed Texas to continue to use the existing maps while the redistricting case remains pending.

Candidate filings for the 2018 elections begin next month. Early primary voting begins in February.

"We're eager for the Supreme Court

to review all the facts in this case, which are clearly on our side," Paxton said. "The portion of the House redistricting map invalidated by the lower court is the map the same court drew and approved in 2012 before the Legislature adopted it in 2013. It's been used in the last three election cycles in Texas, and there is no sound reason for that to

In a separate ruling, the Supreme Court also temporarily blocked a lower court ruling that invalidated two of Texas' 36 congressional seats. Paxton filed a brief on Oct. 17 asking the high court to reverse the district

court's ruling in that case.

Speaker won't run again

House Speaker Joe Straus, R-San Antonio, on Oct. 25 announced his decision not to seek re-election in November

Straus is almost halfway through his record fifth consecutive two-year term as speaker.

The chamber will elect a new leader in the next regular legislative session, which begins in January 2019. State Reps. John Zerwas, R-Richmond, and Phil King, R-Weatherford, are the first two members to declare their intentions to run for the leadership post. Zerwas is chair of the state budget-writing House Committee on Appropriations. King chairs the House Committee on **Homeland Security** and Public Safety.

Straus has been STATE CAPITAL noted as a consen-HIGHLIGHTS sus builder, able to ₩ By Ed Sterling bring Democrats and Republicans together in decisionmaking processes. His "big tent" style

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Rustling Cattle

In 1949 we were ranching west of Sanderson on about 12,000 acres of the Chihuahuan desert. Having been in the trucking business we had a Dodge bobtail truck with a 16-foot bed and cattle side boards.

It Happened Out West



By Joe N. Brown

The main characters of this story are myself, my younger brother Tom and an in-law, who I do not need to name, plus his father who owned the cattle we

herded to San Angelo.

It was summer time and I was working on the family ranch and my younger brother Tom was out of school for the summer. One of my step-father's in-laws called and asked if we could haul some cattle for him. Asking when and where my step dad received this answer, "As soon as possible to make the cattle sale at Producer's in San Angelo from north of Dryden."

It was agreed that we two boys would take the Dodge bobtail the day after tomorrow. Good plan...not hardly!

On the agreed day we showed up at daylight to find the ranchers still in bed. Getting up quickly he stated, 'The cattle are in a small field about a half mile down the road. They are real gentle so get in the Jeep and well go drive them up here to the pens."

We drive down to the field and the cattle were bunched and gentle. Our instructions were, and I quote, "You boys drive these cattle up my road past that ranch house and put them in the pen at my ranch. I'll have breakfast when you get there. OK."

My brother and I started the herd of about 25 cows, no calves up the road. Here is where the plan fell apart the first time. Sitting in the front yard of this ranch house was and old gentleman drinking a cup of coffee. He came out I thought to greet us. Wrong!

After I explained about our orders to drive the cows to next ranch and pen them there prior to loading for San Angelo, the old man said, "You boys just sit down there by the gate and well see what happens next!"

We did as were told and in about 15 minutes here came the jeep with the inlaw in it and told us to drive the cattle on down the road.

The old man said "Son where are you going with my cows?" Our man answered, "Dad I'm buying about 12 head of these from you.'

The old man said, "They are not for sale so put them back in the field." Our in-law again told us to take the cattle down to the pens and he would settle up with things here.

The old rancher stated again, "These cattle are not for sale!"

"Dad, I'm going in a bind for some cash so I'll settle with you when I get back from San Angelo." We drove the cows down the road to the pens. Here this rancher cut out 12 of the heaviest and best cows. We loaded them on the Dodge and were told, "Let's get on down the road before it gets too hot." Which we did the rest of the day.

After we unloaded the cattle we were going to start home when our in-law said, "There is no sense in going home empty. Stop at the lumber company and take a load of cement and put it in the barn. This we also did. After much work unloading 75 sacks of Portland cement, my younger brother and I were totally give out.

As we started down the road to the Dryden I told my brother,"Tom you realize we just stole some cows?" His answer was, "I thought so all the time and we will get to talk to the sheriff before this is over."

We never did!! This ends our one time cattle rustling.

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Taking a Stand

By Dr. Don Newbury

The current standing/kneeling/sit- about postures of prayer espoused by ting controversy-played out by a sliver of our population but on the minds of most Americans--seems to have no

Most of us yearn for bygone days, when allegiance could be paid and reverence shown, if only for the sake of civility and respect,

whether or not we were in total lockstep agreement.

Sadly, "agree" in some quarters has become a dirty word. Somewhere, a tear rolls down the face of Kate Smith, who drew all of us to full attention with her marvelous solos of "God Bless America." Countless times these renditions elicited tears from the masses of a thankful

nation.... In our current world of ups and downs, we often aren't sure whether to stand, sit or kneel. It's as if we're all kindergarteners, trying to remember which hand to place over our heart, which flag to face and when to stand at the proper Christmas moment when Handel's "Messiah" and its Hallelujah Chorus ring the rafters.

For years, it was difficult to remember "what to do when." Embarrassment loomed if we got it wrong. Today, as full grown adults, we do the best we can to "get it right," never dreaming there might be substantial criticism whether the "way we roll" on standing, kneeling or sitting is right or wrong.

Our forefathers did better to "major on majors." We can do likewise with renewed respect for civility as a good starting point....

It is sad that we no longer have national voices to soften dominating

I cite the wit and wisdom of the late Will Rogers. He greatly calmed. So did the inimitable Paul Harvey, whose clarion voice thrilled us greatly with more than 70 years of daily radio broadcasts. Both Rogers and Harvey were "smile makers," even in the dark-

Today, too much is muddled. Often, whether to "laugh, cry or go home" poses a "tri-lemma," swirling around in the sea of imponderables.

On the sidelines of football fields today are some players whose concerns may be legitimate, but registered at the wrong time and place.

Failure to do other than stand respectfully for a minute or so during the playing of our National Anthem is not too much to ask. To do otherwise gives kneeling a bad name....

A story is told of a telephone repairman overhearing a conversation

a preacher, a rabbi and a priest having coffee in a diner.

One espouses kneeling, another likes falling prostrate and one favors

The repair guy interrupts the trio to say, "Sometimes my best praying is done when I'm hang-The Idle American

ing by one leg from a telephone pole."... Sixty years ago, the late Dr. Guy D Newman waxed

engagingly as he did during weekly chapel sermons at Howard Payne University. I was a sophomore, and became "lumpthroated" with our revered president's reading of a poem: "No man escapes when freedom fails, the best

men rot in filthy jails, and those who scream 'appease, appease,' are hanged by those they tried to please.'

Turns out the poem was written a decade earlier by Lt. Col. Hiram Mann, who distinguished himself in the U.S. Air Force during WWII as a member of the "Tuskegee Airmen."

A true military hero, he persevered from early days as a hotel bellman, eventually gaining both bachelor's and master's degrees. He insisted on serving his country during WW II, and returned home an aviation hero. A guest speaker at hundreds of colleges, he underscored the importance of education and patience.

I want to know more about this patriot, who died at age 92 just three years ago. He did not grow weary in repeating reasonable questions, many of which finally warranted reasonable answers. I want to better understand how he remained committed to Christian ideals despite many responses--both governmental and societal--that could easily have turned him away....

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at the corner of Bryan and Fitzhugh in East Dallas. Jimmy DiCarlo and

his son, also named Jimmy, opened a mom and pop grocery in South Dallas in the 40's and stayed there until 1966 when they moved to the present

Grandsons of the founder, Paul and Mike DiCarlo, run the store now. They both grew up in the store, stocking merchandise and learning to work the cash register.

"People like our sausage and meatballs," says Paul. "We added sandwiches later and they have gone over real well. At lunchtime we have people sitting on boxes, in the break room, outside, just all over the place enjoying our sandwiches. My sister also makes some wonderful pastries."

Paul's wife has just joined Jimmy's to do bookkeeping. Paul and Mike both have sons who make their living from the store. It is definitely a family business. You don't find many independent grocery stores like this one.

As the neighborhood changed over the years, different ethnic foods were added. The store burned in 2004 and a neighboring liquor store let the DiCarlos have some space to sell groceries. When the store was rebuilt and reopened, Paul and Mike decided to concentrate on selling only Italian food

'That's what we know best." About a third of the store's merchandise space is devoted to wine. "We have wines from all twenty wine regions of Italy."

Paul goes to a wine show in Verona, Italy twice a year that has a million square feet of wine. His number one seller is Chianti from Tuscany. Wine tastings occur every Saturday afternoon at the store.

When winery owners from Italy come to town, they end up at Jimmy's as the honored guest at a dinner with wine pairings. People sign up for these at the store's website and newsletter.

"When you can hear a winery owner talk about his wine, it's special."

The event takes place in the store's break room in the rear of the store. The walls are covered with photos of those dinners. Paul says some are formal, some are casual. One long wall in the room (which holds about fifty people) has a mural of Mount Etna in Sicily, marking Paul's first trip to the place of his ancestors.

Jimmy's sausage is made from a recipe Paul's grandfather developed. Meatballs are made from his grandmother's recipe.

'My mom made the meatballs until her death ten years ago. She was known as the meatball lady. A lot of restaurants in town use our sausage. Customers see it on the menu so they come to the store to get some.'

Paul's brother Mike is in charge of the produce. Paul says he gets up at three or four in the morning and goes to the farmers market to meet with the farmers and get the best fruits and vegetables.

'Dallas has gone tomato crazy so Mike makes sure we have really good tomatoes." The store is open every day

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Broncos Run Away with 42-14 Win Over Reagan County, Looking to Beat Bearcats

Looking to notch their season record to nine wins overall so far, this season and another District title, the Sonora Broncos are ready to take on the Bearcats this Friday, November 4, 2017, when they travel to Ballinger for their next to the last conference game before playoffs begin.

Of course, the Bearcats will be looking to gain their next win as well.

The Broncos are now 8-0 overall and 2-0 in district compared to the Bearcats who are 3-5 and 1-1.

Although, Sonora remains undefeated in the 2017 campaign, each game is an opportunity to continue to improve as a team while working towards the playoffs said Broncos Head Coach Jeff

As with every game this season, the goal after Friday's game against Ballinger remains the same - to be 1-0, he added.

Despite the Bearcats win loss record this season, Cordell said the Broncos will not be taking anything for granted this Friday.

> Every game is important SEE BRONCOS ON PAGE 10



The Sonora Broncos took the field at the start of the second half of Friday's game against Reagan County with a 42-14 lead over the Owls, Following a shut out second half for both teams, the Broncos celebrated their second conference game victory sending the Owls home with a loss.

KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

TPWD Report Prospects Good for Texas Deer Season

AUSTIN - If early field in good condition and reports by bow hunters and those hunting on Managed Lands Deer Permit properties are a sign of things to come, Texas hunters should see deer

above average numbers of mature bucks when the general season kicks off Nov. 1 statewide.

"I had a report of a bow hunter in Walker

County connecting on a buck that scored 163 B&C (Boone & Crockett scoring system)," said Alan Cain, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department White-tailed Deer

Program Leader. "It turns out it was the hunter's first time to bow hunt. I got another report of a 183 B&C buck harvested in Atascosa County on a low-fenced

MLD property."

Cain noted he's received several reports indicating decent antler quality this year so hunters should be in for a nice surprise with the

quality of bucks they are seeing.

Local Sutton County Game Warden Derek Rogers agreed that the deer are plenty and hunters SEE DEER SEASON ON PAGE 7

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National Diabetes Awareness Month

Lifestyle Choices Key to Reducing Diabetes Risk

The number of Americans living with diabetes continues to grow, with an estimated 1.5 million adults expected to be diagnosed with the disease this year. At least 86 million people nationwide have prediabetes. In recognition of National Diabetes Awareness Month, LMH is raising awareness of one of the leading causes of death in the United States and encouraging residents to talk with their local care providers about risk factors and prevention. Diabetes causes the pancreas to alter the production of insulin, an important hormone that converts sugar and starches into energy the body needs. If the pancreas is unable to produce enough insulin, then the amount of sugar in the blood rises uncontrollably, causing a deadly

health risk. "Diabetes is reaching epidemic levels throughout the country and right here in our community," said Beckie Sullivan, FNP-C, "Knowing the dangers of diabetes and understanding how to reduce your risk is a powerful way to manage

your health.' The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports diabetes is becoming more common in the United States, with the number of Americans with diagnosed diabetes increasing fourfold between 1980 and 2014. There are three primary types of diabetes: Type 1, Type 2, and gestational. Type 1 diabetes is typically diagnosed in children and young adults. Affecting only five percent of people with diabetes, this type affects those whose bodies do not

produce insulin. Gestational diabetes, the third type, is typically found in women during the twentyfourth week of pregnancy. Women are encouraged to talk with their primarycare practitioners about managing blood-glucose levels during pregnancy, as this type does not mean that a woman had diabetes before conception or will have it after giving birth. In Type 2 diabetes, the most common form, the body does not produce enough insulin, or the cells ignore the insulin produced, causing health issues. Unlike other forms of diabetes, Type 2 diabetes is largely preventable through healthy lifestyle choices.

"Diets high in sugar and sedentary lifestyles are the primary causes," Beckie said. "Finding the willpower to make

healthy choices is an effective way to dramatically lower the risk of developing diabetes." Warning signs of diabetes include excessive thirst, frequent urination, drowsiness, itching, blurred vision, excessive weight, tingling in the extremities, fatigue and skin infections. Other signs include slow healing of cuts and scratches, especially those on the

Prediabetes is a condition in which individuals have higher than normal blood sugar levels but not high enough to be classified as diabetic. Those with prediabetes are likely to eventually develop diabetes if they do not commit to lifestyle changes. People at the highest risk of diabetes are frequently overweight, have diabetic

relatives or are over age 35. Statistics also show that women are at a higher risk for diabetes, as are those with a family history of the disease. According to Beckie, diabetes can be detected through a blood test. This screening can help practitioners determine what stage of the disease a person has and how to maintain optimum health. Diabetes is part of a family of diseases that can affect virtually all systems of the body if not properly maintained through diet, exercise and medication. The condition can significantly impact the body if left unmanaged.

Individuals who have foot conditions related to diabetes should be screened more frequently or as recommended by their practitioners. Examinations are critical in preventing debilitating effects or possible amputation. As with other diseases and illnesses, everyone can benefit from a yearly physical. Screening for diabetes for those who fall into highrisk categories should be performed annually. "Knowing where you stand and making lifestyle changes early can make a serious difference in your overall health." Beckie said, "Those who may be at risk of developing diabetes should talk with their doctors about getting screened and discuss ways to manage their diets.'

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One Man Injured in Welding Explosion at Local Business

A man was severely burned during an explosion at a local business Monday afternoon.

Sonora Police and EMS responded to a call at 3:57 p.m. Monday, October 30, 2017, regarding an explosion at Wrenched Up Roustabouts located at 611 S. Crockett Street, according to a report by the Sonora PD.

When they arrived they found a 20-year-old male with severe burns to his upper torso and facial area.

He was transported by ambulance to Lillian M. Hudspeth, in Sonora where he was stabilized

before being flown to Lubbock Memorial Hospital's burn center, in Lubbock.

Sonora Police Chief Art Fuentes said a preliminary investigation indicates that the man was cutting into a metal barrel with a cutting torch causing the barrel to explode. The explosion created a large fire ball in the shop area.

Fuentes also stated that the identity of the individual is not yet known, however he is not a resident of Sonora.

No further information is available at this



Elementary School Students for the week of October 30th through November 3rd. Yarely Ozuna - Pre-K, Anayi Lopez - K, Justys Seaton - 1st, Brailyn Galindo - 2nd, Elrey Silva - 3rd, Kellen Norrell - 4th and Brian Mendoza - 5th. **COURTESY PHOTO**

Sonora ISD Students of the Week

Pumpkins Start The Season

We start seeing pumpkins in October, announcing that Halloween is around the corner.

But, they are seasonable into Thanksgiving.

Here are a few facts. figures, and trivia about the pumpkin.

The following are a few Pascual Hernandez bits I got from the

University of Florida: Pumpkins helped the Native Americans make it through long cold winters.

They used the sweet flesh in numerous ways: roasted, blackened, parched, boiled and

They ate pumpkin seeds and also used them as a medicine.

The blossoms were added to stews.

Dried pumpkin could be stored and ground into flour.

The Pilgrims cut the top off of a pumpkin, scooped the seeds out, and filled the cavity with cream, honey, eggs and spices.

They placed the top back on and carefully buried it in the hot ashes of a cooking fire.

When finished cooking, they lifted this blackened item from the earth. They scooped the

contents out along with the cooked flesh of the shell like a custard.

The pilgrims were also known to make pumpkin beer. They fermented a

combination of persimmons, hops, maple sugar and pumpkin this early colonial brew.

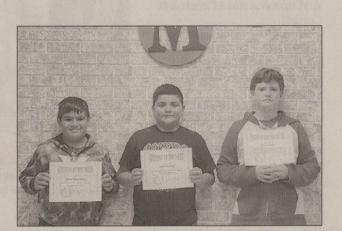
Pumpkins thrive in sunshine and deep, welldrained soil, and should receive about 6 hours of sunlight per day.

Pumpkin roots prefer 4 feet of growing space, but a foot or two of soil depth and adequate moisture and nutrition would be more than adequate. Pumpkins prefer pH of 6.0 to 7.5 but will do fine on soils up to 8.0.

Now, some facts and trivia from AgriLife Extension's Horticulture Department:

Texas is the fourth leading state in commercial pumpkin production, and generates \$2.4 million for farmers, with an economic impact of \$7.4

SEE PUMPKINS ON PAGE 6



Sonora Middle School Students of the Week of October 30th through November 3rd. Elijah Samaniego - 6th, Alfredo Salas - 7th, and Lane Taylor - 8th. COURTESY PHOTO



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Local Youth Compete in 2017 Sutton County 4-H Food Show

Sutton County 4-H students demonstrated their culinary talents while participating in a 4-H County Food Show hosted

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by County Extension Agent, Jessica Stapper,

Monday, October 23, 2017. all 4-H members who are participating in the Foods and Nutrition Project are eligible to participate in the annual event. This year four local 4-H students participated in the annual Food Show.

Individually students prepare a dish at home and bring it to the food show where it is judged.

Students may enter any one of four categories including Protein, Fruits

and Vegetables, Grains, or Dairy.

Under the watchful eye of Pam Crenwelge and Theresa Ward. contestants are judged on their knowledge of MyPlate, key nutrients in recipe, safety precautions while cooking, and what they have learned in their Foods & Nutrition Project.

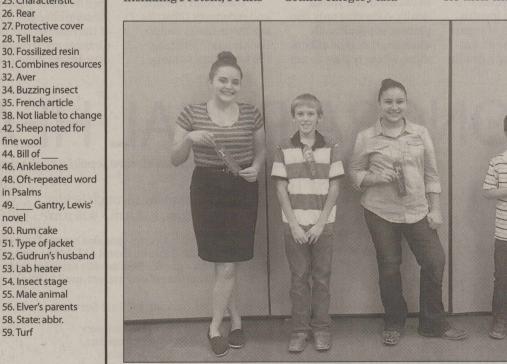
Competing in the Junior age division, Laane Abalos, entered a Banana Bread in the Grains category and

Sicily Gutierrez entered a Mama's Meatloaf, in the Protein category.

In the Intermediate age division. Cainaan Miller entered a Green Chicken Enchiladas Casserole, in the Protein category.

And finally, in the Senior age division Payton Dawson entered a Potato Casserole, in the Fruits and Vegetables category.

All of the participants deserve commendation for their hard work.



Sutton County 4-H students pose with thier ribbons following the 2017 4-H Food Show, Monday, October 23, 2017, in Sonora. Pictured (L-R) Payton Dawson, Cainaan Miller, Sicily Gutierrez, and

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1. Not working

45. Building site

5. European capital

See solution on Page 12

32. Aver 34. Buzzing insect 35. French article 38. Not liable to change 42. Sheep noted for fine wool 44. Bill of 46. Anklebones 48. Oft-repeated word 49. novel 50. Rum cake 51. Type of jacket 52. Gudrun's husband 53. Lab heater

Weekly Crossword Puzzle

65. Droops

1. Relative of the heron

4. Heighten or increase

9. Pretenders to gentility

5. Window sections

7. Bird of fable

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Officers practice skills such as threshold evaluation of various types of areas such as rooms as part of a special active shooter training excersise Thursday, October 19, 2017, in Sonora. SONORA POLICE DEPARTMENT | COURTESY PHOTO

SORD Training Draws Area Law Enforcement Officers

Local and area law enforcement officers sharpened their skills while participating in a specialized training exercise Thursday, October 19, 2017 in Sonora.

In addition to members of the Sonora Police Department, participants from the Texas Department of Public Safety, Texas Parks and Wild Life, Sutton County Sheriff's Office, Winters Police Department, Austin Police Department and Pearland Police Department also took part in the special training exercise.

Thursday's training, Solo Officer Rapid Deployment (SORD), was designed to address the likelihood of a solo

officer responding to an active shooter incident. Specifically, participants focused on training officers how to think and react quickly, access the situation and most importantly keep a clear head when under stress during an active shooter situation regardless of the location.

Situations involving an active shooter have become an issue of greater concern and priority to our law enforcement professionals.

The growing number active shooter events has heightened the need for realistic training that includes concepts, principles, and tactics designed to meet the present



Local and area law enforcement participated in a 300 round firearm course focused on target accuracy and firing from various positions during a special training Thursday, October 19th, in Sonora.

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challenges presented by

these threats.

Under the direction of instructors from the Advance Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training (ALERRT) Center at Texas State University, those who participated in the SORD training learned the most up-to-date researchbased active shooter response training to help them safely and effective handle this type of circumstance.

While learning how to handle force on force situations, basic first aid drills, tourniquet training and active shooter scenarios, participants also received 16 hours of Continuing Education Units as well as certification showing their completion of the program.

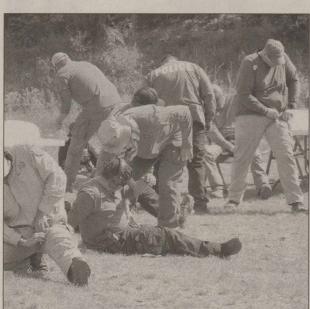
Although the training is made possible through state and federal funds, costing nothing to taxpayers, it wouldn't be possible to host it locally without the help of individuals and businesses in the community.

Recognizing the

Arroyo Grande Ranch, Sonora ISD, Walsh Welding and Stripes Convenience Stores, Chief Fuentes said the officers who serve Sutton County are 'blessed" to have received

their training locally. Ongoing efforts such as the SORD training are essential to helping keep all law enforcement officers prepared as well as safe when faced with real life scenarios involving active shooters or other life-threatening situations.

"This training is usually designed for multiple officers to respond to a threat of violence as a team," Chief Fuentes said. "Officers learned techniques as to how to deal with violent situations alone, in a safe and effective manner." Studies have shown where an off-duty solo officer has stopped active shooters from hurting others. We want to make sure that our officers are ready and prepared to handle these types of situations in order to keep our children and citizens safe."



Law enforcement officers practice tourniquet training during Thursday's excersices focused on helping prepare officers for real life active shooter situations.

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AMERICAN PICKERS OBITUARIES to Film in Texas!

Mike Wolfe, Frank Fritz, and their team are excited to return to

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AMERICAN PICK-ERS is a documentary series that explores the fascinating world of antique 'picking' on History.

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The pair hopes to give historically significant objects a new lease on life, while learning a thing or two about America's past along the way.

Mike and Frank have seen a lot of rusty gold over the years and are always looking to discover something they've never seen before.

They are ready to find extraordinary items and hear fascinating tales about them.

AMERICAN PICK-ERS is looking for leads and would love to explore your hidden treasure.

If you or someone you know has a large, private collection or accumulation of antiques that the Pickers can spend the better part of the day looking through, send us your name, phone number, location and description of the collection with photos to: americanpickers@cineflix.com or call 855-OLD-RUST.



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Lunch Texas Basket, Fresh veggie Cup, Fruit, Milk **After School Program** Fruit Yogurt

Wednesday November 8 Breakfast

Pancake Wrap, Yogurt, or Cereal, Crackers, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk Lunch Chicken Alfredo, Breadsticks, Vegetables, Garden Salad, Peaches, Cookie, Milk

Thursday November 9 Breakfast

After School Program

Baked Chips, Juice

Chicken, Waffles, or Cereal, Toast, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk Lunch

Calzone Marinara Sauce, Broccoli Bites, Fresh Veggie Cup, Snowball Salad, Milk **After School Program** Crackers, Cheddar Fish, Juice

Friday November 10 Breakfast

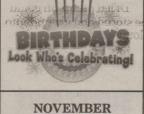
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Guadalupe N. Jimenez August 8, 1926 - October 24, 2017



Guadalupe N. Jimenez answered God's call for peace and rest in Him surrounded by family, October 24, 2017, on the anniversary of her son Ernesto's passing.

Guadalupe was born on August 8, 1926 in Del Rio, Texas to Jesus and Maria Noriega.

She led a full and happy life, full of adventure.

She was held by her family to be a person of strength, who served in so many roles. Guadalupe was a

daughter, sister, wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, friend, and so much more.

She was our "Lupe," our "Lupita," our "Lupa," our "Ama," our "Cuata," our "Chata."

Guadalupe is preceded in death by her husband of more than 56 years, Guadalupe F. Jimenez.

She is also preceded in death by her son, Ernesto "Neto" Jimenez, and her eight siblings, including her twin brother, Jesus Noriega. She is the last of her siblings to join our heavenly host.

She leaves behind her children and their spouses, Juan L. & Joyce Jimenez, Oscar & Olinda Jimenez, Emma & Harvey Sepeda, and the widow of her late son Neto, Mary Lou Creek.

She is also survived by her grandchildren and their spouses, Jerry & Nancy Jimenez, Dorothy Jimenez, Fernando & Ursula Jimenez, Standley & Melissa Anderson, Javiel Jimenez, Oscar Jimenez, Jr., Elaine & Cesar Mejia, Mayra & Christopher Page, and Bianca Sepeda.

The other lives forever changed will be those of the great grandchildren, who include Marco Jimenez, Davis Jimenez, J.R. Perez, Will Anderson, Sidney Anderson, Allison Mejia, Abigail Mejia, Isabella Mejia, Jesus Adare Jimenez, Juan Miguel Jimenez, Danica Jimenez, and Amaris Jimenez.

The family would like to take a moment to thank the wonderful work of all the employees at the Schleicher County Nursing Home.

The nurses, aides, housekeeping department, administration staff, and the Hospice nursing staff all made Lupe's last days comfortable and peaceful, both for her and her family.

Your efforts did not go unnoticed, and they are greatly appreciated.

Thank you to everyone who consoled or prayed with Lupe and her family in this time of letting go.

A special thanks to all family members who shared stories with Lupe on her front porch. It is there that we will miss her the most.

Services in celebration of Lupe's life were held on Friday, October 27, 2017, at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Sonora, Texas.

A graveside service followed the mass.



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





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million in the state. 5,000 to 8,000 acres are planted annually in Texas. 90% are in the west Texas region.

The pumpkin is a cucurbit, over 90% are produced for seasonal ornamental use.

Cucurbits are plants of the gourd family (Cucurbitaceae), which includes melon, pumpkin, squash, and cucumber. They are mostly climbing or trailing plants.

Pumpkins come in a variety of colors. Orange is common, but they can also have white, green, blue, red, and tan skins. Most pumpkins grown commercially for food products are tan.

For more information contact the Sutton County Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office.



Sonora Hosts Special FFA Fundraiser Contest

Students from twelve area high schools participated in a special FFA contest at Sonora High School this past Saturday, October 28, 2017, to raise money for an FFA Chapter affected by the devastation of Hurricane Harvey this past August.

Organizing the event, Tim Flanagan, SHS Ag instructor, said he got the idea after hearing about the impact of the storm in the south Texas area.

Also wanting to help, he reached out to fellow Ag teachers to bring students together for the

"In early September, when news of the havoc wreaked by Harvey was made known, many folks were headed out to help and planning benefits for victims and communities," Flanagan said. "Whatever the reason, I woke up at 2:30 one morning with the idea that I could at least host a contest. I figured if folks heard what the cause was, maybe they'd come out and enter and support

After polling the students, who showed excitement at the idea. Flanagan said he then called upon fellow Ag instructors to put the idea into motion.

"I called around and lots of my fellow ag teachers said they'd sure come and bring teams or at least help by judging," Flanagan said. "So, we got it posted on the FFA contest central site, judgingcard.com. The brothers that built that site back in the late 1990s said they'd help with collection of entries and forego the usual commission charged to collect for

contests.' Although, the focus of the event was to help others, it also benefitted all of the students who participated.

Taking time to work on projects outside of their regular activities such as school, extracurricular activities, athletics and family, students worked on training for Saturday's contest. Sometimes they even had to usher themselves in and out of contest rooms with the assistance of an Ag teacher.

Taking part in one or more challenges, students demonstrated their skills in a wide variety of areas including Conducting, Skills, Creed, Advocacy, Broadcast, Job Interview and Public Relations while competing.

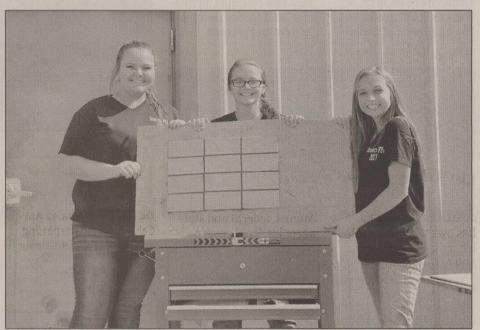
Commending all of the students on their

hard work, Flanagan said preparing for the contest itself was an invaluable experience for them.

"Every time students come together for a cause, they receive intangible benefits," Flanagan said. "Many of them saw how contests come together and the countless hours that go into putting something this size together. They also learned about the number of things that must be considered and planned for and the things that other people contribute to their "fun". They put the steps in helping set this thing up since day one and. though they may not have realized how much they were learning and getting from the experience, did develop leadership, cooperation, added teamwork, and time management skills a little further."

Saturday's special contest was the start of the FFA regular season of competition.

Students headed to San Angelo Tuesday afternoon, October 31st to compete in the annual invitational contest before gearing up for the road trip to Stephenville next Tuesday, November 6th, where they will compete at Tarleton State University.



Sonora High School students Sterling Smith, Chevene Havnes and Kami Lux pose with a finished tile project that thye used in the skills demonstration during Saturday's FFA contest, October 28, 2017. Students from 12 schools in Texas participated in the contest that also served to raise money to help FFA members affected by Hurricane Harvey.

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While waiting for a turn to carve a pumpkin, families explored the trails collecting candy along the way.

Taking a break from all of the excitement, participants gathered around an outdoor campfire to enjoy cooking and eating S'mores.

After the sun went

down, those who dared put their fears to the test by participating in a more mature frightful adventure from top to bottom of the hill.

Although he admitted to being a little nervous over the event, Price said he couldn't have been more pleased with the turnout.

In addition, the Fright

Fest was such a success that some people participated in it a second time, he added.

'It was a lot of fun," Price said. "We will definitely be continuing this next year. And, we will keep adding to it."

The winner of the costume contest will be announced Wednesday,

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Mariana Vasquez and Ezekiel Amaya go trick-or-treating along the walking trails atop Eaton Hill Saturday during the 2nd annual "Haunt the Hill" event at Eaton Hill Nature Center and KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

DEER SEASON:

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 3 will be pleased with this year's opportunities.

"It will be a good hunting season," Rogers said. "All of the camps are gearing up for hunters and the deer are plentiful and healthy this year."

He credits rainfall earlier in the year, yielding more than enough vegetation for all of the wildlife to feed, as the main factor contributing to this year's game opportunities.

Rogers said he has been busy visiting the many camps available to hunters in Sutton County to ensure that they have a safe and successful experience.

The general season runs through Jan. 4, 2015 in the 209 counties that comprise the North Zone and through Jan. 18, 2015 in the 30 counties of the South Zone.

For county specific regulations, check the 2014-15 Outdoor Annual — Texas Hunting and **Fishing Regulations** available at hunting license sales outlets, online at tpwd.texas.gov and as a free mobile app download on iOS and Android platforms at www.txoutdoorannual. com/app.

When it comes to deer, wildlife biologists use rainfall as a barometer for gauging hunting season because of the direct correlation between rainfall and impacts to habitat during certain times of the year (primarily as it relates to nutrition and

cover deer need).

Rainfall or a lack thereof can significantly impact deer body condition, antler quality and fawn production - the end results are what hunters see each fall.

According to Cain, mast crops (acorns, mesquite beans, etc.) that provide a good forage resource to help deer meet the demands of raising fawns and growing antlers during the stressful part of the summer have been in good supply this year.

Those native food sources appear to be carrying over into the fall, which means some hunters may have to contend with native food sources competing with artificial feeders early in the season.

"Precipitation has greened up vegetation around much of the state in the last month and with green conditions deer aren't utilizing feeders as much," Cain added. "The green vegetation and warm temperatures in October have made hunting a little tough, but there are a few folks having some luck."

Texas whitetail population estimates have remained fairly stable over the last few decades at around 4 million deer. Hunters can expect to see about the same number of deer as in 2013. Bottom line from a hunter perspective is there will be plenty of animals to pursue.

The

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 mpact may be reported separately. Subjects reported to have been arrested are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law

SUTTON COUNTY SHERIFF **ARRESTS**

OCTOBER 23 • James Greggory Monk, 47-year-old male of Austin. Arrested for DWI and Driving with License Invalid with prior convictions · Jose Alfredo Galindo, 35-year-old male of Sonora. Arrested for Sutton County warrant for criminal trespass. • Miguel Duran, 37-year-old of Mission. Arrested for Driving with License Invalid with prior convictions.

OCTOBER 24 · Kendrick Waters, 31-year-old male of Houston. Arrested for possession of marijuana < 2oz. **OCTOBER 26 • Richard** Wayne Simmons, 37-yearold male of Gulfport, MO. Arrested for possession of marijuana < 2oz. Richard James Diehl

32-year-old male of Austin. Arrested on a warrant out of Travis Co.

· Oscar Estevan Rincon, 25-year-old male of Brownwood. Arrested for Driving with License Invalid with prior convictions.

OCTOBER 29 - Jose Daniel Quintanilla 28-year-old male of Alice. Arrested for Driving with License Invalid with prior convictions.

• Jose Francisco Martinez III, 24-year-old male of Laredo. Arrested for Driving with License Invalid with prior

INCIDENTS OCTOBER 23 - 4:30 PM • Caller reported an accident on Hwy 277 N 2 miles out.

Deputy responded. OCTOBER 24 - 08:42 AM • Caller reported trespassing at 4110 N Service Rd. Deputy responded.

OCTOBER 25 - 3:54 PM • Agency assist requested on I-10 to locate reckless driver. Deputy responded. 4:24 PM • Caller reported a

reckless driver on I-10 E at the 389 mm. Deputy responded. 7:08 PM • Caller reported disturbance at 900 block E Poplar. Deputy responded. OCTOBER 26 - 7:23 AM • Caller reported an accident involving an electric pole at the 1800 block 277 S. Deputy

responded. OCTOBER 27 - 1:35 PM • Caller reported a possible vehicle fire on I-10 at the 429 mm exit. Deputy responded. **OCTOBER 28 - 12:03 AM**

· Caller reported a suspicious person at 800 block N Crockett. Deputy and PD responded.

OCTOBER 29 - 01:24 AM Caller reported a reckless driver on I-10 at the 424 mm rest area. Deputy responded. 2:41 AM · Caller reported a fight in progress at Lala's Restaurant. Deputy responded. 3:10 AM · Caller reported a fight in progress at Best Western. Deputy responded. 7:51 PM • Caller reported a suspicious person walking on I-10 W at the 409 mm. Deputy responded. 11:58 PM • Agency assist

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committed to ensuring that civic participation remains a cherished tradition among all Texans, particularly those of the youngest generation," Pablos said.

More than 800 Texas high schools committed to assisting their eligible students in registering to vote, an effort supported by secretary of state's 2017 High School Voter Registration Initiative.

Early voting ends Nov. 3 for the Nov. 7 Uniform Election. More information can be found at www. votetexas.gov/

SONORA PD ARRESTS

OCTOBER 16 • David Reynosa, 61-year-old male of Sonora. Arrested for Public Intoxication. **INCIDENTS**

OCTOBER 23 - 9:43 AM • Caller reported a suspicious vehicle at 500 block of Glasscock. Officer responded.

1:22 PM • Caller requested to speak with an officer at PD office. Officer responded. 10:15 PM • Officer requested to LMH for a security walk through. OCTOBER 24 -2:00 AM • Officer

called for Air Med stand by at LMH. Officer responded. 8:55 PM • Caller requested an officer at Comfort Inn. Officer responded.

OCTOBER 25 - 3:30 PM • Caller reported a burglary at 110 block of S. Crockett. Officer responded. 4:31 PM • Alarm call at Stadium Trailer Park. Officer responded. 6:41 PM • Caller reported a possible suicidal subject on College and Glasscock. Officer responded.

OCTOBER 26 - 8:10 AM • Caller reported Truancy at 200 block of E. Chestnut. Officer responded. 1:25 PM • Caller requested an officer at Middle school. Officer responded.

8:31 PM • Caller reported reckless diver on North Service Rd. Officer responded. 10:04 PM • Officer requested to

LMH for a security walk through. Officer responded. OCTOBER 27 - 10:50 AM • Caller requested Funeral Escort

to St. Ann's Church. Officer responded. 11:28 AM • Officers requested for Sonora Band send off. Of-

ficers responded. 11:45 AM • Officer requested for Funeral Escort to cemetery.

Officer responded. OCTOBER 28 - 2:30 AM • Caller requested an officer at Tres Amigos. Officer responded. 3:10 PM • Caller reported smell of smoke on South Concho and Wardlaw. Officer responded.

11:33 PM • Caller reported noise

at Lala's Restaurant, Officer

responded. OCTOBER 29 - 3:08 AM • Caller reported a fight at Best Western. Officer responded.

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Remember What's Truly Important

CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS: Speaker Joe Straus

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2 has overwhelmed challenges to his leadership and to his parliamentary abilities in moving certain hills through the pro cess while slowing others, such as the "bathroom

bill," last spring. Gov. Greg Abbott released a statement following Straus's announcement, saying: "Joe Straus has served with distinction for both the people in his district and for the Texas House of Representatives. I thank Speaker Straus for his service and for his commitment to the State of Texas."

Interim charges posted

Speaker Straus on Oct. 23 released the full list of 230 House interim charges, assigning almost every committee at least one charge related to the state's recovery from Hurricane Harvey. The charges are to be studied and discussed leading up to the next legislative session.

Committees will focus on Hurricane Harvey's impact on public health, the juvenile justice system, agriculture and the state's tax structure and evaluate how state agencies responded to the storm. They also will make recommendations to the full House for legislation addressing the

Straus also created the Select Committee on Opioids and Substance Abuse in which lawmakers will study the prevalence and impact of substance abuse and substance use disorders in the state. Rep. Four Price, R-Amarillo, will serve as chair of the select committee and Rep. Joe Moody, D-El Paso, will serve as vice chair.

Update: Hurricane recovery

Since Hurricane Harvey hit Texas in late August, federal and state agencies, local governmental bodies, volunteers and private property owners have been hard at work to return to normal the many stricken areas of the Lone Star State.

As of Oct. 26, according to information posted by the state-run Commission to Rebuild Texas, \$5.83 billion in federal funds had been provided directly to Texans. That amount includes FEMA grants to households, National Flood Insurance Program claims payments and SBA disaster

Also, some 882,935 individual assistance applications were received. FEMA's deadline to register for individual disaster assistance is Nov. 24 for the residents

of 41 designated counties. And, as of Oct. 27, some 51,416 individuals were taking advantage of FEMA's Transitional Sheltering Assistance. Some 145,737 individuals were counted as having visited Disaster Recovery Centers for assistance as of Oct. 26.

Youth vote is encouraged

Texas Secretary of State Rolando Pablos on Oct. 25 issued a proclamation designating the first Friday of the early voting period as Student Voting

"The state of Texas is



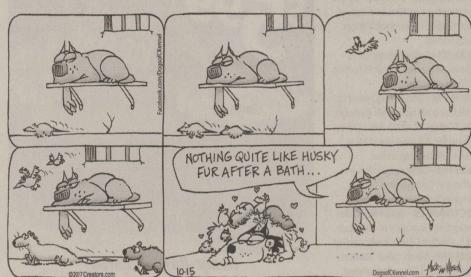
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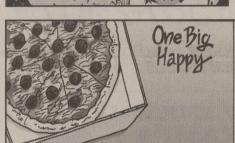
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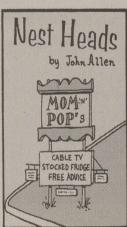




















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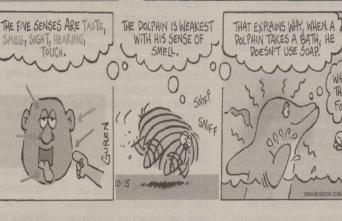


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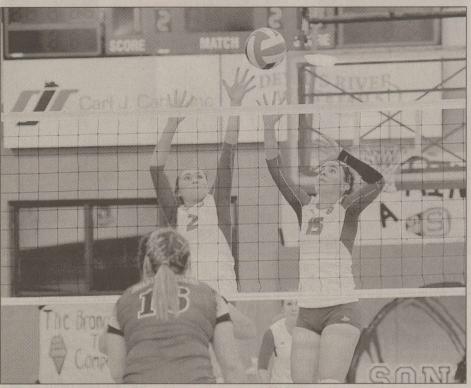


Lady Broncos Volleyball Senior Night



Carly Brown, Noelia Tovar and Delaney Ramsdell stand with Head Coach Kayla Perez while being recognized during Senior Night Tuesday, October 24, 2017. All three seniors assisted in helping their team accomplish their 3-4A District Championship, advancing them into the playoffs.

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Carly Brown and Delaney Ramsdell block an attempted kill by the Lady Eagles during their conference game against Grape Creek Tuesday, October 24, 2017.

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Noelia Tovar had 1 ace, 3 kills and 4 digs to help the Lady Broncos win their match against the Grape Creek Lady Eagles Tuesday, October 24, 2017, in Sonora.



Sonora varsity volleyball players celebrate another point during their game against the Lady Eagles. The Lady Broncos took the win in all three sets with scores of 25-11, 25-10 and 28-8.



Avery Leamon goes for a kill during Tuesday's final regular season game between Sonora and Grape Creek, October 24, 2017.

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Students fans strike up some fun on the side line of Tuesday's volleyball match between Sonora and Grape Creek.

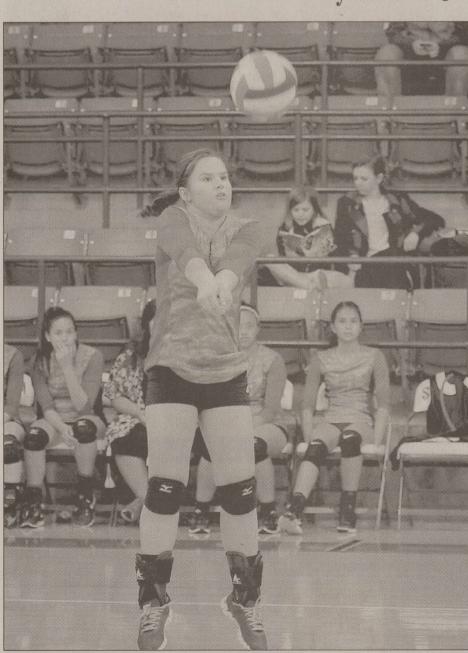
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Jackilyn Sykes helps her team keep the ball in play to take another win against the Lady Eagles Tuesday, October 24th, in Sonora.

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Lady Broncos Junior Varsity Action



Dekota Morrow bumps the ball up and over then net for another Lady Bronco point during the junior varsity game between Sonora and Grape Creek Tuesday, October 24, 2017, in Sonora. The JV Lady Broncos took the win over the Lady Eagles . KIMBERLEY MEYER THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS



Yessinia Garza pushed the ball over the net helping the Lady Broncos finish their win over the Grape Creek Lady Eagles Tuesday, October 24, 2017. KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS





Carlos Mendoza tackles Reagan County's Cahel Laferty during Friday's conference game between the Broncos and Owls, November 27, 2017, in Sonora. The Broncos notched their district record to 2-0 and overall record to 8-0 for the season with a 42-14 win over the Owls.

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BRONCOS:

and right now the most important game for the Broncos is our match up Friday night with the Ballinger Bearcats," Cordell said. "Our first goal is to be 1-0 after Friday's game. Our coaches will do a great job as usual preparing these kids for our match up against the Bearcats this Friday. So, it should make for an interesting game."

Ballinger's Head Coach Chuck Lipsey and his staff will also have their players ready for Friday's challenge. This will be Lipsey's first year to coach the Bearcats, however, he already has them playing good ball this year.

The Broncos will need to watch the Bearcats Quarterback Xavier Nunez who poses a dual threat in both passing and running.

In addition, Ballinger's Offensive line and Defensive line will force the Broncos to stay resilient throughout the game because of their size and strength. Jace King will be in front of the Bearcats leading the charge and could pose problems for the Broncos if they don't take care of business.

"Ballinger would love to upset the Broncos in their last home game of the season, "Cordell said. "Coach Lipsey will have the Bearcats ready for 48 minutes of football. Also, Senior night in Ballinger, which will serve as a little extra motivation for the Bearcats."

Sonora 42 – Reagan County 14

The Sonora Broncos remained undefeated with a 42-14 win over the Reagan County Owls this past Friday, October 27, 2017, moving Sonora to 8-0 overall for the season and 2-0 in district.

Both, offensively and defensively, the Broncos seemed to do everything right, in Friday's game against the Owls, making for a good first half of the game.

Broncos Quarterback Kaden Cordell threw for 378 yards and three touchdowns leading his team with their win over the Owls.

Cordell was 15 of 23 passing having the most success connecting with Willie Munoz and Jarrett Jackson.

Munoz had six catches for 145 yards and a TD while Jackson had five catches for 140 yards and a TD

Wesley Dutton added three catches for 60 yards, a TD and Abel Cruz and Marcos Talamantes each had one catch for 34 and 5 respectively.

In the first half of the game, Jackson started things off scoring less than a minute into the first quarter, followed by Munoz and then Jackson again giving Sonora a 21-6 lead over the Owl.

Three additional touchdowns by the Broncos, Jackson with two and Brock Aschenbeck with one, allowed Sonora to put away the game 42-14 by the end of the first

The Broncos defense held back the Owls holding them to only two touchdowns before it was time for the intermission. Sonora's Hunter Bunch led the Broncos with 15 tackles. Wilson Johnson, not far behind, had nine tackles and Cordell had eight. In addition, Brandon Martinez and Dominique Solis both had six tackles, Jansen Morris with five, Christian Ramon with four and Daniel Gonzales and Mark Chavez with three tackles

Returning from the locker room, the Owls scrambled for eight minutes before the Broncos finally took over the ball in the third quarter. More back and forth in the last quarter resulted in neither team scoring, but the Broncos had enough to claim their second conference game victory.

This was Reagan
County's first district
game loss this season.
The Owl's Head Coach
Blake Weston, who had
been the offensive coordinator for Sonora in years
past, had a less than
happy homecoming at the
realization of who has the
better ball club.

Next, the Broncos travel to Ballinger for

their third district match up against the Bearcats Friday, November 3, 2017, in Ballinger. Game time is set for 7:30 p.m.

SCORE BY QUARTER

SONORA 21 - 21 - 00 - 00 = 42

RC 06 - 08 - 00 - 00 = 14

FIRST QUARTER SONORA — 11:18 JARRETT JACK-SON 6 yd run (Conversion Good) RC — 4:10 KALEB MORRIS 63 vd run on pass from Alex Chavez (Conversion Good) SONORA — 3:53 WILLIE MUNOZ 69 yd run on pass from Kaden Cordell(Conversion Failed) SONORA — 01:03 JARRETT JACKSON 68 yd run on pass from SECOND QUARTER RC — 11:23 ALEX CHAVEZ 14 yd run (Conversion Good) SONORA — 10:27 WESLEY DUTTON 20 yd run on pass from

Kaden Cordell (PAT Good) SONORA — 4:17 BROCK ASCHENBECK 1 yd run (PAT Failed) SONORA — 00:21 JARRETT JACK-SON 2 yd run (Conversion Good)

INDIVIDUAL STATS

RUSHING SONORA — Kaden Cordell 7-43; Jarrett Jackson 5-34; J.R. Velasquez 5-7; Willie Munoz 2-11; Brock Aschenbeck 1-1; Brian VanWinkle 1-(-14)

PASSING SONORA — Kaden Cordell 15-23-378 yds; Brian Van Winkle 1-5-4 yds RECEIVING

SONORA — Jarrett Jackson 3-95; Willie Munoz 6-146; Marcos Talamantes 1-4; Abel Cruz 1-32; Jarret Jackson 5-141; Wesley Dutton 3-59



Sonora vs. Ballinger Friday, Nov. 3 7:30 p.m. Kickoff

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Marcos Talamantes, J. Velasquez, Mark Chavez and Jansen Morris received the turnover belt during Friday's game between Sonora and Reagan County, October 27, 2017.

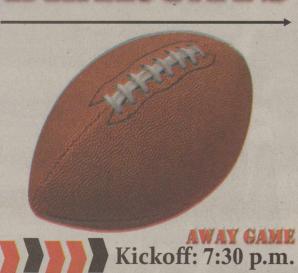
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Sonora ISD students wore pink in support of Breast Cancer Awareness during their Pink Out Peprally Friday, October 27, 2017. The peprally also marked the home game between Sonora and Reagan County taking place Friday evening at Bronco Stadium.

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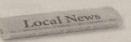
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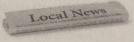
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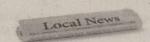
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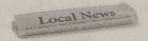
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Story time, for children ages 3 and 4, is again being held every Monday at 9:30 a.m.

Additionally, Book Club will meet Tuesday, Nov. 14th, at 10 a.m.

This month, we have chosen to read Pulitzer Prize winner Cormac McCarthy's book "The Road". This book is the author's vision of a dangerous post-apocalyptic America, and it will keep you thinking long after you have put it down.

Please feel free to join us at any time and everyone is always welcome.

For those who enjoy doing while learning, the November Folk Art Doll making class features

how to make gingerbread dolls.

Participants will learn how to hand paint the eyes and details on a doll to make it appear lifelike enough to walk right off of a cookie sheet.

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Classes will be held every Tuesday morning at 9:30 a.m. and some Saturdays.

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In observance of Veteran's Day, the Library will be closed Friday, November 10th.

Aslo, the Library will close Thursday and Friday, November 23rd and 24th, for Thanksgiving. For more informa-

tion regarding the Sutton County Library, please call 387-2111 or visit facebook.com/ suttoncountylibrary.

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Local children dressed as their favorite costume characters cycled in and out the Sonora Bank Tuesday collecting treats from bank employees during the annual Trick or Treat on Main Street, October 31, 2017.

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The top 7 bands advanced to the finals, held that evening. The SHS band wrapped up their marching season by placing 6th in the final competition, becoming the 3rd runner-up to State. The Bronco Band is under the direction of David Andrus. 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



Sononra High School Drum Major Delaney Ramsdell ques the members of the Bronco Band during the Santa Rita Marching Festival earlier this year. Under the leadership of Band Director Davod Andrus, the SHS Band advanced to perform in the U.I.L. Area A Marching contest this JL MANKIN | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

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SOLUTION TO PUZZLE ON PAGE 4

Perez, Elyssa Prieto, Delaney Ramsdell, Michael Shaffer Jr., Makenna Shaffer, Blayze Sykes, Marcos Talamantez and Traci Vickers.

All of the band members deserve commendation for their hard work.



