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THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS





Chance Cambpell wades through Crane defenders.

By Ray Glasscock

Player of the Week. He rushed zalez combined for two sacks. The Broncos held the Cranes 6:43 on the clock. to only seven first downs and

The Sonora Broncos com- tackles and eighteen of them pleted the 2013 football sea- were solo tackles. Ethan Patson by winning their 20th lan led all tacklers with ten District Championship. The tackles and three were solo. 8 - 1, 4 - 0 Broncos took on For the game, the Broncos the 9 - 0, 4 - 0 Crane Golden sacked the Crane quarterback Cranes in Bronco Stadium and six times. Sid Anderson had stopped them cold with a 35 – two sacks, Jonathan Gutierrez reached the red zone before and Jerrad Willey each had a they turned the ball over on Crane's Gunner Tatum was sack, and Dub Latham, Elijah week 9's 2A Built Ford Tough Cross, Patlan, and Scott Gon- held and forced a punt. Mar-

42 times for 429 yards and Crane had the ball first, but than Gutierrez scooped it up five touchdowns against Al- punted to Sonora after making and scored the touchdown. pine. He is the leading rush- one first down. The Broncos Martinez kicked the PAT. er in the Permian Basin with started their first drive from The score at the half was 21 1,941 rushing yards. It was their own 19 yard line. The clear that Tatum is a very gift- Smash Mouth Bronco ofed runner, but the Bronco de- fense featured runs by Chance to start the second half to fense had no trouble stopping Campbell, Elijah Cross, Anhim. The Broncos held Ta- dres Acevedo and Michael tum to 41 yards on 15 carries. Rollert. On the sixth play of Since Tatum couldn't run, the the opening drive, Campbell Cranes abandoned their pre- scored on an eighteen yard ferred offensive game plan run. Ricky Martinez kicked on their third series of downs. the PAT for the 7 to 0 lead at

Coach Phillips tried to fool three of those occurred in the Crane with an onsides kick, Continued on Page 3 last two minutes of the game. but Crane recovered it. Ta-Eighteen Broncos logged 73 tum got the first carry and was

tackled for a loss by Patlan and Anderson. Tatum managed a five-yard gain on a sweep. Anderson blitzed and sacked the quarterback on third down. The Cranes' punt rolled dead at the Broncos' 24-yard line.

The Broncos used up the rest of the first quarter by sticking on the ground and moving the chains. On the first play of the second quarter, Rollert handed off to Acevedo. Acevedo threw deep to Martinez who caught the pass inside Crane's ten-yard line. On third and goal, Campbell scored on a one yard run. Martinez kicked the PAT giv- By Ben D. Taylor ing the Broncos a 14 to 0 lead.

The Cranes finally got a break. The Bronco defense forced them to punt. The ball rolled dead near the Broncos' ten-yard line. On the first play, Crane recovered a Bronco fumble, and they had a first and goal. Tatum ran for a five-yard touchdown, and their kick was good.

The next Bronco drive downs. The Bronco defense tinez blocked the punt. Jona-

The Broncos used ten plays move deep into Crane territory. A good looking drive stalled, and the Cranes took over on downs. Just as in the first half, the Bronco defense forced a three and out. Louie Castro fielded the punt and had to retreat behind the

Interview with Sonora High School Principal Aaron Oliver

By Ben D. Taylor

of new faces as a new crop ant). of freshmen find themselves

With each new school year commissioned in the National School system until his most comes the requisite number Guard as a Second Lieuten- recent position as the Sonora

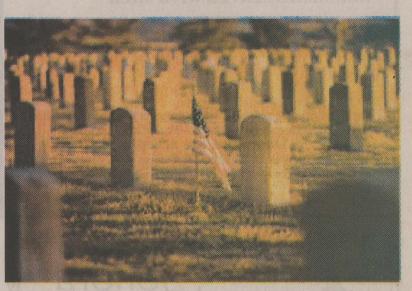
It was his time right after on the high school campus, the Marine Corps that would what he thought the Job of a but this year was a little dif- define the course of the re- High School principal was, ferent as a new face also took mainder of his professional he quickly responded that, up residence in the principal's career in education. "After "I see my job broken down office. Aaron Oliver comes to the Marines I took at job as a into three different compo-Sonora after over a decade's shipping clerk at the Angelo nents. First is to uphold stanexperience teaching in the State University bookstore," dards (both behavioral and San Angelo School District, he commented. "While I was academic), preserve order, and I had the opportunity to working at that job a lot of my and to protect the students sit down and visit with him friends kept telling me that I and the staff". He added that about his transition into the needed to go to college, but at his job cannot be done all by Sonora Educational system. that time I just didn't want too. himself, "you can't do any of He really can't claim one place It took a little while but I grew those things alone. To fully as his hometown as he grew really tired of making six dol- accomplish the job of a High up following his father's ca- lars an hour at a job I wasn't School principal requires reer in the U.S. Air Force, but even that good at, and college work from the parents, staff, is proud to admit that this De-started to look like something students and the community. cember will be his nineteenth I wanted to do." He finished That means that I have to be year living in Texas. Mr. Oli- his college education in two available and to be able to ver joined the U.S. Marines years, receiving a Bachelors communicate with everyone. in 1993, graduated from boot degree in secondary educa- In this job success is meacamp in San Diego and then tion with a minor in ESL and sured not by how well you do trained at Camp Pendleton for Spanish. Mr. Oliver then con- your job, but how well others his combat training. His spetinued his education in 2001 are able to do theirs." cific training was in linguis- where he enrolled in the ASU tics where Spanish was his graduate program (working as on what he sees at Sonora primary specialty, but he also a long term substitute in Span- High School, "There is no learned French and German. ish at the same time). When he place that is perfect. I guess His active military career was completed his Masters degree you know when you have cut short due to a motorcycle he was able to find a position reached perfection in this job accident and after three years as an elementary school counhis active duty in the Marines selor. Mr. Oliver continued concluded (he is currently working in the San Angelo

High School principal.

When I asked Mr. Oliver

Mr. Oliver then commented

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Veterans Day:

Remembering Those Who Served

What does "thank you" mean? To most of us (in an every day setting) it is nothing more than a recognition of someone else's efforts on your behalf, but there are times when "thank you" means much more than that. Those times when you are so grateful for someone else that it would take a library to express it, but somehow saying "thank you" says it all. I thought about all the really meaningful "thank you's" I have given and received in my life and I found that they all shared something in common. All of them, without exception, were much more than a simple expression of gratitude. They were also a statement of understanding. I wasn't simply saying "thank you", I was saying, "I understand what you have done for me, and my appreciation is so much more because of it". Our Veterans deserve that kind of gratitude for the service they gave to our country. They don't need our recognition, but they do deserve our understanding. Not of what they did, but what they gave

The United States quite literally was born through war (as are most countries) in 1775 with the American Revolution. Since then we have been engaged in over 12 major conflicts across the globe and from 1775 to present day over 42 million Americans have served their country during wartime. Well over 650,000 Americans have given their lives for our country and over 1.4 million have been injured in defense of it. The deadliest war was World War II where over 290,000 soldiers were killed in action while the war with the least number of casualties reported in Desert Shield/Desert Storm. There are over 23 million living veterans in the U.S. as of 2012 with the majority of those having served in the Vietnam War. American soldiers have joined the field of battle at the farthest ends of the earth and spilled the blood of brother on American soil. Looking at the broad strokes of the accomplishments of our soldiers, or the statistics of battle does little to garner any real understanding other than this. Veterans are different than soldiers. A soldier is trained to fight a war while a Veteran has to live with it. Strangely enough war has changed in a way that more soldiers become veterans, which is good, but requires a new way of thinking.

The percentage of non mortal wounds has increased in each successive war since the Civil War. For example, during the Civil War 43% of the soldiers wounded in battle survived, while 57% did not. During World War I and World War II 63% of soldiers that were injured survived, while 37% did not. In each successive conflict a higher percentage of soldiers who were wounded survived: Korean War 65%, Vietnam 72%, Persian Gulf War 75%, and Operation Enduring Freedom 86%. It is also interesting to note that the total number of soldiers wounded in war has remained about the same since World War I (Desert Storm/Desert Shield and the current conflicts in the Middle East have a slightly lower rate of injured soldiers). Basically put, in every war that the U.S. sends troops into active battle a similar amount of them get injured, but the rates at which they survive those injuries is

While the obvious cause of the increase can be attributed to advances in medical treatment, a case can be made that the nature of how wars are fought also contributed to this trend. Our soldiers fighting in modern day conflicts (especially during and after the Vietnam War) are fighting a much different kind of war. Where they once went into battle with clearly defined lines of conflict, they now find themselves chasing a foe that relies on tactics not designed to kill soldiers as much as they are designed to wound them. Initially these tactics were used to slow down the advancement of troops during World War II (land mines in Europe, and punji sticks in the Pacific islands), but their effectiveness against U.S. troops in the Vietnam War established them as a mainstay for each successive conflict the United States became involved in. From the threat of biological agents in Desert Shield/Desert Storm to the reality of IED's in Operation Enduring Freedom (IED's cause 61% of the wounds and deaths U.S. troops suffer) our foes have embraced the tactic of demoralizing our troops with injury and terror rather than direct conflict. No matter the reason why-it

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Senior Center Activities

Thurs. November Fri. September Mon. September Tues. September Wed. September

Senior Center Menu

Thurs. September Fri. - September Mon. -September Tues. -September Wed. -September

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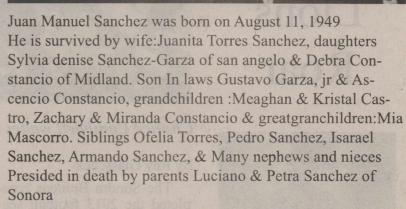
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Obituary



Sonora-Domingo R. Torres, 92, of Sonora died Friday Nov. 8, 2013 in Sonora. Services were Saturday, Nov. 9 at 3:30 p.m. at St. Ann's Catholic Church. Burial followed in Sonora Cemetery. Domingo is survived by his sons Luis Manuel Tor- stancio of Midland. Son In laws Gustavo Garza, jr & Asres of Ozona, Jesus ans Francisco Torres of Sonora, his brother Homero Torres Of Del Rio, and his sister Concha Torres of Mexico, numerous grandchildren, great and great-great grandchildren, nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife Diamantina Torres, his son Eloy g. Torres, Sr., and his grandsons Ervay Torres and Luis Torres, Jr.



Sonora- Alvis Wayne Williams, 77 of San Angelo died Thursday Nov. 7, 2013 in San Angelo. Graveside services will be held Sat. Nov. 9 at 2:00pm in the Sonora Cemetery. Arrangements are by Kerbow Funeral Home. He is survived by his daughters, Kay Friess of Sonora and Judy Jennings of Coleman, his sons, Mike of San Angeo, Daryl of Azle, Charles of Hardin and Kent of Rising Star, his sister, Janice of Ardmore and Nelda of Louisiana.

Obituary

Wellness Ministry

Today we are told to make wheat and other grains a significant portion of our diet. Unfortunately, modern wheat bears little, if any, resemblance to the grain we read about in the Bible (as referenced in the Bible verse below). Biblical wheat truly was a whole grain, and prepared in a way that the body could readily utilize the nutrients. Modern wheat has been scientifically altered in order for it to be more disease and pest resistant, and to produce higher yields. The problem is, this change enhanced the natural defense mechanisms of the wheat like the glutens, phytates, and lectins, and these are the most difficult parts for the human body to break down and digest. This is one reason so many people today are gluten intolerant and/or experience poor digestive symptoms after grain consumption. On top of that, the processing of modern wheat further strips it of nutrients. For these reasons, it is better to focus on vegetables and fruits as your primary carbohydrate intake and lessen the gut-irritating grains.

One Sabbath he was going through the grainfields, and as they made their way, his disciples, began to pluck heads of grain. Mark 2:23

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when all your students have 100 averages and are reaching their potential as people. Really though, other school districts would love to have the "problems" that we have here in Sonora. We have a great group of kids and parents, and the community invests in its kids. That is the greatest strength

both the school and this community have.' He also discussed some of the difficulties that current students face compared to generations past, "I'm convinced that wider range of responsibilities facing them on a daily basis. off, all while your guys were taking care of her. Eventually Used to, a student would have to worry about school, family, church, and sometimes work. Now they juggle school, family, church, multiple extra-curricular activities, on-line courses, social media and work on top of it all. Their schedules are as busy as most working full time adults, yet most of them man- not have just passed by, but, they did not have to stop. They age it. Given that reality, I work with the staff to ensure that these kids aren't being stretched too thin and that the students are given every opportunity to keep their grades up." Mr. Oliver talked a bit about how some of the scheduling changes implemented this year were to address that problem. "We pushed dedicated for the students that need help with their work. Ev- to do and took care of the situation. Again, very upbeat and erything in our schedule is designed to maximize the amount of time students spend at school, we don't waste time up here."

Mr. Oliver is a unique mix of real life experience and educational achievement, which gives him a unique perspective on education. "I know that when I graduated from High School I wasn't mature enough for college, and in that respect the Marines were perfect for me. In my life I have found that there are many different roads to success and I want to make sure these kids see that."

Mr. Oliver ended our conversation by re-iterating that his job can be done best only with the help of the parents and community, "Anyone is welcome to come by my office and Thanks, voice any questions and concerns you may have. I have never turned down the opportunity to listen to anyone's suggestions and concerns".

A Word of Thanks and Recogni-

Just wanted to drop you a note to let you know you have two guys that you can be proud of and need a pat on the back.

tion for Sutton County EMS

Tuesday evening, Nov. 6th, about 5:30 P.M. a young lady had an incredible accident about half a mile in front of me going north towards San Angelo just inside the Tom Green Co. line. Being one of the first on the scene, myself and another guy checked the vehicle for number of occupants and condition of the driver while a couple of others called 911. Due to the location, it apparently caused some confusion for the operator as to who was responsible, Tom Green or Schleicher County. As you can imagine, this caused a huge delay. In the meantime, two of your guys were heading south towards Eldorado and immediately stopped to help. They automatically took over as if they were the ones called to respond. They pulled out their equipment and each one of them climbed in the car, which was on its side, to assess the girl, and before you knew it, both of them were inside the car taking care of the girl. (This was no easy task because the jaws of life had to be used to extract the patient) The Christoval Fire Dept. finally arrived while your guys continued to help today's kids do more than ever before. Our kids have a much the girl. The Fire Dept. began using the jaws to take the roof the San Angelo Paramedics arrived, along with their Rescue truck, and took over the situation, which I must say was already winding down. My first thought is: I know they would were not even close to the area they are responsible for. My second thought was how professional they handled the situation. They calmly asked us some questions and immediately dove in. They handled the situation as if it was just another our first bell back to 8:45, and the period between 7:30-8:30 is day at the office for them. They directed what they needed us professional, I can't say it enough.

> T.J. (Thorp) and Art (Marstas) are two guys that you can be very proud of, due to the way they handled the situation, their professional attitude, and the way they represented your organization. I know you don't hear enough good things about the service you'll provide, so, please at least pat these guys on the back. I hope T.J and Art are on duty if anything happens to me or my family when in Sutton County.

Rodney Tucker San Angelo, TX



Lions Roar





by Wanda Shurley

The Sonora Downtown Lions Club was excited to have Sarah Teaff, Director of Development of the Sutton County Hospital District as our guest this week. Sarah explained about the strategic organizational consultants and marketing agency that are helping determine the hospital's longterm goals and to make sure patient needs are met. Sar-

the ensemble has grown and to name a few.

the violin, viola, cello, and forms several

string instruments such as

groups that will have input as the works, but is a few years to the needs of the commu- down the road. nity. If you are requested to ah also reported that the Resi- enjoyed a delicious meal

Main Street Traffic

ah is putting together focus dent Care Facility is still in

serve on one of these groups, The Lions Club was also please take the time to give joined by the elementary stuyour opinion. These will be dents of the week. They were one-time interviews and will Jamie Buitron, Edgar De help toward determining the Luna, Dylan Ford and Danneeds of our community. Sar- iel Gutierrez. The students

served by the Sutton County Steakhouse and each of them were given a moment to tell a little about themselves. We would also like to thank Mrs. Hanusch for taking the time to bring the students to the meeting, and our Lions Club Queen, Kaitlyn Gibbens for joining us. If your child is one of the students joining us for lunch, please come join also.

Contd From Front: Broncos Broncos' twenty yard line before he could get around the corner. Once around the corner, he managed to reach the

Broncos' 35-yard line. The next drive was vintage, The new Angelo State to music degree offerings at throughout the academic old time football: no passing -University Orchestra along ASU. It has been over thirty year. Upcoming concerts in- just hard unstoppable running with the Sonora High School years since ASU has included clude "A Tribute to America, behind great blocking. Campband will perform holiday mu- these instruments in perform- to honor all who served" at bell got the touchdown on a sic for the Sonora tree light- ing ensembles or their degree 7:30 p.m. on November 20th six-yard run. Martinez contining ceremony on November programs. The orchestra is in the University Auditorium ued his great kicking by split-23rd beginning at 5:30 p.m. made up of musicians who are (Administration Building, ting the uprights. The game on the courthouse lawn. The majoring in a variety of differ- ASU Campus). This concert was out of reach at 28 to 7 with ASU Orchestra program, un- ent fields. In addition to Mu- is dedicated to Veterans, past 1:46 left in the third.

Crane ran nine plays before rice Kelley, began in January. in Criminal Justice, Biology, States Armed Forces. Mem-punting to the Broncos. Their Over the past several months Mathematics, and Education, bers of the orchestra will also punt rolled dead on the Bronperform on December 7th cos' nine-yard line. The Bron-The orchestra per-during "Christmas at Ft. Con- cos went back to work. They shifted to a double tight end double bass have been added and community functions dian. Come out for a Friday formation with only Cross in the backfield. Cross and Rollert took turns running the ball. On a third down, Rollert rolled to his left and threw a pass to Rhett Guerra for a first down. The Broncos got unexpected help from the Crane coach as his critique of the officials' performance was not well received and the zebras awarded fifteen yards to the Broncos' drive. As the drive approached the red zone, Anderson got some yardage for the offense. Campbell reentered the game after a short rest and scored the last Bronco touchdown on an eight yard run. Martinez finished the scoring with another perfect kick. The final score was 35 to 7.

The Bronco offense logged 22 first downs, rushed for 367 yards on 49 carries, and gained 64 yards on five of six passing. Rollert completed four of five for 36 yards and Acevedo completed one of one for 28 yards. Campbell was the leading rusher with 168 yards on 22 carries. He ran for four touchdowns. Martinez caught one pass for 28 yards and Acevedo caught two for 26 yards.

Sonora will meet the Ballinger Bearcats for the Bi-District game in Angelo Stadium this Friday at 7:30. The Bearcats are the fourth place team in District 4-2A and have an overall record of 3 - 7 and 2-3 in district play. Last year, the Broncos defeated Ballinger in the Bi-District game 35 to 10. Down the playoff road, the Broncos may face two other familiar opponents in Post and Canadian. Come out for a Friday night on the town to support YOUR Sonora Broncos.

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What You Should Know About Medicare Advantage

der the direction of Dr. Mau- sic, they are pursuing degrees and present, of the United

concerts cho" in San Angelo.

- 1. Medicare Advantage Plans are commercial insurance plans. If you join a Medicare Advantage Plan you are no longer enrolled in traditional Medicare.
- 2. Medicare Advantage Plans are not supplemental insurance plans. If you have a Medicare Advantage Plan, you cannot be sold a supplemental plan and must pay 100% of any deductibles and co-payments associated with your plan.
- 3. You can purchase a Medicare drug plan without enrolling in Medicare Advantage.
- 4. If you enroll in a Medicare Advantage Plan, your doctor and other providers may not be in-network for this plan. As a result, you may not be able to use □or may have to pay more to use □Sutton County Hospital District/Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital. If you do not comply with Medicare Advantage Plan rules, such as preauthorization, your out-of-pocket costs may increase, or your coverage could be denied leaving you responsible for all charges.
- 5. In order to avoid charges for services not covered by your plan, please check your enrollment status and let your provider know if you have enrolled in any Medicare Advantage Plan or Medicare Drug Plan before you request services.
- 6. If you are already in a Medicare Advantage Plan, you can switch back to traditional Medicare from October 15 through December 7 by calling 1-800-Medicare.

Sutton County Hospital District is committed to meeting the needs of community members covered by Medicare. We encourage you to carefully evaluate any Medicare Advantage Plans before you decide to give up traditional Medicare, and to check with the hospital business office at 325.387.2521 to see if the plan includes your local hospital and providers.

Keep Venison Quality



By Pascual Hernandez, Sutton County Agricultural **Extension Agent**

Venison is a quality red meat, rich in protein and low in fat. Though taste panels prefer doe venison, that doesn't mean buck venison is low in quality. It simply means a female animal provides less flavor intensity. Nonetheless, how the deer is handled will impact the eating experience. The hunter's role in venison quality begins with the animal harvested. Shot placement is a factor influencing quality that's controlled by the hunter. Hunters should ensure a clean rapid kill because it reduces stress on the animal and maintains meat quality. Any method allowing clean removal of all viscera is acceptable, but immediate field dressing is important because it facilitates rapid carcass cooling. If cold storage facilities are used, the animal should be refrigerated with the skin on to help conserve moisture. If the whole carcass is going home after cold storage, keep it covered to protect it from the drying effects of sun and wind and to prevent contamination from dirt or insects. Large frozen water bottles or gallon milk jugs placed inside the body cavity will help keep the deer cool on the trip home if the weather is warm. If you decide to skin the deer at camp, the hide is easiest to remove while the animal is still warm. Skinning also helps cool the carcass faster. Once skinned, the carcass should be hung in a shady spot and allowed to cool. If insects are a problem, cover the cooled carcass with a fly-proof bag. In warm weather, quarter and store the meat in coolers with frozen ice bottles. There's no need to wash the carcass unless the abdominal cavity was pierced during shot placement. Added moisture may even enhance bacterial activity, so drain any water that accumulates in the ice chests. Remember to wrap venison cuts properly before freezing. Enclose each cut in cling wrap removing as much air as possible to prevent freezer burn. Then wrap the meat in freezer paper and label the package with the name of the cut and date. Normally, venison wrapped in this manner can be stored for up to a year and still be of high quality.

On your next hunting trip, treat venison like the top quality meat product it is. A little consideration, care, and preparation can lead to some of the best eating you've ever

Statement From The Governor

Gov. Rick Perry today issued the following statement regarding President Barack Obama's visit to Dallas to promote

"President Obama deceived the American people by promising that anyone who liked their health care plan could keep it, but millions of Americans are now discovering that simply isn't true. Now, he's coming to Texas in a desperate attempt to salvage his ill-conceived and unpopular program from a Titanic fate by preaching expansion of the same Medicaid system he himself admits is broken. In Texas, where Medicaid already consumes a quarter of the state budget, we simply need the flexibility to implement fundamental, state-specific reforms to our Medicaid program, instead of a one-size-fits-all Washington mandate, before it bankrupts our state. Mr. President, Texans aren't the reason Obamacare is crumbling; Obamacare is the reason Obamacare is crumbling."

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is a good thing that more of our soldiers survive their wounds to come home, but the terror tactics used by our enemies since the 1960's and perfected in the new millennia is having a measurable and lasting impact on the lives of the men and women who do come home. These numbers do not show up in the battlefield reports as "nonmortal" wounds, but in a lot of ways these wounds persist much longer and cause much more damage than a battlefield injury.

In 2012 the National Center for Veterans Analysis and Statistics released a report that showed a 41% increase of veterans who had a service connected disability from 2001-2011 even while the number of overall veterans in the population decreased by 14% in that same time period. The report does not specify what specific kind of disabilities effect the veterans, but a different report from the Congressional Research Service reported that the cases of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) increased from 0 in 2001 to 15,702 cases in 2011. That same report also reported a 33% increase in traumatic brain injury from 2001-2011, and a total of 1,715 battlefield amputations between 2009 and 2013. Each of the medical cases evaluated in the Congressional Research Service report equate to a possible life long treatment or disability.

Of the long lasting conditions affecting our veterans very few have been given as much attention in the media as PTSD. PTSD is a severe condition that may develop after a person is exposed to one or more traumatic events. The diagnosis may be given when a group of symptoms such as disturbing recurring flashbacks, avoidance or numbing of memories of the event, and hyperarousal (high levels of anxiety) continue for more than a month after the traumatic event. PTSD can be described as a Pandoras Box of mental anguish showing itself in the form of depression and anti-social behavior with a wide arrange of different symptoms. If you know or think anyone you do know is suffering from PTSD please contact a doctor or mental health specialist.

new diagnosis in the mental means safe. It is our job to are so much more. It is now as 1000 BC when an Egyptian around people. It is now our en so much and asked for so combat veteran wrote about job to give them something to little in return. To understand mine to go forward...Shud- to ask how they feel in their words. Thank you. dering seizes you, your hair hearts. It is our job to make stands on end, your soul lies sure these warriors at least in your hand". Greek Histori- know that we understand what an Herodotus wrote about the they gave. We need to under-Spartan commander Leonidas who excused his men from a battle in 480 BC after noticing they were psychologically exhausted from previous battles, "they had no heart for the fight and were unwilling to take their share of danger".

In U.S. History it was referred to as "shell shock" with one of the most famous examples being General Patton publicly shaming a soldier for cowardice. During World War I 159,000 soldiers were out of action due to psychiatric problems and 70,000 of them ended up being permanently discharged. World War II showed similar trends when 37.5% of soldiers that saw direct combat being permanently discharged, and in the U.S. Army alone over 500,000 men were unable to fight due to psychiatric reasons. It wasn't until 1980 that the American Psychiatric Association first recognized PTSD. A study later conducted (National Vietnam Veterans' Readjustment Study) that nearly one third of Vietnam veterans have had PTSD at some point in their lives, but most Vietnam Veterans never seek treatment. Psychology Today reported in 2013 that, "these were the kids [Vietnam Vets] who came home before psychiatrists had invented the term post-traumatic stress disorder and before there was counseling available. They learned to live with their pain, their disabilities, their night-

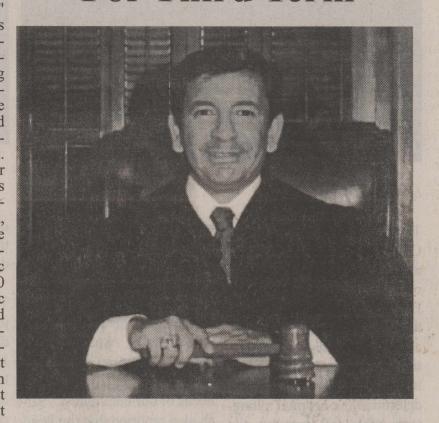
mares and their flashbacks". There is no easy way to transition into this paragraph, no witty transition will help me flow into this next string of information. In 2012 the number of active duty U.S. soldiers who took their own lives was higher than those killed in combat. The suicide rate among veterans was higher than active duty soldiers, and the civilian population. It has been estimated that a U.S. military veteran commits suicide every 80 minutes - totaling 18 veterans a day. The U.S. Military suicide rate grew 15% in 2012, and reports recently revealed that the U.S. Army has a rate of 32 suicides per 100,000 with the Marines reporting 24 per 100,000 in 2012. According to the Center for Disease Control the average suicide rate for the civilian population between the years of 2000-2010 was 12 per 100,000. Meaning that the rates for Army and Marines were at least double that of their civilian counterparts. The numbers reported for veterans have limited value as the Veterans Affairs (VA) office only has data on veterans who seek their services, but the VA did report that suicide rates for military veterans are hitting all time record levels. They estimate that 22 vets a day are taking their own lives.

To fully understand what it means to thank a veteran for their service for their country, it becomes necessary to understand the meaning of the word "serve". As defined in the dictionary the word serve can mean "to present (or give) something to someone". So when you say "thank you for your service to our country", you are saying, "thank you for what you presented to our country". Every Veteran presented our country with the best parts of themselves- sacrificing much more than just the years they spent in the military. Some of them returned home with broken bodies, clouded minds, and tired

PTSD is treatable, but can be spirits. We need to let them stand that they do not want to know that it's not their fault- be heroes, and in understand-While PTSD is a relatively that they are home and home ing that, we realize that they

health field-it's evidence on understand that some of them our time to serve, to care for the battlefield goes as far back always feel alone but can't be the weary soul who has givgoing into battle, "You deter- do with their hands and not all these things is to say two

Judge Pete Gomez Running For Third Term



112th District Judge Pedro "Pete" Gomez Jr. announces today that he is seeking re-election to his third term as your district judge.

Judge Gomez serves the 112th Judicial District which includes five counties: Crockett, Sutton, Reagan, Upton and Pecos. Gomez has served as district judge since January 1, 2007.

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Gomez states that he has enjoyed educating the citizens of the district on the American jury system. He has been appointed by the Chief Justice of the Texas Supreme Court to serve as visiting justice on several occasions on the 8th Court of Appeals in EI Paso, Texas.

He is currently enrolled in the Texas College of Judges, which is a three year study program that allows judges to continue their education in specialized areas of law. He has been a speaker at various legal seminars on areas of law concerning ethics, courtroom practice and family law.

His wife, Pat Gomez, is employed at Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital as a Cardio/Pulmonary Rehabilitation RN. They have five daughters and seven grandchil-

Gomez and his wife are members of St. Ann Catholic Church in Sonora where they both serve as the 12th grade CCE teachers. He is also a 4th Degree Knight of Columbus and is a member of the Downtown Lions Club. He is the son of Pete and Irene "Cuca" Gomez and grandson of Elena Tambunga and the late Fortunato Tambunga.

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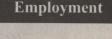
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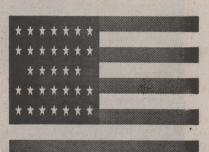
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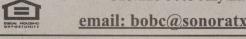


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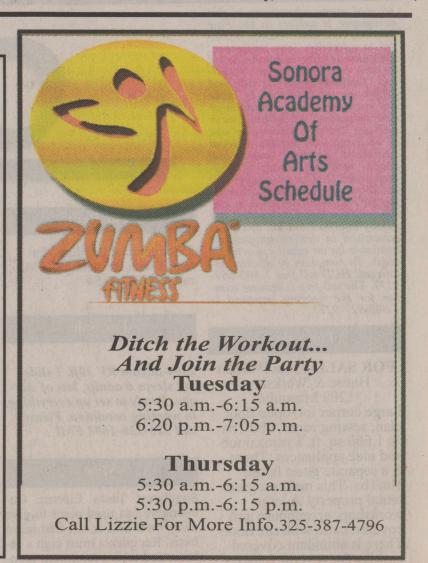


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