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Lee Bloodworth spends the morning working on engraving a silver piece while hanging out in his workshop at his ranch on Wednesday July 27th. When he isn't ranching, Bloodworth is creating custom belt buckles, jewelry and pendants for a wide variety of clientele.
DANNY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

Hardships Foster Creativity in Local Silversmith

While continuing more than a century of the Bloodworth family legacy, ranching in Sutton county, Bloodworth is creating his own legacy as a silversmith.

As a retreat from the rigors of ranching Bloodworth spends countless hours in his workshop crafting his designs. He has been creating with metal for more than thirty years.

Throughout the years of ranching Bloodworth and his family have faced the hardships of drought and economic downturn affecting the price of livestock.

For the past thirty years Bloodworth has managed his stress by spending countless hours drawing, cutting, soldering and engraving some of the finest pieces of jewelry and belt buckles known throughout Texas and the united states.

Metal crafting is one of the oldest and most sought after art forms in the world. And, it goes without question that Lee Bloodworth crafts some of the finest custom belt buckles, jewelry and other items in various metals including silver and gold.

In a small workshop next to his house on the Shaloko ranch, about 20 miles outside of Sonora, Bloodworth custom designs and crafts champion belt buckles, watch bands, money clips, bracelets and rings.

The brands of ranchers that he has fashioned jewelry for over the years cover every surface of his work bench on both sides. A variety of tools span atop his worktable from wall to wall.

"You don't have to have expensive tools to do this," Bloodworth said. "All you really need is a hammer chisel saw and pencil."

After years of working with silver and gold Bloodworth's tools have expanded to include multiple saws, an air powered engraver, a buffing machine, drill, microscope - all alongside his basic tools consisting of a hammer, chisels, a torch, sand paper, chemicals for processing metals, a pencil and some paper.

In the beginning, Bloodworth used windmill parts and copper pipe to create his art forms.

Now, he only uses high quality sterling silver and gold up to 24 karats.

Years ago, when he was an adolescent, Bloodworth developed a passion for silversmithing during the 1950's when he and his family were forced by drought to leave Sutton County and move to New Mexico in search of better lands to farm.

It was during that time that he and his grandmother visited Native American trading posts of the Ysleta and other pueblo peoples watching and learning the trade of jewelry making.

For Christmas one year he and his brother each received a custom made silver belt buckle made by one of the tribe's silversmith.

A few years later the Bloodworth's returned to Texas where he lost his belt buckle. After several failed attempts by various craftsmen to recreate the fine craftsmanship in his buckle,

Bloodworth decided to try making one himself.

He bought a book and taught himself making his first buckle out of windmill parts and copper electric wire.

"To this day I still say this is the best book for learning silversmithing," Bloodworth.

Since then, he has mastered the art of designing and crafting fine jewelry and belt buckles out of solid silver, precious gold and gemstones.

Bloodworth said he has a wide variety of clients from all walks of life and word of mouth is his only means of advertising.

Some of his most loyal clients over the years include Adele Wilson of Sonora. Wilson first saw Bloodworth's jewelry displayed in a booth during Sutton County Days. She bought six bracelets,

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Lee Bloodworth takes pride in crafting custom belt buckles for a wide-variety of customers throughout the United States. He spends twenty or more hours a week in his workshop designing and making artform out of silver and gold.
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Commissioners Receive John Wade's Resignation, OK Budget Amendments

With heavy hearts and somber faces county commissioners discussed the resignation of one of their peers and considered some tough decisions to correct the 2017 budget during their meeting on Monday, August 8th.

It was not a good morning for anyone.

After moving through regular business items on the agenda, Judge Steve Smith read aloud a letter of resignation from John Wade, commissioner Precinct 2. Wade has been absent from recent court meetings for personal reasons. In his letter he explains that he can no longer invest the time and efforts to serving the people in his precinct. He requested that his resignation be made effective August 31st.

Smith is responsible for the appointment of a new commissioner to finish out the duration of Wade's term or nominate an individual to campaign for office in the upcoming general election. Wade has completed one and one-half years of his four-year term.

Additionally, the results of budget workshops and an outside audit realized a budget deficit of about one million dollars, leaving commissioners with no choice but to cut personnel, withdraw money from the replacement fund and raise the county tax rate.

Judge Smith offered recommendations including decreasing the hours of the county judge's secretary from 40 hours per week to 25 hours per week to save on employee wages and benefits.

Also, he suggested a reduction in dues and convention fees paid for the county judge; a reduction in investigation fees and jury expenses for the district court; eliminating funding to the district court's part-time summer employee, as well as, cutting travel expenses allowed to the district attorney.

Additionally, a recommendation was made to eliminate one part-time Sheriff's deputy; a reduction in funding for the

Senior Citizen Center and reducing the library assistant position from full-time to part-time.

Further, suggestions included a request to two individuals employed at the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension office to change their insurance benefits, paid by the county to being paid by Texas A&M. Also, reducing the position of county jail maintenance personnel from a full-time employee position to a part-time employee position.

Finally, a recommendation was made to increase the county tax rate to .680127 cents.

Following a lengthy discussion, the court approved a motion to move forward with the recommendations to help resolve the budget issues, agreeing that these actions are necessary to amend and reconcile the budget and set them back on good standing.

"We have to move to getting into the black," Carl Teaff said, Commissioner Precinct 3.

Commissioner Fred Perez agreed, "We can't keep dipping into our reserves."

Mike Villanueva, Commissioner Precinct 1, voted against showing his disagreement with the recommendations.

In public comments Justice of the Peace, John Wilson thanked Judge Smith and County Auditor Maura Winegar for their countless hours of hard work on the budget. As well, he applauded the commissioners for stepping up and making difficult choices to do what's right for the county and community.

"I appreciate everything you are doing, making cuts as recommended is not good and not popular, Wilson said. "Most of us are in a position to do with less than we have had in the past."

In regular business, the court approved the minutes from the July 25th and 28th minutes.

Additionally, they approved reports as presented for accounts payable, treasurer, JP, Sheriff and Road and Bridge.

Additionally, Commissioners
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Public Addresses SCHD Trustees During Regular Board Meeting

About fifty citizens came out to voice their opinions and concerns during the regular meeting of the Sutton County Hospital Board on Monday, August 8th.

Brigitte Rogers led the charge of comments followed by Dana Leamon who spoke on behalf of Doctors Mark and Kristy Edwards to keep the Rural Health Clinic open.

Frank Wamble engaged the hospital Administrator, John Graves and President Sharon Holman directly. Wamble shared his concerns for his own continued health care by the Edwards.

"I'm not even making sense because I'm just so livid over all of this," Wamble said.

Carla Smith addressed the board and members of the audience with her own opinions and concerns regarding recent issues between the hospital district and the Edwards.

Doctors Mark and Kristy Edwards were present but did not speak.

In regular business, board members approved the minutes

from the July 11th regular meeting and the August 1st special meeting.

Additionally, they approved the financial report ending June 30th and the July expenditures.

In other business, they considered a presentation by Zesch and Pickett regarding employee medical benefits. The board tabled any decisions pending a special meeting to discuss information in greater detail.

Also, Sarah Teaff presented an update on the CHAP Accreditation Contract for Alvis F. Johnson Home Health & Hospice.

Reminding the board that they have already approved the contracts during a previous meeting, she reported the progress being made with the program and individuals involved.

"We are doing good work here," Teaff said. We are working every day for our patients."

John Graves reported on the Rocksprings Medical Clinic. Presently, the board is awaiting a renegotiation of the interlocal contract between Sutton County Hospital District and Edwards

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Parties to Campus-Carry Lawsuit Return to Court

AUSTIN — Three University of Texas professors are seeking a temporary injunction “to at least retain the option of maintaining their academic classrooms as gun-free zones when classes start again.”

In a motion filed in connection with a federal lawsuit filed July 6, the professors are asking the court to bar enforcement of the law when the UT fall semester begins Aug. 24. Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton filed a brief in opposition.

In an Aug. 4 hearing, U.S. District Judge Lee Yeakel ordered the university to clarify its campus-carry policy on Aug. 8 and for parties present their arguments again on Aug. 10.

“In a cruel irony,” the professors’

petition begins, “the Texas Legislature has mandated that 50 years to the day after one of the worst gun-related massacres ever on a college campus — when Charles Whitman gunned down 43 people on or about the campus of the University of Texas in Austin — UT-Austin must begin allowing the concealed carrying of handguns on campus and in class rooms.”

Paxton, on Aug. 1, called the professors’ lawsuit — filed in the Austin Division of the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas frivolous and said, “I’m confident it will be dismissed because the Legislature passed a constitutionally sound law. There is no legal justification to deny licensed, law-abiding citizens on

campus the same measure of personal protection they are entitled to elsewhere in Texas.”

Voter ID rolled back

Texans voting in the November 8 general election might not be required to present a state-approved form of photo identification in addition to their voter registration card.

The state attorney general’s office indicated last week that the State of Texas would not stand in the way of the federal judiciary in relaxing the photo identification requirement that became law in 2011.

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit ruled the Texas law, while not

discriminatory in intent, is discriminatory in effect, and instructed Corpus Christi U.S. District Judge Nelva Gonzales Ramos to approve any changes relaxing the law before the November general election.

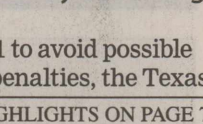
Late toll fees to hit

Toll road customers with overdue toll charges should pay their balances by Aug. 31 to avoid possible late fees and additional penalties, the Texas

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STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling



Smuggler Days

This is a story of lawlessness that happened out west. The border on the Rio Grande in West Texas has always been a place for smugglers. Various things have crossed depending on the need or the market. Some of these articles were liquor, horses, cattle, guns, ammo, mules, sheep,

It Happened Out West



by Joe N. Brown

goats, people, wax, gold and silver. Now in modern times it includes much dope of all kinds.

The incidents I will relate here happened to me and I can tell them now as the statute of limitations has long ago expired. Let me state now I have

never engaged in liquor or dope smuggling and I never will period! Back in the mid-century many things crossed the border. It was a way of life for the old original settlers, also this was not just one way, things went both ways. I have known of many occasions where cattle, horses, mules, sheep, goats and ranch labor crossed both ways.

I will relate two instances where I was directly involved and one where I refused as this one left me in a very vulnerable position.

During the big drought of the 1950s, I was contacted by a friend who was a Mexican citizen with a very cloudy reputation. At this point in time no gold could be imported into the U.S. Our government had placed a ceiling on all gold at \$32 an ounce. Mexico did not allow any gold at all to come out. My cohort had access to about 15,000 gold coins from Pancho Villa days. Besides the gold they were very profitable historically. Our plan was that he and a partner would bring out 200 coins each in backpacks, I would meet them at the “Paso Colorow” on a certain night and market the coins. We were to split the profits equally one-third each after expenses. Good plan - maybe. I got on the phone and found a buyer in Midland who would pay \$100 per coin delivered to San Angelo.

My partners left to begin the transfer. I went to the crossing at “Paso Colorow” for two weeks, no one showed. I decided the deal was over. And in reality it was.

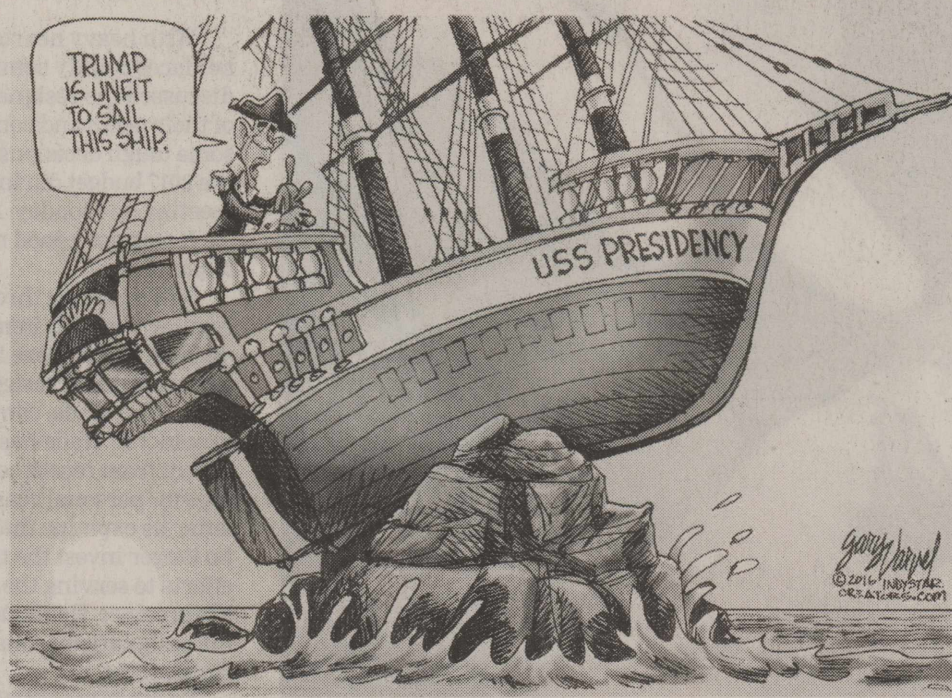
Five years passed with no knowledge of what went wrong. One morning I received a collect call from Mexico and I accepted the call. It was from my old partner who ask that I come to Ciudad Acuna and see him. I informed him I would be there by noon and meet him on the plaza.

Arriving I picked up my friend and we went to a cafe to eat. He had starved down to a mere shadow. I asked “what happened to the gold?” His answer was that this Mexican police had captured them with the first load. After many brutal beatings they were forced to reveal the location of the rest of the gold, which was confiscated by the police. Then my friend was sent to the Saltillo Penitentiary for five years and had just been released. The story ended there.

Later on I was contacted by a wealthy rancher to smuggle six saddle mules into Mexico. This looked like a very simple deal, deliver six mules to the river to a buyer on the Mexican side. Only the man lied to me just like a thief. When I arrived at his pens the mules were loaded in a gooseneck trailer and ready to go. I took the load to the old cable crossing below Dryden. When I arrived the buyer was waiting on the far bank. I unloaded the six mules and found out each had a pack saddle with a long case secured on each side. Proceeding to read the labels on each box I discovered that I had six mules bound for Mexico with 72 Winchester 94s. I jumped each mule in the river and they were received on the far bank by the buyer. This was happening in broad daylight. I went back to the ranch and informed the rancher that the delivery had been made but there would be no more on my part.

Later on I heard that this rancher went to the federal penitentiary for smuggling cattle out of Mexico at Redford.

This ended my adventure into the fine art of smuggling.



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Construction Ahead...and Behind

It’s enough to make grown men cry. This goes for grown women, too, as well as others licensed to drive in this land of the free and the home of roads under construction. (Okay, throw in the unlicensed drivers, too.)

Weeping may be the least we can do. Health professionals confirm that gnashing of teeth and grabbing for flying insects that aren’t there—as well as unintelligible babbling—are symptoms on a lengthening list.

Sales of medications to calm nerves are at an all-time high. Down deep—and often high up—we are given pause, wondering if it is really worth it to get from point “A” to point “B.” Usually, we think it is, eager to add “points” all the way to “Z.”...

Some take to blogs to express frustration, as does Jen Hatmaker, author/speaker/wife/mom and unapologetic Christian. She lets it all hang out in her response to a billboard on Interstate Highway 35, a stretch she reviles near Austin. Its message reads: “One day you will love I-35. Until then, drive safely.”

Jen begs to disagree, saying, “...I have lived along the I-35 corridor since 1987. I will tell you when I will love this highway: Never. Never is when we will love this stretch of grief and broken dreams.”

Oh, but that’s just the beginning.... She has kept stats, claiming her loss of salvation 28,307 times. Her new “highway boyfriend” is the nearby toll road, where the speed limit is 80 MPH and “no one is ever on it.”

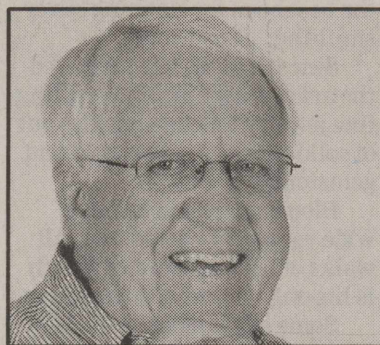
Jen admonishes the getting together of its act, and, “not to be under construction for once in your natural born life. Stop making good Christians curse and swear. Just act right....Quit drinking and get your life together. If the middle wants to get to my beautiful, perfect city, they have to come through you, and you are making people want to break up with Austin.”

Then she blurts, “How dare you? So no, I don’t believe you. One day we will

NOT love I-35 unless it goes to counseling, repents for its sins and cleans up its life.”...

Jen should never think she has the “hate franchise” for I-35 construction. Folks on the same highway entering Fort Worth from the north have similar beefs, and many drivers using the segment daily have few options. Some have none. News recently released that the project will be completed by 2018 offers little consolation.

The Idle American



By Dr. Don Newbury

Maybe drivers stuck in traffic should find ways to use their time creatively. How about nail clipping? (No, not toenails, unless your name is Jack, and you are both nimble and quick.)

Be on the look-out for creative billboards. Some of the best are by funeral homes, including: “Don’t text and drive. We can wait.” Another claims, “Let us urn your business.” Still another: “Put

down the guns, stop doing drugs, and don’t drink and drive. We don’t want your business. We can wait.” Finally, this one, blunt as can be: “Text and drive.”...

Another option is to print a bunch of those old Burma-Shave fence post ads. Just pull ‘em out for pleasant perusal when traffic is at a standstill. A favorite: “Within this veil-of toil and sin-your head grows bald-but NOT your chin.”

Consider copying some of Jen’s blogs. Her creative writing is in the vein of the late Erma Bombeck. (That’s a strong endorsement.) Think, pray, ponder, organize and forgive when everything stops. Try to rank t-shirt messages, such as: “Behind every successful principal is an exhausted assistant principal.”

How about a quick daydream about being one of the 5,000 folks who live in McGregor? A road sign—in place there for decades—reads: “Highways are hazardous. Holy cow! If you lived in McGregor, you’d be home now.” And a warning in Hondo pulls no punches: “This is God’s country. Don’t drive through it like hell.” A gentler message has made west Texas motorists smile for generations. The sign reads: “Stanton, Texas. Home to 3,000 friendly people and a few old soreheads.” Finally, this “oldie” from the 1940s: Speed Limit: 60 MPH; Studebakers, do the best you can.”...

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Hog Tying Contest

Eddie Trapp lives in the Delta County community of Charleston. He is a retired teacher.

“I quit when I got in thirty years,” he says. “I was fifty when I left teaching.” He hunts wild hogs.

“I imagine we’ve caught and killed some 500 hogs.”

He catches the hogs by hand and sells them. He is an expert at hog-tying.

“I take two kinds of dogs with me on hunts. You have the bay dogs or strike dogs that go out and find the hogs and bark at them. You want them to stay back. Then you have a bulldog that you’re leading. You turn him loose when you get close to the hog and he’s just like a heat-seeking missile and goes straight for the hog. He’ll lock down on an ear, then I go in and while the dog’s holding it I throw it and tie it. We take ‘em out alive. I have a way of tying them so circulation won’t be cut off. We take it to a pen and untie it. That’s the way she goes. After you learn how to throw them it starts coming natural. I like to get the right front foot and flip the hog. Then I sit down beside it with my knees on the hog. Imagine a calf roper tying a calf. He’s got it rolled over to him on its back and he puts that piggin’ string on it and wraps it up. Do wild hogs the same way. After the bulldog catches it, get a front leg, kinda rock it on its back and I can hold a 300-pound hog without any trouble. Then people come in with ropes and we tie it up real good, put it in the back of a pickup and take it to a pen. We sell most of them but keep a few to train dogs. A 200 pound hog will bring around fifty dollars.”

He has to be careful with those tusks.

“The bottom ones stick up at perfect angles to hurt somebody. The ones on top are not sharp. They’re called whettters, like a whetstone. Every time that hog opens and shuts its mouth, whettters are hitting on the tusks, which we call the cutters. Sows don’t have those big teeth, which are actually incisors. But if you see a boar hog, you can probably see his teeth sticking out. He’s liable to put you up a tree if you crowd him too much.”

Eddie has written twelve books about his hunting and fishing experiences. Each book has 100 stories. He has taken people from all over the country on hog hunts for years. He is a popular after dinner speaker.

“In more than twenty years of hunting hogs, I’ve only had one slight accident and you can see this fishhook-shaped scar on the base of my middle finger on the left hand. But you really have to be careful. There have been three different times that I would be out in the open and there was nothing to get around except for one tree maybe. When that hog started chasing me I’d grab a limb and swing my feet up and the hog would go right under me, sometimes trying to bite my foot. Most times they go on straight.”

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Red & White Scrimmage



Sonora Broncos football players took the field in a friendly competition scrimmage game on Friday, August 5th wrapping up their first week of two-a-days. The Broncos head to Mason for a scrimmage against the Mason Punchers on Saturday, August 13th at 10:00 a.m. "The Red and White Scrimmage was a huge success," Head Coach David T. Sine said. "The fish fry dinner was outstanding and our players got a chance to showcase what they learned in a week." **DANNY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS**

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County Rocksprings Clinic before making any decisions regarding the future of the clinic.

Additionally, Graves reported an automatic increase in the Hospital District effective tax rate to .192196 from .171808. The effective tax rate guarantees a stable level of revenue each year for the hospital district necessary to help offset the loss of revenue and continued expenditures causing a deficit in the budget.

Upon the recommendation of Graves, the board

tabled the revised timeline proposal for the 2017 budget pending a special meeting.

"We need to come together with an agenda to formulate a budget with a positive outcome," Graves said.

The board went behind closed doors to discuss personnel matters. No action was taken following executive session.

Without further discussion or comments the meeting adjourned.

President Sharon Holman presided over the meeting. Board members

present included Lenora Pool, Edward Earwood, Adelita Alvarez, Don Longoria and John Henry Strauch.

Mary Humphrey was absent.

The next regular meeting of the board is slated for Monday, September 12th, in the multi-purpose room of the wellness center at LMH Memorial Hospital.

John Graves, Sharon Holman and Edward Earwood were available after the meeting to address any questions or concerns from the public.

COMMISSIONERS:

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approved a memorandum of understanding with Texas A&M AgriLife. The memorandum includes technology support and repairs for computer equipment purchased for use at the extension office.

No report was presented by the tax assessor collector or library.

Payment for accumulated employee benefits for vacation and sick leave was tabled pending further review.

Finally, County Clerk Rachel Duran reported that new software is in place and online access to court records will be available by September.

Without further discussion or comments the meeting adjourned.

Judge Steve Smith presided over the meeting.

Commissioners Carl Teaff, Mike Villanueva and Fred Perez were present. Commissioner John Wade was absent.

The next regular meeting of the County Commissioners is slated for Monday, August 22nd at the County Annex.

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Frank Wamble, Sonora resident, addresses members of the Sutton County Hospital Board during the public comments at the start of their regular meeting on Monday, August 8th. About fifty citizens participated in the meeting. **DANNY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS**

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Sonora, Mason Scrimmage Slated for Puncher Dome

Submitted by David Culver

The Mason Punchers will host the Sonora Broncos varsity and JV at the Mason PuncherDome on Saturday, August 13, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Enjoy a fine BBQ meal of sausage, pork and all the trimmings hosted by the Mason Puncher Club for only \$10.00 per plate.

Cheerleaders will be selling snow cones to beat the heat.

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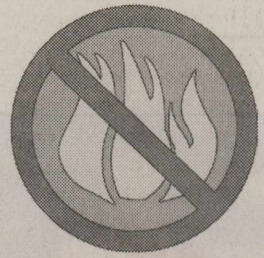
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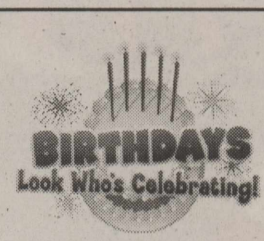
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| April | 2.58 in. | April | 2.95 in. |
| March | 3.39 in. | March | 2.62 in. |
| February | 0.77 in. | February | 1.04 in. |
| January | 0.36 in. | January | 0.38 in. |
| 2016 Year-to-Date TOTAL | 13.15 in. | 2016 Year-to-Date TOTAL | 16.27 in. |
| 2015 | 23.87 in. | 2015 | 25.31 in. |
| 2014 | 14.32 in. | 2014 | 12.72 in. |
| 2013 | 25.12 in. | 2013 | 25.00 in. |
| 2012 | 16.06 in. | 2012 | 17.82 in. |
| 2011 | 11.50 in. | 2011 | 10.49 in. |
| 2010 | 20.37 in. | 2010 | 17.94 in. |
| 2009 | 21.67 in. | 2009 | 28.44 in. |

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 - 14th Tammie Love
 - 15th Freddie Benson, Beverly Valliant, Rayonna Blackman
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- Carnival city
- Perpetually
- Women's sportswear line
- Enthusiastic demanding star?
- Covered with goo
- Marks sales prices
- Character
- Mountain crest
- Goods: Abbr.
- Invitation letters
- British wheel
- Keep away outcast?
- Football coach Don
- Words of wisdom
- Promising words
- Switch settings
- Quirky
- Senate vote
- Recess
- To the point
- Accepted brewless brew?
- With warts and all
- "The Leaves of Life keep falling one

by one" poet

- Sushi selection
- Peace offering
- Venus's sister
- Cartoonist Will
- "How things stand..."
- Created runny cheese?
- Unflinching folks
- Victorian
- Earlier
- Dazed

DOWN

- Noah's landfall
- Driver's attire
- Hang out
- Shrub border
- Budget rival
- AZ neighbor
- Old-timer
- Subdued color
- Rights grp.
- Mixed in
- Era
- Night before
- Poppa
- Takes out
- Wall Street org.
- Alice's diner
- Lyra's brightest star
- Bird of _____
- Bleed
- Boys
- Worked the soil
- Data
- Geom. line
- Special event
- Kind of tradition
- "What's the _____?"
- Inquisition target
- Shop holders
- Analyze syntactically
- Fancy
- One billion years
- Easter _____
- Cooling-off period
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- Model Cheryl
- Loaded
- Modify text
- Nile reptile
- R followers
- "My hands _____ tied"

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Museum History & Journalism



Pictured (L-R) Bailey Gonzales, Amber Vasquez, Omar Salazar, Felicia Farley, Gabriel Garcia and Xavier Rodriguez. Sonora High School Journalism students participated in a research project at the Icehouse Museum, Friday, August 5th. The young scholars investigated the former Sonora mascot, a Bobcat, learning it's origin and history chronicled in vintage annuals dating back to 1919. Today, the school mascot is the Bronco. | COURTESY PHOTO

Congressman Will Hurd Hosts Technology Workshop in Sonora

Congressman Will Hurd greeted residents during a technology workshop, open to the public at no cost on Thursday, August 4th, at the John and Mildred Cauthorn Memorial Depot, Sonora.

About twenty people participated in the Sonora Tech2Town, one of several educational workshops that Hurd is hosting in West Texas to provide up-to-date information to help people keep up with today's technology.

"It's an important issue in all parts of the state," Hurd said. "I am proud to be a part of this."

Hurd teamed up with Microsoft, Webhead Technologies, Inc. and SASTEMIC, a San Antonio-based nonprofit, that offers communications technology training, to present a wide-variety of up-to-date ideas and understanding in computer software, including social media.

Representatives were on hand to answer questions and provide hands-on training during the workshop.

Today science, technology, math and engineering careers are the direction of the future, according to Hurd.

As well, "technology language" is essential to today's world because everyone is a "technologist," whether they are a student, administrator or small business operator.

Technology is ever evolving and training, especially in small rural areas, is key to maintaining Texas' healthy economy, according to Hurd.

Guest speaker, Lyndsey Hoffman, Community Development Specialist at Microsoft and Jake Lopez, Executive Director of SASTEMIC presented material focused on how to navigate through software and programs currently on the market.

Janie Gonzales, CEO Webhead, answered questions regarding social media and the possibilities of pursuing a career working from home.

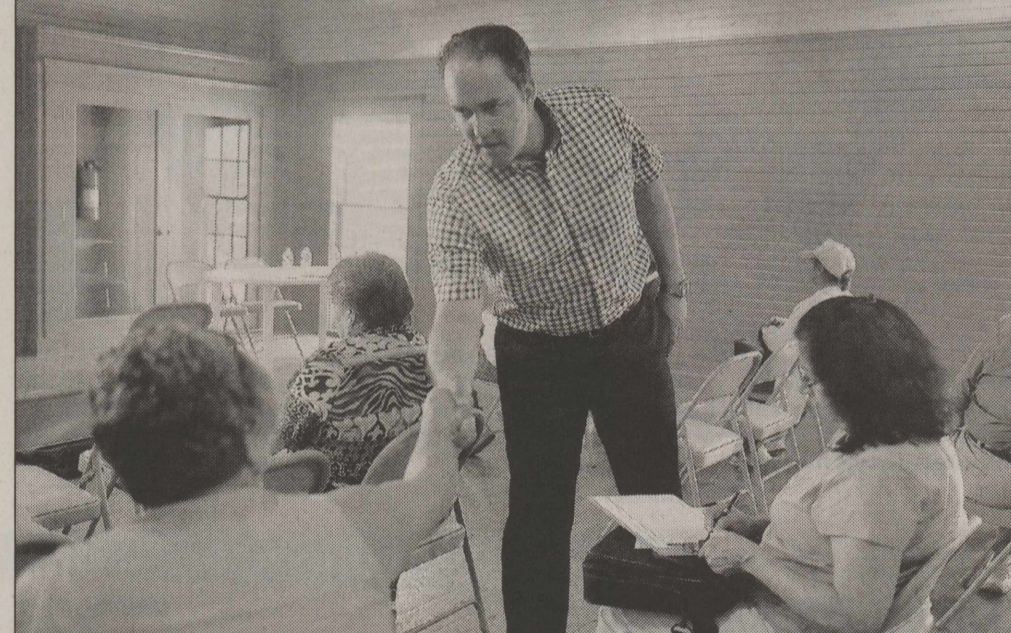
Sonora resident Cecilia Sanchez said she thinks everybody, not just young people, should learn how to use the technology that is available today, especially social media.

"I think it is important because technology has made the world smaller [geographically]," Sanchez said. "Social media connects us and keeps us closer to one another."

The capabilities of Facebook and Twitter make it easier for her to connect with friends, family and other special people including the Pope said Sanchez. She said this is especially important for her because he is a significant figure to her and her faith.

Along with providing hands-on education, the goal of these technology workshops is to provide necessary tools for job training and expansion for everyone.

"If we are able to enlighten one person, it's terrific," Hurd said. "Today's workshop has a good crowd of people, who presented good questions."

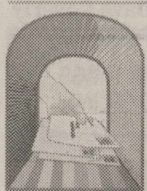


Congressman Will Hurd shakes hands with Sonora residents before the start of The Tech2Town Workshop on Thursday, August 4th, at the John and Mildred Cauthorn Memorial Depot in Sonora. | KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

Back to School Bash - 2016 Back Pack Winner



The Sonora Bank & Trust announced its Back to School Bash - 2016 back pack winner, Sebastian Garza, on Tuesday, August 9th. Pictured (L-R) Addy Ford, Catherine Herrera, Juanita Estrada, Beth Burleson, Sebastian Garza, Rosa Sanchez, Estela Renteria, Christina Hernandez, Jace Cordell and JoAnn Hernandez. | COURTESY PHOTO



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters to the Editor express the opinions of their author. They do not necessarily reflect the views or opinions of the staff, management or ownership of the Eldorado Success.

Resolution is Better than Blame

Character assassination is one of the oldest forms of debate.

The blow back of engaging in this sort of activity is that it speaks volumes of our character and less of the character of our opponent. Such argument seeks to dehumanize the "foe" into something impersonal, denying them the birthright of being recognized as a human being worthy of dignity and respect.

Name calling objectifies our fellow man into a problem that can be easily and swiftly cast aside and replaced with another. This act is accompanied with a promise that "now, things will be different" - until a new problem not of "our" liking arises, of course.

Mr. Graves is neither a problem, nor an object, but a decent human being and a proven leader. One who welcomes differences, knowing that they provide an occasion for positive outcomes by looking into solutions, options, opportunities, wise counsel, and sound teamwork: all of which speak of John.

Let us refrain from engaging in human depravity which manifests itself when we lower ourselves and our fellowman into objects, problems, or chattel. May we work together, pooling the best of our resources to resolve the opportunities before us as one.

Sincerely,

Carlos R. Baladez, Jr., RN CCM BSN MDIV PhD

What Comments Really Mean

We appreciate your outstanding reporting on the above subject. Your follow up and follow through is what we expect of a wonderful paper.... Thank you.

Mr. Graves comments in your article deserve scrutiny. "The Board of Directors of Sutton County Hospital District, John Graves and Dr. Hall would like to publicly announce they have mutually agreed to resolve all disputes between them. The hospital district and Dr. Hall believe this solution is in the best interest of all parties and the community of Sonora"

Certainly this settlement is in the best interest of John Graves hospital CEO, in that he was the person being sued along with the district. The district paid dearly for his misstep. The loss of hundreds of thousands of dollars to the bottom line of Sutton County Hospital is unconscionable. Further, it is inconceivable that after moving his family of seven, building a home in Sonora, in order to care for our population, that Dr. Hall would be pleased with anything Mr. Graves says. After all Mr. Graves fired him. One question remains what is the status of the hospital insurance? Are we still with the same carrier? Have our rates increased?

Once again, thank you for the thorough, timely and complete reporting on this tragedy.

Sincerely,
Brigitte R. Rogers

Hospital CEO is Worthy of Respect

I led the search for the CEO at Lillian Hudspeth Memorial Hospital. I have known John professionally for a number of years. I am sorry to hear there are some in your community who have decided to be critical of John, even question his integrity, because he supports a particular point of view on an issue.

First let me say that John had an excellent career the US Air Force. From a family with very limited financial means, he enlisted as an airman and was assigned to one of the USAF bands. He later transferred to the Medical Service Corp. During his tenure in the Air Force he earned a bachelor's and a master's degree. He rose to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel before he retired. This makes him a fairly rare breed among military officers — he is a mustang which means he climbed from the enlisted ranks to become a top-ranking officer in the Medical Service Corps. This says a great deal about his ability, his leadership and his performance. If you do not perform, you are "retired."

He was credited with leading a redesign of the Air Force's revenue cycle system that was later adopted by other service branches.

John received highest praise from his former colleagues and superiors in the Air Force. He was praised for his leadership, his effectiveness and his integrity. We conducted an in-depth background investigation before recommending him to the Board.

John's civilian career also won him praise from his references.

I work with a lot of rural and community hospitals across the country and I cannot say enough nice things about Sonora, and its people. I do understand that, from time to time, there are issues that create friction in a small town. Everyone knows everyone so that makes policy or strategy disagreements or conflict more challenging. It is also not uncommon for criticism to be based on a lack of knowledge of the facts of an issue, or an understanding one side of an issue.

You may not agree with John's position on a given subject, but he is a dedicated patriot, a man who gave great service to our nation. That is worthy of our respect. Hospitals are facing increasing financial pressures through reductions in Medicare and commercial reimbursement. We can disagree but we cannot let these disagreements damage the hospital.

We can disagree but we should do so respectfully and with a commitment to understand both sides of an issue.

Sincerely
John G. Self

SILVERSMITH:

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one for herself and one for each of her daughters. Since then, she and her family have collected many of Bloodworth's pieces over the past thirty years.

"From that day on my work has spread by word of mouth I have customers from all over Texas and other states as far away as New York," Bloodworth said.

Bloodworth said his clientele includes all income levels. From the average wage person to multi-millionaires. He said he tries to make quality items to fit every budget.

He said the fun part of it is that he never knows who is going to be on the other end of the phone line, who the next customer will be.

Bloodworth tailors his work to farmers and ranchers who want their unique brands depicted on custom made buckles, pendants or other pieces.

He also crafts jewelry and buckles for the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association and the owner of Ruidoso Downs in New Mexico.

As well, he was commissioned to make buckles for the All American Quarter Horse Futurity as well as others honored by the racetrack.

Referring to himself as a fabricating silversmith, no two pieces are alike, Bloodworth is always striving for perfection on each piece he

creates.

Admitting that every piece has one or two flaws in it somewhere, he takes pride in his craftsmanship, photographing each piece so that he may look back and reflect on his beginning and progress.

"If you look close you will see mistakes - nobody is perfect," Bloodworth said. "Making them isn't hard. The hardest part is covering up your mistakes without ruining something that you just spent hours making."

Depending upon the demands of his ranch work, Bloodworth said he spends 20 or more hours a week in his shop - referring to it as his "escape."

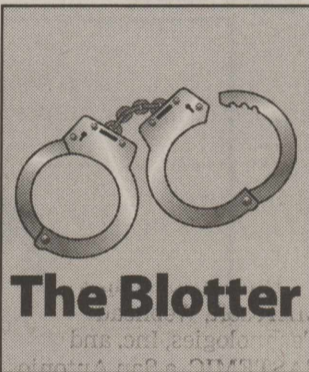
"I lose track of time," Bloodworth said. "It's nothing to come out here in the afternoon and start working and before I know it's one or two o'clock in the morning."

From September through December 25th is his busiest season and gifting is the reason he became a business.

He said he couldn't afford to keep making things and giving them away as gifts.

As for his commitment to his trade, Bloodworth said it is no different than ranching and he plans to continue until age or other factors no longer allow it.

"I'm my own boss," Bloodworth said. "And payday only comes after all of the work is finished."



The Blotter

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

ARRESTS

AUGUST 5 • Jose Mendoza-Guerrero, 24-year-old male, arrested for warrant out of Johnson County.

• Jesus Humberto, 47-year-old male, arrested for Warrant out of Wilbarger County.

• Simon Cardona-Garcia, 51-year-old male, arrested for City of Sonora Warrant.

AUGUST 6 • Francisco Michael Galindo, 42 yr old male, arrested for Public Intoxication.

INCIDENTS

AUGUST 1 - 8:55 AM • Alarm call on 100 block of W. Chestnut. Officer responded.

AUGUST 2 - 12:21 AM • Suspicious Activity reported at 610 S. Crockett. Officer responded.

10:40 AM • 9-1-1 dropped calls on 100 Block of E. Pecan. Officer responded.

2:22 PM • 9-1-1 call at Days Inn. Officer responded to assist.

5:07 PM • Runaway reported. Officer responded.

6:47 PM • Caller reported family violence on 1000 block of S. Crockett. Officer responded.

8:11 PM • Disturbance reported on 1000 block of S. Crockett. Officer responded.

AUGUST 3 - 12:34 AM • 9-1-1 dropped call on 100 block of E. Plum. Officer responded.

11:24 AM • Alarm reported on 700 block of Prospect. Officer responded.

7:02 PM • Family violence reported on 800 block of St. Ann's. Officer responded.

AUGUST 4 - 12:57 PM • Caller reported an accident on 400 block of E. College. Officer responded.

6:04 PM • Traffic control requested for AirMed. Officer responded.

6:49 PM • Theft reported at Dollar General. Officer responded.

9:32 PM • Officer requested for civil matter on 1200 block of Orient Ave. Officer responded.

AUGUST 5 - 1:46 PM • Caller reported a vehicle hit and run

on 700 block of Mesquite. Officer responded.

3:00 PM • Agency requested assist on 300 block of Calle de San Francisco. Officer responded.

3:04 PM • Officer requested for civil matter on 1300 block of Tayloe. Officer responded.

5:36 PM • Caller reported suspicious activity on 100 block of E. Oak. Officer responded.

7:23 PM • Welfare concern reported on 100 block of Tres. Officer responded.

9:02 PM • Agency requested assist on N. Hwy 277. Officer responded.

AUGUST 6 - 12:22 AM • Loud music reported on 100 block of Deerwood Dr. Officer responded.

10:22 AM • Welfare concern reported on Uno street. Officer responded.

1:24 PM • Agency requested assist. Officer responded

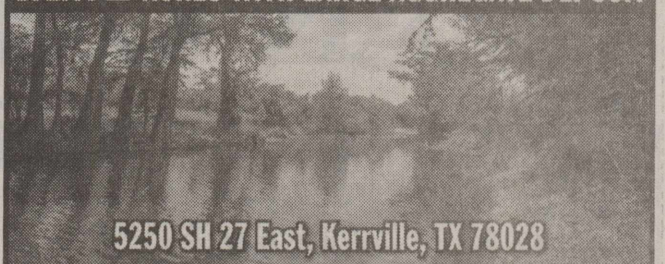
5:53 PM • Theft reported on 500 block of S. Crockett. Officers responded.

8:48 PM • Family disturbance reported on 800 block of St. Ann's. Officers responded.

AUGUST 7 - 1:07 AM • Loud music reported on 100 block of Edgemont.

1:35 AM • Caller reported suspicious person on N Hwy 277. Officer responded.

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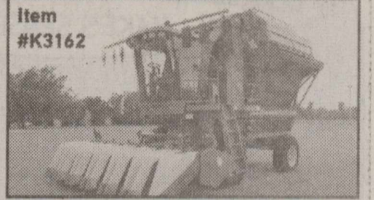
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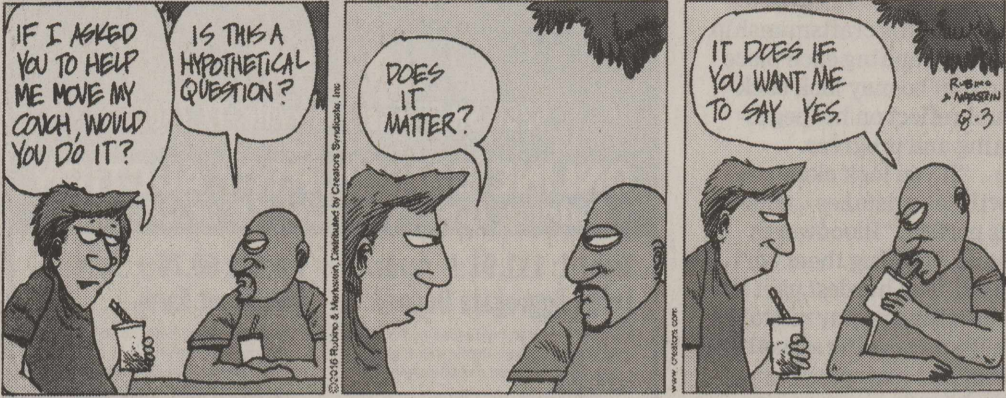
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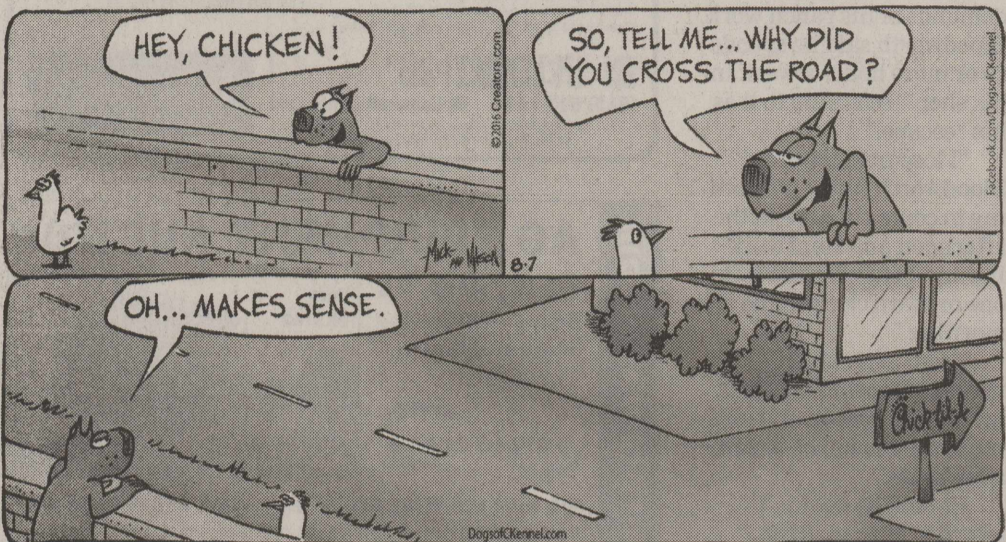
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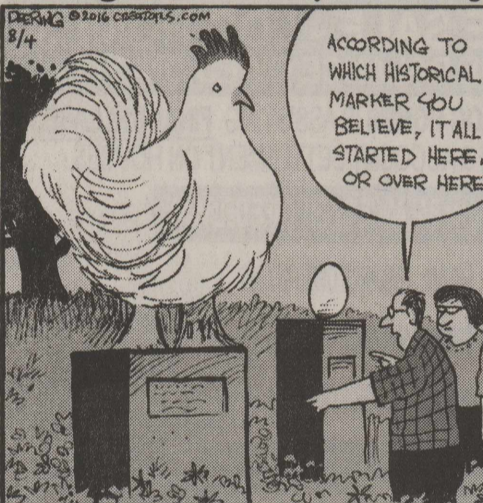
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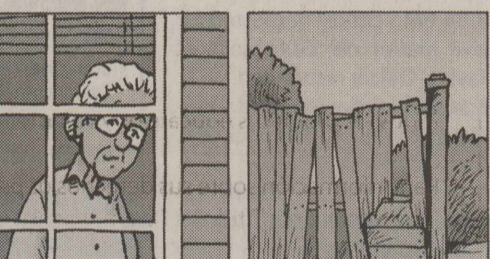
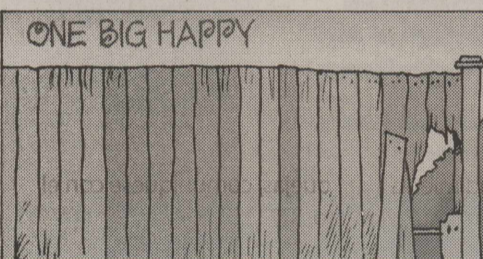
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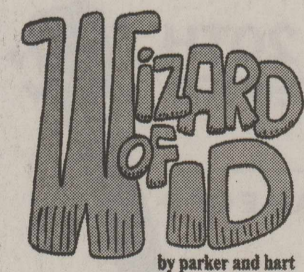
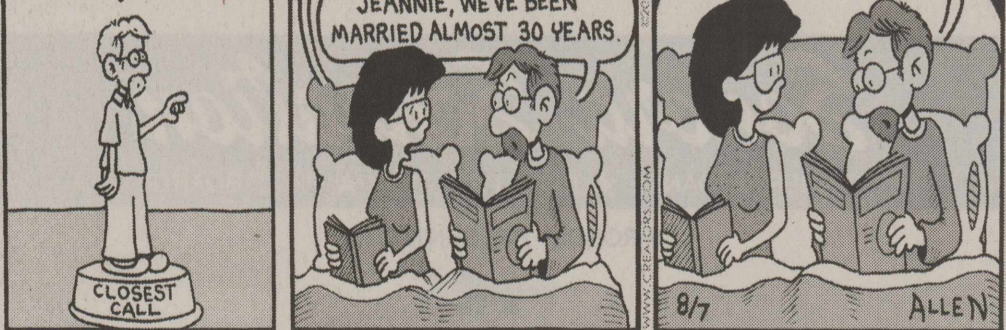
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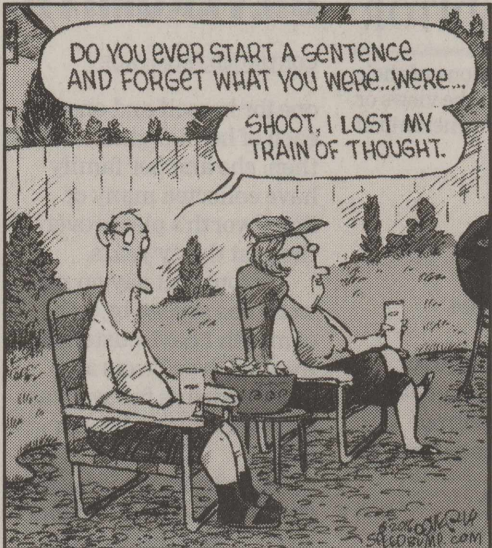
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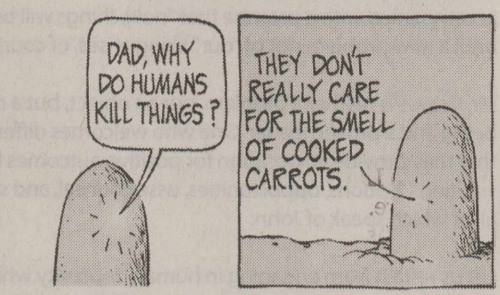
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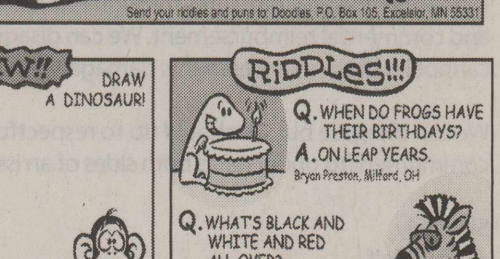
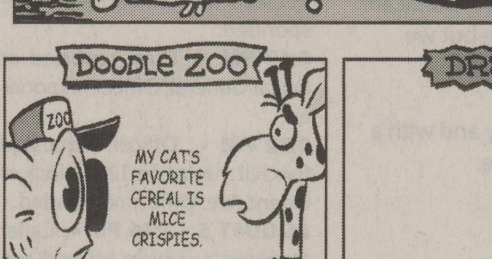
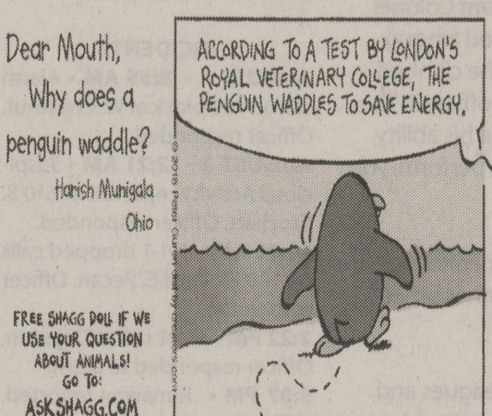
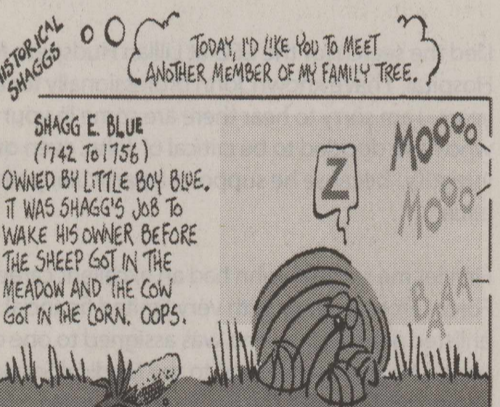
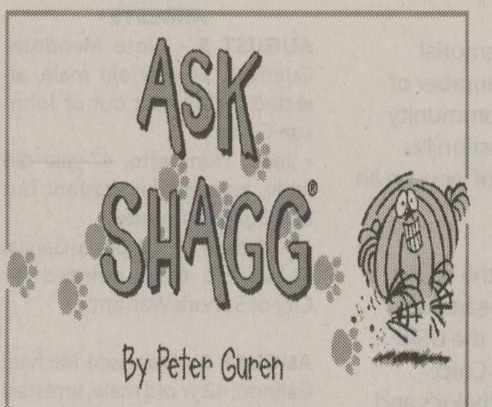
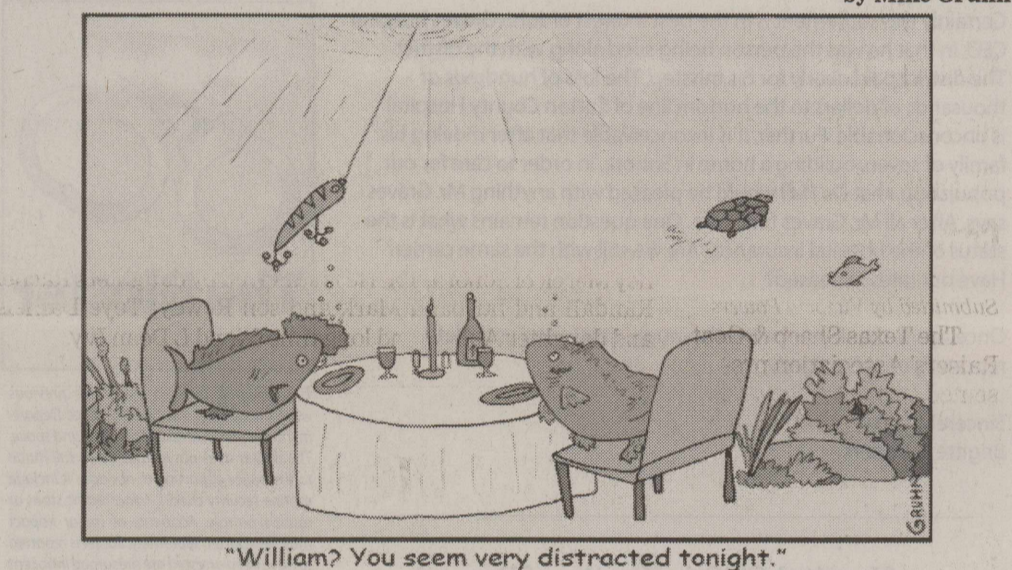
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Charles "Butch" Taylor Named Among 11th Annual Dietert Memorial Award Winners

Submitted by Victoria Powers
The 2016 recipients of the 11th annual Clarence and Doris Dietert Memorial Award are Debbie McMullan of Iraan and Dr. Charles A. (Butch) Taylor, Jr. of Sonora.

The awards were presented at the barbecue at the Roeder Ranch outside of Kerrville during the 101st annual Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers' convention.

Debbie McMullan is a graduate of Iraan High School and Angelo State University. She also attended Sul Ross State University and received a degree in Library Science from there.

She was the librarian for the Iraan-Sheffield ISO for 19 years.

Debbie became active in the Woman's Auxiliary to the Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers' when she married rancher Dean McMullan.

After serving on various committees, she served as Auxiliary President for 1995-1996, and she is the current Auxiliary President. During her tenure, she has focused on education and promotion of wool, mohair and lamb with exhibits at the Dallas State Fair and the San Angelo Stock Show as well as other regional shows.

In selecting her for this

award, the past presidents pointed to Debbie's numerous contributions to the sheep and goat industry and the Auxiliary through the years.

She and Dean have two grown sons and three grandchildren.

Dr. Charles A. (Butch) Taylor retired as Superintendent of the Sonora Research Station on May 31, 2016. Right after that, the TSGRA past presidents selected him as one of the winners of the coveted Dietert Award for his life-long contributions to the betterment of the sheep and goat industry.

Dr. Taylor was born and raised in Lubbock. He received three degrees from Texas A&M - Bachelor of Science in 1970, Masters in 1973 and PhD in 1983. He worked for the Sonora Research Station for 43 years, 32 of which were as Superintendent.

In addition to his duties as Superintendent, he served as adjunct professor at Angelo State, Sul Ross State University, Texas Tech and Oklahoma State University.

He was the director of the Academy for Ranch Management, which trained over 500 landowners in the basics of range management and

prescribed fire. He started the first prescribed burn association in 1997 with 30 members, and today there are over 50 prescribed burn associations from south Texas to Nebraska.

He has been an active member of the Society of Range Management since 1977 and has served the Texas Section as a director, second vice president, first vice president and president. He has received many, many lifetime achievement awards throughout his long career, all of which were extremely well deserved.

Dr. Taylor and his wife, Cleone, have three sons, all of whom were raised at the Sonora Research Station.

Clarence and Doris Dietert of Boerne, TX were lifelong members of the Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers' Association and its Auxiliary who attended all meetings and contributed in every way possible for as long as they could. They believed in the work of the Association and what the organization was trying to accomplish.

Upon their deaths, the Association was informed in July of 2005 that they had made a sizable bequest to continue the work the organization does for all producers of sheep and goats.

Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers' Association Honors Craig Leonard During 101st Annual Convention

Submitted by Victoria Powers
The Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers' Association presented a variety of awards to outstanding individuals, including Sonora resident Craig Leonard, during their 101st Annual Convention on Friday, July 22, 2016, in Kerrville.

Leonard was awarded the Young Ranchers Award for 2016.

The son of Gary and Carol Leonard and grandson of James and Patricia Leonard, he grew up helping his dad and grandfather run the family ranch located between Del Rio and Sonora.

Today, he continues to work with his dad on a new heifer development program and also runs his own club lamb operation.

Leonard attended Del Rio schools, where he was very active in Val Verde 4-H.

Upon moving to Sonora, he remained involved in 4-H and FFA, showing market lambs and judging wool and mohair while attending High School.

Following graduation, Leonard studied at Texas Tech University where he earned a B. S. degree in Animal Science with a concentration in animal business.

Additionally, he was named the outstanding senior in the Department of Animal and Food Sciences. Next, Leonard pursued a master's degree in Animal Science which he completed in May of 2013.

Currently, Leonard is pursuing a career with Caithorn and Griffin Ranch Insurance after gaining three years of experience as a credit analyst, executive assistant to the CEO and loan officer at Sonora Bank.

Finally, Leonard is active in his church and in the community.

As well, he is often seen helping students with their club lamb projects.

DEATH NOTICES

John Merck

John Merck, 70, died August 9, 2016 in Albuquerque, NM. He was preceded in death by parents Jake and Mildred Turney Merck of Sonora, TX. He is survived by daughters Rachel Randall and husband Mark and son Rowdy; Toye Daniels and daughter Aubry; and long time friend L Dean Ivy.

CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS: Toll Fees

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2
Department of Transportation announced on Aug. 2. TxDOT said late fees on unpaid tolls were suspended in 2015 as the agency migrated to a new billing system, but in September 2016, the agency said, it plans to resume late fees for unpaid tolls.

Threat of Zika is high
Texas remains on high alert for the transmission of Zika virus disease by mosquito bites.

The State Department of Health Services on Aug. 3 urged Texans to take the following precautions against the disease:

- Apply Environmental Protection Agency-approved insect repellent;
- Wear pants and long-sleeve shirts that cover exposed skin;
- Use screens or close windows and doors to keep mosquitoes out; and
- Remove standing water in and around the home in any container that can hold water.

Texas has reported 93 cases of Zika, all related to travel abroad to areas with active Zika transmission but no local transmission through mosquito bite has been detected yet in Texas, according to Dr. John Hellerstedt, Texas Department

of State Health Services commissioner.

"If Texas has local transmission, we'll quickly announce it and describe the area of potential risk for Texans," Hellerstedt said. "We're working in lockstep with our local and federal partners to ensure a strong Texas response," he added.

Meanwhile, Texas Medicaid announced Aug. 3 that the cost of mosquito repellent for eligible women who are between the ages of 10 and 45 or pregnant would be covered. More information is available at TexasZika.org.

Revenue report is in
State sales tax revenue totaled \$2.37 billion in July, 1.5 percent lower than in July 2015, Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar announced on Aug. 2.

Furthermore, Hegar added, "State sales tax collections continue to be down, largely due to depressed spending in the oil and natural gas-related sectors. By contrast, collections from the construction and retail trade sectors rose compared to the previous year."

Total sales tax revenue for the three months ending in July 2016 is down 3.3 percent compared to the same period a year ago.

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Sonora ISD will take steps to assure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in all educational and vocational programs.

For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the Title IX Coordinator, Ross Aschenbeck, at 807 S. Concho, 325-387-6940 ext 3001, and/or the Section 504 Coordinator, Stefanie Taylor, at 807 S Concho, 325-387-6940 ext. 3401.

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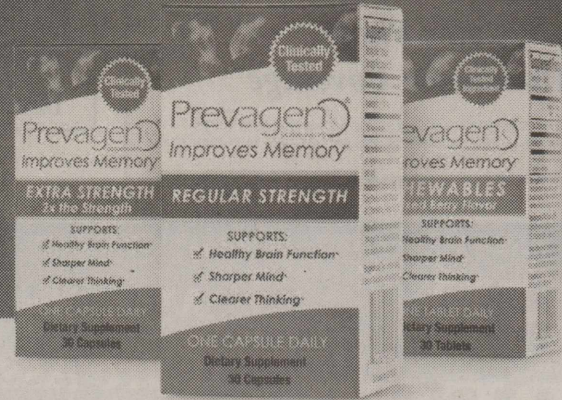
El Distrito Escolar de Sonora ofrece programas vocacionales en Ciencia de Agricultura, Ciencias de Consumo Familia, Carrera y Tecnología y Tecnología Industrial. La admisión a estos programas se basa en necesidades y deseo de participar.

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The 4 Ds of Mosquito Defense

The mosquito-transmitted Zika virus has been much in the news because it is a potential threat to the health of unborn babies in Texas and other states.

Nearly 50 cases have been identified in Texas. While people enjoy outdoor activities during summer, keep in mind that our first line of defense against Zika is to avoid being bitten by mosquitoes.

It's important to remember the "Four Ds" as a first line of defense. They are:

1) Drain: The Aedes aegypti and A. albopictus mosquitoes that transmit Zika occur commonly in our backyards where their eggs are laid and larvae live in standing water.

So we should empty standing water, thus eliminating mosquito breeding sites. Breeding areas can include sites as harmless as containers under potted plants and bird baths. Other trouble areas are old tires, empty cans and bottles, kiddie pools, buckets, boat tarps and even clogged gutters.

Mosquito dunks, commonly sold in garden centers for mosquito control in landscape ponds, can be used to treat water that cannot be readily drained.

The dunks contain insect growth regulators or mosquito-specific bacteria to effectively control mosquito larvae.

Neither approach is harmful to fish or other aquatic organisms.

2) Dress: Put on long sleeved shirts and pants when going outside. Mosquitoes are active at sunrise and sunset, but

commonly bite throughout the day as well.

3) Defend: Apply mosquito repellent when going outside. Mosquito repellents containing DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus, called IR3535, as active ingredients provide reasonably long-lasting protection from mosquito bites.

Most repellents can be used on children over two months of age, with the exception of those containing oil of lemon eucalyptus, which should not be used on children younger than 3 years old.

For babies under two months of age, infant carriers fitted with mosquito netting are recommended. Always read and follow label instructions.

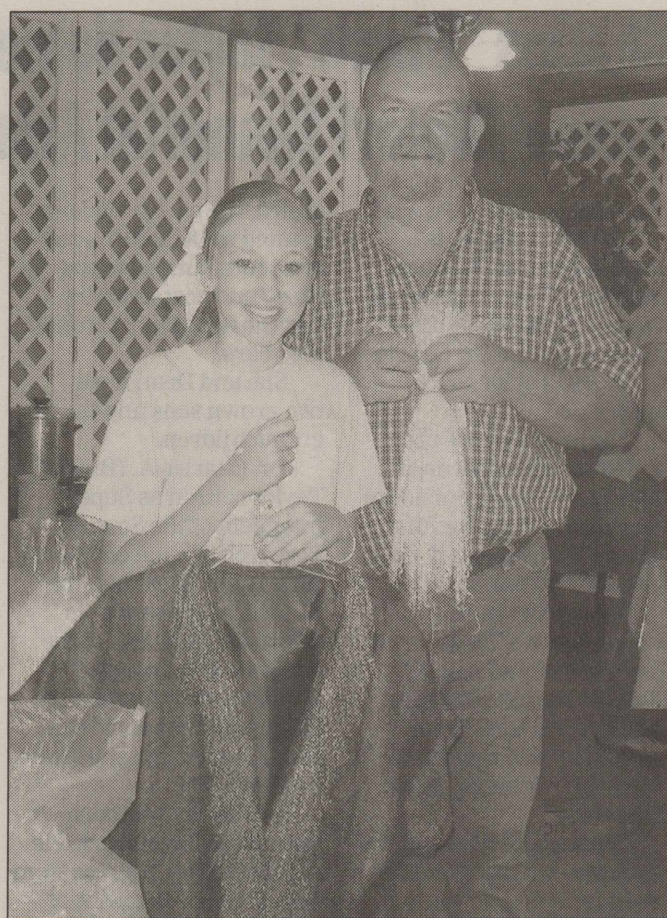
4) Dusk and Dawn: When possible, avoid outdoor activity during these two most mosquito-active periods.

Other simple steps such as repairing screen doors and windows or mowing down weeds are also important to keeping mosquitoes at bay.

At this point, controlling mosquitoes and protecting yourself from infection are the two key factors in the rigorous defense against this new mosquito-borne virus threat.



Pascual Hernandez



QuinnLyn Taylor and her grandfather, Dale Naumann, presented information and demonstrations regarding their family produced Mohair during the Sheep and Goat Organization's meeting on August 1st. (COURTESY PHOTO)

Dale Naumann and Grand Daughter, QuinnLyn Taylor Speak at Sheep & Goat Org.

Submitted by Fran Dendy

Understanding the importance of top quality mohair, Dale Naumann complimented the Hill Country Sheep & Goat Organization for giving scholarships to students during their regular meeting on August 1st.

Naumann and his family know all too well that when carefully handling fleece fibers, one can work with it in ringlets, as if still on the goat, form it into a spinning batt, or separate it to look like a puffy cloud.

For Dale and Bonnie Naumann, spinning is the most popular method for producing their mohair products because it allows them to create yarn and weave it into variety of clothing and accessories including shawls, scarves, vests, ponchos and throws.

Naumann who is a former Ag. teacher and a school principal, said he and his family work hard to produce superior Mohair from their fine haired Pembrook bloodline angoras.

They wash and rinse the fleeces by hand then dry them on racks in the sun.

The natural raw fibers are washed snow white, dyed a variety of fade resistant colors.

Also, Naumann's granddaughter, twelve year old QuinnLyn Taylor, from Junction demonstrated how to dye the fleece in several colors at once.

Additionally, members contributed various items for their silent auction taking place during the upcoming 48th Annual Wool and Mohair Luncheon and Fashion Show on October 25th at the YO Resort Hotel, Kerrville.

All of the proceeds from the auction benefit education and scholarships. For tickets please call Fran Dendy 830-257-5942.

Finally, the selection of a new logo for HCSGO was tabled until the next regular meeting.

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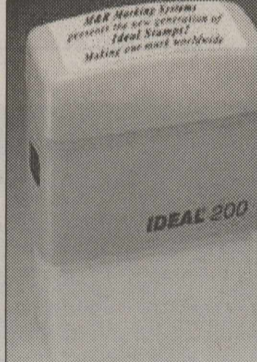
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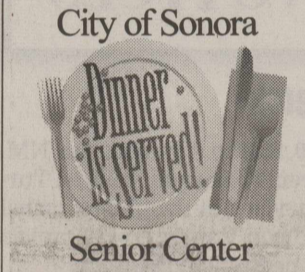
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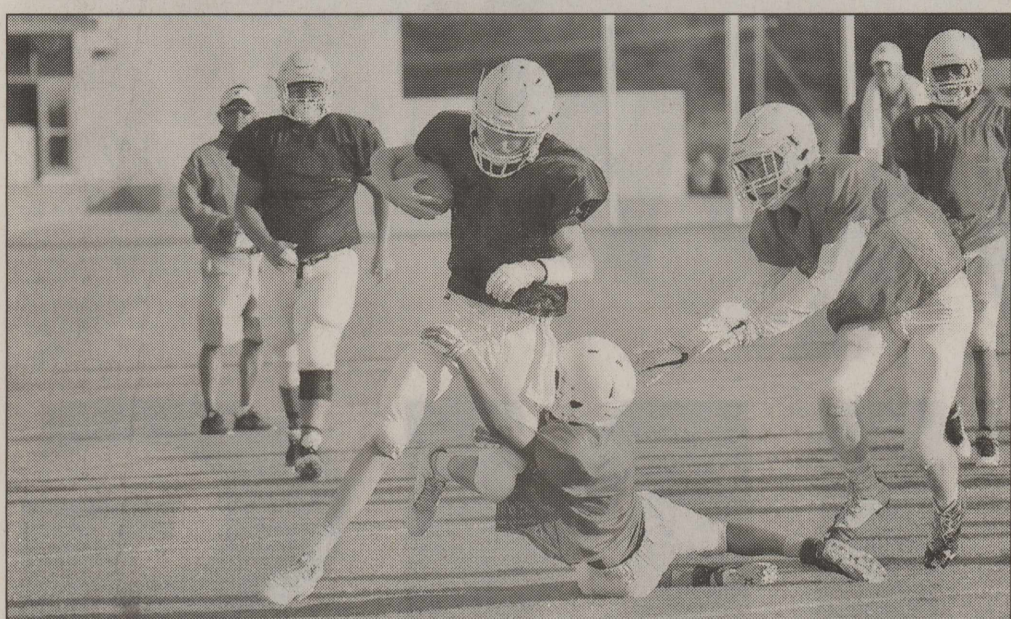
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Sonora Broncos football players take a friendly scrimmage wrapping up their first week of two-a-days practice at Bronco Stadium on Friday, August 5th. **DANNY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS**



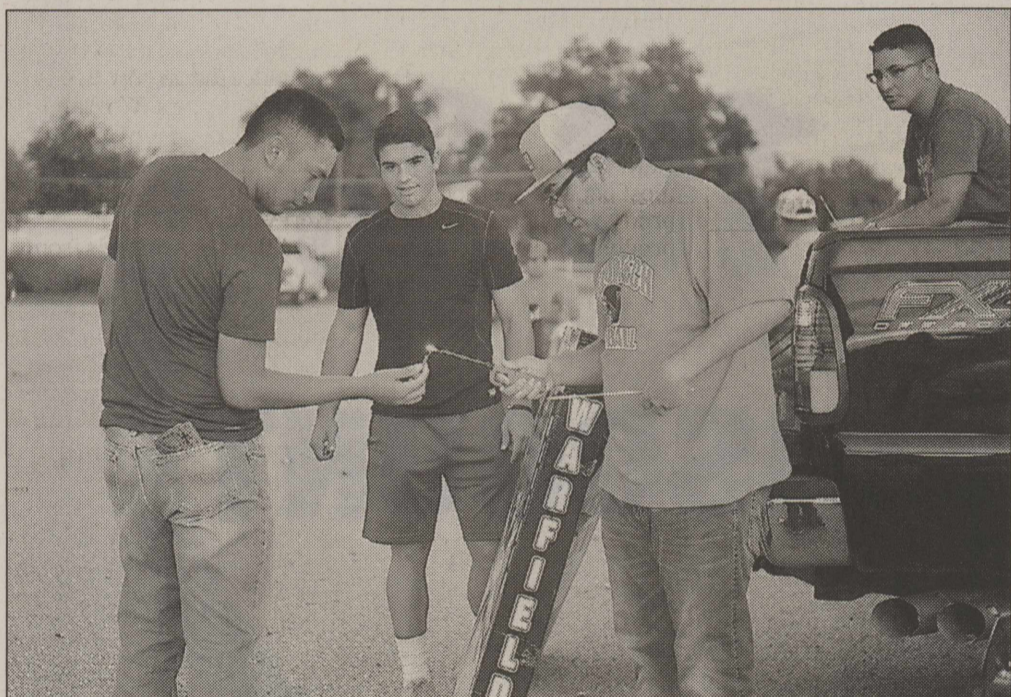
Queen contestants and outgoing Queen take a final ride around the arena before the crowning of the 2016 Sutton County Rodeo Queen. (Back L-R) Kylie Reiner, Felicia Farley, (Front L-R) Kristin Garrett, Abigail Gill, Wade Kaiser, and Summer Hall. **DANNY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS**



The Sutton County Outlaw Pro Rodeo opened the first night of the 2016 performance Bronc riding on Friday, June 24th. **DANNY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS**



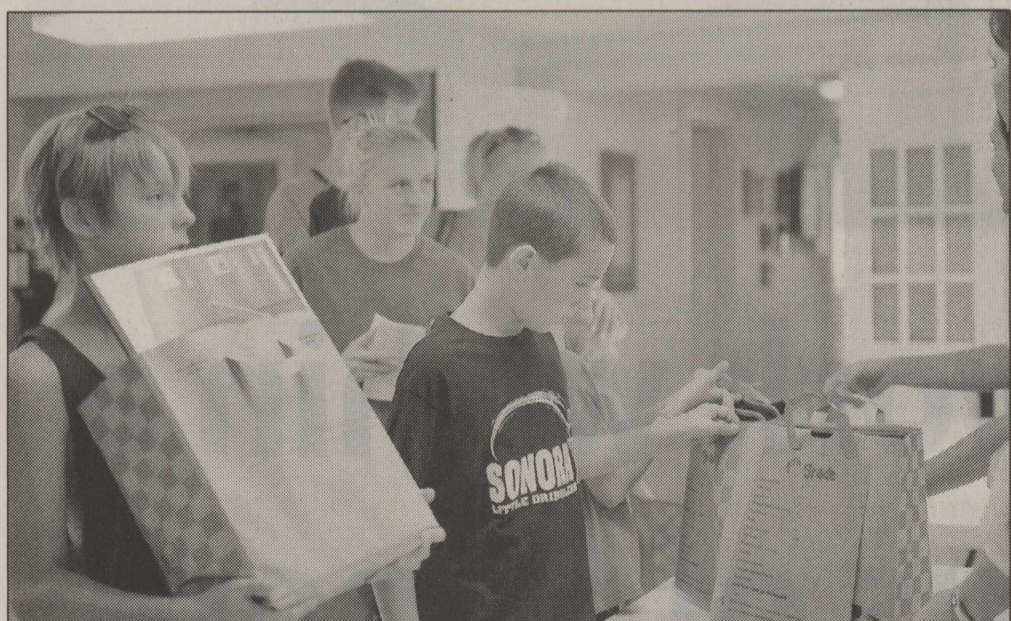
Pictured (L-R) Wanda Shurley, President, Shaina Edwards, 2015 Lions Club Queen, Delaney Ramsdell, Mollie Taylor, Holly Sparks, 2016 Lions Club Queen. **| COURTESY PHOTO**



July 4th patrons celebrate with fireworks at the Sutton County Park grounds on July 4th. **KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS**



Congressman Will Hurd visits with Mayor Wanda Shurley and Todd Munn during the Tech2Town Workshop that he hosted in Sonora on Thursday, August 4th. **KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS**



Back to School supplies and backpacks were given away during the annual First United Methodist Church "BackPack" event on Tuesday, August 2nd. **KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS**



Sonora youngsters performed for visitors during the annual Good Sam Program Wednesday, July 6th. **KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS**



People of all ages enjoyed showing off their fireworks during the July 4th celebration at the Sutton County Park and Fairgrounds. **KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS**



Sutton County Days patrons enjoyed horseless goat roping, a variety of foods and crafts on Saturday, August 25th. **LUPE ELIZONDO | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS**

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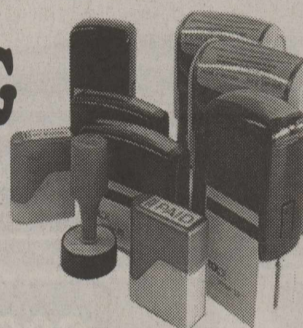
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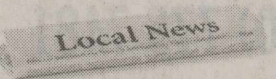
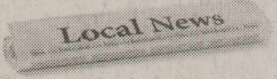
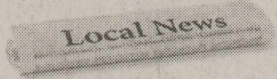
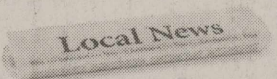
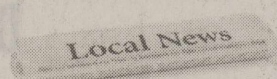
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