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Sonora ISD Makes the Honor Roll on Accountability Report Card

Sonora Independent School District received a passing grade from the Texas Education Agency (TEA) which released preliminary grades Friday, December 30, 2016 under the work-in-progress state accountability system.

According to the state's report card, Sonora ISD received an overall score of "B" which is better than neighboring school districts.

"Sonora ISD students have met the state standard since the new system was put into place

in 2012," Sonora ISD Superintendent Ross Aschenbeck said. "Moreover, the academic rating in the new accountability system, which was released on December 30, 2016, Sonora ISD received an overall grade of a "B." The new system does not officially start until the 2017-2018 school year, but SISD is very proud of the academic success of our students."

Under the new system, so far, grades are based on the findings of four domains, each one representing a specific category.

These are as follows: Domain I - Student Achievement, Domain II - Student Progress, Domain III - Closing Gaps and Domain IV - Post Secondary Readiness.

Sonora Intermediate School earned a "B" in Domain I, Student Achievement, "B" in Domain II, Student Progress, "B" in Domain III, Closing Gaps, and an "A" in Domain IV, Post-Secondary Readiness.

Sonora Middle School received a "C" in Domain I, Student Achievement, a "D" in Domain II, Student Progress, a

"C" in Domain III, Closing Gaps, and a "B" in Domain IV, Post-Secondary Readiness.

Sonora High School earned a "C" in Domain I, Student Achievement, a "C" in Domain II, Student Progress, a "D" in Domain III, Closing Gaps, and a "B" in Domain IV, Post-Secondary Readiness.

Compared with neighboring schools Sonora's overall grade was higher than the majority, considering most districts earned a grade of "C" or below. Among Sonora's nearest

neighboring school districts Reagan County ISD received an overall grade of "B", Schleicher County ISD received an overall grade of "C" as well as Brady ISD and Ballinger ISD. Crockett County ISD, Iraan ISD, Christoval ISD earned an overall grade of "D" and Junction ISD received an overall score of "F."

More than 1,000 school districts and charter schools as well as more than 7,000 K-12 campuses statewide received grades based upon four categories

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Broncos Smash Badgers, 41-30

The 2017 season is off to a good start for the Sonora Broncos varsity basketball team.

The Broncos are 8-4 after their non-conference win over McCamey this past Friday, January 6, 2017. That put them ahead of their win total from last season.

Coach Cannon McWilliams credits the success to team leadership and improved talent over last season.

"We've got a good group of seniors, 4 out of 5 starters are seniors," McWilliams said. "So, it's a very senior heavy team. Defensively we played really well. It took a while to get going as far as shots falling. We were cold in the first half with only 4 points in the first quarter. But, in the second half the shots started falling."

Last year, the Broncos were 0-8 going into district play. A turnaround from this year's 8-4 record.

"It's kind of reversed," McWilliams said. "We've got 8 wins - that's already more than we had last year. So we are building upon last year and I'm excited as we move into conference play. I'm ready to see how we match up against our district opponents."

Of course, this record comes as no surprise to fans after watching Friday's game against the Badgers.

Taking their time in the first half the Broncos held a close score against the Badgers with only a 2-point difference at intermission. 16-18.

However, in both quarters, the Broncos defense proved resilient.

In the third quarter the Broncos picked up their game with turnovers and rebounds, and they did what they do best - score.

McWilliams said his team knows that running and fast breaks are key to scoring points. They are at their best when they get out and run, he added.

The Broncos continued their lead over the Badgers into the fourth quarter until it was clear that the odds were in their favor. As the clock ran down, the Badgers attempted fouls but it wasn't enough to change their fate and the Broncos claimed the victory 41-30.



Kade Creek goes for a lay up during Friday's non-conference game between the Broncos and McCamey, January 6, 2017. The Broncos won over the Badgers 41-30. This win gives the Broncos an 8-4 record as they move into district play against TLCA this Friday.

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McWilliams acknowledged Kade Creek, Liam Yourgalite, Michael Solis and Raully Ojeda, all starters, as team leaders, providing a certain "senior leadership" that keeps the team working together.

He named Kaden Cordell, a junior, a natural team leader and front-runner as far as averaging

of points.

"Team unity has been great with this group of guys," McWilliams said. "They have been the easiest group of guys that I've had the privilege to coach. They make it easy."

Next, the Broncos compete against TLCA in their first conference match this season,

Friday, January 13, 2017.

Game time is set for 8 p.m. at the High School main gym.

"We are looking forward to seeing TLC Friday night," McWilliams said. "We know that Wall and TLC are heavy favorites but, I'm looking forward to seeing how we stack up against our district competition."

John Wilson Announces Retirement

Sutton County Justice of the Peace John Wilson announced his retirement during the first regular meeting of the County Commissioners Monday, January 9, 2017.

Wilson has served as Justice of the Peace for Sutton County for the past 10 years.

He plans on retiring from office March 15, 2017.

In regular business, the commissioners approved the minutes of the December 27, 2016 meeting as presented.

They also approved the accounts payable with the addition of a \$1417.50 expenditure to pay for bonds for elected officials.

All elected officials are required by statute to be bonded.

Wilson also announced the placement of a Department of Public Safety Sergeant to be located in Sonora. The Sergeant will serve in addition to the four troopers already stationed in Sonora.

Wilson reported 12 cases magistrated and 693 new docket cases during the month of December. This is an increase of 327 new cases over last year.

Additionally, the JP's office collected \$115,092.57 in revenue from which a portion is retained by the county.

Commissioner's approved the Jailer's and Sheriff's report as presented. Sheriff Oscar Chavez reported 22 inmates and 634 dispatch calls. He also confirmed that he is hiring one additional deputy.

They approved the Treasurer's Report, Road and Bridge, County Attorney and County Clerk's reports as presented.

County Clerk Rachel Duran reported \$8,839 collected in district court fees, \$7,845 collected in county court fees and \$4,402 collected in Open Records Request fees.

Pascual Hernandez updated the court on current events with the Sutton County AgriLife Extension Agency. The Sutton County Stock Show is slated for this Friday, January 13, at the Civic Center. The event begins

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City Council Closing in on Animal Ordinance Revision

After some discussion and hearing recommendations from City Attorney James Kosub, City Council members tabled amending the Chapter 14 Animals portion of the Municipal Code during their regular meeting Monday, January 9, 2017.

The council has considered revising the ordinance because of recent issues regarding pets within the city.

Council members will further discuss and consider

amending the animal ordinance on Tuesday, January 17, 2017 during a special meeting.

In regular business, council members approved the minutes for the regular meeting of December 12, 2016, the Senior Center report and the Sonora Police Department monthly report as well as their yearly report, as presented.

The council also approved the Sonora Chamber of Commerce quarterly report as presented by

Director Donna Garrett.

Following an explanation by Robin Street of a recent financial audit of the Sonora Economic Development Corporation, the council approved the EDCD's annual financial report for the year ended September 30, 2016. Street pointed out two findings by the auditor and recommendations. First, the audit recommended that the books be actually reconciled each month. Second, the audit recommended a

portion of monies be reimbursed to the City of Sonora for overpayment from sales tax collections.

In other business, the council approved establishing a committee and naming its members to review suggestions on electrical, plumbing and HVAC city ordinances. Six people were named to the committee including Bill Hazelton, Corey Norrell, Anthony Mungia, Robert Webb, Briggs Simms and Todd Munn. Council members also

approved a \$500 donation to the Sonora Volunteer Fire Department.

The council tabled Resolution No. 2017-R-1A, adopting redistricting plan pending further discussion and corrected maps of the considered area. The council will review it again during a special meeting held on January 17.

Council members went behind closed doors to discuss personnel matters including

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STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS
By Ed Sterling

6 also allows Texas businesses to determine their own policy without government interference.”
Kolkhorst said SB 6 “is unique” in that it enhances penalties for crimes committed in a bathroom against any individual, regardless of their sex or gender identity.
Opponents of “bathroom legislation” have argued that it is unconstitutional not to accommodate transgender people and

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Legislation Proposes to Regulate Access to Restrooms, Locker Rooms

AUSTIN — Texas now has a “bathroom bill.”
The Lone Star State has joined Alabama, Kentucky, Minnesota, Missouri, South Carolina, Virginia and Washington as states where legislation has been filed in an effort to restrict access to restrooms, locker rooms and other sex-segregated facilities on the basis of sex or gender.
On Jan. 5, Texas Sen. Lois Kolkhorst, R-Brenham, filed Senate Bill 6, titled the Texas Privacy Act. The legislation, she said, would address “the personal privacy concerns of many Texans.”
The legislation comes after a May 13, 2016, “joint guidance” from the U.S. Department of Education and Justice “to help

provide educators the information they need to ensure that all students, including transgender students, can attend school in an environment free from discrimination based on sex.”
Under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the federal agencies said, “schools receiving federal money may not discriminate based on a student’s sex, including a student’s transgender status.” The federal agencies signaled their intent to treat a student’s gender identity as the student’s sex for purposes of enforcing Title IX.
However, last fall, U.S. District Judge Reed O’Connor of the Northern District of Texas granted an injunction against

enforcement of the federal “guidance.” The judge ruled that the injunction applies not only to Texas, but to all states.
Kolkhorst termed the federal agencies’ “guidance” an “edict.” She said “the proposal to have boys and girls potentially showering and using the same restroom” alarmed the public.
“This bill is written not to begin a controversy, but to end one,” said Kolkhorst. “The Texas Privacy Act is a thoughtful solution to a sensitive issue. It preserves an expected level of privacy for our public schools and buildings. At the same time, it also allows for schools and universities to make personal accommodations for those requesting an alternate setting. Senate Bill

Goldie and Brindle Canyon

In the late 50’s when we leased the old Diamond Bar Ranch in Southern Pecos County.
The previous leasee had moved off in a hurry. As a result, there were a few remnant sheep and goats left on the property.
The normal procedure was to gather this stock and return them to their owner. We proceeded to do this and were very successful on the upper parts of the ranch.
Then we got to the big east pasture. This contained 3,000 acres of rough, broken up country with only one watering spot.
The water trough was on top of the plateau at the southwest corner. In this corner was a gate that opened into the shearing trap. To gather the remnant sheep and goats Goldie and I had no help and only took two saddle horses, as we were just starting to ranch. We had to clean up this stock, so we could stock the ranch with our own.
By this time, we had gotten to the big east pasture.
One day as we drove up to the corner water trough at noon there were six big fat rambouillet ewes. They immediately broke off into Brindle Canyon. We decided that these sheep came to water about noon in the heat of the day and we should plan to get them accordingly.
Now we have the location, the time, and the participants of this story so let’s get on with it from here.
The next day we rode our horses up to the corner about 10 o’clock expecting to get the gate open and be ready for these sheep when they climbed out of the canyon, hot and thirsty. Good plan. WRONG!
The sheep were already there, rested and watered. Upon seeing us they broke off into Brindle Canyon.
I opened the gate and told Goldie that I would run down the canyon and try to head the runaways against the fence. Then, I would hold them as they rested from the run until she got down to me. I ran down this rocky trail and headed the sheep against the fence after about a mile run. Holding them until they rested then starting back up the canyon by myself.
Anyone who has ever worked sheep knows that six sheep want to go in six different directions. After about an hour I got these sheep up the hill and out of Brindle Canyon.
Reaching to top at the corner trough I found Goldie sitting on her very rested horse. She came to me and we herded the tired sheep through the gate into the shearing trap. I shut the gate and walked my horse over to the water trough where we both drank our fill.
Then I asked my wife why she had not come on down the canyon to help me with the sheep.
This was the very indignant answer I got, “As I started down the trail after you, about half way down, there was a huge rattlesnake laying across the trail. My horse boogered and I decided that snake could have the whole dang canyon. And I came back out on top to wait for you.”
I accepted this explanation and we rode back to the ranch.



by Joe N. Brown



Better Business Bureau revokes MyPillow accreditation due to complaints, sales practices

The Will of the Voters – When the Legislators Agree

Voters are either smart, or not, depending on whether the state’s legislators agree with them.
When the politicians agree with the voters, they cite the wisdom of the crowd to bolster their arguments. When they disagree, they see voters as unruly mobs.
Want examples? Look at fracking in Denton, at Houston’s equal rights ordinance and at ride-hailing in Austin. And look at the words uttered and written this week by the authors of legislation that would regulate who uses which bathrooms in public buildings in Texas.
The 2015 legislative session saw the state stepping in to protect hydraulic fracking operators in Denton and elsewhere, after that city’s voters approved a ballot measure outlawing fracking inside the city limits.
The losers of that vote — property owners and operators alike — convinced legislators that voters had overstepped their authority. They had a point; some of their operations were in place before the suburbanites encroached and got cranky, and they felt their property rights had been trampled.
That said, the citizens went to the polls to express their preference. They were overruled by the Texas Legislature, with the result being a statewide law that overrides those kinds of local regulations and initiatives when it comes to oil and gas wells.
More recently, Austin voters inspired at least one legislator — state Sen. Don Huffines, R-Dallas — to cry “mob rule” after they approved an ordinance that requires drivers for ride-hailing companies like Lyft and Uber to pass the same kinds of background checks required of cab drivers. The companies waged an expensive and divisive campaign for their side and got trounced in the polls. They dropped out of the Austin market, which has since sprouted a number of new ride-hailing operations. But Huffines was incensed.
“It’s official: Austin has gone from being the ‘weird’ neighbor to being a national embarrassment for the free market, liberty loving state of Texas,” he wrote in an editorial at the time. “With its mob-rule vote against Proposition 1 effectively forcing Uber and Lyft to leave the city, Austin has used ‘local control’ as a thinly veiled excuse to trample economic

liberty and drive out a popular, innovative, disruptive service.”
He’s one of several lawmakers who have promised to exert state control of that issue during the current session, pushing for statewide regulations instead of sometimes-conflicting local laws.
Lawmakers don’t always fret over the local stuff. Public smoking and texting-while-driving laws have remained a local concern, in part because the Legislature has never approved statewide bans on those things.
Sometimes, state politicians are actually pleased with the work of local voters — even when they’re trying to assert state control.
In the state’s largest city, voters rejected the Houston Equal Rights Ordinance in 2015, swayed in part by arguments that the local law would allow men into women’s bathrooms. On Thursday, Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick and state Sen. Lois Kolkhorst, R-Brenham, introduced a much-anticipated state law that would direct transgender people to the bathrooms that match their biological sex, making a similar argument about men using the ladies’ rooms.
Their Senate Bill 6, which is signed by Kolkhorst but high on Patrick’s list of priorities for the 85th Legislature that begins tomorrow, starts with an amendment to a section of state law called the Local Government Code. Where that code now has a Chapter 250 titled “Miscellaneous Regulatory Authority of Municipalities and Counties,” the bill would strike the last four words, replacing local control on these kinds of bathroom regulations with statewide laws drawn up in the state capital.
Kolkhorst deployed the wisdom-of-the-crowd argument, saying the HERO vote was the only time something like this has been on the ballot in Texas and suggesting that the local public opinion evident in that 2015 election should be a guide to lawmakers now.
“That’s because the public has a way of getting it right,” she said, as she presented the bill that would replace local preferences with those of the state.

Analysis



By Ross Ramsey
THE TEXAS TRIBUNE

McKittrick Canyon Is an Easy Hike

I hadn’t hiked McKittrick Canyon in a while, so when I scheduled some interviews around Dell City I decided to call my friend Drew Stuart and ask him when the leaves were at peak. “In a couple of days,” he said. So in a couple of days Susan and I left home for the three and a half hour drive to McKittrick Canyon, which is a part of Guadalupe Mountains National Park.
McKittrick is famous for its fall color. Big tooth maples have the same flaming red leaves like you see during a New England autumn. Other trees provide the golds, oranges and yellows that shine in the mid-November sun. There was no wind at all and the temperature was perfect. When we left the park to head to Dell City after the hike, the temperature was 83 degrees.
The parking lot at the entrance to McKittrick had just a few cars, which was surprising. I expected to see more because of the ideal conditions. We did see one man from New York who had just retired and as a gift to himself was traveling to several national parks. “It’s my way of celebrating the 100th anniversary of the national parks system,” he told us. “I’m having trouble remembering which parks I visited. They all kind of run together.”
We left the parking lot just before ten A.M. with backpacks full of bottled water, snacks and a lunch. We were anxious about what we might encounter. We hadn’t gone a hundred yards before we saw a tree with red leaves. The sky was a deep blue against the mountains and made a dramatic backdrop for the colorful trees.
Drew has hiked all over the Guadalupe and has been on obscure trails that only the park rangers know about. While he was editor of the Hudspeth County Herald he published beautiful lyrical prose about his hikes. “Every time I start out on a hike, it’s a soul journey,” he says. “It’s like a spiritual quest.” He has camped overnight on some of his meanderings.
A couple of miles into the canyon you encounter the Pratt cabin, built by the head of Standard Oil a long time ago. He called the location of his cabin the most beautiful spot in Texas. We stopped there for a drink of water and brief rest in rocking chairs. We hiked another couple of miles and stopped for lunch at a place with a cavernous overhang complete with stalagmites and stalactites called the grotto.
There are no steep climbs in McKittrick from the entrance to the grotto. Hikers walk most of the way on level ground. Serious climbers go past the grotto and the trail becomes more difficult.
After lunch we started back. Even though we went back the same way we came in, we were amazed at how the place had changed. The sun was lower and the light was intriguing. A stream reflected golden sunlight. The hike lasted less than six hours and covered about six miles. It’s an easy one-day trip from Midland-Odessa.



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HONOR ROLL

Sonora Elementary Honor Roll 3rd Six Weeks

1st Grade

"S" Aanz' Leigh Abalos, Jose Aguyo, Delilah Alonso, Kenzee Bryant, Evelyn Campa, Caidn Cardenas, Armani Coronado, Brailyn Galindo, Sofia Garcia, Jesus Garza III, Alfredo Gaspar Jr, Donato Gonzales Jr, Yarixa Gonzales-Ozuno, Landen Budha Guerra, Kaasi Gutierrez, Brook Kaiser, Richard Leal, Karysah Lopez, Luis Lopez Rodriguez, Miranda Mata, Presley Mayfield, Miranda Montoya, Melisa Mota, Ryan Mungia, Samantha Nichols, Gregorio Olmedo, Brysa Parada, Mariselda Parra Martinez, Adele Pechacek, Ryder Phillips, Nathan Rivas, Jack Rogers, Eduardo Salazar, Emma Solis, Payten White.

2nd Grade

"A" Dulce Arredondo Mares, Peyton Bailey, Lynden Cearley, Mia Escamilla, Madelyn Hernandez, Thomas Ramirez, Aaron Segura, Elrey Silva, Kendall Thorp, Jayden Welborn. "A/B" Fernando Aguilar, Ariana Arredondo, Jacob Bryan, Aliyah Castilleja, Audrey Castilleja, Brynley Castilleja, Natalie Castilleja, Woody Crow III, Noah Davis, Cason Day, Gael Duenes Sosa, Eian Duncan, Isaias Flores, Mario Hernandez Jr, Alejandra Hernandez, Wyatt Kilough, Jayce Martinez, Grace Moore, Emily Nichols, Madison Noreiga, Gunner Routh, Sydney Routh, Rogelio Ruiz, Bronson Schenkel, Genti Trainer.

HONOR ROLL

Sonora Intermediate Honor Roll 3rd Six Weeks

3rd Grade

"A/B" Brody Bryan, Kody Prather, Avery Wardlaw

4th Grade

"A" Corbin Crenwelge, Larissa Hodnett, Ollie Murr, Reese Thibodeau, Carmelo Alviso, Liliana Gallegos, Sicily Gutierrez, Owen Jones, Luke Nichols, Jayla Williams, Johnathan Cardenas, Sabrinah Castro, Jaedyn Bailey, Shay Boggs, Naylana Estrada, Brian Mendoza, Rylie Thorp, Braylin Welborn "A/B" Dakota Borders, Kalena Foster, Ava Rodriguez, Julianna Sanchez, Weston Fisher,

Michaelangelo Lujan, Christian Martinez, Jezabel Pasillas Galaviz, Hollis Snyder, Braden Bailey, Juan Castillo, Aaron Martinez, Jorge Leija, Justin Lozano, Zane White

5th Grade

"A" Cassia Hernandez, Agassi Rodriguez, Atalia Ruiz Acosta "A/B" Nayelli Agüero, Casey Lux, Micah Ramon-Villanueva, Elijah Samaniego, Ileana Baker, Jared Contreras, Emma Martinez, Marcos Perez-Garcia, Selena Andrea Rodriguez, Jolene Pasillas Galaviz, Caitlynn Ramirez

HONOR ROLL

Sonora Middle School Honor Roll 3rd Six Weeks

6th GRADE

"A" Ignacio Coronado, Koda Davis, Molly Friess, Aidan Leamon, Madison Mayfield, Gage Owen "A/B" Joseph Abrego, Sophia Acevedo, Ashley Castilleja, Tanner Flanagan, Jonathan Galvan, Sebastian Garza, Alexis Guerra, Alexis Hernandez, Makinna Holmes, Daniela Lozano, Jacob Perez, Makinna Price, Brandon Rocha, Abigail Rodriguez, Brandon Torres, Romeo Torres, Gabriel Valdez, Shakira Villanueva

7th GRADE

"A" Carson Cahill, Kodi Davis, Sophia Gutierrez, Fernanda Lozano, Abigail Mendoza "A/B" Isabella Arispe, Abby Bennie, Jessica Campa, Alexandra Cardenas, Seth Davis, Yailin Domiguez, Jina Dooley, Abigail Duncan, Briana Espinosa, Abigail Fuentes, Jacqueline Galindo, Christina Garcia, Guillermo Garcia, Brijida

Garza, Zachary Hailey, Abigail Hernandez, Catarino Hernandez, Amaris Jimenez, Susie Levario, Skylar Mogford, Mariana Montoya, Sean Mungia, Alisa Paredes, Blanca Portillo, Alexis Ramirez, Laci Ramirez, Victoria Regino, Joselyn Rodriguez, Dalissa Sanchez, Jessica Smith, Lane Taylor, Jacqueline Torres, Tyler Walther

8th GRADE

"A" Jaci Dutton, Juan Garza, Ricardo Ramirez "A/B" Kaylenn Alvarez, Madison Bristow, Ilze Contreras, Michael Creek, Rashel De Luna, Felipe Estrada, Jose Figueroa, Madalyn Fisher, Kevan Flores, Martha Gonzalez, Alan Hernandez, Christopher Hernandez, Zachary Joffrio, Alyssa Martinez, Carla Mota, Aislin Nixon, Aaron Noriega, Elias Perez, Harmony Ramirez, Miranda Renteria, Clarissa Rodriguez, Juan Ruiz, Esmeralda Salazar, Victoria Salazar, Brady Vyvlecka

Letter from the Superintendent

Thank a School Board Member

Sonora – January is School Board Recognition Month and Sonora ISD will join other districts across the state to thank these local leaders for their dedication and willingness to serve as advocates for our children and public schools. As elected officials, they are the voice of their communities, serving first and foremost in the best interest of Sonora ISD students.

Even though we are making a special effort in January to show appreciation to our board members, we realize their many contributions reflect a year-round commitment. They generously give of themselves to ensure that decisions directly affecting our local schools are made by representatives of this community, people who are close to our schools and know our teachers, parents, and students.

Board members shoulder critical responsibilities and often make difficult choices. Their ultimate goal is always focused on the future success of the children in our district. It's more important than ever before that the public support our schools so that today's students are prepared to be productive citizens and leaders of tomorrow. Our board members provide vision and leadership in their roles as advocates, and they will continue to stand up for public education and guard against anything that takes away from our children.

Under the current board leadership Sonora ISD students have met the state standard since the new system was put into place in 2012. Moreover, the academic rating in the new accountability system, which was released on December 31, 2016, Sonora ISD received an overall grade of a "B." The new system does not officially start until the 2017-2018 school year, but SISD is very proud of the academic success of our students.

Board member's serving Sonora ISD include:

- President Dawn Cahill, 8 - years
- Vice President – Jerry Jimenez, 8 - years
- Secretary Cynthia Perez, 4 - years
- Member – Amber Killough, 1- year
- Member – Shanna Petty-Castro, 3 - years
- Member – Jesse Bustamante, 27 - years
- Member – Brady Johnson, 3 - years

Our district benefits from the tireless work and countless hours contributed by these local citizens who work without pay. Serving as a crucial link between community and classroom, this board is responsible for an annual budget of \$12 million, 830 students, 169 employees, and 4 campuses. Please help us thank these dedicated volunteers for their efforts to make a difference and their unfailing commitment to the continued success of our students now and in the future.

Ross Ascbenbeck.
Sonora ISD Superintendent

Polar Bear Golf Scramble

Sonora ISD welcomes everyone to participate in the annual Polar Bear Golf Scramble Saturday, January 21, 2017, benefiting the Sonora High School and Junior High Golf Teams.

Participants may sign up at the Sonora Golf Course Club House by noon on January 21.

The event including 18 holes, par three scramble

begins Saturday at 12:30 p.m. at the Sonora Golf Club.

The cost is \$30 per player, \$10 for two mulligans and teams are limited to 5 people per team.

Of course, donations are welcome.

Everyone is encouraged to come out and help support the Broncos and Lady Broncos.

SONORA WEATHER FORECAST				
Thu 01/12	Fri 01/13	Sat 01/14	Sun 01/15	Mon 01/16
72/48 Sunny Sunrise 7:40 a.m. Sunset 6:01 p.m.	62/41 Clouds/Sunshine Sunrise 7:40 a.m. Sunset 6:02 p.m.	58/37 Rain/Thunderstorms Sunrise 7:40 a.m. Sunset 6:03 p.m.	57/35 Rainy Sunrise 7:40 a.m. Sunset 6:04 p.m.	60/35 Cloudy Sunrise 7:40 a.m. Sunset 6:05 p.m.

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West Texas Rehabilitation 2017 Telethon/Auction

ABILENE, TX - This year's 47th edition of the West Texas Rehabilitation Center's telethon promises to be one of the best yet featuring favorite guests along with two great co-headlining entertainers, Lauren Alaina and Charles "Chip" Esten, the online auction, and more.

This year's telethon takes place on January 21st at the Abilene Civic Center from 6:00 p.m. through 12:00 a.m.

Lauren Alaina and Charles "Chip" Esten are the co-headliners for the 2017 telethon.

Alaina is an American country music singer and songwriter from Rossville, Georgia.

Alaina was also the runner-up on the tenth season of American Idol.

Her debut studio album, Wildflower was released on October 11, 2011 and she currently has three singles on the top 40 country list.

Esten is an American actor, singer and comedian best known for his role as Deacon Claybourne on Nashville (2012–present) which will air this year on CMT.

Esten previously appeared on the improvisation show "Whose Line Is It Anyway?" regularly between 1999-2005.

In addition to the co-headliners, Charlie Chase, longtime co-host of the popular "Crook and Chase" talk show on the Nashville Network will return to anchor the Rehab 2017 host desk.

Texas legend Red Steagall will be back along with The Boys in the Bunkhouse for the show.

Other "regulars" lined up to appear are Brad

Maule (General Hospital) and Twyla Foreman.

The Rehab relies on its sponsors to help make the telethon a continued success.

This year, Suddenlink Communications & Capital Farm Credit are the official corporate partners of the live show.

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Live coverage of the telethon will be carried on television stations in Abilene, San Angelo, Corpus Christi, Midland/Odessa, Lubbock, Amarillo, Waco/Temple/Bryan, & Lawton, OK.

The show will stream live at WestTexasRehab.org.

Bids for the annual internet auction of merchandise and services provided by friends and businesses, can be seen at WestTexasRehab.org and bids will be accepted until midnight on January 21st.

These auction items will also be on display at the Abilene Civic Center beginning at 6 p.m. on the 21st.

An auction television show featuring all items will air in Abilene and San Angelo from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on the night of the telethon.

You can join the conversation by posting your Rehab story by using the hash tag #WestTexasRehab on social media and you may see your post on the show!

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CITY COUNCIL:

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Chief William Dudley, employee benefits and report on staff.

Following the closed-door session, the council voted unanimously to approve accrued leave for Dudley in the number of 3-weeks per year for vacation effective March 1, 2017.

During visitor comments Brigitte Rogers addressed the council with concerns regarding the city's animal ordinance.

She asked the council to consider allowing her and other residents time to rehome pets or make other arrangements for pets in order to comply

with suggested changes by the council to the existing ordinance.

Without further discussion, the meeting adjourned.

Mayor Wanda Shurley presided over the meeting. Doug Chandler, Juanita Barrera, Todd Munn and Norm Rousselot were present.

The next special meeting of the Sonora City Council is slated for Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 4:30 p.m. at City Hall.

The next regular meeting of the Sonora City Council is slated for Monday, February 13, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

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2016	25.10 in.	2016	29.22 in.
2015	23.87 in.	2015	25.31 in.
2014	14.32 in.	2014	12.72 in.
2013	25.12 in.	2013	25.00 in.
2012	16.06 in.	2012	17.82 in.
2011	11.50 in.	2011	10.49 in.
2010	20.37 in.	2010	17.94 in.
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OBITUARIES

James "Jim" B. Stephen June 8, 1936 - January 8, 2017



James "Jim" B. Stephen, 80, passed away on January 8, 2017, at his home in Sonora, Texas.

Jim was born on June 8, 1936, in Olney, Texas, to Mr. and Mrs. G.B. Stephen.

He graduated from Kermit High School, Hardin-Simmons University, and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

He married Betty Bridges on June 7, 1963, in Shelby, North Carolina.

Jim served as an Army intelligence officer at the Pentagon, director of the Youth Center in Kermit, Texas, was a Boy Scout executive, pastor of First Baptist Church, Fort Davis, and later served as pastor at First Baptist Church, Sonora.

After his retirement as a Baptist minister, he went on to serve as the mayor and then as municipal judge of Sonora, Texas, where he retired from the City of Sonora.

As a part of his ministry, Jim served on the Paisano Baptist Encampment Board of Directors for 50 years and spent 25 of those years as executive vice president. He served two separate three-year terms as a guest preacher at Bloys Cowboy Camp meeting, held annually during the first week in August outside of Fort Davis.

Jim also was a talented

craftsman and gunsmith. He rebuilt a model T and loved to tinker with it! He made muzzle-loading pistols and rifles from scratch and spent 20 years as an ambassador at the Texas Folklife Festival where he held demonstration workshops on how to make a muzzle-loading firearm.

Also, he was a good cook who spent several years cooking for hunters who came to Sonora during deer hunting season.

He took a deep interest in the Stephen family genealogy. Jim's family came to Texas with Stephen F. Austin, one of his ancestors was a Texas Ranger, and the city of Stephenville was named after his relatives who settled in the Erath County community.

Jim is preceded in death by both of his parents, and by his sister, Gerry Louann Waddell.

Jim is survived by his wife of 53 years, Betty. He is also survived by a son, John P. Stephen, and daughter-in-law, Bonnie of College Station, a daughter, Rachel Brunclikova, son-in-law, Vladia Brunclik, and grandson, Michal, of Lysa nad Labem, Czech Republic.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 12, 2017 at First Baptist Church with the Revs. Matt Killough and Louis Allen officiating.

Burial will follow at Sonora Cemetery. Arrangements are by Love Funeral Home in Sonora, Texas.

Memorial donations may be made to First Baptist Church, Sonora Texas and Paisano Baptist Encampment, Alpine Texas. Online condolences may be made at lovefuneral-home.net

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Operation Orphans, Inc. held its final hunt of the 2016 deer season, Saturday, January 7.

56 boys from 7 child residential and foster homes participated. Animals harvested during the hunt were 48 whitetail does, 2 bucks, 8 spikes, 14 hogs and 2 axis for a total of 74 animals. Homes bringing kids were Presbyterian Children's Home, Itasca/Waxahachie; Sweeten Home, Brownwood; Methodist Home, Waco; Methodist Boy's Ranch, Waco; Acuna Home, La Porte; Texas Baptist Children's Home, Round Rock and Kidz Harbor, Liverpool. The youngsters along with their guides spent Saturday deer hunting and enjoying the cold weather. Area ranches which allowed the groups to hunt were 4L Ranch, San Saba County; Behrens Ranch, San Saba; Brady Lake, McCulloch; Burkhalter Ranch, Mason; Craft Alaca, Blanco; Cripple Creek, Ranch, Bandera; Crooked E Ranch, Blanco;

Indian Springs Ranch, Kerr; Karl Ransleben Ranch, Gillespie; Kurt Zesch Ranch, Mason; Lazy H Ranch, Mason; Northcutt Ranch, Mason; Ray Ranch, Sutton; Turkey Valley Ranch, Mason; Whitetail Ranch, Gillespie and White Ranch, Mason.

Prior hunts were held in October (Girl's Hunt), November and December. Totals for the four hunts held this season had 194 boys and girls harvesting 288 animals. During the two fishing camps held last spring had 98 boys and girls participating. Operation Orphans, Inc. takes children who are wards of the State and offers hunting and fishing opportunities.

Dates for the 2017 Operation Orphans, Inc. Hunting and Fishing Programs are as follows:

- April 22 – Boy's Fishing;
- April 29 – Girl's Fishing;
- October 28 – Girl's Hunt;
- November 18 – Boy's Hunt;
- December 2 – Boy's Hunt and January 6, 2018 – Boy's Hunt.

Thousands of boys and girls have taken part in the program since it began.

Please contact camp supervisors, Jerry or Lyla Crouch, phone: 325.347.6745, or on the web, www.operationorphans.org if you would like additional information. Operation Orphans, Inc. is in need of gently used coats, boots and camouflage clothing. Warm socks and gloves, along with rain ponchos are also appreciated.

Notes from the Friends of Fort McKavett

The Friends of Fort McKavett will have their annual meeting at Fort McKavett this Saturday, January 14th at 11:00 in the Masonic Lodge.

The Board of Directors will hold a short meeting prior to the annual meeting in the Masonic Lodge at 10:00.

The public is invited to attend both meetings. Everyone attending is should try to bring a covered dish, rolls, etc. to share. A potluck lunch will be served following the

meeting. Meeting business includes electing officers, setting the budget for 2017, exploring ways to raise more money for events and projects, learning about the events planned for 2017 and any special projects needs the Friends support.

After the meal, everyone is encouraged to explore the fort and attend: "The Army's Stomach: Foodways at Ft. McKavett" a program that will be presented from 10:00 – 4:00 on the fort grounds.

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- Fasten
- Mountain Indian
- Years
- Sicilian landmark
- Pack
- Was prominent
- Spanish province
- For each
- Go away!
- Degrade
- Battle of Lake
- Of a social division
- Corrupts
- Swiss river
- Proverb
- Plays golf
- the Ball is Over
- Ivy Leaguer
- Lily family plant
- Given the gate
- rain
- School at Nashville
- Waters down
- Chap
- Illinois Indian
- Tops
- Lodge lover
- Shakespearean play
- Oklahoma city
- The Red ___ of Courage
- Rapid rodent
- Fenny tract
- Band instrument
- Military unit
- Golden circle
- Tidings
- Had origin
- European capital
- Residence room
- American naval hero
- Campus bigwig
- Small bundle
- Type of room
- Play football
- Stammer
- Track meet events
- Repeat
- Play basketball
- Understanding
- Compass pt.
- Play baseball
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- Lose force
- Exile island
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- Spy James
- Busy as ___
- Church section
- Earthen jar
- Stupid one
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SCHD Board of Directors Approve New Director for Rural Health Clinic

The Sutton County Hospital District Board of Directors Approved an agreement between the district and Dr. W. Gordy Day during their regular meeting Monday, January 9, 2017.

Dr. Day will be the Medical Director and mid-level provider supervisor in the rural health clinic, also known as Sonora Medical Clinic B on or about January 13, 2017.

In regular business, the board approved the minutes for the regular meeting of December 12, 2016 and special meeting of December 16, 2016 with one change correcting the date of the special meeting from December 15 to December 16, 2016

They also approved the financial report for year to date November 30, 2016 and the expenditures for December.

In other business, the board approved the recommendation of the Medical Staff to ratify two years continued active staff membership for Dr. Charles Pajestka.

Additionally, Dr. Mark Edwards withdrew his application for reappointment for continued active staff membership. Dr. Kristy Edwards request for reappointment for continued active staff membership was not approved by the board.

Agenda item regarding Signature Performance, revenue cycle services, was tabled until the February regular meeting.

Trustees discussed the results of the Charge Description Master review by Endeavor Healthcare outlining the assessment

of charges and recommended changes. The report reflected an overall positive assessment and recommended updating revenue codes as well as pricing changes for laboratory, pharmacy, respiratory therapy, echo cardiograms, and emergency medical services.

Changes were made based upon the recommendations with the exception of laboratory and pharmacy, pending further review and discussion.

Finally, John Graves, Joe Marshall and Mickey Schaefer jointly announced the hospital districts application for a \$100,000 grant to help fund the costs for developing a planning document and strategy for a health information exchange platform with the primary purpose of patient engagement with their healthcare providers.

In preparation and submission of the grant application the district intends to partner with other organizations to help ensure the successful application of a health information exchange platform.

Without further discussion, the meeting adjourned.

President Sharon Holman presided over the meeting.

Trustees Edward Earwood, Lenora Pool, Mary Humphrey, and Don Longoria were present.

John Henry Strauch and Adelita Alvarez were absent.

The next regular meeting of the SCHD Board of Directors is slated for February 13, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the Lillian Hudspeth Memorial Hospital Wellness Center.

Fort Lancaster Hosts Special Guided Tour

Looking for something fun for the entire family? Visit Fort Lancaster State Historic Site on Saturday, January 14th for a special guided tour of the historic fort ruins followed by a hands-on history display with period weapons, uniforms, and soldier equipment.

"The special tour will allow visitors to imagine what it must have been like to live and work at Fort Lancaster during the mid-1800s" said Jefferson Spilman, Fort Lancaster Site Manager.

Upon arrival, a soldier will greet visitors and serve as their tour guide. Visitors can walk the trails around the ruins of Fort Lancaster learning about the site's fascinating history and stories. The tour begins at the Visitor's Center at 10:00 a.m., visitors are asked to arrive a few minutes early.

Admission is \$4 for adults and \$3 per child.

Fort Lancaster State Historic Site, a Texas Historical Commission property, spans 82 acres and commemorates the remnants of a fort built in the 1850s to protect the road between San Antonio and El Paso. The site contains the ruins of what once constituted a sizable military installation as well as an interpretive trail. The site recently completed a two-year renovation that includes a new Visitors Center with a substantial new gallery exhibit on the north side.

The new exhibit presents the story of Fort Lancaster through artifacts, images, scale models, a life-sized camel replica, and introductory video. For more information, call 432-836-4391 or visit www.visitfortlancaster.com.

WILSON:

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at 7:45 a.m. and includes more than 200 animals to be shown. An award banquet will be held Saturday evening at 6:30 p.m. in the Civic Center.

Judge Steve Smith brought to the attention of those present that he is continuing the No Burn Ban for Sutton County. However, he agreed with Commissioner Bob Brockman in that citizens should use caution when burning outdoors.


Due to the absence of

voting members, some agenda items were deferred until the next regular meeting.

Without further discussion or comments from visitors the meeting adjourned.

Judge Smith presided over the meeting. Mike Villanueva and Bob Brockman were present. Carl Teaff and Fred Perez were absent.

The next regular meeting of the Sutton County Commissioners is slated for Monday, January 23, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at the Sutton County Annex Building.



Dear Patients & Friends:

It's my privilege to serve as your Dentist for the last two decades at my Sonora Office. On behalf of my entire staff, I want you to know we appreciate your choice of our office to professionally meet your dental needs & those of your family. We thank you for the trust you have placed in our practice.

I have enjoyed getting to know the wonderful people of the area. My family was thrilled to escape Houston in 1996 for the blue skies & sunshine of West Texas!

I've had health challenges since 2014 but my physical condition has recently forced me to find an exemplary dentist to take over my practice. While many rural areas have lost their Dentists, Sutton County is truly blessed to have a military veteran who wants to serve a rural community.

Dr. Brian Midei practiced in Tucson after his lengthy U.S. Navy tour of duty overseas. Before the U.S. Navy Bureau of Medicine & Surgery, Dr. Midei earned his Doctor of Dental Surgery degree at Ohio State after his undergraduate at Penn State. Dr. Midei's impressive credentials & extensive experience are augmented by a gentle chair-side manner plus a philosophy of dentistry similar to mine.

Dr. Midei's professional skills & compassion nature fit with the mission of our office & staff to provide the finest quality dental care & superior customer service in a convenient, local setting.

I want to spare the people of our community the burden of driving to Angelo for even emergencies. Dr. Midei delivers fine, friendly dentistry; I entrust your care to him. Our wonderful staff continues working in the practice to provide you the quality dental care & customer service you deserve.

Dr. Midei's history of exemplary patient care, eases my difficult decision to retire & transfer ownership of the practice to Dr. Midei. He will be your Dentist January 16, 2017. I leave you in his capable hands. I hope the community will welcome Brian as you welcomed me. Please continue to support me, Dr. Midei, Linda, Rae Ann, Rosemary & Lilia during the transition. The team looks forward to your next appointment.

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 - 13th Lionel Samaniego, Cheryl Lock, Tim Cole, Ralph Mayer, Felix Rodriguez, Thomas Schenkel, Monica Traylor, Dalissa Sanchez
 - 14th Jody Braly, Cinco Aguero
 - 15th Gary Hardgrave, Trey Wardlaw, Bill Savell, Kirby Traylor
 - 16th Anthony Mata, Joe Davie, Cohen Cade, Jacque Castillo
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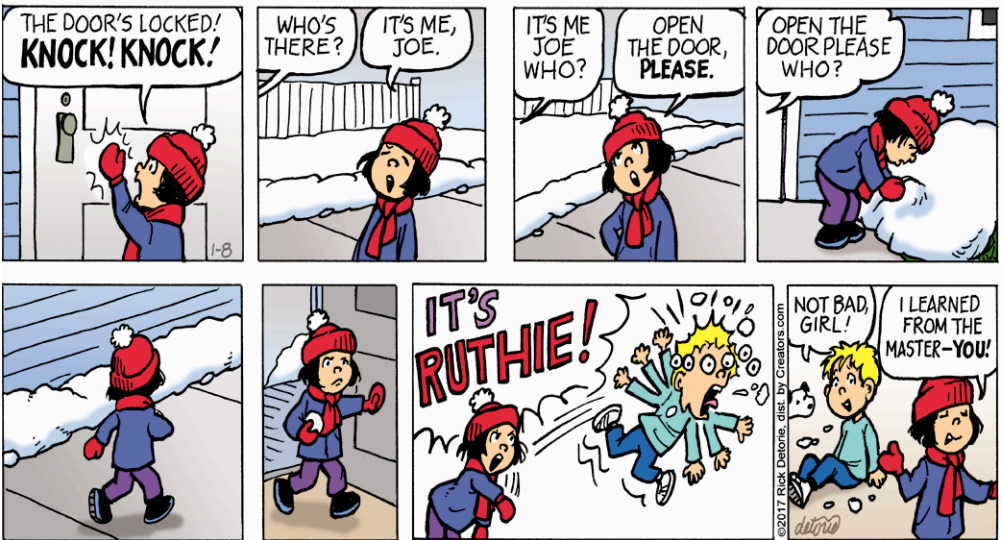
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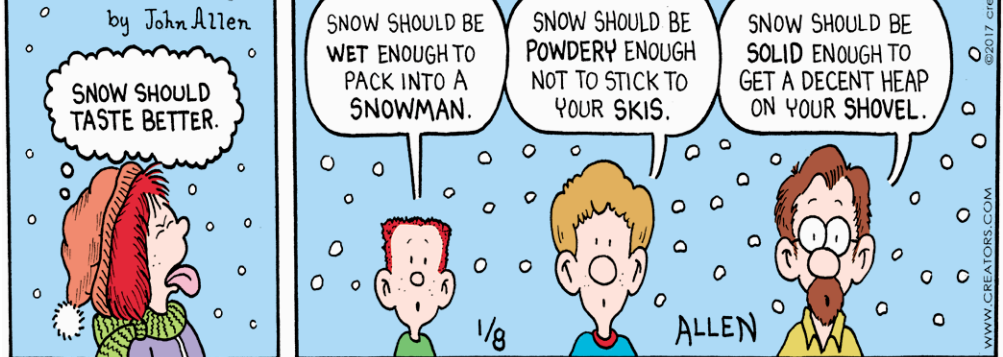
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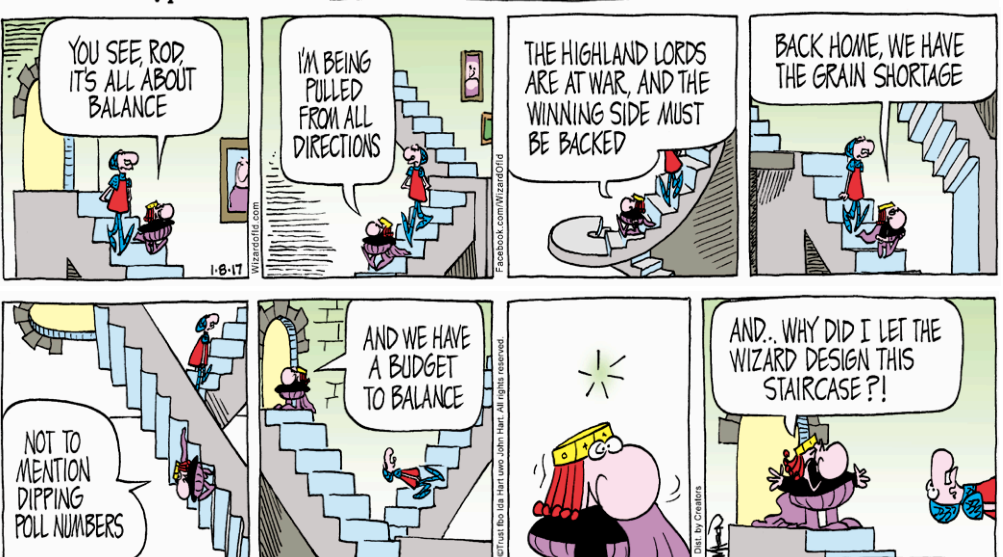
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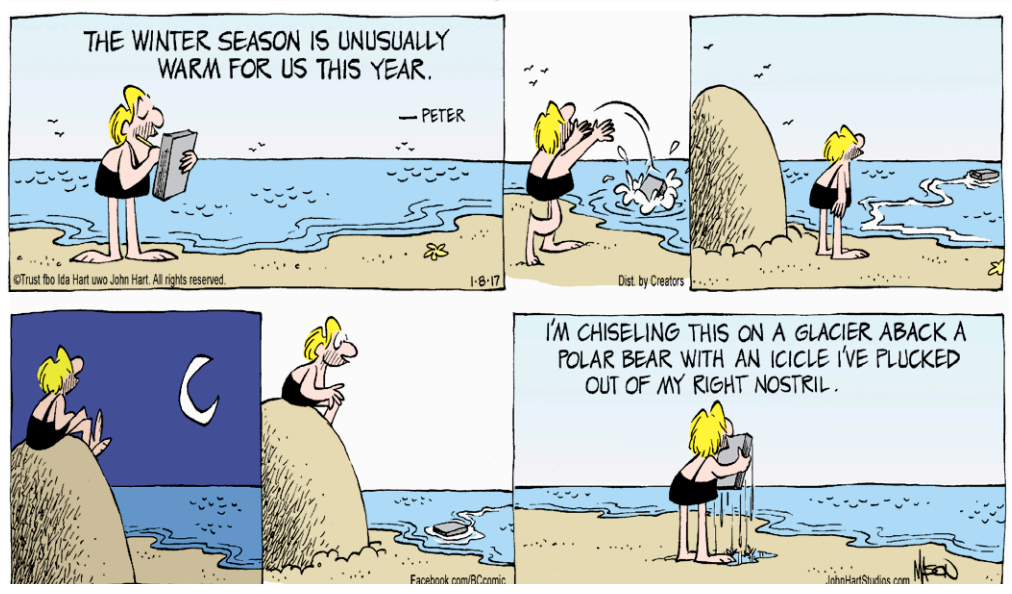
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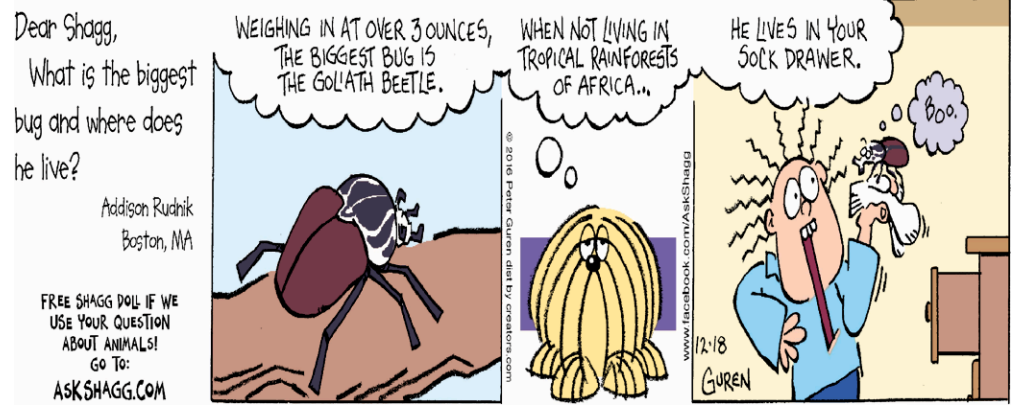
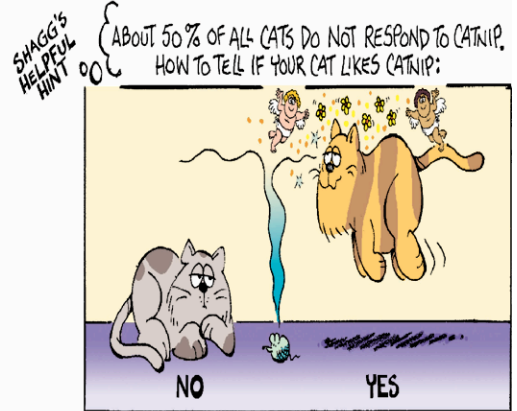
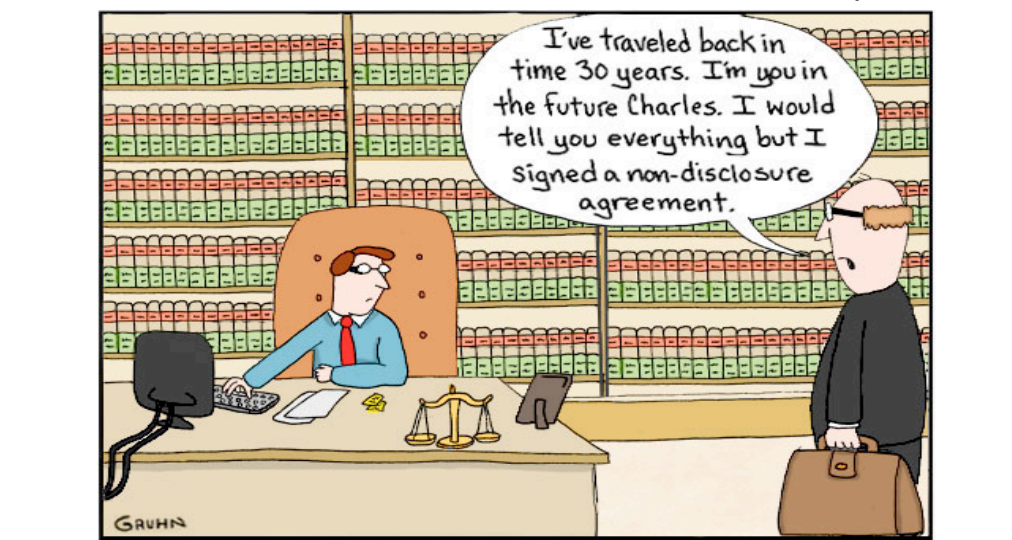
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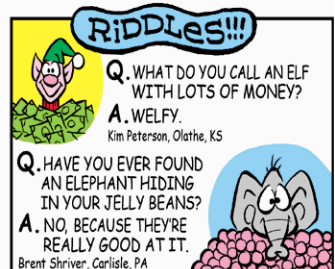
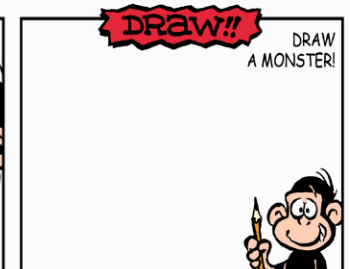
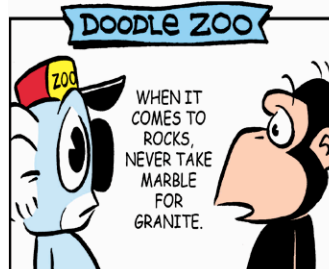


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SMS Student of Month



Sonora Middle School Students for the month of January, Sophia Acevedo, 6th, Carson Cahill, Ava Rodriguez, 7th, Aaron Noriega, 8th. Please congratulate these students for their outstanding performance and leadership. | COURTESY PHOTO

REPORT CARD:

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including students achievement, student progress, college readiness and attempts to close the gaps between minority students and whites.

However, grades were not inclusive because results were not yet available for a fifth category measuring community and student engagement

Education Commissioner Mike Morath noted that the grades included in a 494-page report to the State Legislature, 2015-16 A-F Ratings: A Report to the 85th Texas Legislature D-287, were not official and that definite results will not be available until next year.

Until then, Texas will continue to follow the accountability system which rates districts and campuses as "met standards" or improvement required."

"It is important to note that the Met Standard/Improvement Required ratings issued in August 2016 and updated in November 2016 are the official academic accountability ratings for the 2015-16 school year. A similar process will be used for the 2016-17 school year," Morath said.

"The ratings in this report are for informational purposes to meet a legislative requirement

and represent work-in-progress models that are likely to change before A-F ratings become effective in August 2018. No inferences about official district or campus performance in the 2015-16 school year should be drawn from these ratings, and these ratings should not be considered predictors of future district or campus performance ratings."

Superintendent Aschenbeck said he thinks the new format is a good reflection of Sonora ISD's performance.

"We scored 79% in Index 1, which on a grading scale is a C. However, in the old system most people wouldn't know what a "40" meant in Index 2, 3, and 4. So at least the new system gives people a clear understanding," Aschenbeck said. "Moreover, we really push progress, or moving kids toward the college readiness standard, so we are very excited with a "B" in the other 3 domains. Sonora ISD scores were outstanding compared to the region and state. Not many schools can say they scored an overall letter grade of a "B".

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It's livestock show time in Sutton County.

For months, youth have been feeding, training, and working to prepare animals for the show ring.

The time has finally come to begin showing animals in the ring.

Livestock arrival and weigh-in will take place on January 12th from 3 to 6 p.m. at the 4-H Barns.

Showing of livestock will start at 7:45 a.m. on January 13th.

Show order will be Rabbits, Market Lambs, Meat Goats, Wether Does, Angora Goats, and Swine.

There will also be a Pee Wee Show for those in 1st and 2nd grades.

The buyer appreciation supper, premium sale, and awards will be on Saturday, January 14th beginning at 6 p.m.

If you have an opportunity, come by to watch the shows and support our 4-H and FFA exhibitors.

Over 200 animals should go through the ring.

You may have heard that livestock exhibition can provide opportunities to develop life skills such as work ethic, time and resource management, and self-discipline.

It can also teach commitment and patience.

What you may not realize is that for many youth, showing livestock will be their only exposure to animal production or agriculture.

Educating youth about livestock husbandry, even within the stock show venue, helps youth understand the management struggles that the American rancher faces. This experience can help make them a more informed consumer.

Finally, youth will benefit from the premiums they receive at the stock show. These funds are made possible through the generosity of local and area business as well as individual donors.

The premiums received from the county stock show will help youth build college funds to assist with their educational expenses.

There will be a concession stand. So, come on out, get a bite to eat, and watch our local youth "do their thing."

If you'd like to hear more or contribute, please call the Sutton County Extension Office at 387-3101. We would be honored to receive a donation to apply toward our exhibitors.



Pascual Hernandez

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the passage of such legislation would result in negative impacts on business activity.

Pablos takes office

Gov. Greg Abbott on Jan. 5 appointed Rolando Pablos of El Paso as the 111th secretary of state, replacing outgoing Secretary Carlos Cascos.

Pablos, a former utility regulator, is co-founder and chief executive officer of Uriel Americas. Most recently, he served as chief executive officer of the Borderplex Alliance, a binational economic development organization based on the U.S.-Mexico border. Pablos formerly served as a member of the Public Utility Commission of Texas and the Texas Racing Commission.

Hegar finishes ports tour

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar on Jan. 4 announced his completion of a multi-month travel itinerary that included visits to six of Texas' 29 ports of entry.

"The vitality of Texas' international trade can be seen everywhere, from the Houston Ship Channel, the nation's busiest waterway, to the Laredo port of entry, whose five international bridges accommodate more than 2 million trucks and 3,600 trains each year," Hegar said. "We

reap enormous advantages from world trade every day, and for the ports tour my agency has quantified those benefits," he continued.

"We've found that Texas ports of entry accounted for nearly \$650 billion in international trade in 2015. In all, that trade supports nearly 1.6 million Texas jobs and adds more than \$224 billion to our gross state product. It's a vital part of the economy, and keeps it an essential destination for business and industry," Hegar added.

Revenue total is reported

Comptroller Hegar on Jan. 4 announced state sales tax revenue totaled \$2.44 billion in December, 4.9 percent more than in December 2015.

"Sales tax revenue growth was led by collections from sectors driven by consumer spending — retail trade and information services," Hegar said. "Tax receipts from oil- and natural gas-related sectors continued to decline relative to the previous year."

Total sales tax revenue for the three months ending in December 2016 was up by 0.6 percent compared with the same period a year ago. Sales tax revenue is the largest source of state funding for the state budget, accounting for 58 percent of all tax collections, Hegar added.



Sonora ISD Menu

- PK-5th : Free Breakfast & \$2.45 lunch
- Middle & High School: \$1.95 Breakfast & \$2.85 lunch
- *Menu Subject to Change

Monday January 16th Breakfast

Pancakes/Bacon Or Cereal/Crackers, 100% Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk Variety

Lunch

Country Fried Steak w/Gravy, Meatloaf, or Chicken Fajita Salad

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Roll, Mashed Potatoes, Savory Green Beans, Strawberry Cup, Milk Variety

After School Program

Chex, Strawberry Milk

Tuesday January 17th Breakfast

Sunrise Sandwich Or Cereal/Crackers, 100% Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk Variety

Lunch

Meat & Cheese Tostadas, Enchiladas, or Chef Salad

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Salsa, Zesty Cucumbers, Refried Beans, Lettuce & Tomato Garnish, Rosy Applesauce, Milk Variety

After School Program

Fruit, Raisins, Milk

Wednesday-January 18th Breakfast

Breakfast Strudel/Cheese Stick Or Cereal/Crackers, 100% Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk Variety

Lunch

Chicken Spaghetti w/Breadstick, Pizza or Santa Fe Salad

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Garden Salad, Vegetable Medley, Orange Smiles, Milk Variety

After School Program

Baked Chips, Juice

Thursday January 19th Breakfast

Breakfast Parfait Or Cereal/Crackers, 100% Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk Variety

Lunch

Soft Tacos, Frito Pie or Crispy Chicken Salad

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Baby Carrots, Mexicali Corn, Salsa, Lettuce & Tomato Garnish, Peaches, Cookie, Milk Variety

After School Program

Granola Bar, Milk

Friday- January 20th Breakfast

Breakfast Burrito Or Cereal/Crackers, 100% Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk Variety

Lunch

Chicken Strips w/Texas Toast & Gravy, HB/Ch. Burger w/Hamburger Garnish or Tuna Salad

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Sweet Potato Fries, Peas, Apple Slices, Milk Variety

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NOTICE OF SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS § BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF SALE
 COUNTY OF SUTTON § DATED: January 4, 2017

and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court, 112th Judicial District, of Sutton County, Texas, by the District Clerk on said date, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I have on the 6th day of January, 2017, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in February, 2017, the same being the 7th day of said month, at the Courthouse door, of said County in the City of Sonora, beginning at 11:00 o'clock a.m., on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all the right, title and interest of the defendants in such suit to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Sutton and the State of Texas, to-wit:

CAUSE NO. 5954; SUTTON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT V. JOHNNY ESPARZA, ET AL

TRACT 1: R101546
 Being Lot 6, Block W-38, City of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas; being that property more particularly described in a Warranty Deed recorded in Volume 298, Page 493 in the Official Records of Sutton County, Texas.

CAUSE NO. 6039; SUTTON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT V. ELIZABETH KAREN BROWN, A/K/A ELIZABETH KAREN VOIGHT, ET AL

TRACT 1: GEO: R101167
 SONORA, BLOCK 27E, LOT S 50' OF 7 & SE 25' OF 8

CAUSE NO. 6050; SUTTON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT V. RACHEL CASTILLEJA

TRACT 1: GEO: R100596
 Being all of Lot 2, Block 9, Mexico Addition, City of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas; being that property more particularly described in a General Warranty Gift Deed recorded in Volume 368, Page 299 in the Deed Records of Sutton County, Texas.

CAUSE NO. 6054; SUTTON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT V. ANGELICA V. GUERRERO

TRACT 1: R100394
 Being all of Lot 1, Block 17, Loma Alta Addition, City of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas; being that property more particularly described in a Warranty Deed recorded in Instrument #59873 in the Deed Records of Sutton County, Texas.

CAUSE NO. 6055; SUTTON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT V. MARIA DELROSARIO LUMBRERAS

TRACT 1: R101232
 Being the SW/4 of Lot 2, Block A, Town of Sonora, fronting 50' on Oak Street and extending back 100'; property more particularly described in a Special Warranty Deed recorded in Instrument #61000 of the Deed Records of Sutton County, Texas.

CAUSE NO. 6058; SUTTON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT V. KIRK JOY, A/K/A LOWELL KIRK JOY, INDIVIDUALLY & D/B/A KJ'S BBQ, ET AL

TRACT 1: GEO: R100806
 Being Lot 5, part of 6, Block 33-A, South Heights Addition, Sonora, Sutton County, Texas; being that property more particularly described in a Warranty Deed Recorded in Volume 262, Page 20 of the Records of the Sutton County, Texas.

TRACT 2: GEO: R150254
 Being Lots 11 and 12 and 10' of the alley adjacent, Block 16-A, South Heights Addition, and Lots 7 and 8 and 10' of the alley adjacent, Block 17-A, South Heights Addition, and 30' of Tayloe Street and a portion of Second Street, all in the South Heights Addition Town, City of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas; being that property more particularly described in a Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien Recorded in Volume 342, Page 345 of the Official Records of the Sutton County Clerk.

CAUSE NO. CV06109; SUTTON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT V. ADRIAN A. MATA, ET AL

TRACT 1: GEO: R100974
 Lots Ten (10), Eleven (11) & Twelve (12), Block 63-A, South Heights Addition, City of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas; being that property more particularly described in a Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien recorded in Volume 368, Page 615 of the Deed Records of Sutton County, Texas.

TRACT 2: GEO: R100975
 Lots Three (3), Four (4), Five (5) & Six (6), Block 63-A, South Heights Addition, City of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas; being that property more particularly described in a Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien recorded in Volume 368 Page 615 of the Deed Records of Sutton County, Texas.

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

I have appointed the following as agent to conduct the sale, to-wit:

Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott, L.L.P.
 Attorneys at Law
 1031 Andrews Hwy, Ste. 210
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At the time the sale begins, all bidders at the sale must be registered with the above named agent conducting the sale and be eligible to bid according to the Property Tax Code.

Dated at Sonora, Sutton County, Texas, this the 6th day of January, 2017.

/s/Oscar Chavez
 SHERIFF, SUTTON COUNTY

The Blotter



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

SONORA PD ARRESTS

JANUARY 6 • Francisco Michael Galindo, 42 year- old male of Sonora, arrested for Public Intoxication.

INCIDENTS

JANUARY 4 - 9:39 AM • Funeral escort requested. Officer responded.
JANUARY 5 - 2:49 PM • Suspicious person reported on 400 block of S. Crockett. Officer responded.
4:25 PM • Criminal Mischief reported at Sonora HS parking lot. Officer responded.
4:26 PM • Agency requested assistance on 900 block of Prospect. Officer responded.
JANUARY 6 - 7:58 AM • Disturbance reported on 800 block of St. Ann's. Officer responded.
9:47 AM • 9-1-1 call on 600 block of E. Poplar. Officer responded.
9:48 AM • Funeral escort requested. Officers responded.
12:00 PM • Suspicious person reported on 200 block of N. Concho. Officer responded.
3:15 PM • Suspicious person reported on 500 block of S. Crockett. Officer responded.
3:40 PM • Officer requested on 300 block of Hwy 277. Officer responded.
4:12 PM • Officer requested on 500 block of E. 2nd. Officer responded.
JANUARY 7 - 11:57 AM • Officer requested on 400 block of E. Oak. Officer responded.
6:17 PM • 9-1-1 call on 200 block of Hillside. Officer responded.
JANUARY 8 - 12:31 PM • Officer requested for a civil matter on 100 block of Martin. Officer responded.
4:31 PM • Agency requested assistance on 700 block of St. Ann's. Officer responded.
6:22 PM • Criminal trespass reported on 700 block of Menard. Officer responded.
7:04 PM • Reckless driving reported at S. Crockett/277. Officer responded.
10:08 PM • Missing person reported on 1200 block of Tayloe. Officer responded.

SUTTON COUNTY SHERIFF ARRESTS

JANUARY 1 • Justin Michael Flores, of Robstown, Texas, arrested for DWI, possession of a controlled substance, and possession of dangerous drugs.

INCIDENTS

JANUARY 2 - 2:26 PM • EMS requested assistance at Mile Marker 411. Deputy responded.
3:18 PM • Reckless driver near Mile Marker 407. Deputy responded.
4:23 PM • EMS requested assistance on 400 block of W. 8th. Deputy responded.
10:13 PM • Caller reported possible drunk driver. DPS and Deputy responded.
JANUARY 3 - 3:09 PM • Accident reported 10 miles out on South 277. EMS, DPS and Deputy responded.
7:15 PM • Report of injured animal on SCR 410.
JANUARY 4 - 12:30 AM • Report of disabled vehicle at Mile Marker 389. Deputy responded.
7:05 AM • Report of reckless driver Eastbound at Mile Marker 417. Junction notified.
10:06 AM • EMS requested assistance on 300 block of Ben Juarez. Deputy responded.
6:53 PM • Transported female inmate to house at Upton County Jail.
7:44 PM • Disabled vehicle reported at 390 Eastbound. Deputy responded.
10:33 PM • Motorist requested assistance from Road Ranger to Mile Marker 425. Deputy responded.
11:22 PM • Report of hazard in roadway 401 West bound. Deputy responded.
JANUARY 5 - 3:42 AM • Motorist requested assistance at Mile Marker 410. Deputy responded.
11:00 PM • EMS requested assistance on 600 block of W. 8th.
JANUARY 6 - 11:42 PM • Motorist requested assistance at Mile Marker 431. Deputy responded.
JANUARY 7 - 12:24 AM • Accident reported at Mile Marker 415.
12:51 AM • EMS, DPS and Deputy responded.
12:11 PM • Report of large water leak at County Park. Deputy and Road & Bridge Dept. responded.
4:43 PM • Several reports of loose livestock on RR 1691. Deputy responded.
8:52 PM • Motorist requested assistance at Mile Marker 385. Deputy responded.



Sutton County Court Report

Sutton County Court was held on Monday, December 12th, 2016 with Judge Steve Smith presiding.

- Francisco Borrego Galvan, male age 47. Offenses Criminal Trespass and Resist Arrest Search or Transport. Galvan received 6 months probation, \$500 fine, \$262 court costs, \$25 county and state time and \$60 community supervision cost.
- Maximiano Garanzuay Reyes, male age 49. Offense Driving While Intoxicated. Reyes received 1 year probation, \$358.10 court cost, \$25 county and state time, \$1000 fine.
- Maximiano Garanzuay Reyes, male age 49. Offense Driving w/License Invalid, w/Previous Conviction/Suspension, w/Fines/Restitution. Reyes received 1 year probation, \$198.10 court cost, \$25 county and state time, and a \$500 fine.
- San Juanita Segura, female age 28. Offense False Report Statement Officer/Agent HMO-MB. Segura pled guilty and received \$183 court cost, \$25 county and state time, a \$500 fine, and 1 year probation.



112th District Court Report

Sutton County 112th District Court was held on Wednesday December 14th, 2016 and Thursday January 5th, 2017 with the Honorable Pete Gomez presiding.

- Rodolfo Sanchez Contreras, male age 31. Offense Abandon Endanger Child Criminal Negligence. Contreras was sentenced to 245 days in State Jail, \$260 court cost and \$180 restitution.
- Lilliana Rueda Fraire, female age 27. Offense Abandon Endanger Child Criminal Negligence. Fraire received 2 years deferred adjudication, \$200 fine, 120 hours community service, \$260 court cost, \$60 community supervision cost.
- Manuel Enrique Flores, male age 26. Offense Sex Offenders Duty to Register Life/Annually. Flores pled guilty and received 10 years community supervision, 160 hours community service, \$254 court costs, \$60 monthly supervision fee.

City of Sonora



Senior Center

MONDAY January 16

Senior Center will be closed for Martin Luther King Day!

TUESDAY January 17

Santa Fe Pork Chop, Scalloped Potatoes, Broccoli, Wheat Bread, Vanilla Berry Pudding, Milk

WEDNESDAY January 18

Beef Tips, Egg Noodles, Spinach, Wheat Bread, Chunky Fruit, Milk

THURSDAY January 19

Turkey Tetrazzini, Green Peas, Cheesy Garlic Toast, Pears, Milk

FRIDAY January 20

Chicken Drumsticks, Potato Wedges, Carrots, Coleslaw, Wheat Bread, Cake, Milk

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NOTICE Tax Assessor- Collector

Due to new system installation, the Sutton County Tax Assessor-Collector office will be closed Tuesday afternoon, January 17, 2017.

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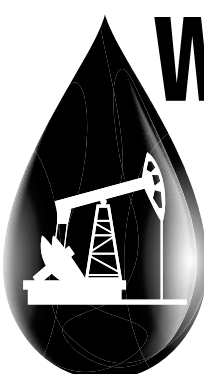
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Rylie Walker takes a shot during a non conference varsity game between Sonora and Christoval this past December 2016.
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SONORA v. MCCAMEY
41 - 30

SONORA 04-12-14-11=41
MCCAMEY 10-08-02-10=30

SCORERS: Kade Creek 13; Raully Ojeda 10; Kaden Cordell 7; Liam Yourgalite 7; Michael Solis 4.



Blayze Sykes goes up for a rebound during Friday's non conference JV match between the Broncos and the Badgers, Friday, January 6, 2017.
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SONORA v. BALLINGER
39 - 74

Sonora 12-13-02-12=39
Ballinger 16-17-25-16=74

SCORERS: Audry Nolen 9; Jackilyn Sykes 8; Riley Walker 22.



Sonora Broncos varsity players Kade Creek, Michael Solis and Raully Ojeda team up on defense to keep the Badgers from scoring during Friday's game between the varsity game between Sonora and McCamey, January 6, 2017.
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SONORA v. HARPER
42 - 51

Sonora 06-08-13-15=42
Harper 17-17-04-13=51

SCORERS: Lozano 12; Lopez 11; DeLuna 10; Sykes 8; Talamantez 1.



Gaby Zapata dribbles the ball to the net during a non conference JV game between the Lady Broncos and Lady Dillos this past December 2016.
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JANUARY 3, 2017


SONORA v. HARPER
37 - 67

Sonora 05-09-15-08=37
Harper 18-14-19-16=67

SCORERS: Michael Solis 11; Kaden Cordell 9; Kade Creek 6; Raully Ojeda 5; Noah San Miguel 2; Liam Yourgalite 2.



Aldo Deluna avoids an attempted block by a Badger during Friday's non conference JV match between the Broncos and the Badgers, Friday, January 6, 2017.
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SONORA v. BALLINGER
06 - 47

Sonora 01-01-00-04=06
Ballinger 15-18-06-08=47

SCORERS: Aleasha Smith 6.



Head Coach Cannon MacWilliams calls a time out to talk with his team during the game between Sonora and McCamey, Friday, January 6, 2017.
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JANUARY 6, 2017

SONORA v. MCCAMEY
38 - 14

Sonora 09-05-18-06=38
MCCAMEY 06-04-02-02=14

SCORERS: DeLuna 7; Alviso 2; Lozano 2; Lopez 17; Vasquez 2; Sykes 8.




LADY COLTS
8th Grade "A" Team
NUECES CANYON TOURNAMENT
JANUARY 7, 2017

SONORA v. ROCKSPRINGS
20 - 12

Sonora 02-04-07-07=20
Rocksprings 00-04-03-05=12

SCORERS: Aislin Nixon 8; Fernanda Gonzales 4; Alyssa Martinez 2; Clarissa Rodriguez 2; Esmerelda Salazar 2; Yessenia Garza 2.



LADY COLTS
8th Grade "A" Team
JANUARY 9, 2017

SONORA v. BALLINGER
15 - 23

Sonora 04-02-03-06=15
Ballinger 04-06-06-07=23

SCORERS: Aislin Nixon 8; Alyssa Martinez 2; Clarissa Rodriguez 5.

SONORA v. NUECES CANYON
16 - 41

Sonora 02-04-02-08=16
N.C. 09-16-08-08=41

SCORERS: Clarissa Rodriguez 8; Aislin Nixon 6; Yessenia Garza 2.

SONORA v. BALLINGER
16 - 20

8th Grade "B" Team

Sonora 04-07-00-05=16
Balinger 08-02-06-04=20

SCORERS: Alexis Gaytan 1; Alex Cardenas 11; Jarixa DeLuna 4.

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