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On the Cutting Edge

Commissioners Recognize Local Eagle Scout for Outstanding Citizenship

County Commissioners presented an award for Outstanding Citizenship to Eagle Scout Juan Miguel Jimenez during their regular meeting Monday, February 27, 2016.

Judge Steve Smith read aloud the declaration which stated, "The commissioners court declared that Juan Miguel Jimenez is an outstanding citizen of Sutton County in achieving his rank as Eagle Scout, Mr. Jimenez has benefited all those who reside in Sutton County with his game piece project he has given a gift that will go on forever."

With a handshake, Jimenez accepted the award autographed by each member of the court

The court also heard a presentation by Scout Dakota Castro for his Eagle Scout Project. Castro is raising money to purchase 10 bullet proof vest units to be worn by local law enforcement officers. To date, he has raised \$3000 towards his goal of \$4000 to purchase the gear.

"This is the best way to aid the men and women of law enforcement, Castro said. "Especially when they are the friends and family who serve in our community."

Donations are being accepted at the Sutton County Sheriff's Office. Castro's deadline is July 2017.

In regular business commissioners approved the minutes of the two-prior meeting.

They also approved the accounts payable as presented.

In other business, the court approved the hiring of Robbie Jones to perform the duties of dispatcher for the Sheriff's Office. He will be paid a rate of \$11 per hour.

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Eight SMS Scholars Advance to TMSCA State Competition

Eight SMS Scholars advanced to state as a result of their achievements this past Saturday, February 25, 2017 during the TMSCA Qualifiers meet in Crane.

SMS had a showing of 14 participants in the qualifying meet.

Qualifying meets such as these allows students to achieve additional points to advance to the state competition.

Young sages compete against other grade level students from area 1A through 5A schools.

Molly Friess qualified in an earlier meet and an additional 8 students qualified during the Crane meet.

All SMS 6th graders have qualified in at least one event as a result of the two qualifying contests.

6th Grade Results:

Number Sense:

Juan Torres-Alvarez 2nd Place - Advance to State

Gage Owen, 6th place - Advance to State

Koda Davis, 8th place - Advance to State

Aidan Leamon, 10th place

Calculator:

Montse DeLaFuente, 2nd place - Advance to State

Alma Hernandez, 9th place

Molly Friess, 10th place

Mathematics:

Juan Torres-Alvarez 2nd place - Advance to State

Gage Owen, 10th place - Advance to State

Aidan Leamon, 12th place - Advance to State

Science:

Juan Torres-Alvarez 1st - Advance to State

Aidan Leamon, 10th place - Advance to State

7th Grade Results:

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Sonora Volunteer Firefighters and First Responders get hands-on training to learn up to date techniques and equipment necessary to extract injured people from cars involved in crashes. The training under the direction of Advanced Rescue Systems involved the use of Jaws of Life tools in a variety of mock crash scenarios. KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

Sonora First Responders Get Hands-on Training Using Jaws of Life

Sutton County and Sonora volunteer firefighters and emergency personnel gathered at the Sonora Fire Hall Saturday morning to take part in hands-on training to learn the latest techniques to extract injured people from cars involved in crashes. They also got the opportunity to learn how to use battery powered jaws of life.

"Today we are training and looking at new technologies to help us get crash victims out of vehicles," Volunteer Firefighter Peter Duran said. "Currently, we are using low-powered hydraulic tools that were purchased in the 1990s and they really need to be updated. Newer equipment like

the high powered hydraulic tools and battery operated tools would help us do our job faster. We use the jaws of life at least once a month to get someone out of a vehicle."

Volunteers and first responders took turns using high pressure hydraulic and battery powered extrication tools powerful enough to cut through mangled metal with the precision of a surgeon's scalpel.

With a crew and a stabilized car, they could pop a door in a matter of minutes.

Local fire and rescue personnel respond to crashes almost daily throughout the area. Covering a wide area of roads along I-10

and US Hwy 277 also increases the incidence of crashes involving entrapment.

Training these first responders from various departments at the same time is essential since they are so often called to assist one another.

"Modern cars are becoming more complicated every day and this makes rescuing crash victims more complicated too," EMS Director T.J. Thorp said. "We need to be knowledgeable and prepared to help crash victims in any situation."

Training experts from Advanced Rescue Systems were on hand to instruct rescuers through a variety of scenarios

including a car flipped on its side and a vehicle turned upside down, using both hydraulic and battery powered extrication tools.

Also, glass cutting and breaking devices were available to demonstrate how to safely remove windshields and windows with less risk of injury to the patient inside the vehicle.

Of course, all of this training and equipment adds up to ensuring the most crucial element to saving lives - time.

"Seconds matter because it can mean the difference between life or death when someone has been injured in a crash," Joe

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Lady Broncos Go 3-1 in 2nd Annual Stevie Smith Memorial Classic

On February 23rd - 25th, the Sonora Lady Bronco Softball program hosted its second annual Stevie Smith Memorial Classic in memory of a former player who passed on January 31, 2016.

In recognition of Stevie Smith, their "angel on the mound," the team was joined by Smith's family for a moment of silence and a balloon release in tribute of her memory.

The Lady Broncos completed a successful weekend of play during the tourney boasting a 3-1 record.

Sonora opened the tournament with a 19-8 victory over Crane. Danysse Cantu also earned her first win of the season.

Cantu recorded just 3 earned runs on 5 hits along with 4 strikeouts in just three innings of play.

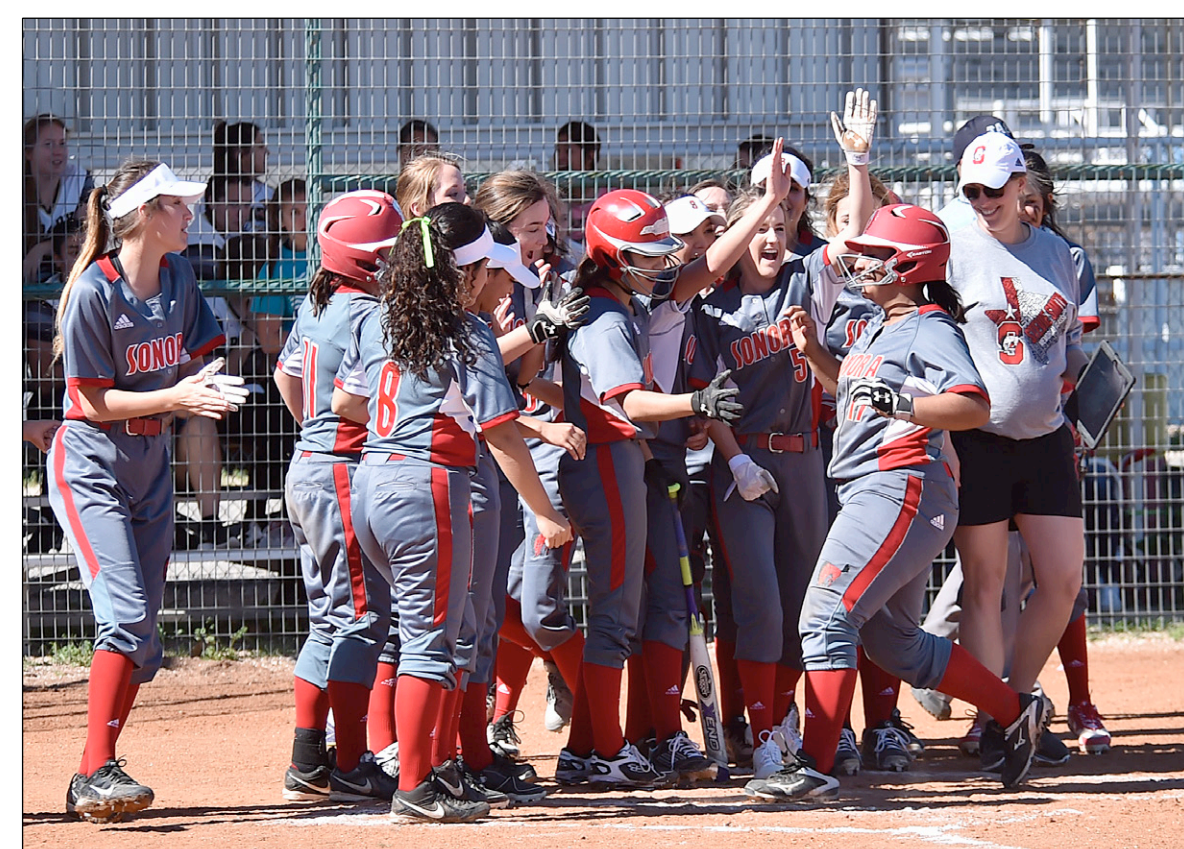
Riley Walker and Dekota Morrow led the Lady Broncos offense with a combined 5 hits and 5 RBI's.

Nydia Rodriguez slammed one over the centerfield fence scoring her first homerun of the season along with 3 RBI's.

In the nightcap against Harper, the Lady Broncos were not able to overcome a strong pitching performance by Julia Mauldin.

Unfortunately, Sonora earned only 2 hits by Audry Nolen and Walker for the night.

Nine game errors allowing



The Sonora Lady Broncos celebrate their 19-8 victory over the Lady Cranes, Thursday, February 23, 2017, jump starting the 2nd Annual Stevie Smith Memorial Classic. DANNY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

11 unearned runs to score also contributed to their 0-14 loss to the Lady Horns.

Saturday, the Lady Broncos returned with resolve and determination to win.

In the opening game of the Bronze bracket, Sonora took on

McCamey shutting out the Lady Badgers with a 15-0 victory.

Walker, Karah Martinez, Keeley Moore, and Nydia Rodriguez all had multiple hits throughout the game.

Again, Cantu dominated the mound barring any hits through

3 innings while pitching 5 strikeouts.

Wrapping up Bronze game play, Sonora and Crane again found themselves competing for the win.

Walker battled in 4 runs

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STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

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Federal Judge Sides with Plaintiffs in Planned Parenthood Case

AUSTIN — Texans who rely on Planned Parenthood as a medical care provider won't have to seek those services elsewhere, pending an upcoming trial.

In the lawsuit titled Planned Parenthood et al. v. Texas Health and Human Services Commission, U.S. District Judge Sam Sparks of Austin on Feb. 21 granted a preliminary injunction to prevent the Texas Department of Health and Human Services from eliminating funding for Planned Parenthood in the state's 2017-18 budget.

"There is no legitimate public interest in allowing Texas to complete its planned terminations (of funding) based on the current facts," wrote Sparks. "Instead, the public interest favors enforcing the individual

plaintiffs' rights and avoiding disrupting the health care of some of Texas's most vulnerable individuals."

Sparks found that an injunction would ensure that Medicaid recipients in Texas "will continue to have access to medical care at their chosen providers" and the Texas Department of Health and Human Service's termination of Planned Parenthood's provider agreements likely violates federal law.

Sparks ordered the plaintiffs and defendants to work out a schedule for presenting arguments within 30 days. The court will then schedule a trial date.

Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton expressed disappointment in the ruling

and said he plans to file an appeal.

'Bathroom bill' continues

The Trump administration has reversed last year's Obama administration move to allow transgender students to use the bathrooms and locker rooms of their choice.

The civil rights divisions for the federal justice and education departments on Feb. 22 issued a joint "Dear Colleague" guidance letter reversing the controversial move last May.

In late August, a Fort Worth federal district court enjoined nationwide enforcement of the Obama administration's directive.

Meanwhile, Senate Bill 6 by Lois Kolkhorst, R-Brenham, is awaiting a hearing by the Texas Senate's State Affairs Committee.

The state legislation, considered a high priority by Gov. Greg Abbott and Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick, would require transgender students to use facilities that match the biological sex they were assigned at birth.

You Should Never

There are certain things in life that prudent, forward-thinking people avoid. Like putting their tongue on a frozen metal fence, or being outnumbered by their kids. Certain actions just aren't wise and some can even get you into trouble. These are things, that if you are thinking logically, you will never do. For instance, you should never...

- Litter.
- Eat crackers in bed.
- Smoke in bed – or anywhere for that matter.
- Overflow the bathtub. Overflow the toilet (even worse).
- Show up late to work. Show up late to a movie. Show up late. It's rude.
- You should never be rude. At least not on purpose.
- Text while driving.
- Gossip. (Hard, I know.)
- Fall asleep at work.

(Dumb.) Fall asleep on a railroad track. (Dumb and dangerous.)

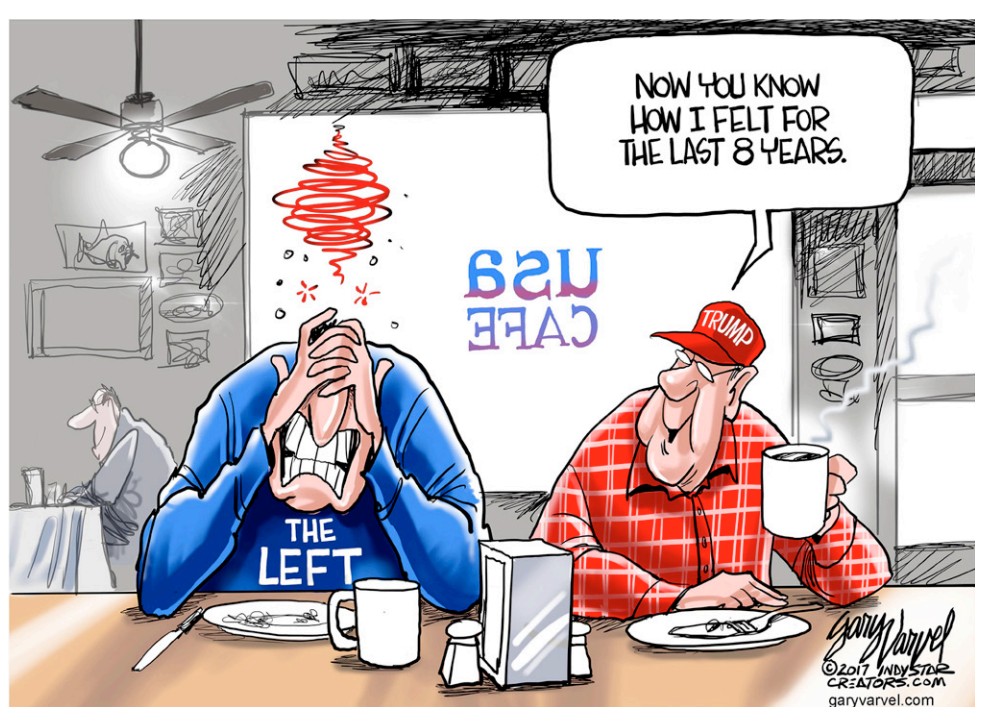
- Spend more than you earn. (Squander money.)
- Squander time. Squander opportunity. Squander relationships. Squander.
- Make vague and ambiguous posts on social media, which prompt people to ask, "What's wrong?"
- Follow the crowd, unless it's going in the direction you want to go.
- Bring a cat to a dog park.
- Forget to buy the cat treats.
- Brag. Even about your kids – or your cat.
- Forget your anniversary.
- Wear a royal blue shirt when shopping at Walmart.
- Wear a red shirt when shopping at Target.
- Run a red light.
- Argue with a police officer.
- Disagree with your cat.
- Jump to conclusions.
- Jump out of an airplane (unless you have a parachute).
- Tag someone in an unflattering photo.
- Send an angry email at 10:00 p.m. Whatever it is can wait until the morning.
- Think that it's all about you.
- Get all political on social media.
- Fry bacon in your birthday suit.
- Hug a cactus.
- Hug a cactus while frying bacon in your birthday suit.
- Click on an unknown link in an email.
- Ignore your mom. Ignore your dad.
- Ignore the check engine light.
- Run out of gas.
- Take a family member for granted. This goes double for your spouse.
- Wear white to a wedding (unless you are the bride).
- Store tomatoes in the refrigerator.
- Use a password called "password."
- Turn your back on a crocodile.
- Try to beat a train.
- Store onions with potatoes.
- Say "congratulations" to a woman who appears pregnant, unless you are 100 percent sure.
- Say, "I can't."
- Hate.
- Assume.
- Break a promise.
- Make a promise you know you can't keep.
- Miss out on the chance to learn something new.
- Give up on others. Give up on yourself.
- Be purposely hurtful.
- Ignore an opportunity to be kind.
- Wear a tutu to a job interview (unless you are a ballerina).
- Think life is fair.
- Eat sand.
- Leave the ice cream out on the counter.
- Drink milk from the carton (unless you have no friends and live alone).
- Prioritize things over people.
- Elevate yourself above others.
- Play poker with a guy (or gal) who is wearing mirrored sunglasses.
- Underestimate the power, stamina and energy of a parent.
- Underestimate the love of a parent.
- Underestimate yourself.

There are more. Dozens even. But I'll stop here. (You always want to quit leaving them wanting more.) Never forget that.

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By Jill Pertler

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Dead Man in the Road

Back in the 1960s flies and screw worms were terrible in the summer months. Ranchers did everything possible to fight this problem. I know I dusted my cattle, I put up oil ropes and finally sprayed with Co-Ral. This gives us the reason that this story happened.

I had gathered all my cattle and had my holding traps full after deciding to spray. At this time I did not own a spraying machine, but my neighbor on a large corporate ranch offered me the use of theirs. So I got up early and with my son Charlie left to go over to Longfellow Ranch and pick up a sprayer.

This called for us to drive across the ranch to Bullis Gap Road then turn and go to US 90 about 3 miles to Longfellow Ranch. I saw a vehicle parked in the county road with the drivers door open and the head lights on but not moving. As I drove up to the car and started around it I saw a man lying behind the car on his back. Walking around the car and looking down at the man I saw that he was dead. Going back to his car I found that it was still running in park and idling. I cut the motor off and cut the lights off and saw a pint bottle of whiskey and a .38 special laying on the seat.

Now my son Charlie who was four-years old at this time was standing on the seat of my pickup and looking at all this. He then ask me, "what's wrong with that man there on the ground Dad?" I answered him as I got in the truck. "Son the man is dead and we need to go back to the ranch."

Charlie asked "What for, to get a shovel and bury him?"

"No," I answered, "we must get to a phone and call the law to handle this." I then drove back to the ranch where I placed a call to the Sheriff at Sanderson, as that was the nearest law. He ordered me to go back and guard the location until he or his deputies could arrive on the scene. I agreed and left Charlie there as I felt a four-year-old boy had seen

enough.

I returned to the location and began to watch as I was instructed. A short time later a border patrol plane circled and with a loud speaker asked if he could help in anyway, I gave him a wave off and he left. About then the Terrell County sheriff and a deputy arrived and examined the body and decided that no violence had occurred that apparently the man had dropped dead with a heart-attack.

It Happened Out West

He and his deputy then turned the body over and removed his wallet for identification.

The license showed him to be a white male, 65 years old and from Fluvanna, Texas and named Malcolm Stavelly. The sheriff had his deputy cover the body with a tarp as it was getting hot due to the sun. Then he told me he had called Pecos County as he was out of his county and had no jurisdiction here.

After about an hour the chief deputy from Pecos County came and had with him the precinct JP and the undertakers wagon. This man ordered a coroner court into order and then examined the body. He found the man's levis were open as if he had stopped to urinate. Then he found that the man had fallen backward and was dead when he hit the caliche road as his head was bruised but no blood. At this point he declared Malcolm Stavelly dead.

The deputy gathered up all the belongings, the wallet, the whiskey, the pistol and a suitcase of clothing. He then informed me that I was subpoenaed to appear at a hearing in Fort Stockton the next day. They loaded the body and left for Fort Stockton.

The Sheriff congratulated me on doing everything in a legal manner and I thanked him for his cooperation. He asked about the car and I told him I would take it to the ranch for now as the man was a distant relative and I would notify his family about what to do with it. Later on I drove the car to Fluvanna and attended Malcom's funeral in Snyder, Texas.

Needless to say my cattle did not get sprayed for several days. So ended the tale of the "dead man in the road."



by Joe N. Brown

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An Unusual Wedding Ceremony

Greg and Toni Bodin were married in a big chair during Old Sorehead Trade Days in Stanton, an event that draws people from all over Texas and beyond to shop for merchandise from vendors set up in temporary booths on downtown streets. Some people call it a big flea market.

Toni is six and a half feet tall and one day she was sitting on an upturned bucket in her furniture-making shop and decided to make a big chair that would be comfortable for her. She made

a huge wooden Adirondack chair, big enough to hold two people. It served as an advertisement for Toni's furniture booth at the trade days event.

Toni and Greg had been together a few years and in 2008 decided to tie the knot. They contacted the Martin County judge in Stanton and asked him to marry them during trade days. They wanted to be sitting in the big chair during the ceremony.

"Several people wanted to buy that chair that day," says Greg. "I told them they couldn't buy it until after three o'clock. That's when the ceremony was to take place. So at three o'clock a convoy of golf carts converged on our booth. We didn't tell anybody about our plans. We just decided to do it so people wouldn't make a big deal out of it and buy us a bunch of expensive gifts. We didn't want that. We just wanted to get married and be left alone."

Greg says the judge showed up with some Old Sorehead Trade Days officials to serve as witnesses. "We were sitting in the big yellow chair getting married when a guy came up and wanted to buy a piece of furniture. I didn't want him to get away, so I stopped the ceremony, made the sale, collected the money and told him I would deliver the piece of furniture to his vehicle as soon as I got done kissing the bride."

Toni and Greg set up housekeeping in a two-acre fenced in compound in the community of Sand Springs just east of Big Spring. They put the oversized chair (ten feet long and six feet high) just outside the fence and it became a landmark. Interstate 20 is just a few yards away from their place. "We've had all sorts of people stopping to take pictures," says Toni, "sometimes as many as a dozen a week."

The couple went everywhere together, volunteering at frontier forts in West and Central Texas, taking photos and exhibiting them in museums, colleges and other venues. Toni wrote a book about being tall (I See Short People) and made a movie about her favorite sewing shop that was closing.

"We're good at saving money," Toni told me. "We have a wind turbine and solar panels to cut down on our electric bill. I supplement Greg's oilfield salary with eggs our chickens produce. I also sew for the public. I use a treadle sewing machine because it's portable and I can take it outside and sew. It's very quiet. I have a collection of those old sewing machines. I also collect wringer washing machines from the 1920s."

Toni stays busy. Greg passed away in January at the age of 43. His memorial service drew a huge crowd.

Heard Around Town

I don't lock my doors because I hate the people on the outside, I lock them because I love the people on the inside.

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Walker Sine leaves the starting block competing for a 1st place finish in the 800 M Relay Saturday, February 25, 2017 in Ozona.
DANNY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

Sonora Takes 1st place in Ozona Lion Relays

The Sonora Varsity Broncos and Lady Broncos dominated the Ozona Lion Relays, Saturday, February 25, 2017 showing off their skill and endurance in both track and field events.

The Broncos earned 1st place with a total of 264 points. Behind Sonora, in 2nd place, Iraan accumulated 128 points followed by Ozona, 74, Sterling City, 54, Reagan County, 25, Eldorado, 24, Crane, 21, Comstock, 18 and Nueces Canyon with 11 points.

Individually, Michael Solis tied for 1st place in the field events with a total of 14 points. Carter Zook earned 1st place in track with a total of 20 points and the relay teams of Wilson Johnson, Wesley Dutton Jarrett Jackson; Walker Sine, Drew Buitron, Wilson Johnson; Walker Sine, Willie Munoz and Drew Buitron took first place with 20 points.

The Lady Broncos finished second in the meet. Individuals, Carly Brown and Lane Cahill tied for 1st place in the field events with a total of 10 points each. Mary Kyle Johnson tied for 1st place in track with a total of 20 points and the ladies relay teams earned 1st and 2nd places.

Varsity Boys Results:
Shot Put: Liam Yourgalite, 1st, 47'3.75"; Michael Solis, 4th, 40'03.25"

Discus: Michael Solis, 1st, 147'04"; Ray Kimbrell, 4th, 112'06"

Long Jump: Drew Buitron, 1st, 19'03.50; Carter Zook, 2nd, 19'2.25"; Jarrett Jackson, 3rd, 19'2.25"

Triple Jump: Willie Munoz, 2nd, 40'10.75"; Wesley Dutton, 4th, 38'08.25"

High Jump: Kaden Cordell, 1st, 5'10"; Kade Creek, 2nd, 5'08"

Pole Vault: John Deleon, 5th, 10'06"
3200 Meter Run: Evan Shannon, 1st, 10:40.5; Jalen Lopez, 6th, 11:43

1600 Meter Run: Evan Shannon, 1st, 4:49.16; Raully Ojeda, 3rd, 4:57.32;

Slade Dermody, 4th, 4:59.1

800 Meters: Slade Dermody, 1st, 2:03.11; Raully Ojeda, 3rd, 2:07.15

400 Meter: Wesley Dutton, 1st, 53.80; Wilson Johnson, 2nd, 54.46; JR Velazquez, 5th, 55.41

110 Hurdles: Carter Zook, 1st, 14.31; Willie Munoz, 2nd, 15.96

300 Hurdles: Carter Zook, 1st, 38.43; Willie Munoz, 3rd, 43.21

100 M Run: Jarrett Jackson, 1st, 10.88; Kaden Cordell, 4th, 11.50; Abel Cruz, 5th, 11.53

200 M Run: Michael Solis, 6th, 24.21

400 M Relay: Wilson Johnson, Jarrett Jackson, Drew Buitron, Wesley Dutton, 1st, 44.47

800 M Relay: Walker Sine, Willie Munoz, Jarrett Jackson, Drew Buitron, 1st, 1:33.10

1600 M Relay: Wesley Dutton, Drew Buitron, Wilson Johnson, Carter Zook, 1st, 3:29.10

Varsity Girls Results:
Triple Jump: Carly Brown, 1st, 32' 9"

High Jump: Mary Kyle Johnson, 2nd, 4' 6"

Pole Vault: Lane Cahill, 1st, 9' 6"

Aleasha Smith, 5th, 7'

800 M Relay: Martinez, Brown, Smith, Gonzalez, 1' 55"

100 M Dash: Lane Cahill, 2nd, 13' 01"; S. Castro, 6th, 14' 59"

800 M Run: Mary Kyle Johnson, 1st, 2' 31"

400 M Relay: Castro, Gonzalez, Smith, Cahill, 1st, 53:08:00

400 M Run: Mary Kyle Johnson, 1st, 1' 04"; Noella Tovar, 5th, 1' 10 56

300 M Hurdles: Carly Brown, 2nd, 50' 61

200 M Dash: K. Martinez, 5th, 30' 02

1600 M Relay: Brown, Gonzales, Cahill, Johnson, 2nd, 4:25 34

Next, the Broncos and Lady Broncos travel to Iraan to compete in the Brave relays, Saturday, March 4, 2017.

Dry Devil's River All Wood Classic

Pool A
Eldorado Eagles
Harper Longhorns
Sonora Broncos

Pool B
TLCA Eagles
Kerrville JV Antlers
Mason Punchers

Thursday March 2
9:00 a.m.
12:00 p.m.
3:00 p.m.

Pool A
Eldorado vs Harper
Harper vs Sonora
Eldorado vs Sonora

Friday March 4
9:00 a.m.
12:00 p.m.
3:00 p.m.

Pool B
Mason vs TLCA
Kerrville JV vs Mason
TLCA vs Kerrville JV

Saturday March 5
9:00 a.m.
12:00 p.m.
3:00 p.m.

Pool A #3 vs Pool B #3 Consolation
Pool A #2 vs Pool B #2 Third Place
Pool A #1 vs Pool B #1 Championship

Lady Broncos Lift Their Way to Regional Meet

The Sonora Lady Broncos participated in the Irion County Last Qualifier Meet Saturday, February 18, 2017.

They were among the 63 lifters from 9 area High Schools.

114-pound Division: Jordan Paredes 2. 570 (squat 240, bench press 105, dead lift 225)

123-pound Division: Kayla Gee, 5. 455 (squat 175, bench press 90, dead lift 190)

148-pound Division: Valerie Gonzalez, 4. 580 (squat 260, bench press 105, dead lift 215);

Natalia Villalobos, 5. 535 (squat 205, bench press 110, dead lift 220)

Kaitlyn Gann, 8. 495 (squat 210, bench press 95, dead lift 190)

181-pound Division: Olivia Martinez, 3. 610 (squat 270, bench press 125, dead lift 215)

Lashae Garcia, 4. 550 (squat 250, bench press 100, dead lift 200)

Next, the Lady Broncos compete for a top place in the Girls Division 3 Regional Meet, Friday, March 3, 2017, in Mertzon.



Jordan Paredes lifted a total weight of 570 pounds during the Last Qualifier Meet at Irion County on February 18th. She is shown here competing in the Eldorado Powerlifting Meet on January 28th.
FILE PHOTO | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

2017 Lenten Lunch Schedule

Local churches are coming together this Lenten season to offer prayer, fellowship and lunch.

Lenten lunches will be served at the following churches at 12:00 noon, each Wednesday beginning March 8 through April 5.

March 8 - Presbyterian Church of the Good Shepherd and First United Methodist Church

March 15 - Lighthouse Community Church
March 22 - St. Ann's Catholic Church
March 29 - First Baptist Church
April 5 - St. John's Episcopal Church

The luncheons are free and open to the public. Donations are also welcome. All proceeds go to the Ministerial Alliance.

Sonora JV Take Gold and Silver in Ozona Lion Relays

The Sonora JV girls took first place Saturday, February 25, 2017, with a total 144 points in the Ozona Lion Relays.

The JV boys brought home the silver with their second place finish in the meet.

JV Boys Results:

Shot Put: Alex Lozano, 6th, 30'06"

Long Jump: Eddie Infante, 3rd, 16'07"

Triple Jump: Braden Adams, 2nd, 35'1.50"

800 Meter Relay: Brock Aschenbeck, Eddie Infante, Braden Adams, Alex Mata, 1st, 1:44

3200 M Run: Leo Alviso, 3rd, 13:11; Ariel Salaza, 4th, 13:48; Joe Angel Torres, 5th, 14:09

1600 M Run: Leo Alviso, 4th, 6:05

110 Hurdles: Keegan McCollum, 1st, 20.43

100 M Relay: Alex Mata, 4th, 12.53

200 M Relay: Eddie Infante, 5th, 26.49

400 M Relay: Brock Aschenbeck, Eddie Infante, Braden Adams, Alex Mata, 1st, 49.94

JV Girls Results:

Shot Put:

Deborah Hernandez, 1st, 23'.25"; Olivia Martinez, 2nd, 22' 1"; Kodee Smith, 3rd, 20' 8.25"

Discus: Shyanne Gamez, 2nd, 71' 2"; Deborah Hernandez, 4th, 55' 6"; Kodee Smith, 5th, 52' 3"

High Jump: Alex Torres, 1st, 4' 6"; Traci Vickers, 3rd, 3' 10"

1600 M Run: Traci Vickers, 1st, 6:34; Rivers Martinez, 3rd, 7:10; Brittany Covarrubiaz, 5th, 7:50

100 M Hurdles: Harley Daniels, 2nd, 20.31; Ashley Zook, 3rd, 21.28

800 M Run: Christina Garza, 1st, 2:57; Rivers Martinez, 4th, 3:17; Brittany Covarrubiaz, 5th, 3:23

400 M Run: Christina Garza, 1st, 1:14; Rivers Martinez, 4th, 1:32

300 M Hurdles: Ashley Zook, 2nd, 58:78; Harley Daniels, 3rd, 1:03

200 M Dash: Destiny Seaton, 3rd, 36.21

3200 M Run: Traci Vickers, 1st, 14:09

Next, the Sonora JV Broncos and Lady Broncos travel to Iraan Saturday, March 4, 2017 to compete in the Brave Relays.

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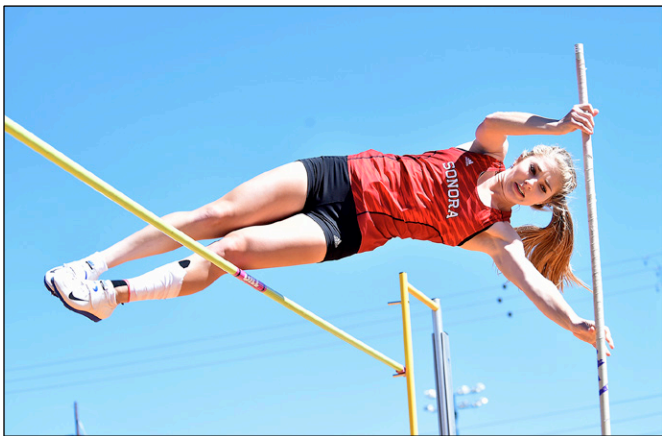
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Lane Cahill glides over the bar for a 1st place finish in the varsity girls pole vault Saturday, February 25, 2017, in Ozona.
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Registration Opens for Sonora City League 2017 Sports Season

Registration is now open for the 2017 Sonora City League Spring Youth Softball and Baseball.

Signs ups already underway and will continue through March 9.

Applications are available at the Days Inn, Sonora. Please return completed applications to the Days Inn along with a copy of your child's birth certificate.

Tryouts are scheduled for March 11, 2017 from 4:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. for ages 10-years and under. Ages 12-years will tryout from 5:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. at the Softball and Baseball field located next to the rodeo arena.

Games are set to begin in April.

FMI: Please contact Jesse Garza at 325-226-3898.

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| 1. Celerity | 59. Illuminated | | 11. Salad |
| 6. ___ and Sciences | 60. Exist | DOWN | 12. Crown |
| 10. Palm fruit | 61. Hole | 1. Fired at | 13. Consumed |
| 14. Market: Fr. | 64. Tiny container | 2. Peel | 22. Trap |
| 15. Kick | 66. Vats | 3. High spirits | 24. Lake Indians |
| 16. Troubled | 68. So. American plain | 4. House addition | 26. Employ |
| continent | 70. Saga | 5. Sandy waste | 27. Is present |
| 17. Examinations | 71. Poems | 6. Urge | 28. Hostel |
| 18. Girl's name | 72. Long | 7. Decay | 29. Beginning: mus. |
| 19. Little fight | 73. Clarinet part | 8. ___ pole | 30. Rahs |
| 20. Decade | 74. Network | 9. Testified | 31. Girl's name |
| 21. Is: C. | | | 32. Space agcy. |
| 23. French season | | | 36. Nevada town |
| 25. Anger | | | 38. Bivalve |
| 26. Vase | | | 39. Costa ___ |
| 27. The ___ heritage | | | 40. Paradise |
| 29. Steady | | | 42. Royal |
| 33. Noise | | | 43. Work |
| 34. Herb | | | 46. Long fish |
| 35. Speed | | | 48. Brother |
| 37. It's used in la | | | 50. Redactor |
| plume de ma tante | | | 52. ___ Waugh |
| 41. For each | | | 53. Poolside athlete |
| 42. Negotiates again | | | 54. Slur over |
| 44. Cover | | | 55. Dell |
| 45. American Indian | | | 56. Study: mus. |
| 47. Singer Paul ___ | | | 60. African fox |
| 48. Visage | | | 61. Jack ___ |
| 49. Era | | | 62. Regarding |
| 51. Pinscher's first | | | 63. Weights |
| name | | | 65. Boy |
| 53. Humiliates | | | 67. Wager |
| 57. Eggs | | | 69. Meadow |

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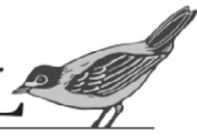
Elementary School Students for the week of February 27 - March 3, Jackson Fitzgerald, Pre-K, Jeremy Schaeffer, K, Yarixa Gonzalez, 1st, Jacob Bryan, 2nd.

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Sonora ISD Students of the Week

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Intermediate School Students for the week of February 27 - March 3, Evony Lopez, 3rd, Rylie Thorp, 4th, Arely Ortiz, 5th.

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Sonora Middle School Students for the week of February 27 - March 3, Annika Galindo, 6th, Susie Levario, 7th, Juan Ruiz, 8th.

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OBITUARIES

Bobbie Ann Smith

January 5, 1934 - February 21, 2017



Baptist Church of Sonora. She served her church in many capacities from teaching Sunday School to serving on committees.

She will be leaving behind a legacy as leader of the Gleaner's for many years. Bobbie was a pillar of First Baptist Church as well as the community of Sonora.

Bobbie was a wonderful and caring wife, mother, Grandbobbie, and life long friend to many.

Bobbie Ann Smith went to be with her Lord and Savior Tuesday, February 21, 2017.

She was preceded in death by her husband Joe Neil, her parents Cordie and Jack, her loving daughter Linda Hooper, two infant sons, her sisters Fran Johnson and Ruth Ford, and brother Rusty Drennan.

She attended Sonora Public Schools and graduated from Sonora High School in 1952.

Bobbie married Joe Neil Smith August 16, 1952. After years and years of waiting, their precious baby girl Linda Sue was born September 30, 1961.

Bobbie was a longtime employee of Sutton County where she served as the County District Clerk from 1990-1999.

She also enjoyed her own real estate business. After retiring from Sutton County she continued her real estate business for several years.

Bobbie was also a lifelong member of First

son in law Tony Hooper, granddaughter Whitney Hooper, granddaughter Joli Gipson and husband Brody, grandson Colt Hooper and great grandchildren Levi and Branson Gipson all of Odessa.

She is also survived by her brother Roland Drennan and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and special friends.

Services were held Friday, February 24, 2017 at First Baptist Church of Sonora.

Burial followed at Sonora Cemetery.

Card of Thanks

The Medinas and Hernandez family would like to thank you for your thoughtfulness and support during this difficult time.

A special thanks to the Guadalupanas for all their love and prayer.

Lavina, Rick, Daniel, Esme and Adam



Sam Powers, Sonora, in recent steer wrestling action.

COURTESY PHOTO | DANA JONES

Sul Ross' Powers Wins All-Around Cowboy at San Antonio Showdown

Sul Ross State University rodeo standout Sam Powers, Sonora, won all-around cowboy honors at the first-ever San Antonio College Showdown, held Sunday, Feb. 12, in conjunction with the San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo.

Powers placed third in the long round, third in the short round and third in average (18 seconds) in tie down roping, then advanced from an 8/9 split in the steer wrestling long round to place fourth in the short round and fourth in average (11.1).

He was the only competitor to place in the short round in two events.

Powers paired with Gunnar Latham, Martindale, in team roping, but they did not place.

Shay Hudson, Spring Branch, qualified for the short round in barrel racing with an 8/9 split (16.27

seconds) in the long round. Hudson finished seventh in the short round (16.34) for an average time of 32.61 on two runs.

"Sam turned in a superior effort in winning the all-around cowboy," Sul Ross rodeo coach Jacob Gernert said. "Overall, these rodeo athletes represented Sul Ross very well this past weekend and have done an outstanding job thus far this season."

Powers currently is tied for sixth in tie down roping (155 total points) in the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association's (NIRA) Southwest Region standings.

He is in a 15th place tie (100 points) in steer wrestling.

Sul Ross begins the spring rodeo schedule Thursday-Saturday (Feb. 23-25) at the Odessa College Rodeo.



MARCH

3rd Zeke Gamez, Hanna Allison, Zach Kerbow, Pete Samaniego, Chris Davis, Kadee Petty
4th Turney Friess, Matthew Glasscock, Irma Dehoyos
5th Eric Espinosa, Sterling Smith
6th Matthew Young, Susan Nicholas, Jarrett Crain, Makayla Snyder, Corey Norrell, Jarrett Jackson
8th Nelwyn Churchill, Rosalba Chavez, Janice Lazano, Iris Bradley, Allie Moore,
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Alan Garner of Advanced Rescue Systems demonstrates how to use a battery powered "Jaws of Life" spreader during Saturday morning's training at the Sonora Fire Department.

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Jaws of Life:

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Marshall, Chief Operations Officer for Lillian M. Hudspeth Hospital said. "We have what's called the 'Golden Hour'. This is the time from injury to getting them needed medical attention. If it takes 45 minutes to remove someone from a car, then it only leaves 15 minutes to assess their injuries and begin treatment. That's why all of this is important. Advanced training and tools are essential to saving lives."

Additionally, we want to ensure the safety of both patients and rescuers. For example, cutting through electric cables in hybrid cars and exploding air bags pose as much of a risk to rescuers as patients.

But, of course, new technology comes at a cost.

Small departments like the Sonora Volunteer Fire Department would not be able to afford much needed

equipment to help citizens as well as the people traveling through our highways without financial assistance.

They are currently looking at funding sources to afford the purchase new jaws of life equipment which is used to extract trapped individuals from motor vehicles. Jaws of life tools include cutters, rams and spreaders.

Awaiting approval and funding from a recent grant application, they are also hosting fundraisers such as an 18-hole golf scramble scheduled for late March.

"This benefits everyone, not just us. People count on us to help them when they need it, Duran said.

"The money raised through grants, donations and fundraisers will help us update our equipment and maybe a fire truck. Every little bit helps."



Sonora Volunteer Firefighters practice using a new glass cutter to remove the windshield of a vehicle during a training workshop Saturday, February 25, 2017. The tool, designed to shear through glass without shattering it, allows emergency crews to remove the windshield as a single piece.

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First Responders practice stabilizing a vehicle during a training demonstration Saturday, February 25, in Sonora.

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Fire Department Hosts Golf Scramble Fundraiser

The Sonora Volunteer Fire Department is hosting its first annual 18-Hole Golf Scramble Saturday, March 25, 2017.

Proceeds from the event benefit the Fire Department to help fund the purchase of needed tools and equipment.

Volunteer firefighters put their lives on the line everyday to help save the lives of people injured in vehicle crashes or trapped inside of burning structures.

Cost for a 4 person team scramble is \$30.00 per

person or \$120.00 per team.

Sponsorship holes are also available for \$100.00

Golfers are encouraged to sign up early.

Golf carts are limited. A hamburger lunch will be provided to all participants.

A cash prize will be awarded to the 1st and 2nd place winners.

For more information please contact Jesse Paredes at 325-206-0370, T.J. Thorp at 325-226-9401, Micke Sanchez at 325-226-0119 or Joe Marshall at 325-226-5394.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Sonora Resident Clarifies Name Confusion

There are two Linda Johnsons living in Sonora. The Linda Johnson, who complained to the City Council last week concerning loud music, is not the Linda Johnson who retired from the Federal Land Bank Association and has lived in Sonora for 57 years.

Sincerely,
Linda J. Johnson

Centennial Celebration

During a warm summer day in July 1955, Joe Brown and friends stand next to a float on a back street next to the Southern Pacific tracks in Sanderson awaiting the start of the annual Terrell County Centennial Celebration.

The float, representing Judge Roy Bean's court house, was sponsored by the "Community Public Service" who was the electrical supplier for Sanderson during the day.



(Front Row L-R) Joe N. Brown, Jack Laughlin, Bert Bell and Jim Harris. (Back Row L-R) Bill Goodwin and Will Murrah. | COURTESY PHOTO

DPS Graduates 134 New Highway Patrol Troopers

Marks largest recruit class since 2000

AUSTIN – The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) Director Steven McCraw, Texas Public Safety Commission Chair Cynthia Leon, and members of the Public Safety Commission (PSC) today were joined by Texas Rep. Tony Dale as the department commissioned 134 men and women as the state's newest Highway Patrol Troopers during the recruit graduation ceremony.

Rep. Dale was the keynote speaker during the ceremony, which was held today in Austin.

Of the 134, D-2016 graduates, 5 will be stationed in the Concho Valley. The duty stations include, San Angelo, Ozona, Eden, and Brady will receive two new Troopers, according to Sgt. Justin Baker.

"The men and women here today have selflessly pledged their lives to protect the people of Texas by joining law enforcement – a noble profession that requires immense courage and sacrifice," Rep. Dale said. "The state is profoundly grateful for your dedication to becoming our newest Texas Highway Patrol Troopers."

The D-2016 class, which is the department's 158th training class and the largest since August 2000, includes 16 women, 16 former peace officers and 58 military veterans. The oldest graduate is 51-years old and the youngest is 21-years old.

The new Troopers will report to duty stations across Texas in the coming weeks and spend the first six months in on-the-job training.

"I know each of you has worked tremendously hard in order to get where you are today, and your perseverance and achievements have been nothing less than remarkable," Chair Leon said. "We are honored to welcome you to the DPS family, and I know you will make us all proud as you walk out these doors to begin your new career serving and protecting your communities."

The Troopers began the

24-week training academy in September of last year. Instruction covered more than 100 subjects, including counterterrorism, traffic and criminal law, arrest and control procedures, accident reconstruction, first aid and Spanish.

They also received training in use of force, communication skills, firearms, driving, criminal interdiction, cultural diversity and physical fitness.

"These 134 men and women have risen to the challenge of DPS' months-long training to prove their proficiency and dedication, and the department is honored to add them to our law enforcement ranks," Director McCraw said. "From this day forward, you will serve on the front lines protecting our communities from the full gamut of public safety threats, and Texas will be a safer place because of your commitment to duty."

As part of the recruits' community service project, the class raised funds for several causes, including \$6,866 for the Green Beret Foundation; and \$1,150 for the Louisiana State Troopers Association (to assist Troopers affected by flooding in Louisiana).

In addition, the class established the "158th Fund," which will provide future recruits with financial assistance for miscellaneous medical expenses. Members of the class also volunteered to be tested as potential donors for a national bone marrow registry.

DPS is currently accepting applications for recruit classes scheduled for 2018. The next application deadline is June 20 for the class beginning Jan. 7, 2018.

To apply or for more information about joining the legion of brave and outstanding officers at the Texas Department of Public Safety, visit www.joindps.com. In addition, DPS schedules recruiting events throughout the year.

To find an event in your region, visit <http://dps.texas.gov/trainingacademy/recruiting/recruitingEvents.htm#>.

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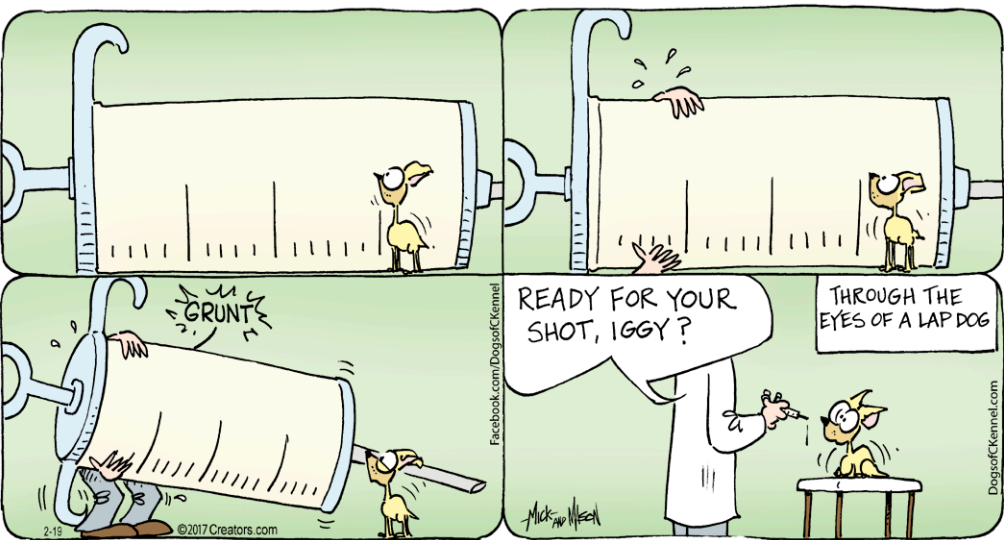
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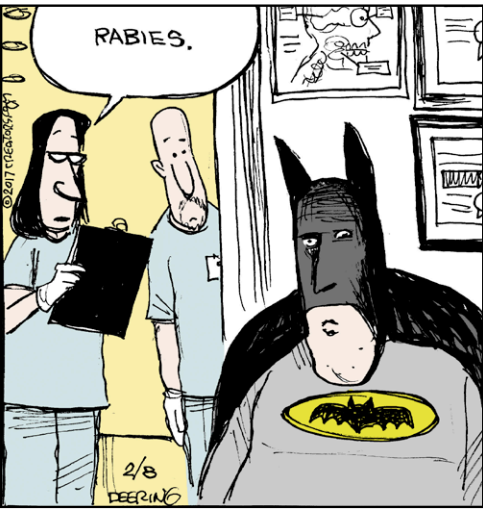
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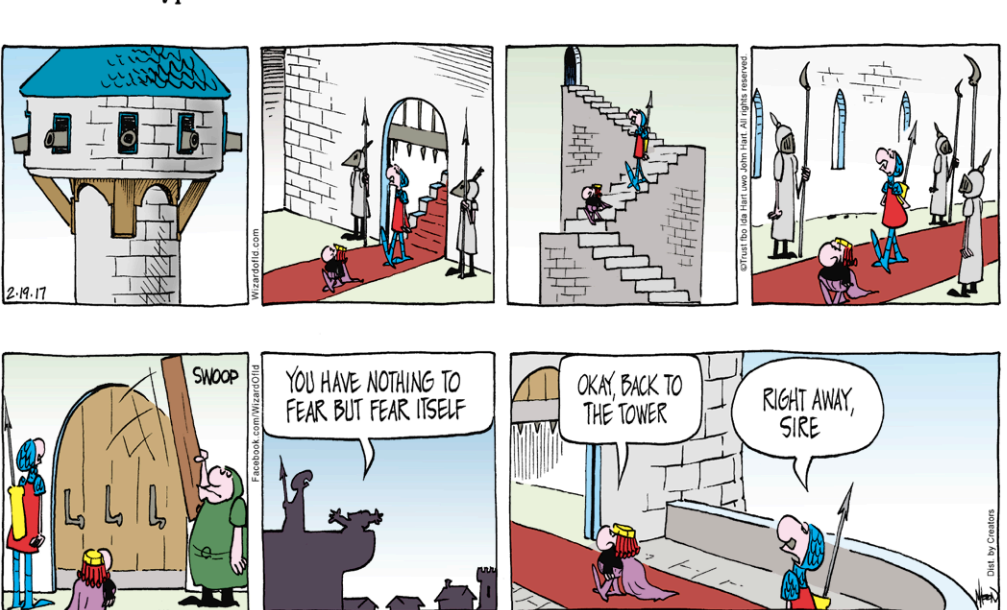
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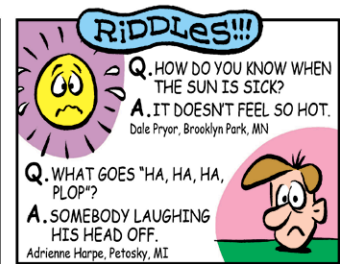
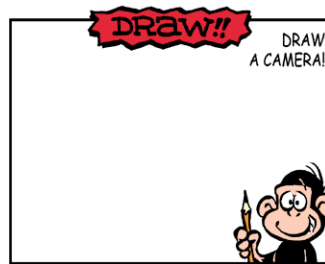
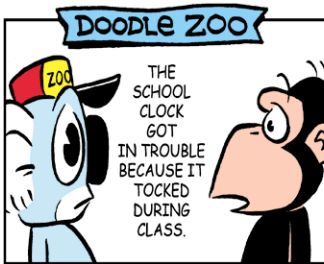
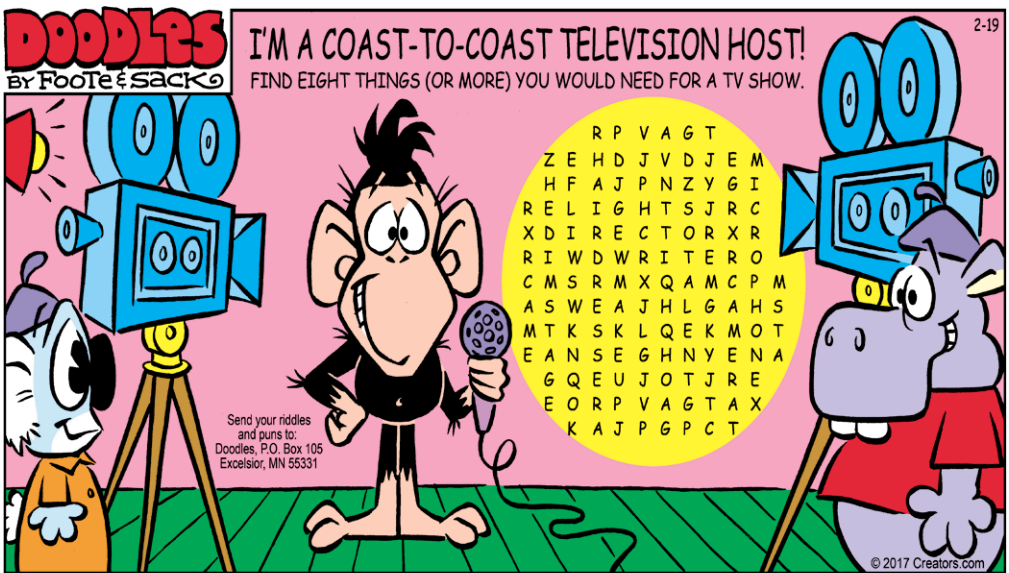
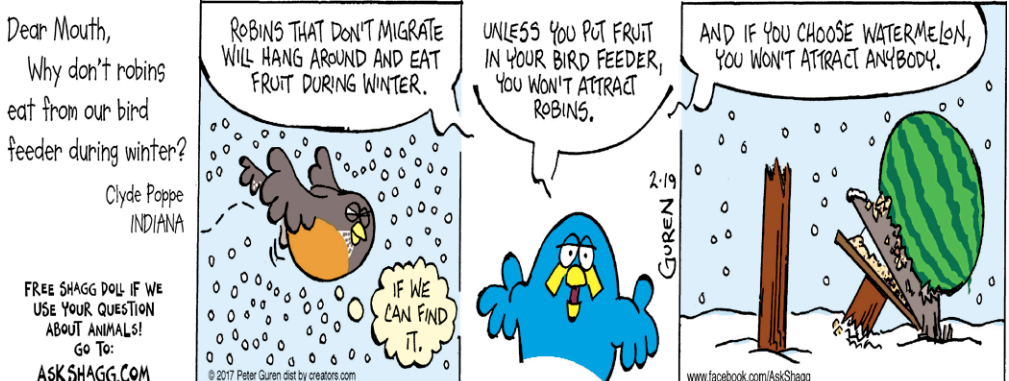
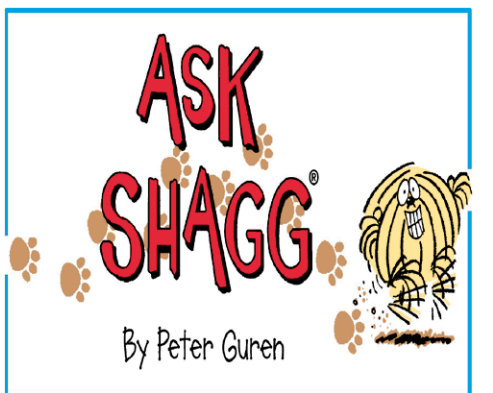
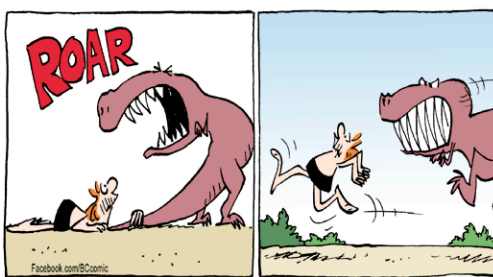
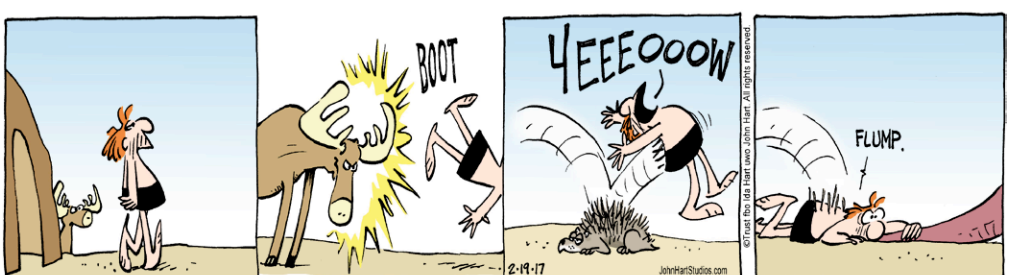
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1. Stop. Don't wire money or pay with a prepaid debit card. Once you send it, the money is gone. If you have tax questions, go to irs.gov or call the IRS at 800-829-1040.

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By filing a complaint, you can help the FTC's investigators identify the imposters and stop them before they can get someone's hard-earned money. It really makes a difference.

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.

SUTTON COUNTY SHERIFF ARRESTS

FEBRUARY 21 • Myrna Frausto of Del Rio, 44-year old female, turned herself in on court request.

FEBRUARY 22 • Jerry Sosa Jimenez of Mesquite Avenue, Sonora, 51-year old male, arrested for theft.

FEBRUARY 26 • Michelle Ortega of San Bernardino, CA, 25-year female, arrested for Possession of Marijuana and Possession of a Controlled Substance.

INCIDENTS

FEBRUARY 20 - 4:33 PM • Suspicious vehicle on U.S. Hwy 277 N. Deputy responded.

FEBRUARY 21 - 10:59 AM • Call from Road Ranger reported vandalism on I-10 W. Deputy responded

11:44 AM • Caller reported grass fires on I-10, mile marker 386, caused by an 18 -wheeler. Deputy responded.

7:30 PM • Caller reported a possible vehicle fire at the Landmark Apartments Building C. Deputy responded.

FEBRUARY 22 - 8:34 AM • Residential burglary alarm call on ranch road 3321. Deputy responded.

12:47 PM • Caller reported theft in progress call at Sonora Tire Service. Deputies assisted Sonora PD.

5:20 PM • Caller reported a vehicle accident on I-10, mile marker 424. Deputies responded.

6:00 PM • Deputy assist EMS with a medical call on Castlehill Rd.

FEBRUARY 23 - 4:03 AM • Burglary alarm on Sinaloa. Deputy responded.

11:08 PM • Caller reported suspicious activity on Paso De Norte. Deputy responded.

FEBRUARY 25 - 10:02 AM • Caller reported an abandoned trailer on I-10, mile marker 412. Deputy responded.

FEBRUARY 26 - 11:50 AM • Caller reported cattle on south service road about 4 to 5 miles East. Deputy responded.

4:16 PM • Caller reported reckless driver on I-10, mile marker 429. Deputy responded.

SONORA PD ARRESTS

FEBRUARY 23 • Jimmie Wayne Parra, 41-year old male of Sonora, arrested for Warrant out of Sutton County

FEBRUARY 24 • Liliana Rueda Fraire, 26-year old Female of Sonora, arrested for warrant out of Schleicher County

INCIDENTS

FEBRUARY 21 10:27 AM • Caller reported a suspicious at Road Ranger. Officer responded.

4:14 PM • Agency assistance requested at 600 block of Calle Real. Officer responded.

7:35 PM • Caller reported a vehicle on fire in 100 block of Dollie. Officer responded. False alarm.

FEBRUARY 22 12:09 AM • Caller reported theft at Road Ranger. Officer responded.

12:49 PM • Caller reported burglary of a building at Sonora Tire. Officers responded.

6:41 PM • Agency assistance requested at 100 block of E. Castlehill. Officer responded.

6:42 PM • Agency assistance requested at 900 block of S. Crockett. Officer responded.

7:13 PM • Traffic control requested at LMH for AirMed. Officer responded.

FEBRUARY 23 10:37 PM • Agency assist/warrant arrest at 600 block of Cornell. Officer responded.

10:46 PM • Caller reported criminal trespass at 400 block of E. Oak and 600 block of Orient. Officer responded.

FEBRUARY 24 9:39 AM • Residential alarm call at 1300 block of Mesquite. Officers responded.

10:54 AM • Funeral escort requested. Officers responded.

FEBRUARY 25 8:46 PM • Caller reported loud music at 100 block W. Chestnut. Officer responded.

10:12 PM • Caller reported loud music at Bellview. Officer responded.

FEBRUARY 26 1:11 PM • Caller reported criminal trespass at 600 block of Orient. Officer responded.

1:48 PM • Caller reported stray animal in the area of Poplar and Glasscock. Officer responded.

11:57 PM • Disturbance call at LMH. Officer responded.



The following individuals were indicted by a Sutton County Grand Jury on January 5, 2017.

- Pedro Romero, Jr., a 45-year old male, was indicted on charge of Theft of Property greater than or equal to \$2,500 but less than \$30K.

- Stephen William Hall, a 39-year old male, was indicted on charge of Unlicensed Possession Firearm by Felon.

- Daniel Jerome Crookshank, a 22-year old male, was indicted on charge of Theft of Firearm.

- Remedios Soto, a 45-year old male, was indicted on charge of Possession Control Substance Penalty Group 1, greater than or equal to 1G but less than 4G.

- Ronaldo Soto, a 44-year old male, was indicted on charge of Possession Controlled Substance Penalty Group 1, greater than or equal to 1G but less than 4G.

- Russell Amin Williams, a 23-year old male, was indicted on charge of Theft of Firearm.

- Michael Jean Harnsberry, a 22-year old male, was indicted on charge of Theft of Firearm.

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Celebrate National Nutrition Month by "Putting Your Best Fork Forward"

By Danielle Hammond-Krueger, MPH, RD
Celebrate March by "Putting Your Best Fork Forward", as the theme for National Nutrition Month®.

"According to the 2015-2020 Dietary Guidelines for Americans, we should strive to make healthier food and beverage choices.

Making changes to eating patterns can take time.

"Every food choice is an opportunity to move toward a healthy eating pattern, no matter how small the shifts," Danielle Krueger, a Registered Dietitian with the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and member of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics said.

"Put your best fork forward" by following these steps to make healthy shifts in food choices:

- Choose more vegetables from all subgroups. When making dishes or snacks, add more vegetables to the dish in place of foods high in saturated fat and/or sodium.
- Add low-fat or fat-free dairy to your snacks or

dishes. When making foods which traditionally call for mayonnaise or prepared salad dressing, try replacing with low-fat or fat-free yogurts.

- Substitute whole fruit for fruit products with added sugars. Choose more whole fruits as snacks, in a salad, or in place of desserts with added sugars such as ice cream, cakes, and pies.

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service offers nutrition education programs which help inform consumers about how to make healthy shifts in food choices and reduce the risk for chronic disease.

To learn more about our nutrition and health programs such as Better Living for Texans, Expanded Food and Nutrition Program, Dinner Tonight, Walk Across Texas, and Do Well, Be Well with Diabetes, contact your local County Extension Agent.

National Nutrition Month® is an annual promotion through the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. Visit the Academy at eatright.org.

CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS: Senate Bill

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Senate panel hears bill

The Senate Education Committee on Feb. 23 heard testimony on legislation that would prevent a teacher fired for sexual misconduct in one school district from getting hired by another district.

"We have to remove any possible obstacle to identify teachers or educators with this problem and pull their license," said Sen. Paul Bettencourt, author of Senate Bill 7.

SB 7 also would:

- Create criminal penalties for any superintendent or principal who fails to notify the state of cases of sexual misconduct involving teachers;
- Automatically revoke the teaching certificate of any teacher on deferred adjudication for sexual misconduct or on the sex offender registry; and
- Require school districts to enact policies and training addressing contact between students and teachers on the Internet and social media.

Legendary jurist dies

Noted Texas jurist Jack Pope of Austin died at age 103 on Feb. 25.

Born in Abilene in 1913, Pope helped establish formal judicial education

for Texas judges, fought for a voluntary judicial ethics code when judges had none and fought again to make that code mandatory and enforceable. He served for 38 years as a district court judge, court of appeals justice and on the Texas Supreme Court, the last two as chief justice. His judicial tenure, as a whole, was the longest of any Texas Supreme Court justice.

As a court of appeals justice, Pope's reassessment of water rights conveyed by Spanish and Mexican land grants changed Texas water law forever. As chief justice he forged a way to guarantee income to finance legal assistance for the poor. Concerned with double litigation in the same case, he won legislative support for statutory changes to thwart "forum shopping" for favorable judges.

More students take exam

Some 122,606 of Texas' 2016 high school graduates took at least one Advanced Placement Program exam during their high school careers, according to Texas Education Commissioner Mike Morath.

Morath said the total amounts to 38.7 percent of Texas' graduating class. The national percentage is 36.2.

TMSCA:

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Number Sense:

Sophia Gutierrez: 4th Place
Advance to State
Kodi Davis, 6th Place – Advance to State

Mathematics:
Kodi Davis, 9th place
8th Grade Results:

Mathematics:
Jaci Dutton, 11th Place
Abigail Duncan, Abby

Mendoza, Zachary Jefferson, and Juan Ruiz also participated in the meet, earning a score that represented the overall teams top five scorers and benefits them at the regional meet this upcoming week.

All of the students deserve commendation for their diligence and efforts.

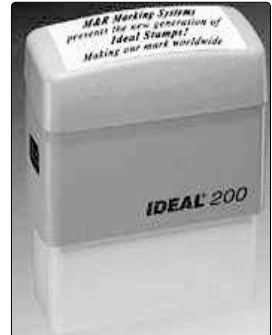
Next, students travel to Abilene Wylie Saturday, March 4, 2017 to compete in the TMSCA Regional meet

"We are looking to take our biggest group of competitors to this meet in hopes of earning more STATE bound slots," LaTisha Sheets said. "We are very proud of all the hard work these students have put in the past few weeks. We are looking to have them shine again in Abilene."

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All terms, conditions, specifications and requirements for such applications are available upon request made to the Chief Appraiser and same are hereby incorporated into this Notice to the same extent as set forth verbatim herein.

The Appraisal District Board of Directors will review and take action on bids on March 10, 2017 and shall have the right to accept the application which offers the most favorable terms and conditions for handling of such funds and shall have the right to reject any or all applications and to waive informalities.

Public Notice

The following names have warrants in Schleicher County Justice of the Peace Court:

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Simon Garcia Cardona
Jonathan Carrillo
Jovi Allan Carrillo
Lindsey Collins
Rodney Joseph Conger
Jason Hill Constancio
Cherri L. Covey
Cesar Adrian Diaz Lira
Brian Matthew Epperson
Pete Jr. Esquivel
Liliana Rueda Fraire
Marcos Anthony Gamez
Ana Garcia De Ozuna
Jose Fernando Garcia Jr.
Tina H. Garcia
Etevan Guajardo
Mitchell Lance Guerra
Claudia Alicia Gutierrez
Jose Luis Hernandez
Ramiro Alejo Huerta
Teresa Gaye James
Jerry Blake Kreutzer

Terry Lynn Leach
Jacqueline Limon
John E. Lopez
Sonny Lee Lozano
Maria Irene Lumbreras
Michael Brandon Luttrell
Robert Carlos Mata
Jeremiah James McLaughlin
Meagan Lee McMeans
Dora Carolyn Mendez
Joel Mojica
Roberto Bernardo Morales
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Adrian Lara Reyes
Jose Angel Reyes
Sonia Mata Reyes
Stephanie Salinas
Michael Ryan Shelman
Artemio Hernandez Silva
Pedro Puente Trujillo

You have 30 days to get in contact with us to resolve this matter because warrant round up will begin on April 2, 2017.

Schleicher County Justice of the Peace
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| Thu 3/02 | Fri 3/03 | Sat 3/04 | Sun 3/05 | Mon 3/06 |
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| 65/37 | 64/44 | 68/49 | 78/48 | 75/43 |
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| Sunrise 7:08 a.m. Sunset 6:42 p.m. | Sunrise 7:07 a.m. Sunset 6:42 p.m. | Sunrise 7:06 a.m. Sunset 6:43 p.m. | Sunrise 7:05 a.m. Sunset 6:44 p.m. | Sunrise 7:03 a.m. Sunset 6:44 p.m. |

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| February 22-28 | 0.00 in. | February 22-28 | 0.00 in. |
|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|
| February | 1.37 in. | February | 1.48 in. |
| 2017 Year-to-Date Total | 3.77 in. | 2017 Year-to-Date TOTAL | 3.16 in. |
| 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. |
| 2009 | 21.67 in. | 2009 | 28.44 in. |

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Rainfall data collected at LCRA weather station located 17 miles east-northeast of Sonora.

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

Monday March 6th Breakfast
Pancake Wrap / Yogurt or Cereal / Crackers, 100% Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch
Corn Dog & Tots, Stuffed Baked Potato w/Roll, or Chicken Fajita Salad

Baked Beans, Broccoli Bites, Apple-Pineapple D'Lite, Milk
After School Program
Muffin, Milk
Tuesday March 7th Breakfast

Chicken & Biscuit or Cereal / Crackers, 100% Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch
Nachos Grande w/Refried Beans, Salsa, Lettuce & Tomato Garnish, Grilled Cheese Sandwich w/Soup or Chef Salad

Cucumber Dippers, Tiny Tomato, up Fresh Grapes, Cookie, Milk
After School Program
Parfait Raisins
Wednesday- March 8th Breakfast

French Toast / Sausage or Cereal / Crackers, 100% Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch
Chicken Sandwich w/ Oven Fries, X-Treme Burritos w/Seasoned Corn, Salsa or Santa Fe Salad

Fresh Veggie Cup, Lettuce & Tomato, Garnish, Mandarin Oranges, Milk
After School Program
Baked Chips, Juice
Thursday March 9th Breakfast

Breakfast Pizza or Cereal / Crackers 100% Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch
Country Pot Pie, Salisbury Steak w/ Biscuit, Brown Gravy & Roasted Potatoes or Crispy Chicken Salad

Garden Salad, Fruity Gelatin, Milk
After School Program
Crackers, Cheddar Fish, Juice
Friday March 10th Breakfast

Dutch Waffle / Bacon or Cereal / Crackers, 100% Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch
Cheese Pizza, Hot Dog w/ Corn Chips or Tuna Salad

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After School Program
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THURSDAY March 9
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Signs of Spring Are Here

Officially, spring is not here yet...or is it? But there are signs of it.

1. A month ago, I noticed some peach trees already in bloom. Most fruit trees need a certain amount of cold weather to end their dormancy and to promote spring growth.

During the fall season, decreasing day length and cooler temperatures induce a tree to produce growth inhibitor hormones that disrupt its growth. It is these hormones that maintain a tree in dormancy during winter.

Dormancy is interrupted when sufficient cold temperatures break down the growth inhibitors within the tree. A precise number of cumulative hours of chill (temperatures lower than 45 Fahrenheit) are required to break dormancy. When enough chilling accumulates, the buds are ready to grow in response to warm temperatures.

2. The buzzards are back. In winter this efficient scavenger migrates from the northern part of its range, where a carcass will freeze, to the southern part of the United States and south into South America. The Turkey Vulture returns in the spring to feed and rear young.

Actually, two different vulture species of vultures are native to North America: black vultures and turkey vultures. These scavengers play an important role in the ecosystem,

feeding mostly on dead animals.

3. If you thought the first full day of spring was March 21, you might be surprised to know that there are at least three different classifications of the spring season, one of which begins Wednesday. March 1 marks the first day of meteorological spring for the Northern Hemisphere.



Pascual Hernandez

Meteorological seasons are categorized by temperature. So winter is the coldest quarter of the year (December-February), while meteorological summer is the warmest (June-August). The quarter between these periods is meteorological spring, with occurs from March 1 through May.

Astronomical spring is determined by the Earth's position in relation to the sun.

The vernal equinox occurs when the Earth's tilt on its axis is neither toward nor away from the sun, and marks the start of astronomical spring (March 20). Likewise, this event repeats in September for the autumnal equinox.

Additionally, there are solar seasons, which are categorized by the length of daylight hours.

Solar winter is November-January, the months with the shortest daylight hours. Because of this, solar spring began in February.

No matter what you want to think of the seasons, the start of March will inevitably lead to warmer temperatures and the end of the winter weather.

Rep. Murr Appointed to Four House Committees

AUSTIN, TX - State Representative Andrew Murr (R-Junction) was recently appointed to four committees by the Speaker of the Texas House in the ongoing 85th Session of the Texas Legislature.

He will serve on the Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence Committee, the Ways and Means Committee, and the Local and Consent Calendars Committee, as well as serving as Vice Chair of the Select Committee on State and Federal Power and Responsibility. Additionally, Murr was selected by his colleagues to serve on the Steering Committee for the House Research Organization.

As a former county judge, Murr is in the unique position of being the only member of the Judiciary Committee with judicial experience.

This committee will review proposed legislation that affects our Texas court systems and judicial processes.

The Ways and Means Committee has jurisdiction over a wide range of topics, from state revenue sources to the state treasury.

Murr brings a rural perspective to the committee, and he is the only committee member from the Texas Hill Country.

The Committee on Local and Consent Calendars is a procedural committee.

This committee sets the schedule for hearing local bills on the House floor; those bills that, in the opinion of the committee, are in fact local or will be uncontested, and have been recommended as such by the standing committee of original jurisdiction.

Local bills are generally passed by the House at once, by unanimous consent,

saving valuable time for debating controversial legislation or bills that impact the entire state.

The Select Committee on State and Federal Power and Responsibility will consider a variety of legislation, including whether Texas should request an Article V Convention of States to draft amendments to the U.S. Constitution concerning certain topics.

Governor Greg Abbott included this topic in his list of emergency items this session.

As the Governor has explained to Texans, there are two ways to amend the U.S. Constitution; one by congress drafting amendments and submitting them to the states for ratification.

The other provides that two-thirds of the states can call for a convention to draft amendments, which are then submitted to the states for ratification.

If three-fourths of all states ratify an amendment, that amendment is approved.

Finally, the House Research Organization (HRO) provides impartial information on legislation and issues before the Texas Legislature.

The HRO Steering Committee, of which Murr is now a member, sets policy for the organization, approves its budget and ensures that its reports are accurate and objective.

Murr remarked, "I look forward to my work on each of these committees.

With only three months left in the Legislative Session and a long list of challenges facing our state, time is of the essence. I am confident, however, that we will rise to the occasion and deliver real results for the people of Texas."

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Ready for Sundown

Sonora Broncos Bryndon Robles and Julian Guerra advanced to compete at the next level in boys powerlifting. They are set to compete in the Powerlifting Boys Regional Meet Saturday, March 11, 2017 in Sundown.



Bryndon Robles earns a pop at a top spot in squats during the Reagan County Boys Powerlifting Qualifier Meet.

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Memorial Classic:

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pushing the Lady Broncos ahead of Crane ultimately plating 8 runs in the third and ultimately taking the win 14-7.

Kristin Garrett tripled, driving in two runs, while Karah Martinez singled to drive in one run.

After a few miscues from Crane, Walker singled and drove in two runs as well.

On the mound, Katy Jo Wardlaw earned the win, throwing five innings, surrendering only 2 earned runs on 2 hits and 4 strikeouts.

Sonora tallied 11 hits for the game with Rodriguez, Moore, and Walker each collecting multiple hits for Sonora.

Cantu and Walker each earned an all-tournament selection for their efforts in the circle and at the plate.

Ending a successful three days of softball, the players and coaches expressed their appreciation to the community for helping support the second annual classic.

"These young ladies and coaching staff are extremely grateful for all of the help and support that was given this past weekend," Coach Sandy Wellmann said. "We are blessed to be a part of Bronco Nation!"

Taking only a couple of days to cool their bats, the Lady Broncos set their sights on another win Tuesday, February 28 in Ozona.



Sterling Smith (center) embraces friends and fellow teammates to her sister, Stevie, following a moment of silence and balloon release Thursday, February 23, 2017. The Lady Broncos hosted the 2nd Annual Stevie Smith Memorial Classic in honor of their fellow softball player.

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Juan Miguel Jimenez received an Outstanding Citizenship Award, presented by Judge Steve Smith, Monday, February 27, 2017. The award, signed by all of the members of the Sutton County Commissioners Court recognized Jimenez for his Eagle Scout Project benefiting the local community.

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Commissioners:

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Sheriff Oscar Chavez also provided detailed job descriptions for each employee position within the Sheriff's Office. These positions include Chief Deputy, Deputy, Dispatcher and Jailer.

Decisions regarding the 2017 CIRAService Agreement was tabled for a later date pending further review of option by Deputy Clerk Rachel Duran.

The court discussed the eBench contract-Judge's software and it was noted that Sutton County will share the cost with area counties also in need of the software.

Duran reported that the Clerk's Office has agreed to conduct the upcoming Sonora ISD School Board election.

The county is providing electronic voting machines and staff to man election polls. Early voting will be held at the County Annex Building from April 2 through May 2. Voters may also cast their votes on May 6 at the Sonora ISD Administration Building.

The court also approved

Standley Clay Anderson to look at options for the purchase of a new pick-up truck for the Road and Bridge Department.

For the record, the court also noted the completion of the Open Meeting training by Carl Teaff. All elected officials are required to complete the course within 90 days after taking office each time they are elected.

Finally, commissioners appointed Judge Smith to finalize the bid details for electric service to be provided by Hunt Energy. The bid specifies service will be provided to Sutton County at a fixed rate of 3.728 cents per kilowatt hour for the next 3-years.

Without further discussion or action, the court adjourned.

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

The next meeting of the Sutton County Commissioners Court is slated for March 13, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Annex Building.



Dakota Castro spoke to commissioners about his Eagle Scout project during their regular meeting, Monday, February 27, 2017. Castro is raising money to purchase bullet proof vest units for local law enforcement officers.

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SMS Excel in Ozona Relays

Sonora Middle School athletes showed off their talents during the Ozona Relays, Thursday, February 23, 2017, vying for top spots in a variety of track and field events.

The 7th grade boys team earned 5th place with a total of 64 points. The 7th grade girls team earned 2nd place achieving a total of 112 points.

Individually, L. Rodriguez tied for 2nd place in the field events with a total 10 points. Also, K. Davis placed 1st in track with a total 16 points and A. Terry tied for 2nd place with a total 10 points. Rodriguez earned 3rd place with a total 16 points.

The 8th grade Colts earned 4th place bringing in a total of 94 points. And, the 8th Grade Lady Colts team earned 2nd place with a total of 103 points.

Individually, C. Nolen earned 1st place in field events with a score of 20 points and P. Gonzalez tied for 4th place with a total 10 points. P. Gonzales and C. Nolen also tied for 2nd place in with 10 points each in track events.

Individually F. Gonzalez earned 1st place in the field events with a total score of 20 points and S. Hernandez tied for 2nd place with a total of 16 points. G. Nixon tied for 4th place in relay events with a score of 16 points.

7th Grade Boys Results:
Shot Put: Mario DeLaFuente, 3rd, 28' 8.25"

Ivan Fuentes, 6th, 27'

Discus: Lane Taylor, 4th, 58'7"; Marcos Villalobos, 5th, 58'2"

Long Jump: Fernando Gonzalez, 6th, 13'11"

Triple Jump: Guillermo Garcia, 2nd, 29'6"; Fernando Gonzalez, 3rd, 29'3"; Sean Mungia, 4th, 28'4"

800 M Relay: Garcia, Mungia, Walther, Renteria, 5th, 2'09"

110 M Hurdles: Sean Mungia, 2nd, 22'

100 M Dash: Zach Hailey, 6th, 15'03"

400 M Relay: Garcia, Fuentes, Hernandez, Gonzalez, 5th, 56'59"

400 M Run: Fernando Gonzalez, 2nd, 1'03"

300 M Hurdles: Cristoval Lira, 5th, 1'00"

200 M Dash: Guillermo Garcia, 6th, 31'59"

3200 M Run: David Adams, 5th, 10:55:47

1600 M Relay: Lira, DeLaFuente,

Hernandez, Gonzalez, 6th, 4'53"

7th Grade Girls Results:
Shot Put: Alex Cardonas, 4th, 25' 3.75"

Discus: Fernanda Lozano, 4th, 45'9"

Pole Vault: Joselyn Rodriguez, 1st, 5'6"; Kodi Davis, 2nd, 5'6"; Abby Bennie, 3rd, 5'

800 M Relay: Arispe, Campa, Carvenas, Garcia, 4th, 2:15

100 M Hurdles: Kodi Davis, 3rd, 25.08

100 M Dash: Mariah Talamantes, 5th, 15.22

800 M Run: Jina Doolie, 6th, 3:09

400 M Relay: Bennie, Cahill, Dominguez, Rodriguez, 4th, 1:00

400 M Run: Abigail Duncan, 6th, 1:19

300 M Hurdles: Kodi Davis, 1st, 58:02; Abby Beanie, 2nd, 1:01

200 M Dash: Carson Cahill, 3rd, 32.43; Jessica Campa, 6th, 34.77

2400 M Run: Mariana Montoya, 6th, 13:02

3200 M Run: A Terry, 1st, 11:02:18; V. Begino, 5th, 12:23; M. Montoya, 6th, 13:02

1600 M Relay: Rodriguez, Bennie, Cahill, Dominguez, 2nd, 4: 58

8th Grade Girls Results:
Shot Put: Sky Hernandez, 1st, 30' 1.6" and Rashel Deluna, 4th, 26' 6"

Discus: Sky Hernandez, 3rd, 65' 4"; Jaci Dutton, 5th, 52' 1"

Long Jump: Brianna Ramirez, 4th, 12' 7.6"

Triple Jump: Fernanda Gonzalez, 1st, 29' 10"; Esmeralda Salazar, 6th, 27' 7"

High Jump: Fernanda Gonzalez, 1st, 4' 5"

800 M Relay: Nixon, Salazar, Renteria, Ramirez, 6th, 2:16

100 M Hurdles: Jaci Dutton, 5th, 22.44

800 M Run: Carla Mota, 3rd, 2:57

H. Covarrubiaz, 5th, 3:03

400 M Relay: Nixon, Gonzales, Rodriguez, Martinez, 2nd, 56:24:00

3200 M Run: Harmony Ramirez, 2nd, 14:24

1600 M Relay: Martinez, Salazar, Rodriguez, Gonzalez, 3rd.

8th Grade Boys Results:
Shot Put: J. Morales, 2nd, 36' 8.5"

Discus: Reagan Owen, 2nd, 93'

Long Jump: M. Hernandez, 6th, 16' 2"

Triple Jump: Preston Gonzales, 1st, 33' 7"

High Jump: Caleb Nolen, 1st, 5'3"

Pole Vault: Caleb Nolen, 1st, 9'

800 M Relays: Perez, Creek, Hernandez, Vyvlecka, 6th, 2'00"

400 M Relay: Perez, Hernandez, Nolan, Gonzalez, 3rd, 12

400 M Run: Caleb Nolen, 1st, 59'96"; J. Ramos, 6th, 1'03"

300 M Hurdles: Preston Gonzales, 1st, 51'30"; Brady Vyvlecka, 3rd, 58'68"

200 M Dash: Zach Joffrion, 4th, 27'96"

3200 M Run: Miguel Montoya, 5th, 10:09

Next, the Colts and Lady Colts travel to Iraan, Friday, March 3, 2017 to compete in the Brave Relays.

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