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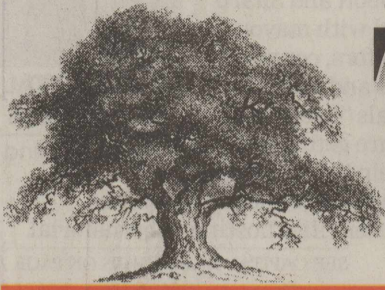
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## Community Health Fair



Sonora High School student Jaci Dutton learns how to make pumpkin cookies while volunteering at the Community Health Fair Tuesday, October 10, 2017. Dr. Michael Blanc and Chef Marc Daniels (right) demonstrated how to cook a variety of healthy foods during the event.

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## Early Voting Begins Oct. 23

Sutton County voters begin Early Voting Monday, October 23, 2017, for the November 7th Special Election.

Early voting, October 23 through November 3, will take place at the Sutton County Annex Building, 300 E. Oak Street and will be carried out between normal business hours from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Election day voting will be conducted at one polling place for all four election precincts.

On Election Day, Tuesday, November 7, 2017, all Sutton County registered voters must vote in the consolidated precinct location of the Sutton County Annex Building.

The consolidated polling place, County Annex Building, will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. November 7th for voting in a special election "to adopt or reject the proposed Constitutional Amendments as submitted by the 85th Legislature, Regular Session, of the State of Texas. (para adoptar o rechazar las enmiendas constitucionales propuestas asi como fueron sometidas por la 85a Legislatura Sesion Regular, de/ Estado de Texas.)"

Election information may be viewed at [http://www.co.sutton.tx.us/default.aspx?Sutton\\_County/Elections](http://www.co.sutton.tx.us/default.aspx?Sutton_County/Elections).

## Good Order at City Council Meeting

There was a different tone during Monday's regular meeting of the City of Sonora City Council as they moved through agenda items without upset or delay while taking care of business.

Following the usual opening of the meeting, the council approved the regular consent agenda items before moving on to other business.

Beginning with the approval of Resolution No 2017-R-10 to Expend 4B Sales Tax Funds in the amount of \$47,000 to Eaton Hill Nature Center and Preserve, council members also took action on several other items as listed on the agenda.

Further actions of the council included the approval of the Sonora Economic Development Corporation's fourth quarter fiscal year 2016-2017 quarterly financial report, SEDC audit for the year ending September 20, 2015, Sonora Chamber of Commerce quarterly report and the Sutton County Historical Society fourth quarterly report.

The first reading to expend Type B funds to Whitt Peaslee, dba Pit Stop barbeque, in the amount of \$34,000 to assist with grease trap, signage, equipment and initial operating costs was presented to the council. Peaslee was not present.

Next, having asked to be placed on the agenda, Brigitte Rogers spoke to council members about her concerns over current water and sewer rates as well as asked questions which were acknowledged but not addressed by the council.

Rogers asked about an audit report ending September

## Health Fair Draws Crowd

People of all ages and walks of life enjoyed cooler temperatures and healthy food samples while receiving free health services including screenings during the Community Health Fair Tuesday, October 10, 2017, at the Sutton County Food Pantry.

Making their way between booths staffed by volunteers and health care professionals, local residents took advantage of a variety of services including flu shots, blood glucose and cholesterol screenings as well as learning about women's health and genetics testing.

Local law enforcement and EMS staff were also on hand to provide tips on safety and well-being to folks of all ages.

In addition to complimentary hamburgers and hot dogs, patrons were invited to sample healthy food and

snacks while watching Dr. Michael Blanc and Chef Marc Daniels demonstrate how to prepare and cook everything from healthy meat entrees to special treats such as pumpkin cookies. Take home recipes were also available.

The Community Health Fair is a collaborative outreach program in partnership with other organizations focused on providing routine medical services as well as important information regarding health and safety to local residents.

To help ensure the continued well-being of everyone, the next Health Fair is scheduled to be held again in the spring.

"We are very pleased with the turnout by the community" John Graves, Lillian M. Hudspeth Hospital CEO said. "It was great seeing everyone having a fun time. The



Lynn Burchell, R.N. performs a routine screening for diabetes during the Community Health Fair at the Sutton County Food Pantry.

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primary purpose of the health fair is to increase awareness through screenings, educational materials, demonstrations and other activities. We (LMH) cherish our

community so the goal is to motivate people to make positive health behavior changes. We hope everyone will join us again for our next Health fair in April 2018."

## Sonora Lions Club Hosts 80th Annual Auction and Dinner

The Sonora Lions Club hosted its 80th annual auction and dinner Tuesday, October 17, 2017 at the Sutton County Civic Center, to help raise money benefiting people in the local community.

In keeping with years past, the annual event aimed at raising money to help fund a variety of activities as well as provide scholarships for Sonora High School students was a huge success.

Countless Lions Club members, volunteers and people from the local community participated in annual fundraiser event.

Following a dinner provided by the Sutton County Steakhouse, patrons took part in a little competitive bidding on 80 live auction items including paintings, gift certificates and handmade one-of-a-kind items – all donated by individuals and businesses from the community.

Of course, the mystery package, nicknamed named "Old Faithful" was again auctioned for a substantial bid, keeping



Miss St. Ann's Savannah Virgen presented live auction items up for bid during the annual Sonora Lion's Club Auction Tuesday, October 17, 2017, at the Sutton County Civic Center. A crowd of people filled the center in hopes of winning select items available during a live auction, silent auction and raffle held throughout the evening.

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# Mental Health Task Force Created for Harvey-Affected Schools

AUSTIN — Texas Education Commissioner Mike Morath on Oct. 11 announced the establishment of the Hurricane Harvey Task Force on School Mental Health Supports to deliver needed attention to schools and higher education institutions impacted by the storm.

The Texas Education Agency, acting on orders from Gov. Greg Abbott, is spearheading the effort in partnership with the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and Texas Health and Human Services Commission, in collaboration with the Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute. The task force

will develop a list of tiered supports and resources that can be used by school leaders to address the mental health needs of affected staff, students and families.

"As I've traveled the state following Hurricane Harvey, it is evident that addressing the mental health needs of our students and educators is of the utmost importance," Morath said. "This coordinated mental health response will allow our state agencies to coordinate local responses that reflect the specific needs of each individual community," he added.

"The invisible wounds left behind

after this storm are often the most difficult to recover from," Abbott said.

### Abbott, Sharp visit cities

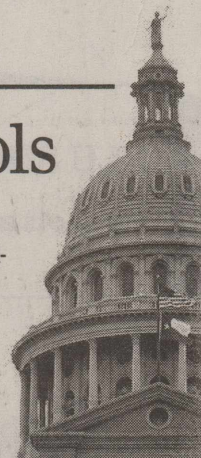
Gov. Abbott on Oct. 11 visited the cities of Port Arthur, Mont Belvieu, Dayton, Kountze and Orange in southeast Texas during a three-day, 16-city tour of hurricane-impacted areas of the state.

Joining Abbott was John Sharp, chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, who serves as chair of the Governor's Commission to Rebuild Texas. Abbott has delegated executive authority to Sharp to marshal state agency resources to rebuild

hurricane-damaged infrastructure, including roads, bridges, schools, government buildings and other public facilities.

Abbott and Sharp visited with mayors, legislators, county judges and other officials "to ensure they are getting all the help they need in the recovery effort," Abbott said.

Other cities hosting gubernatorial



STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS  
By Ed Sterling

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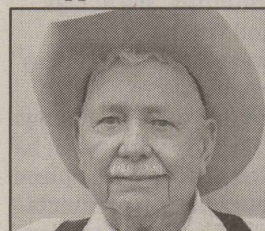
## Salted Coffee

When I was ranching west of Sanderson in the 1990s, I had a friend and neighbor named Temple Stumberg who ranched farther west in the House Top Mountains in Brewster County.

Now I had gone to high school with Temple back on the 1940s at Sanderson so we were not newly acquainted.

During this period ranch labor was a nonexistent.

### It Happened Out West



By Joe N. Brown

The "Chotas," the U.S. Border Patrol, kept us from working Mexicans, even though we managed to get a few days in before getting caught.

We both had a regular hand which made working stock possible.

I had a full time Mexican cowboy while Temple had an elderly local on his payroll. This made a crew of four to round-up a pasture. When forced to do things short handed you sometimes accomplished it.

Back to our original story.

We were going to round up a pasture on the back side of the mountain. This required us hauling our horses to the Longfellow line camp, where we would meet and have coffee before daylight.

Good plan! Then the human factor became involved in our story.

On the day of the planned work, I got my man up, we loaded our horses and drove to the Longfellow line camp. We arrived about 4:30 a.m. to find Temple and his man already there.

A word about Temple's foreman, his name was Hewitt Bauggess, he was a World War II veteran about 70-plus years-old but in excellent health and mental ability.

We have arrived at the point of our story.

As we entered, one hollered, "the coffee is on the stove", the other hollered, "the sugar is on the table."

Being among friends I had no thoughts of "hanky-panky".

I got my mug of coffee, stopped at the table and put in a spoon full of sugar and stirred it.

With out tasting my coffee, I walked into the front of the room and took a big gulp of coffee. I almost threw up as someone had swapped the sugar bowl for the salt bowl. I had got a cup of salted coffee.

After the laughter quit, everyone denied being the guilty party. All day, one would ride up and ask how I liked salted coffee.



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## Storing the Boat

There isn't much that makes my husband nervous. Heck, he's raised four teenagers, which included teaching three of them (so far) to drive. Anyone who can do that can do anything. Or practically anything.

I'm confident in him. He isn't. Not always. Not last weekend. Not when it comes to new chores involving a new boat.

Summer's waning and in my part of town that means one thing: time to take the boat out of the water.

We've been lucky boat owners for more than a decade. Except this year things were a bit different. We traded in our boat for a pontoon. A pontoon is larger and more formidable than a regular boat, so we were unsure how complex and arduous the task of getting it out of the water and into storage might be. At least my husband was concerned. He was the one who had to complete the demanding parts of the job. I was mostly responsible for emotional support and wiping down the vinyl seats.

The first step in getting a boat out of the water is getting the boat out of the water. This is done by backing a trailer into the water so you are able to drive the boat up onto it. Maneuvering the boat and trailer into their respective positions can be a challenge resulting in propeller dings, boat scratches and wet feet. In the past we've experienced all three.

I'm happy to report our current encounter included none of the above. Whew. Our toons slid out of the water like they were greased in butter.

After winterizing the motor and cleaning the interior and exterior, we were ready for the next dreaded step in the process. We (by we I obviously mean my husband) had to pull the boat to a storage garage and back it into its assigned spot. The door to the storage space is tall. Our pontoon easily fit underneath. That's the good news.

The other news relates to width. The difference between our boat and the doorway was about a foot, leaving six-inches of leeway on either side. Six inches is not much when you are moving a 22-foot boat backwards up

an upward-sloped driveway. It was like threading a needle, except instead of thread we had a boat that weighed more than a ton.

Luckily we had friends helping us.

### Slices of Life



By Jill Pertler

One told my husband to go right. The other left. Slowly, slowly he backed his way into the garage. It took some doing, and about 10 minutes of maneuvering (which felt like seven hours) but we got the job done (again, by we I mean my husband).

By the end of it all I was out of breath and sweating. This had been no small feat. We detached the hitch from our SUV to pull the trailer out from under the pontoon and then reattached it again and drove home to drop our friends off before turning right around to return the rented trailer and call it done for the season.

The trailer rental place was a couple miles down the road. The finish line was in sight. We both breathed a collective (albeit premature) sigh of relief.

Our adventure wasn't over yet. Just as we turned from our driveway onto the road we heard a solid thump from behind the vehicle. My husband put his foot on the brake. We exited to find the trailer had unhitched itself, leaving a disconnect between the trailer and SUV.

Could the day get any longer? Before we had the chance to react to our circumstances, fate stepped in. In a good way. A nice bearded man in a pick-up truck came upon us and asked if we needed help (as if that was even in question). The nice man proceeded to help my husband push and prod and lift the trailer so it fit snugly on the hitch ball while I continued to provide the ever-important emotional support.

They got the boat re-hitched and after a couple of profuse and quick thank-yous, the nice man was gone. We never even got his name. It's comforting to know that in modern times good Samaritans still exist.

After that, things went without a hitch. We got the trailer returned and have vowed not to think about pontoons or trailers until next spring — when it will be time to complete the whole task in reverse and put the boat back in the water.

Can't wait.

Jill Pertler is an award-winning syndicated columnist, published playwright, author and member of the National Society of Newspaper Columnists. Don't miss a slice; follow the Slices of Life page on Facebook.

## Travels With Crocodile Lyle

When he's not tending his store on Route 66 in Amarillo, Crocodile Lyle is probably taking some New Zealanders along America's Main Street.

"I've been a Route 66 guide for several years. I rent a bunch of Mustang

convertibles in Chicago for my groups from down under and we travel the whole length of the highway, from Chicago to San Diego. It takes about three weeks. I tell 'em stories along the way and some of them are true."

Crocodile was a scout leader for thirty-five years. A scout gave him the nickname Crocodile and it stuck. His real first name is Bob. He is an ex-Marine who saw duty in Viet Nam. He grew up in the panhandle town of Booker where his dad had a car dealership.

"It's in the northeast corner of the panhandle. It's three miles from Oklahoma and forty-five miles from Kansas. It's not really the end of the earth but you can see it from there."

When I visited him in his store and studio in the old San Jacinto district I told him it was hard to find a parking place nearby.

"There's one reason for that," he said. "It's Route 66. There's a lot of antique shops around here and locals come down to go to the junk stores. One of them told me he buys junk and sells it for antiques. There are four art galleries down in this area."

Crock is an artist. "Well I'm an abstract expressionist. That's my first choice. I do landscapes, still life, figure studies, but my first love is abstract. And I make mosaics from paint chips off the cars at Cadillac Ranch."

"My latest claim to fame is making jewelry out of those paint chips. They're four or five inches thick and I thin them down. They fall off on the ground. Kids knock them off 'cause they crawl all over them and the wind blows them off. I just pick them up and recycle them. They estimate nearly a million people a year go out there and spray paint the cars. It's weird, man."

"I mean people from all over the world come to Amarillo and one of the rules is you've got to go to Cadillac ranch. And they're on motorcycles, in Mustangs, Corvettes, and old cars. They're out there."

He's been making the jewelry nearly three years.

"It has put me on the map. I now have it in thirty-three states, eight European countries, Canada, China, Japan, Australia and New Zealand. I make rings, bracelets, necklaces, earrings and all kinds of stuff. I'm not getting rich but I'm paying the rent."

He used to write about Route 66 for a monthly publication. One story was about him and his son riding their motorcycles the entire length of the highway.

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## Upgrades in Radiology Department Illustrate Commitment to Quality, Hometown Care at LMH

Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital has long been dedicated to providing high-quality healthcare that's close to home.

That commitment starts with the quality of its employees and providers and extends to its services and technology.

Take Hanna Blessing, RT(R), Radiology Director, as an example. Hanna started working at LMH in the business office during high school.

After completing her associate's degree, she returned to LMH in the radiology department as an X-ray technologist and was eventually promoted to radiology director. As Blessing likes to say, "the hospital is my home."

"I love working at this hospital," Blessing said. "Our goal is to offer the best care for our friends and neighbors, along with the latest imaging

technology. The imaging staff is very passionate about what we do and we're excited about many of the advancements we're making to improve care for the community."

The advancements, according to Blessing, are no small matter.

LMH has recently invested in substantial upgrades in the imaging department, with new CT, ultrasound and X-ray technology.

The new CT, a 128-slice scanner from Siemens Healthineers, replaces a 64-slice system.

This is a significant upgrade for the hospital, and it's important; the more "slices," the more detailed the image, and that helps physicians make a more accurate diagnosis.

Another area of improvement compared to the previous CT scanner is the scanner's

low-dose technology, which delivers impressive radiation dose reduction made possible by using Siemens Healthineers' most advanced ADMIRE iterative reconstruction.\*

"Everyone is exposed to natural radiation in daily life," Blessing said. "Medical radiation exposure is a concern for many patients, and rightfully so. Our new CT scanner has special applications to help reduce the amount of radiation a patient receives during an exam."

With such high-tech equipment so close to home, Sonora-area residents don't need to travel far for highly detailed imaging exams.

That eases the minds of patients, as well as physicians. For example, according to Dr. Michael Blanc, an interventional cardiologist who sees LMH patients each

Wednesday, patients are lucky to have access to such advanced radiology services.

"Few hospitals of any size match LMH's diagnostic imaging resources," Dr. Blanc said. "A significant investment has been made in the technology, and I feel as confident sending my patients here as I do to facilities in San Angelo, San Antonio or elsewhere."

According to CEO John Graves, LMH is proud to invest in the latest imaging technology to better serve area patients.

"Our goal is to offer advanced technology with the quality of care our community expects and deserves," Graves said. "I want patients to know that they can request to have their doctors and specialists refer them to LMH, and we're going to 'wow' you with

excellent care."

A provider referral is required for many imaging services, including CT and MRI. Comprehensive imaging services offered at LMH include: CT, MRI, bone density, digital mammography, digital X-ray, ultrasound and echocardiograms.

To learn more about imaging services or to set up an appointment, call 325-387-1171.

### About LMH

Founded in 1951, Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital is a 12-bed critical access hospital operated by the Sutton County Hospital District in Sonora, Texas.

The mission of LMH is to provide quality healthcare and services that are responsive to the needs of the community in the spirit of its founders. LMH's vision is to commit its compassion to improving every

dimension of healthcare in the community. To learn more, visit [www.sonora-hospital.org](http://www.sonora-hospital.org) or call 325-387-1171.

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## Sonora Advances to Compete in 2017 Cross Country Regional Meet in Lubbock

The Sonora High School varsity boys placed second in the Cross Country District Meet Wednesday, October 11, 2017, with a total time of 1:38:26, just seconds behind Wall at 1:33:23.

In addition to Sonora, five other area high schools including Wall, Ballinger, TCA, Reagan County and Grape Creek participate in the meet.

Sonora's Evan Shannon was awarded second place with a time of 16:44. Running is best time this season, at 19:08.

Jalen Lopez earned fourth place and David Delgado finished in sixth place with a time of 18:47.

Advancing to the Regional meet the Broncos are set to compete October 23rd, in Lubbock.

Runners participating in the Regional meet include Evan Shannon, Jalen Lopez, David Delgado, Leo Alviso, Manuel Fuentes, Ariel Salazar (alternate) Elias Perez and Kalvin Hernandez.

The Sonora varsity girls also competed in the District meet earning fourth place overall.

Of the junior varsity boys competing for Sonora, Ariel Salazar earned sixth place and Kole Gann finished sixteenth. River Martinez ran solo for the JV girls finishing tenth out of 25 runners.

Sonora Middle School cross country runners closed their season Wednesday following the meet.

The eighth-grade girls

were awarded third place and the seventh-grade boys earned second place in the meet.

### Individual Results:

#### Varsity Boys:

Evan Shannon, 2nd, 16:44, Jalen Lopez, 4th, 18:08, David Delgado, 6th, 18:47, Elias Perez, 22nd, 22:15, Leo Alviso, 24th, 22:30 and Kalvin Hernandez, 28th, 26:08.

#### Varsity Girls:

Fernanda Gonzalez, 13th, 13:27, Traci Vickers, 15th, 13:32, Esmerelda Salazar, 22nd, 14:24, Carla Mota, 23rd, 14:32, Angela Gonzalez, 24th, 14:41, Analy Palacios, 26th, 15:14 and Miranda Renteria, 31st, 15:45.

#### JV Boys:

Ariel Salazar, 6th, 21:36 and Kole Gann, 16th,



Sonora High School varsity girls stand at the starting line ready to compete in the District Cross Country Meet Wednesday, October 11, 2017, in Sonora. The Lady Broncos earned 4th place among their competitors. Pictured (L-R) Carla Mota, Esmerelda Salazar, Miranda Renteria, Analy Palacios, Traci Vickers, Angela Gonzalez, Fernanda Gonzalez.

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Sonora High School varsity boys were awarded 2nd place in the annual District Cross Country Meet Wednesday, October 11, 2017, in Sonora. The Broncos advanced to compete in the Regional Meet in Lubbock. Pictured (L-R) David Delgado, Kalvin Hernandez, Jalen Lopez, Manuel Fuentes, Evan Shannon, Elias Perez and Leo Alviso.

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Sonora Lady Colts step up to the starting line to compete in the District Cross Country Meet Wednesday, October 11, 2017. Pictured (L-R) Joselyn Rodriguez, Alisa Paredes, Jacqueline Torres, Abigail Fuentes, Victoria Regino, Jessica Campa.

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29:00.

#### JV Girls:

Rivers Martinez, 10th, 15:42.

#### 8th Grade Boys:

Fernando Gonzales, 3rd, 12:36, Rino Hernandez, 15th, 14:02 and David Adams, 21st, 15:18.

#### 8th Grade Girls:

Joselyn Rodriguez, 7th, 14:27, Alisa Paredes, 17th, 15:15, Abigail Fuentes, 21st, 15:29, Jessica Campa, 25th, 16:18, Vicky Regino,

26th, 16:29 and Jacque Torres, 33rd, 17:53.

#### 7th Grade Boys:

Giovanni Gamez, 1st 11:56, Josh Esquivel, 12th, 14:01, Aidan Leamon, 15th, 14:28, Ignacio Ganado, 18th, 14:37, Sebastian Garza, 20th, 14:52, Austin Figueroa, 27th, 15:09, Romeo Torres, 28th, 15:12, Jonathan Lozano, 30th, 15:28, Juan Alvarez, 34th, 15:42, Brandon Torres, 35th,

16:08, Alex Hernandez,

42nd, 17:06 and Omar Gonzales, 44th, 17:43.

#### 7th Grade Girls:

Annika Galindo, 24th, 16:20, Montserrat DelaFuente, 37th, 18:22, Abigail Rodriguez, 48th, 20:15 and Erika Infante, 50th, 20:47.

The Regional Cross Country Meet is set for Monday, October 23, 2017, in Lubbock.



Sonora Middle School Colts gear up for the District Cross Country Meet Wednesday, October 11, 2017, in Sonora. Pictured (L-R) front row: Abigail Rodriguez and Erika Infante, Middle row: Brandon Torres and Sebastian Garza. Back row: Omar Gonzalez, Austin Figueroa, Juan Alvarez, Aidan Leamon, Romeo Torres and Alex Hernandez.

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Our lunch was a huge success because of these organizations and our guest speakers Diana Artega and Brenda Guzman.

Thank you again for your support.



Elementary School Students for the week of October 16th through October 20th. Andraya Guerra, Pre-K, James Geske, K, Geneva Alvarado, 1st, Kathryn Suriano, 2nd, Aliyah Castilleja, 3rd, Fernanda Arredondo, 4th, Luke Nichols, 5th.

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### Friend to Friend Party Aimed at Promoting Women's Health

To help women have a better understanding of breast and cervical cancer and the best way to prevent these cancers, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Sutton County is hosting a Friend to Friend party on October 24, 2017, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., at the Sutton County Civic Center in Sonora.

The party will include a presentation on breast and cervical cancer by a medical professional. Additionally, there will be a discussion of the obstacles women may encounter when trying to access mammograms and Pap tests locally.

Participants will have an opportunity to visit with exhibitors that conduct these screenings, and their professional staff will also be available to help participants with scheduling screening appointments.

Moreover, information will be available on how those who qualify can access financial assistance if the cost of the screening prevents them from getting a screening.

Cervical cancer is the easiest female cancer to prevent.

A Pap test, which screens for cervical cancer, is key to early detection as well as prevention. It is one of the most reliable and effective cancer screening tests available.

With a Pap test, doctor's look for any cell changes on the cervix that may develop into cervical cancer if not treated appropriately.

For this reason, it is recommended that women begin Pap tests as early as age 21.

So, who should be screened and when should they be screened?

According to the American Cancer Society's guidelines, women between ages 21 and 29 should have a Pap test every 3 years. A doctor may also suggest an HPV test if the results of a routine Pap are abnormal.

For women between the ages of 30 and 65, a Pap test plus and HPV test are recommended every 5 years, but it is also okay to have a Pap test alone every 3 years.

If a woman is over age 65 and has had regular cervical cancer testing with normal results, she should not be tested for cervical cancer.

Once testing stops, it should not be started again.

However, women with history of a serious cervical pre-cancer should continue to be tested for at least 20 years after that diagnosis, even if testing continues past age 65.

If a woman's uterus and cervix were removed for reasons not related to cervical cancer and she does not have a history of cervical cancer or serious pre-cancer, she also should not be tested.

Women with a history of serious pre-cancer will need to visit with their doctor about their screening needs.

Texas A&M AgriLife invites all women to join together for a morning of fellowship, refreshments and learning about women's health during the Friend to Friend party.

For more information, contact the Sutton County AgriLife Extension office at 325-387-3604. Please RSVP by October 23rd.

### Devil's River News Weekly Rainfall Report

October 1-17	2.30 in.	October 1-17	2.73 in.
September	1.63 in.	September	0.27 in.
August	1.82 in.	August	3.66 in.
July	4.21 in.	July	3.79 in.
June	3.07 in.	June	0.41 in.
May	3.68 in.	May	2.92 in.
April	1.23 in.	April	2.48 in.
March	0.79 in.	March	1.00 in.
February	1.36 in.	February	1.48 in.
January	2.40 in.	January	1.68 in.
2017 Year-to-Date Total	22.49 in.	2017 Year-to-Date Total	20.42 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.

Rainfall data collected at LCRA weather station located 14 miles southeast of Sonora. Rainfall data collected at LCRA weather station located 17 miles east-northeast of Sonora.

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## Sonora ISD Students of the Week and Students of the Month



Sonora Middle School Students of the Month of October 16th through October 20th, Kasey Lux, 6th, Ashley Castilleja, 7th, Amaris Jimenez, 8th.

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## Thank You

The Sutton County Health Foundation wishes to thank the Sonora Bank for their generous donation.



### Brackettville Border Patrol Agents Apprehend MS-13 Gang Member

DEL RIO, Texas – U.S. Border Patrol agents assigned to the Brackettville Border Patrol Station arrested a member of Mara Salvatrucha, also known as MS-13, on Oct. 6.

MS-13 is a well-known and often violent transnational criminal organization with members throughout the United States.

"I am immensely proud of the vigilance and professionalism of our agents," said Del Rio Sector Acting Chief Patrol Agent Matthew J. Hudak.

"Every day our agents work to make our communities safer. This arrest is just one example of how we are keeping members of violent gangs off America's streets."

During routine patrol, Agents encountered the Honduran national on FM 1908, 15 miles south of Brackettville.

After determining the man was an illegal alien, he was transported to the station for processing.

The suspect faces a charge of 8 USC 1325 – illegal entry.

The Del Rio Border Patrol Sector is part of the Joint Task Force-West South Texas Corridor, which leverages federal, state and local resources to combat transnational criminal organizations.

To report suspicious activity call the Del Rio Sector's toll free number at 1-866-511-8727.

### What's for Lunch?

**Sonora ISD Menu**  
PK-5th : Free Breakfast & 2.60 lunch  
Middle & High School: \$2.10 Breakfast & \$3.00 lunch  
\*Menu Subject to Change

**Monday October 23**  
**Breakfast**  
Pancakes, Sausage, or Cereal, Crackers, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk  
**Lunch**  
Oven Roasted Chicken Tater Tots, Baked Beans, Roll, Apple-Pineapple D'Lite, Milk  
**After School Program**  
Muffin, Milk

**Tuesday October 24**  
**Breakfast**  
Pancake Wrap, Toast, or Cereal, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk  
**Lunch**  
Pizza, Tomato Cup, Cucumber Slice  
Peaches, Lime Sherbet Cup, Milk  
**After School Program**  
Fruit, Yogurt

**Wednesday October 25**  
**Breakfast**  
Sausage Kolache, Yogurt, or Cereal, Crackers, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk  
**Lunch**  
NOON RELEASE  
Ham and Cheese Sandwich, Baby Carrots, Broccoli Bites, Fresh Fruit, Milk  
**After School Program**  
NOON RELEASED

**Thursday October 26**  
**Breakfast**  
Biscuit, Egg, Bacon, or Cereal, Toast, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk  
**Lunch**  
Burrito, Seasoned Corn, Garden Salad, Salsa, Mandarin Oranges, Brownie, Milk  
**After School Program**  
Crackers, Cheddar Fish, Juice

**Friday October 27**  
**Breakfast**  
Breakfast Club, or Cereal, Crackers, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk  
**Lunch**  
Chicken Sandwich, Oven Fries, Lettuce and tomato, Veggie Cup, Fruit Gelatin, Milk  
**After School Program**  
Chex Mix, Milk

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### Weekly Crossword Puzzle

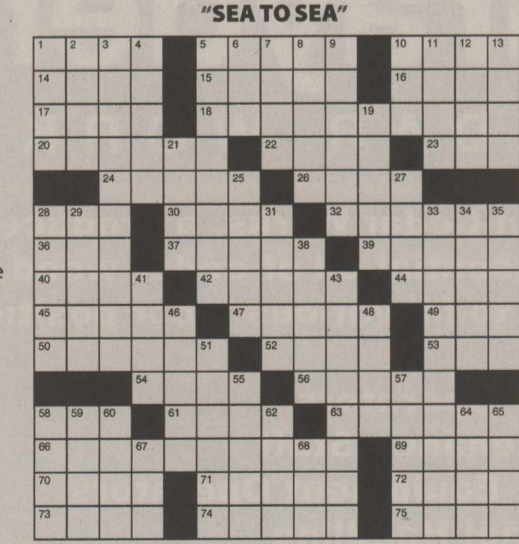
**ACROSS**

- Direct insult
- Analyze grammatically
- Young fellow
- Hawaiian port
- Lariat
- Nimbus
- Soviet sea
- Cliff
- Shopping place
- Archaic cows
- Letters of distress
- Local politician
- Promontory
- Part of the circumference
- Pre-Columbian discoverer
- Gadget
- Girl
- Singer Shore
- Cut with a knife
- Large stiff collar
- Poisonous snake
- spumante
- More agreeable
- Forefathers
- Cloth
- Hungarian dessert wine
- He wrote Nana
- Water bird
- Lost in delight
- Composer

**DOWN**

- Counterfeit
- Money, in Modena
- Timepiece
- Bohemian dance
- S. African city
- Three-toed sloths
- Stretch violently
- Discoloration
- Merited
- Rotating machine part
- Colors
- Late cartoonist
- Peter \_\_\_\_\_
- Butter servings
- Mexican money: pl.
- Looked at
- Fruit coverings
- East Indian herb
- Efficient cause
- Proportion
- Spanish seaport
- Swelling
- Participant
- Condescend
- Egret
- Intimate
- Slackened
- Old English coins
- Except
- Roman broadsword
- Indonesian island
- Poetic foot: pl.
- Good as a 69
- Across
- Aware of
- Roman poet
- Tenure
- Little Eleanor
- Win
- Period
- Abbreviated direction

**"SEA TO SEA"**



See solution on Page 10

This crossword puzzle is sponsored each week by

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**OCTOBER**

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20th Anna Johnson, Chasey Duncan  
21st Tom Payton, Alex Castro, Carlin Teaff, Tracy Teaff  
22nd Dorothy Jungk, Jill Payne, Tom Payton, Kami Lux  
23rd Beverly Howard, Sara Baggett, Jan Stephens  
24th Diane Jacoby, Kathy Hardgrave, Heath Prather, Levi Garrett  
25th Martha Martin, Chase Wardlaw, Betty Hernandez, Mickey Schaefer, Mark Rosselot, Angel Acosta  
26th Sonia Mata Reyes, Kimberly Gonzales

In case we missed one

Send us your birthdays to editor@devilsriver.news

City of Sonora



Senior Center

**Monday October 23**  
Hamburgers, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, Onion, Mustard, Orange Wedges, Milk

**Tuesday October 24**  
Italian Meatballs, Spaghetti, Sauce, Broccoli, Garlic Bread, Peaches, Milk

**Wednesday October 25**  
Grilled Chicken, Corn, Pinto Beans, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles, Mustard, Mayo, Banana, Pudding, Wafers, Milk

**Thursday October 26**  
Roast Turkey, Cornbread, Dressing, Poultry Gravy, Green Beans, Sweet Potatoes, Roll, Cranberry Sauce, Mandarin Oranges, Milk

**Friday October 27**  
Crunchy Baked Fish, Potato wedges, Tangy Coleslaw, Hush Puppies, Cinnamon Apples, Milk

For transportation to and from the center call 325-387-5657

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# OBITUARIES

**James Theodore Hunt**  
September 8, 1931 - October 9, 2017



James Theodore Hunt died peacefully, Monday, October 9, 2017, with his family at his side in his new home in Weslaco.

James was born in San Antonio, Texas, September 8, 1931, and grew up on ranches in West Texas.

He graduated from Sonora High School as valedictorian and attended The University of Texas where he majored in Plan II. He was a member of Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity.

After completing his military service in the army, he returned home to ranch. He married Linda Link in 1960, and brought his wife home to the ranch.

James served as president of both Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers Association and the Mohair Council of America. For many years, James served on the local school board. He enjoyed his membership in the Order of the Alamo in San Antonio, Texas.

After 30 years of ranching, James moved to the Rio Grande Valley which he had first been exposed to when he met his future wife Linda, who had grown up in Weslaco. For over 30 years, James lived in what he called his "beautiful valley home".

In the Valley, James

began growing roses. He loved arranging flower bouquets for the church services at Covenant (PCA) in Harlingen, Texas for many years.

He was involved in establishing the Evening Men's Bible Study Fellowship class in the Valley, and went on to serve as the area class Administrator for Latin America. This work took him and Linda throughout Latin America even living in Mexico City for three years and Quito Ecuador for one.

He is preceded in death by his parents Velma and Bryan Hunt, and his sister Nancy Powell.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Linda Link Hunt and their two children, Hillary Elizabeth and Bryan Link.

Visitation was held at his residence in Weslaco, Texas on Wednesday, October 11th.

Funeral service was held on Thursday, October 12th, at First Presbyterian Church in Weslaco, Texas with Pastor Scott Floyd of Covenant Presbyterian Church (PCA) officiating the service. Interment followed at Highland Memorial Park.

Pallbearers will be The Reverend Art Beckwith, The Reverend Robert McAllen, Lionell Bettancourt, Dr. Gary Schwarz, The Reverend Tom McKeon, Matt Jones, and Charles Thompson.

Honorary Pallbearers are Cullen Looney, Richard Lehman, The Reverend Ted Welty, Richard Bennett and Carlos Tavora.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of McCaleb Funeral Home of Weslaco, TX.

## COUNCIL:

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30, 2016, an agreement between the city and county for municipal services and an open records request made previously.

Next, the council moved on to hear an explanation from City manager Ed Carrasco regarding a change order for the Love's infrastructure project. The change order included work to properly fit air valves and fittings for a manhole. Council members approved the change.

Finally, council members approved a request to amend the 2016-2017 fiscal year budget as noted by City Manager Carrasco. Council member Manual Martinez asked for clarification on the expected deficit amount as a result of not approving the proposed tax rate.

Sonora Police Chief Art Fuentes asked that the council recognize Officer Garrett Douthit who is leaving the Sonora PD to join the staff in Brazos County where he will serve as a detention officer.

A handful of questions and comments from the public were heard in order before closing the meeting.

Jim Brisbin inquired about the city trimming tree limbs in a neighborhood to accommodate RV parking in front of a residence. A question regarding a city ordinance prohibiting parking of RV's along residential streets was also asked.

Additionally, Patty Strauch, resident, shared her concerns over the cost of water and specifically sewer rates expected to be paid by individuals living within the city.

Closing visitor comments without incident, the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor Wanda Shurley presided over the meeting, Cody Gann, Norm Rousselot, Juanita Barrera and Manuel Martinez was present.

The next regular meeting of the City of Sonora City Council is November 20, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

### SUTTON COUNTY

### PUBLIC NOTICE OF TEST OF AUTOMATIC TABULATING EQUIPMENT

Notice is hereby given that the automatic tabulating equipment that will be used in the Constitutional Amendment Election held on November 7, 2017 will be tested on October 20, 2017 at 2:30 pm at the Sutton County Annex Meeting room to ascertain that it will accurately count the votes cast for all office and on all measures.

Rachel Chavez Duran  
Sutton County Clerk

### AVISO PUBLICO DE PROBAR EL EQUIPO PARA TABULAR AUTOMATICAMENTE

Por lo presente se da aviso que el equipo para tabular automaticamente que se usara en la Eleccion sobre Enmiendas a la Constitucion que se llavara a cabo el dia 7 de Noviembre de 2017 se probara el 20 de Octubre de 2017 a las 2:30 p.m. en sala de juntas en el edificio de Annex del Condado de Sutton para determinar si el equipo contara con exactitud los votos para todos los puestos eficiales y sobre todos los proyectos de ley.

Rachel Chavez Duran  
Secretaria del Condado de Sutton

## Multi-county Wildlife Management Field Day set Oct. 26 at Sonora AgriLife Research Station

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will conduct a multi-county Wildlife Management Field Day beginning with registration at 8:30 a.m. Oct. 26 at the Texas

A&M AgriLife Research Station at Sonora.

The station is located on Texas Highway 55 between Sonora and Rocksprings.

James Crockett, AgriLife Extension agent in Edwards County, said the program is geared toward wildlife issues specific to the Edwards Plateau region.

"The Edwards Plateau, long considered one of the state's premier hunting and wildlife regions, has some unique assets, but also some issues we will address during this field day," Crockett said. "Our topics will include the impact of exotic species on habitat and native wildlife, key forbs and browse species of the Edwards Plateau, and meeting nutritional needs of livestock and wildlife.

Pascual Hernandez, AgriLife Extension agent

in Sutton County, said habitat will be a major program component.

"Habitat is species specific, meaning each species has its own particular needs and

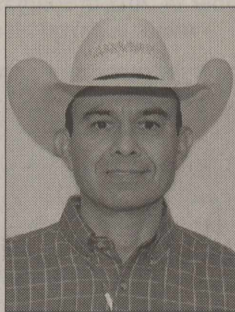
preferences," Hernandez said. "So this workshop will highlight the habitat needs of native wildlife and management considerations if you also have exotics on your property."

Other topics will include using prescribed fire to restore Texas rangelands and an outlook for the current hunting season.

Individual registration is \$15 with an RSVP by Oct. 20. The fee includes a noon meal.

For more information and to RSVP, contact any of the AgriLife Extension offices in the participating counties. The counties involved and their phone numbers are: Edwards, 830-683-4310; Sutton, 325-387-3101, and Val Verde, 830-774-7591.

Three Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units, one integrated pest management and two general, will be offered.



Pascual Hernandez

## SUTTON COUNTY PUBLIC NOTICE

### NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION ESPECIAL)

To the registered voter of the County of Sutton, Texas:  
(A los votantes registrados del Condado de Sutton, Texas)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on November 7, 2017, for voting in a special election "to adopt or reject the proposed Constitutional Amendments as submitted by the 85<sup>th</sup> Legislature, Regular Session, of the State of Texas. (para adoptar o rechazar las enmiendas constitucionales propuestas asi como fueran sometidas por la 85a Legislatura Sesion Regular, del Estado de Texas.)"

On Election Day, voters **MUST** vote in the consolidated precinct location.  
(El Dia de Eleccion, los votantes deberan votar en el precinto consolidado.)

#### ELECTION DAY CONSOLIDATED POLLING PLACE - November 5, 2017

PRECINCT	LOCATION	ADDRESS	TIME
101	Sutton County Annex	300 E. Oak, Sonora TX	7:00 am - 7:00 pm
201	Sutton County Annex	300 E. Oak, Sonora TX	7:00 am - 7:00 pm
301	Sutton County Annex	300 E. Oak, Sonora TX	7:00 am - 7:00 pm
401	Sutton County Annex	300 E. Oak, Sonora TX	7:00 am - 7:00 pm

For early voting, a voter may vote at the location listed below:  
(Para Votacion Adelantada, los votantes podran votar en cualquiera de las ubicaciones nombradas abajo)

#### October 23, 2017 through November 3, 2017

PRECINCT	LOCATION	ADDRESS	TIME
101, 201, 301, 401	Sutton County Annex	300 E. Oak, Sonora TX	8:30 am - 4:30 pm M-F

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:  
(Las solicitudes para boletas de votacion adelantada por correo deberan enviarse a):  
Rachel Chavez Duran, Sutton County Clerk, 300 E Oak., Ste 3, Sonora TX 76950.

Application for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on October 27, 2017.

Issued this the 16<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017

*Steve Smith*  
Sutton County Judge



**Sonora Broncos vs. Alpine**  
**Friday, Oct. 20**  
**7:30 p.m. Kickoff**  
 Buck Stadium, Alpine, TX



## Colts Fall 22-14 to Mason Punchers

The Sonora Colts hosted the Mason Punchers Thursday, October 12, 2017, for a home game at Bronco Stadium. Although the seventh and eighth grade players combined their efforts it wasn't enough to hold

back the Punchers who took the win 22-14 over the Colts. With four remaining games this season, the Colts will be looking for a win Thursday, October 19th, when they take on the Alpine Bucks in

Alpine. Game time is set for 5:00 p.m. for 7th grade and 6:00 p.m. for 8th grade. Bronco Nation and Colts fans are encouraged to make the trip and fill the stands to cheer on the players.



Sonora Middle School's Sean Mungia sprints to the end zone for a touchdown in the second quarter of the game between the Colts and Punchers Thursday, October 12, 2017, at Bronco Stadium. **KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS**

### SMS Colts Schedule:

Oct. 19	Colts at Alpine	5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.	Away
Oct. 26	Colts vs. Reagan County	5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.	Home
Nov. 2	Colts at Ballinger	5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.	Away
Nov. 9	Colts vs. TLCA	5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.	Home

**Hunt the Hill**  
**Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup>**  
**5-7P (FAMILY FRIENDLY)**  
**8-9 (FRIGHT FEST)**



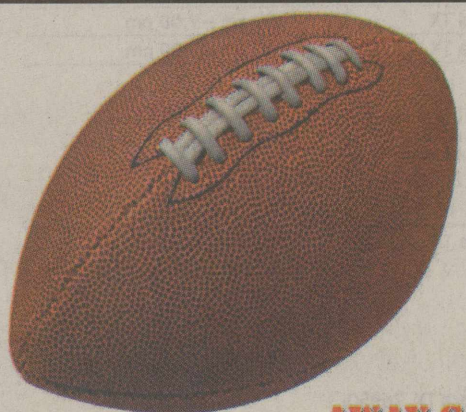
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**AWAY GAME**

**Kickoff: 7:30 p.m.**



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## SCHD Board Meeting Set for Oct. 23rd

The next meeting of the Sutton County Hospital Board is set for Monday, October 23, 2017, at 6:00 p.m., at the LMH Wellness Center.

A meeting agenda will be posted at Lillian M. Hudspeth Hospital as well as the Sutton County Annex Building.

The meeting is open to the public and members of the community are invited to attend.

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Mary Kyle Johnson goes for a kill in the second set of Saturday's game between Sonora and Wall. The Lady Broncos swept the Lady Hawks in the 5-set game to claim the District Championship. **KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS**

## Lady Broncos Rally for Win Over Wall

The varsity lady Broncos rallied to beat the Wall Lady Hawks Saturday, October 14, 2017, earning the first-place victory in District 4-3A.

Sonora overpowered Wall 23-23, 21-25, 25-19, 25-17, 15-7 to sweep series with the Lady Hawks.

The Lady Broncos (22-12 overall, 5-0) were down by two games when they charged back to win the next two and force the

tiebreak. From there, Sonora took the lead and focused on the win.

"I am very proud of the girls," Head Coach Kayla Perez said. "They knew that we had to win against Wall to seal up the District Championship and they were not going to quit until we had the win. We are looking forward to playoffs, I believe we should make a

good run this year."

The Lady Broncos traveled to San Angelo Tuesday to play the TLCA Lady Eagles and are set to host Reagan County and Grape Creek for their last two games of the season Saturday, October 21st and Tuesday, October 24th.

Everyone is encouraged to come out and show their support for the Lady Broncos.



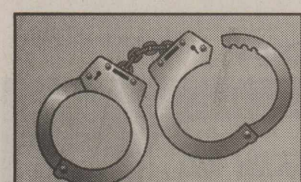
Aislin Nixon keeps the ball in play during Saturday's volleyball match between Sonora and Wall, October 14, 2017, in Sonora. The JV Lady Broncos fell to the Lady Hawks in a 3-set game. **KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS**



Kaitlyn Gann blocks the ball sending it back to the Lady Hawks during Saturday's game between the freshman Lady Broncos and Wall Lady Hawks, October 14, 2017, in Sonora. **KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS**



Sonora High School student fans add to Saturday's excitement while cheering for their team during the game between the varsity Lady Broncos and Wall Lady Hawks. **KIMBERLEY MEYER | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS**



## 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

**OCTOBER 9** • Manuel Enrique Flores, 26-year-old male from Sonora. Arrested for Driving While License Invalid or Suspended.  
**OCTOBER 13** • Leonardo Castro Jr, 27-year-old male from Mercedes,

TX. Arrested for Midland County warrant.  
 • Delilah Borders, 30-year-old female from Sonora. Arrested for Assault.

### INCIDENTS

**OCTOBER 9 - 10:37 PM** • Caller reported kids playing in street at 700 block of S. Crockett. Officer responded.  
**OCTOBER 10 - 12:00 AM** • Caller reported an intoxicated Driver at Taco Laredo. Officer responded.  
**11:30 AM** • Caller reported a suspicious vehicle at 100 block of Kisselburg. Officers responded.  
**12:42 PM** • Caller requested an officer at Elementary School. SRO responded.  
**1:05 PM** • Caller reported a trailer blocking roadway on US Hwy 277 S. by Stripes Subway. Officer responded.  
**4:08 PM** • Caller requested an officer at Middle School. SRO responded.  
**7:28 PM** • Caller reported a possible fire at College and Tayloe. Officer responded.

**8:08 PM** • Caller reported kids playing in street at 300 S. Crockett. Officer responded.  
**8:15 PM** • Caller reported criminal mischief at 700 block of St. Ann's. Officer responded.  
**OCTOBER 11 - 11:44 AM** • Caller requested officer at Sonora Middle School. SRO responded.  
**4:59 PM** • Agency Assistance requested for transfer. Officer responded.  
**8:05 PM** • Caller reported family disturbance at Dos/Lorene. Officer responded.  
**OCTOBER 12 - 4:05 PM** • Warrant Served at 100 block of Dos. Officer responded.  
**OCTOBER 13 - 9:28 AM** • Caller requested civil standby at 100 block of Dos. Officer responded.  
**10:58 AM** • Warrant served at 100 block of Dos. Officers responded.  
**OCTOBER 14 - 8:34 AM** • Caller requested to speak to an Officer at Sheriff's office. Officer responded.  
**10:39 AM** • Caller reported a suspicious vehicle in the area of Tayloe. Officer responded.  
**6:52 PM** • Caller reported disturbance at 400 block of New Street. Officer responded.  
**OCTOBER 15 - 12:06 PM** • Motorist requested assistance at Sheriff's office. Officer responded.  
**4:41 PM** • 9-1-1 hang up call at 600 block of S. Crockett. Officer responded.

### SUTTON COUNTY SHERIFF ARRESTS

**OCTOBER 11** • Shaun Ramos, 31-year-old male of Sonora. Arrested for Driving While License Invalid with previous convictions.  
**OCTOBER 13** • Trenton Griffin, 25-year-old male of Plano. Arrested for Possession of Marijuana under 2oz.  
 • Mario Solis 34-year-old male of Sonora. Arrested on a Sutton Co. warrant.  
**OCTOBER 14** • Kamau Chaka John, 35-year-old male of Houston. Arrested for Driving While License Invalid with previous convictions and Possession of Marijuana.  
**OCTOBER 15** • Robert Venegas, 29-year-old male of San Antonio. Arrested on a US Marshall's warrant.

### INCIDENTS

**OCTOBER 9 - 3:23 PM** • Caller reported a stranded motorist on I-10 at 398 mm. Deputy responded.  
**7:20 PM** • Caller reported a reckless driver on US Hwy 277 S. Deputy responded.  
**OCTOBER 10 - 3:28 PM** • Caller reported an 18 wheeler rollover on I-10 at 381 mm. Deputy, EMS, SVFD, and DPS all responded.  
**6:25 PM** • Caller reported threat calls on Calle De Benito Juarez. Deputy responded.  
**OCTOBER 11 - 3:24 AM** • Caller reported a wreck on I-10 at 384 mm. Deputy responded.  
**OCTOBER 12 - 7:44 AM** • Caller reported a suspicious person on E. Popular. Deputy responded.  
**OCTOBER 13 - 5:03 PM** • Caller reported a 2 vehicle accident on I-10 at 392 mm. Deputies, EMS and DPS responded.  
**OCTOBER 14 - 2:31 AM** • Caller reported a one vehicle rollover on I-10 at 418 mm. Deputy and EMS responded.  
**1:21 PM** • Caller reported an accident on I-10 at 380 mm. Deputy responded.  
**11:07 PM** • Caller reported a hit and run on Calle Castillo. Deputy responded.  
**11:40 PM** • Deputy assisted with vehicle pursuit on I-10 from Kimble County.  
**OCTOBER 15 - 7:45 PM** • Caller reported a suspicious vehicle on CR 406. Deputy responded.

## CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS: Gov. Visits Cities

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 visits included Sugar Land, Wharton, Bay City, Angleton, and Dickinson on Oct. 10 and Aransas Pass, Port Aransas, Rockport, Refugio, Port Lavaca, and Victoria on Oct. 9.

### Hegar distributes revenue

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar on Oct. 11 announced he would send cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts \$660.4 million in local sales tax allocations for the month of October, 1.6 percent more than in October 2016.

Allocations are based on sales made in August by businesses that report tax monthly.

In other news, Hegar on Oct. 10 announced his office's release of the Certification Revenue Estimate for fiscal biennium 2018-2019.

The Comptroller's Office expects revenue available for general spending in 2018-19 to total about \$107.33 billion, an amount that would support the \$107.23 billion in general-purpose spending called for by the 85th Legislature and result in a final balance available for certification of \$94 million.

Market turbulence, energy price fluctuations, potential changes in national economic policy and the eventual cost of Hurricane Harvey contribute uncertainty to this estimate, Hegar said. Texas is in the early stages of storm recovery, and full impacts to the state's economy and revenues have only begun to take shape and likely will change in the coming

months, Hegar stressed.

### Focus: school bus safety

With National School Bus Safety Week being observed Oct. 16-20, the Texas Department of Public Safety urges Texans to comply with laws prohibiting drivers from passing school buses.

It is illegal to pass any school bus that is stopped and operating a visual signal, either flashing red lights or a stop sign. Drivers who violate the law could face fines as much as \$1,250.


"Motorists should always be alert and practice safe driving habits when traveling near school buses or anywhere school children gather, including bus stops," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "Texas parents can rest assured that DPS will not tolerate those who recklessly endanger children by ignoring the law."

More than 42,000 school buses transport approximately 1.5 million Texas children every school day, according to an estimate by the Texas Education Agency.

### AG cheers EPA law repeal

Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton on Oct. 10 praised a decision by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to repeal the Clean Power Plan, an Obama-era regulation that Texas, West Virginia and 22 other states opposed.


"The Clean Power Plan," Paxton said, "would have subjected Americans to higher electricity costs and could have weakened the nation's power grid."



**Joe P. HERRERA**  
 Democrat for Texas State Representative, Dist. 53

Paid political ad approved by the Joe P. Herrera Campaign, Joe P. Herrera, Texarum, P.O. Box 772, Natalia, TX, 78059.

Natalia, Texas resident Joe P. Herrera announces that he will be running for Texas State Representative, House District 53 in the March 2018 Democratic Primary. Joe has lived in Natalia, with his wife, for the past 10 years. He has received a BBA in Marketing from the University of Texas at San Antonio, and an MBA from Our Lady of the Lake University. For more information about Joe, please visit [joepherrera.com](http://joepherrera.com) or e-mail [joefortexas53@gmail.com](mailto:joefortexas53@gmail.com).



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# The Depot

*The Sutton County Historical Society, which owns the Ice House Museum and the Depot, has reset the price to rent the depot.*

NEW RENTAL FEES:	
2 rooms with access to restrooms and kitchen	\$50
Entire depot w/access to restrooms and kitchen	\$100
Entire depot, outside area and outside restrooms	\$150
Outside area only	\$50

**To rent the Depot please call: Elaine Donaldson at 325-226-3988 or David Smith at 325-387-6280**

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### NOTICE OF SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS OF SALE	§	BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER
COUNTY OF SUTTON	§	DATED: July 28, 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 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in November, 2017, the same being the 7<sup>th</sup> 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. 5270; SUTTON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT V. TYLER, RODGER WAYNE A/K/A RODGER TYLER, ET AL**

TRACT 1: R100991  
 Being Lots 1 & 2, Block 66A, South Heights Addition, Sutton County, Texas.

**CAUSE NO. 6010; SUTTON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT V. PAT BROWN, DECEASED**

TRACT 1: GEO: R101528  
 Being Lot 7, Block W-35, Town of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas; being that property more particularly described in a Warranty Deed recorded in Volume 79, Page 359 of the Deed Records of Sutton County, Texas.

**CAUSE NO. 6033; SUTTON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT V. JOHN LOPEZ, DECEASED**

TRACT 1: GEO: R100956  
 Being the NW 40' of Lot 5, Block 59A, South Heights Addition, Town of Sonora, Sutton County, Texas; being more particularly described in a Warranty Deed recorded in Volume 298, Page 744 in the Deed Records of Sutton County, Texas.

**CAUSE NO. TAX06104; SUTTON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT V. MARIA ELENA PORRAS, ET AL**

TRACT 1: R101674  
 Being the S/2 of a parcel of land described in deed of date October 24th, 1938 from Raul Castillo to Geronimo Basquez, which is of record in Volume 34, Page 117, of the Deed Records of Sutton County, Texas, said tract being in the shape of a parallelogram and being in size 116' wide from East to West and 160' in length from North to South. The Tract herein conveyed being in size 80x160' said land situated in the West Mexico Addition to the town of Sonora, Texas; being that property more particularly described in a deed Recorded in Volume 115, Page 484 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  
 Midland, Texas 79701  
 (432) 522-2427

**THIS SALE IS BEING CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO STATUTORY OR JUDICIAL REQUIREMENTS. BIDDERS WILL BID ON THE RIGHTS, TITLE, AND INTERESTS, IF ANY, IN THE REAL PROPERTY OFFERED.**

THE PROPERTY IS SOLD AS IS, WHERE IS, AND WITHOUT ANY WARRANTY, EITHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED. NEITHER THE COUNTY NOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WARRANTS OR MAKES ANY REPRESENTATIONS ABOUT THE PROPERTY'S TITLE, CONDITION, HABITABILITY, MERCHANTABILITY, OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. BUYERS ASSUME ALL RISKS.

IN SOME SITUATIONS, A LOT OF FIVE ACRES OR LESS IS PRESUMED TO BE INTENDED FOR RESIDENTIAL USE. HOWEVER, IF THE PROPERTY LACKS WATER OR WASTEWATER SERVICE, THE PROPERTY MAY NOT QUALIFY FOR RESIDENTIAL USE. A POTENTIAL BUYER WHO WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION SHOULD MAKE ADDITIONAL INQUIRIES OR CONSULT WITH PRIVATE COUNSEL.

ESTA VENTA SE LLEVARÁ A CABO DE CONFORMIDAD CON LOS REQUISITOS LEGALES O JUDICIALES. LOS POSTORES HARÁN UNA OFERTA POR EL TÍTULO, LOS DERECHOS E INTERESES, SI ALGUNO, EN LA PROPIEDAD OFRECIDA.

LA PROPIEDAD SE VENDE COMO ESTÁ, EN EL LUGAR DONDE SE ENCUENTRA, Y SIN NINGUNA GARANTÍA, YA SEA EXPRESA O IMPLÍCITA. NI EL CONDADO,

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NI LA OFICINA DEL ALGUACIL GARANTIZAN O HACEN NINGUNA REPRESENTACIÓN SOBRE EL TÍTULO DE LA PROPIEDAD, CONDICIÓN, HABITABILIDAD, COMERCIABILIDAD, O IDONEIDAD PARA UN PROPÓSITO PARTICULAR. LOS COMPRADORES ASUMEN TODOS LOS RIESGOS.

EN ALGUNAS SITUACIONES, UN LOTE DE CINCO HECTÁREAS O MENOS SE PRESUME QUE ES APTO PARA USO RESIDENCIAL. SIN EMBARGO, SI LA PROPIEDAD NO TIENE SERVICIOS DE AGUA POTABLE O AGUAS RESIDUALES, LA PROPIEDAD NO PUEDE CALIFICAR PARA EL USO RESIDENCIAL. UN COMPRADOR POTENCIAL QUE DESEE MÁS INFORMACIÓN, DEBERÁ HACER ESTUDIOS ADICIONALES O CONSULTAR CON UN ABOGADO PRIVADO.

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 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017.

/s/ Oscar Chavez  
 OSCAR CHAVEZ  
 SHERIFF, SUTTON COUNTY

# DRN Comics

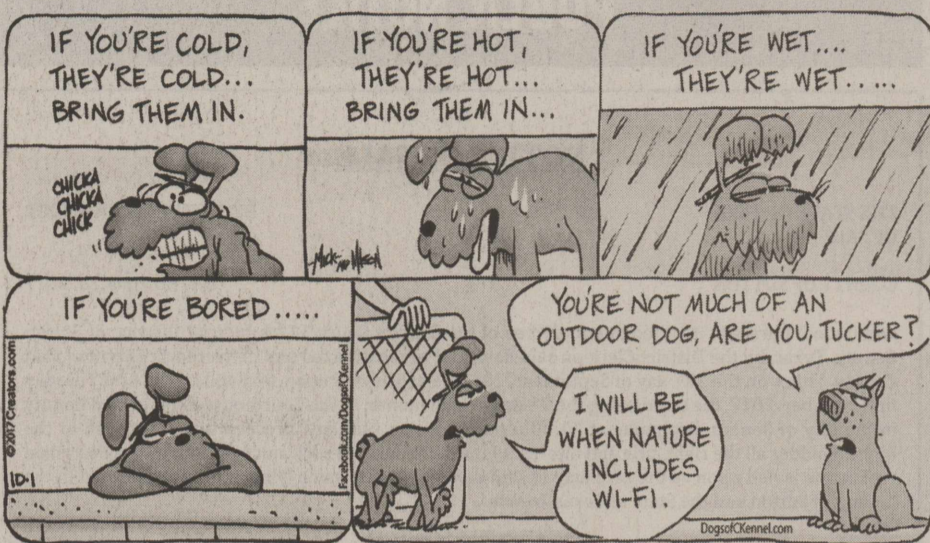
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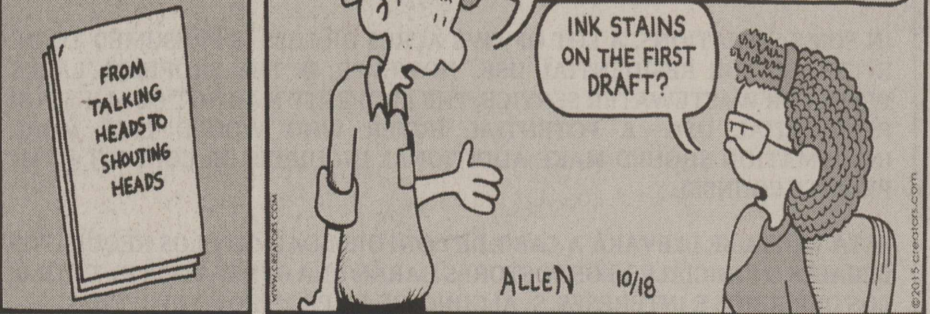
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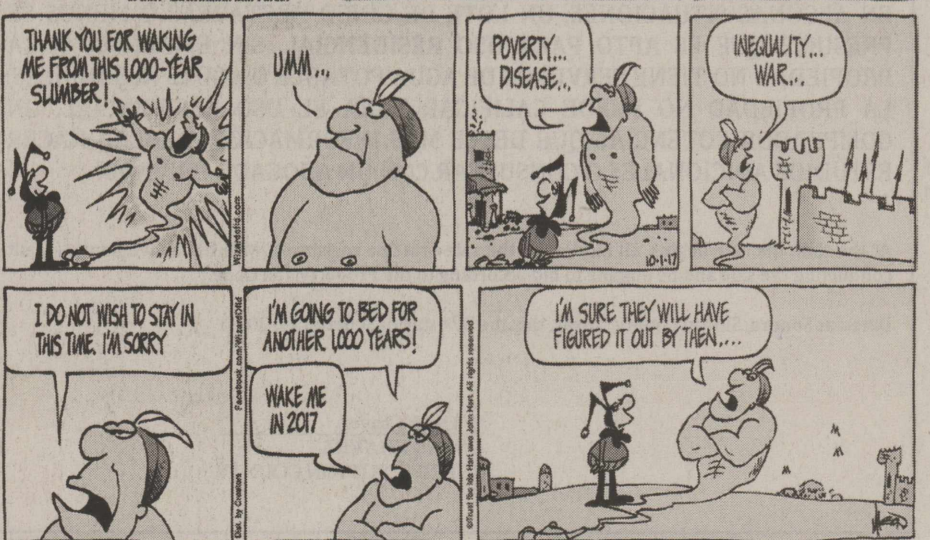
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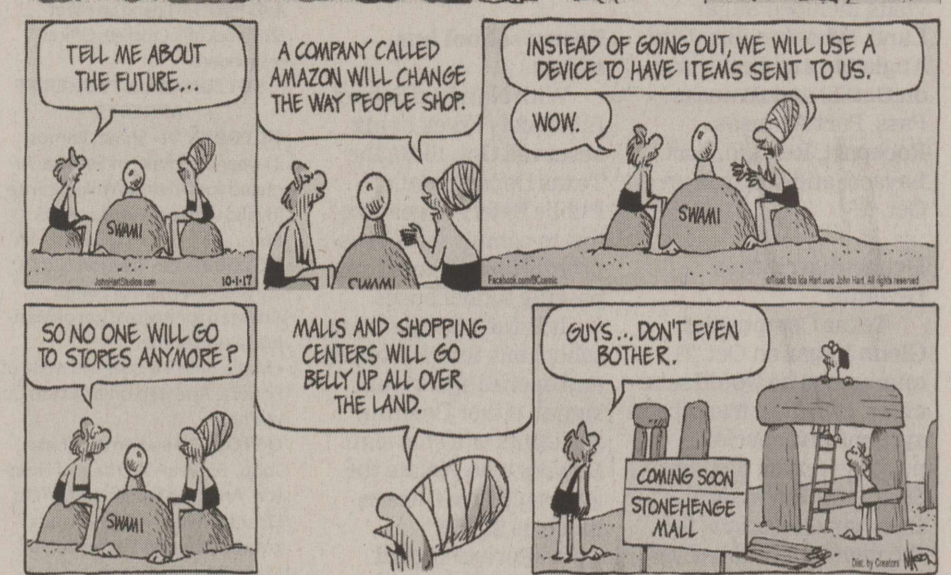
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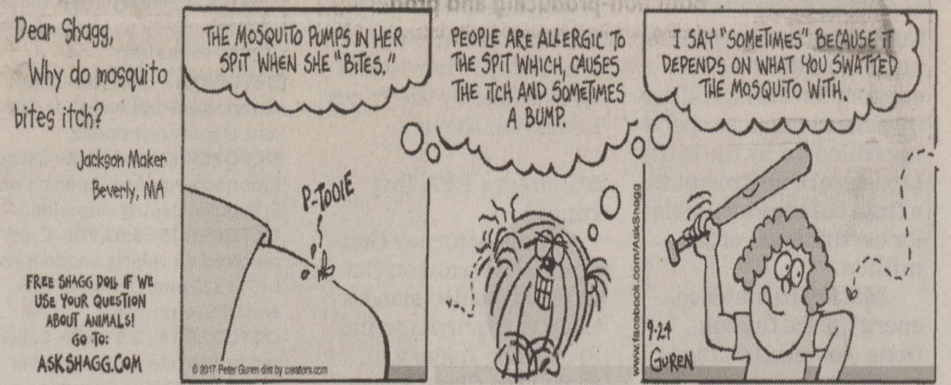


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## DOODLES



### DOODLE ZOO

ANY CLOSET IS A WALK-IN CLOSET IF YOU TRY HARD ENOUGH.

### DRAW!!

DRAW A FUNNY HAIRDO!

### RIDDLES!!!

Q. WHY DID THE OLD MAN FALL DOWN THE WELL?  
 A. HE COULDN'T SEE THAT WELL.  
 Maggie Ingraham, Petrosky, NJ

Q. HOW DO YOU MAKE FRUIT PUNCH?  
 A. GIVE IT BOXING LESSONS.  
 Aaron Sullivan, Destin, FL

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 At Little or No Cost to You  
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### ZIG-ZAG

THE ORIGINAL WORD MAZE PUZZLE

### FAVORITE SPORTS

ALL WORDS TO BE CONSTRUCTED PERTAIN TO THE ABOVE TOPIC TO YOUR ADVANTAGE ONE WORD HAS ALREADY BEEN TRACED YOU MUST TRACE THE THREE REMAINING WORDS, USING ONLY THE LETTERS DESIGNATED BY THE DARKENED CIRCLES. WORDS MAY BEGIN AND END FROM EITHER COLUMN BUT EACH LETTER CAN ONLY BE USED ONCE.

EACH PUZZLE HAS A DIFFICULTY RATING (ABOVE). FOUR STARS SIGNIFY THE HIGHEST DEGREE OF DIFFICULTY.

GIVEN BELOW ARE THE POINT VALUES FOR EACH WORD. YOUR WORDS MUST CORRECTLY MATCH THESE POINT VALUES.

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# Annual Star Party at the X Bar Ranch Marks 15th Anniversary

FREE Public Night Scheduled for Thursday, October 19th

For one week each October over the past 15 years, astronomers from across Texas, other US states and Canada call the X Bar Ranch home.

"There are several people who have made all 15 events," said Stan Meador, with X Bar Ranch Nature Retreat. "Many more have only missed one, and most of those had pretty good reasons to miss as they really don't like doing

so." Over 130 people have registered to attend this year.

The dark skies of the region are something that most locals take for granted, but folks whose hobby is taking in the stars above largely live in areas where good dark skies are drowned out by the increasing glow of light. Thus, with the dark skies and infrastructure developed to host such an

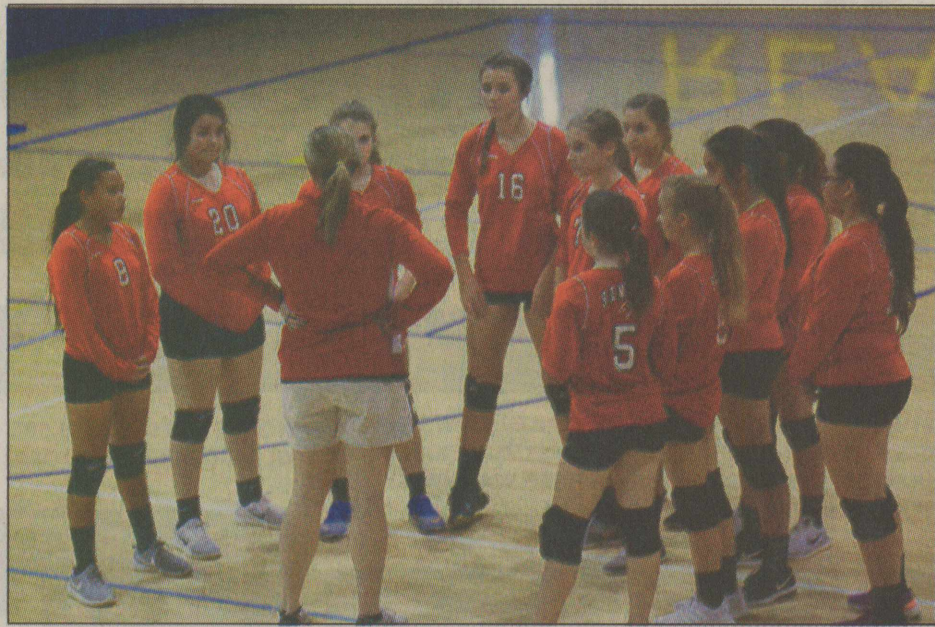
event, the X Bar Ranch and Eldorado Star Party is a known destination and event that draws astronomers from far and wide.

Each year attendees enjoy sharing their passion and welcome locals from surrounding communities for a free Public Night held on Thursday night. Anyone interested in coming out to see what a star party looks like and to have the unique opportunity to look through some amazing telescopes should come to the X Bar Ranch Nature Retreat before dark Thursday evening, October 19. It is better if guests can see the field with all the equipment set up before it gets too dark. Then after dark, the attendees are happy to let local guests look through the scopes.

Directions to the Star Party: Three miles south of Eldorado, turn right (west) onto FM 2129 and take that road approximately 20 miles to the event entrance. It is just to the south of the X Bar Ranch Nature Retreat Live Oak Lodge entrance. Look for orange road cones near the event gate.

For more information or to reserve your space visit [eee.eldorado-starparty.org](http://eee.eldorado-starparty.org) or text 325-277-4571.

## Lady Colts Volleyball



The Sonora Middle School 8th grade Lady Colts Volleyball team takes a time out to talk during the District Tournament on Saturday, October 14, 2017, in Big Lake. The girl's placed second in the tourney. KATHY MANKIN | THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

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## Reader Recipes

### "Pasta Fagioli Soup"

As the outside temperature drops, it is time to warm up the inside with a delicious soup. Tai Araujo's "Pasta Fagioli Soup" is sure to become a favorite in any kitchen.

- 1 (15 oz) can great Northern beans
- 1 lb ground beef, browned & drained
- 1/2 onion
- 3 celery stalks, chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 (14 oz) cans condensed beef broth
- 1 (14 oz) cans diced tomatoes
- 1 tsp black pepper
- 1/4 tsp dried marjoram
- 1/4 tsp cayenne pepper
- 1/2 tsp hot sauce
- 1 tsp dried basil
- 2 Cup cooked macaroni

Combine all ingredients, except cooked pasta, in a crock pot. Cover and cook on low heat 8-10 hours or high 4-6 hours. Add pasta to soup just before serving.

## AUCTION:

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the secret under wraps for another year. Originally donated by Berry Duff, in 1945, the faithfully sealed package has grossed more than \$55,000.

Auctioneer Preston Farris kept eager bidders raising their cards in hopes of winning select items including a wide variety of fine desserts and delectable treats.

Sonora Lions Club Queen Delaney Ramsdell, Miss Sutton County Sterling Smith and the 2017 St. Ann's Queen Savannah Virgen were also on hand to present items for bid during the live auction.

Patrons also won numerous raffle items as Lions Club members revealed the winning ticket numbers throughout the evening.

During the silent auction portion of the evening, bidders shuffled between tables jotting down offers in hopes of taking home select items.

Overall, the event raised approximately \$16,200.

Although this special once a year occasion is meant help ensure the ongoing generosity of the Sonora Lions Club locally, the success of this year's event demonstrated the ongoing commitment of a time-honored tradition of celebrating unity and goodwill between all people in the community.

Lions Club President Roy Smalling said he couldn't be more pleased with the outcome of this year's auction.

"It was beyond my expectations," Smalling said. "I am very pleased with the support from community, the generous donations and all of the Lions Club members for their hard work to help make our auction a success. I am already looking forward to next year."

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