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## NEWSBRIEFS

### Publishing early

The *West Texas County Courier* will publish two issues early next month. The issues dated Oct. 4 and Oct. 11, 2001 will go to press on Sept. 25. All material to be published in these two issues must be received by the *Courier* production office no later than Sept. 21, 2001. The *Courier's* office will close beginning Wednesday, Sept. 26 and open again on Monday, Oct. 15, 2001. Information: 852-3235.

### Canutillo Fair

Canutillo School Health Advisory Council will hold a Community Health Kermess (Fair), from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday, September 15, at Gallegos Park, located on Bosque Road next to Canutillo High School. Local area health organizations will be available to give information on health issues and provide different types of health screenings. A Mini-walk sponsored by Walk El Paso Walk will begin registration of participants at 8 a.m. with the first 200 registrants receiving a free T-shirt. Also various community and school organizations will provide food and game booths. Ribbon-cutting ceremony for the first annual health fair will be held at 9 a.m. Representatives from Congressman Silvestre Reyes and El Paso County Commissioners offices will be on-hand for the festivities. Canutillo High School NJROTC Color Guard will conduct the presentation of colors, and Manny Salas, CHS Band student, will play the national anthem. Also performing will be the Canutillo ISD student ballet folklorico dancers. For more information, call 833-4072 or 877-3200.

### In other news

■ Jessie Estrada and Ruth Reyna will rule over the 2001 Socorro High School homecoming events. The paid are to be crowned as king and queen during the half-time of Friday's football game against Irvin at the Socorro Activities Center. Yvonne Rodriguez Hogle, a 1986 graduate, has been selected as this year's outstanding ex-student. She is an Associate in the Business and Finance Department of Ballard Spahr Andrews & Ingersoll law firm. The Homecoming events will be under the theme of "SHS on Broadway" and will include many traditional activities.

■ Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class John D. Desso, son of Ruth and John C. Desso of Horizon City, received a Letter of Commendation earlier this year. His commendation was awarded while Desso was assigned at Naval Submarine Support Facility New London, Groton, Conn. He was noted for superior performance, consistently performing his demanding duties in an exemplary and professional manner.

■ David Sublasky of Fabens has been reappointed to the Texas Center for Educational Research (TCER) Board of Trustees, with a term to end in August 2004. Sublasky works with the El Paso City-County Health District as a program manager. He

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*Some people work their tongues so fast they say things they haven't even thought of yet.*

— Quips and Quotes

## Clint superintendent says district has experienced high tax rate before Passage of bond will raise taxes by about six cents, Perez contends

By Debra Dominguez  
Special to the Courier

EAST EL PASO COUNTY — Under a new financial consultant, Clint Independent School District officials recently decided to refinance three of its schools if voters approve its \$67 million bond and maintenance tax election Oct. 6. The district's Board of Trustees also unani-

mously voted Aug. 29 in favor of a \$1.71 tax rate for the 2001-02 school year.

"What this means is that voters will be paying \$1.71 for every \$100 in property valuation," Clint ISD Superintendent Sylvester Perez said. "In the past, various area school districts have had similar rates, and this is not the first time in the history of Clint ISD that our tax rate has floated in that area. In 1990, our tax rate was at about \$1.70.

"With our rapid growth and inevitable in-

creases in utilities, health insurance and construction costs — we had to go this route," Perez said. "Being in a property poor school district is very challenging. With the new tax rate, we are going to be able to free up maintenance and operation monies without having to tap into our reserve fund."

Perez also said that by refinancing the three schools under the proposed bond issue and by setting a new tax rate, the school district would be able to generate more in state funding because the state provides the school district with \$5 for every \$1 it generates from local taxes.

"If the bond passes, there will be an increase of six cents for the 2002-2003 school year," Perez said. "The cost of the average home in the Clint Independent School District is currently \$47,314. The tax impact for the average home for the 2001-2002 school year will be \$46.02 monthly and \$554.12 annually. For the 2002-2003 school year, the tax impact will be an increase of \$1.48 monthly and \$17.74 annually if the bond is passed."

Perez also said it's important for community members to understand why the school district is proposing the \$67 million bond and maintenance tax election and how it intends on using the money if the bond is passed.

"I've been asked, 'Isn't \$67 million a very large amount of money for construction of district facilities?'" Perez said. "Well, the more realistic amount is \$42 million because we are asking the voters to allow us to refinance \$25 million of already existing debt payments for Red Sands Elementary, Frank Macias Elementary, the new middle school being built in Horizon, as well as recent additions to Mountain View High School, Clint Junior High School, Carroll T. Welch Middle School and Surratt Elementary School."

Perez said the reason the three schools are being refinanced is because they were originally financed through a lease-purchase agreement with the state.

"We have to pay off our \$25 million debt whether the bond election is passed or not," Perez said. "But it is important to understand that the interest rate will be much lower if we go with a bond and maintenance tax election than with the lease-purchase agreement."

"We can continue to pay at a higher interest rate, or the voters can approve the bond election in order for the district to refinance at a lower rate and save more money for equipment, supplies and salaries," he said.

If approved, district officials plan to use the remaining \$45 million for the use of constructing, maintaining, enhancing and/or renovating district instructional facilities as needed.

To refinance the \$25 million in outstanding lease obligations, Perez said the interest rate is projected at 3.0 percent compared to the 5.7 percent it's currently paying.

The district's Board of Trustees voted in favor of adopting the estimated \$67 million bond and maintenance tax election during its regular meeting July 25.

Clint ISD currently has a student enrollment of an estimated 8,000 — a figure that is expected to double within the next five years.

"This bond election is just one of many things our district is working on to prepare for the future and to accommodate the needs of our students and adequately prepare for the incredible projected growth," Perez said.

The bond issue projects under consideration



Sylvester Perez



— Photo by Dick Harshberger

### Fabens wins Clint cross country meet

WILDCAT WINNERS — The Fabens Wildcat Varsity Boys Cross Country hold the trophy for winning the Clint Invitational Cross Country meet held Sept. 8 at Mountain View High School. Alex Ramos of Mountain View was the individual winner of the meet.

## Some Socorro residents and officers demand Police Chief's resignation

By Arleen Beard  
Special to the Courier

SOCORRO — Several members of the Town of Socorro turned out to express their strong feelings of disapproval towards the job performance of Police Chief Buryl Canuteson since his arrival three months ago. Chief Canuteson and his performance were the main focus of the regularly scheduled Socorro City Council meeting on Sept. 6.

Several community members, including Marina Gutierrez, questioned Chief Canuteson's abilities as the Chief of Police. Gutierrez told Council that Chief Canuteson refuses to listen to his fellow officers. Another Socorro citizen alleged that, during a recent drive-by shooting incident at Socorro High School, the City of Socorro Officers were unassisted by Chief Canuteson. As a result, the Chief of Police from Clint was called to assist the officers, it was alleged. According to Socorro Police Officers, Chief Canuteson was in the office when this occurred but did not make any effort to assist his officers.

Representatives from the Police Association also addressed members of Town Council to express their dissatisfaction with Chief Canuteson's performance, stating that it was their hope that Chief Canuteson would resign immediately.

Chief Canuteson stated that he had no intentions of resigning from his position.

Police Association member, Jessie Ortega, informed Council about attempts he has made to have the police officers meet with Chief Canuteson, but has had no success due to Chief Canuteson's refusal to meet with them, he said.

According to the Socorro Police Officers, there were previously 29 officers on staff and currently only 13 officers are left. They also accused Chief Canuteson of refusing to have volunteers as Police Officers and said that five previous volunteer officers have had to resort to continuing their volunteer hours as police officers for the Town of Anthony.

Mayor Amado Padilla and members of Council said they were disturbed by the concerns of

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## Commissioners to get pay raise but county tax rate to stay same

By Marjorie F. Graham  
Courier Staff Writer

EL PASO COUNTY — The El Paso County tax rate will hold even though Commissioners Court members were expected to reward themselves with a three percent cost-of-liv-

ing adjustment while, at the same time, all elected officials Monday were looking towards a 5.6 percent salary increase.

That would raise remuneration of County Judge Dolores Briones to \$59,572, of County Commissioner Miguel Teran to \$46,285, and

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## One perspective

By Francis Shrum

# Our world has changed forever

HORIZON — We were late to work this morning. We just sat there stunned in front of the television seeing the incredible scenes of destruction as the two World Trade Center Towers collapsed before our eyes, and we watched plumes of smoke rising from the Pentagon in Washington, D.C.

We watched the live, horrific scenes of an airliner crashing and bursting into flames as it plowed into the World Trade Center Tower, and saw our nation's capitol literally become an armed camp.

We are used to seeing news reports of bad things happening to a few people. As a nation we are unaccustomed to bad things happening to all of us at once, because it so seldom has.

It happened today.

As horrendous as Oklahoma City was, it pales in comparison to the devastation wrought in the middle of one of this nation's proudest cities.

Today this nation tries, as the hours wear on, to find some sense of normalcy again. The media drones on and on, breaking down the enormity of this event into the minute details they so skillfully examine.

But the inescapable truth is that we will never be the same again. Our nation has been dealt a blow unlike anything we have ever suffered before, even as heart-breaking as it was when one of our own blew away the face of the Federal Building in Oklahoma.

The devastation to America is not only the incredible human loss, but the loss of security, the loss of national belief that we are invincible — the loss of innocence.

America has been dropped free-fall

into the reality of this terribly dangerous world.

We are being told, by the few political leaders who are approaching a camera this morning, that the terrorist wins when a nation alters its way of life because of fear. We are told to go calmly about our business, to pull together in healing the wounds, and to live life as we normally would.

But the comforting words are hollow today. The extent of this horrendous happening hasn't even been fully assessed yet — nor do we even know if it is all over yet, a "fluid situation" as the media so deftly puts it.

The national consciousness of America can no longer go blithely about its business. We are a hated people, a hated nation in many parts of the world, as unfounded and inexplicable as that may seem. Today's events were, like a bucket of ice water, a most unwelcome wake-up call.

We have an enemy that has made himself known up close and personal — an enemy who doesn't play by the accepted rules of political correctness, who probably has never even read the "Soldiers Guide to the Rules of War." This enemy is no longer a shadowy figure on a newscast, but a true and present danger — an enemy of considerable and ruthless resources.

America has been introduced to the cold, hard reality of war on its own soil, and America has not known war that way. Even those Americans who fought and died in the trenches of WWII were soldiers fighting on the battlefield — not dying in the streets of New York on their way to work.

The world as we have known it has changed forever.



## Eye on D.C. By U.S. Rep. Henry Bonilla



# The meaning and significance of our constitution

"We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."

These famous words, written more than 200 years ago, constitute the opening paragraph of one of the most profound and influential documents in history. As we celebrate the anniversary of our Constitution on September 17, we should take a few minutes this weekend to think about the meaning and significance of that incredible document.

The U.S. Constitution is the world's oldest written constitution still in effect. Ever since its completion on September 17, 1787, it has been debated, interpreted and amended. In spite of the changes our nation has gone through during the last two centuries, our Constitution has continued to provide a stable framework for America. The writers of the Constitution believed that government should come from the people, not from kings, and that a legitimate government is one that derives its powers from the people it governs. They provided for a system of checks and balances that prevent the government from becoming too powerful. They divided the federal government into three separate branches — the executive branch, the legislative branch and the judicial branch. In addition, the Constitution provided a national structure which sought to protect the self-de-

termination of state and local governments.

The framers of the U.S. Constitution accomplished what no other nation had achieved before that time: a national charter which defined and incorporated the principles of a government formed and run by the people. Since that time, it has been a model for other nations trying to emulate our great country.

In this day and age, it seems that some politicians in Washington are willing to jeopardize the strength of our Constitution for political gains. Our Constitution has worked well for more than 200 years; we should protect it today so we can enjoy the same level of freedom and prosperity in the United States for the next 200 years.

## County

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the rest of the court to \$42,077.

In other fiscal issues, the court was to take up the matter of adding new debt

in the amount of \$70 million, or some portion thereof, for a new Fabens international bridge, eastside regional park, and housing for offices.

Commissioner Dan Haggerty, while observing that the County is in a very sound financial position, nevertheless objected to incurring more debt until what is owed, some \$120 million, is paid off.

If property valuations go up, Judge Briones noted, tax bills also will be about \$18 more on a \$70,000 home. More office space may be needed but the courthouse is "spacious," it was observed.

In other business, commissioners and officials of the Southwestern International Livestock Show and

Rodeo reconciled their differences over advertising money misspent last year under their contract as the court agreed to set aside \$65,000 of hotel-motel tax money for next year's event.

Other non-mandated funding given the nod was \$250,000 to Project Arriba in the same amount as last year.

As expected, commissioners agreed to continue funding for free and discounted preventive health care for undocumented alien immigrants residing in El Paso County. This, despite Texas Attorney General John Cornyn's July 10 ruling that they cannot do so.

The 4-1 vote, with Dan Haggerty dissenting, rubber-stamped the position already taken by Board of Managers of Thomason General Hospital.

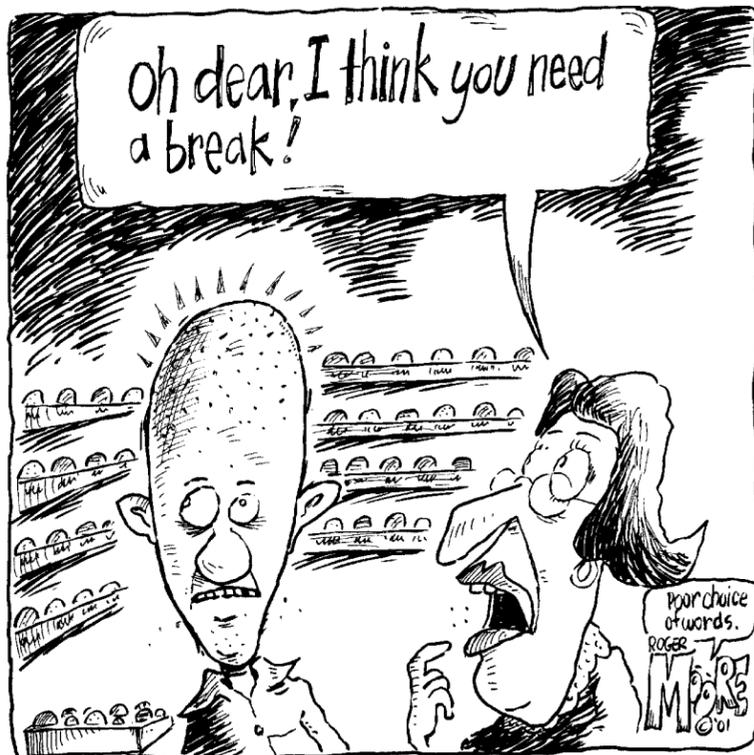
County Attorney Jose Rodriguez argued against Cornyn's opinion and Commissioner Miguel Teran said that leaving it up to hospital employees to determine immigrant status would be "a disaster," a burden which should not be placed upon the County.

The hospital's tax rate, 18.5 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation, was left alone as the court approved a FY 2002 budget of \$205.7 million.

Finally, September was declared Volunteer Blood Donor Month in El Paso.

## True Texas Facts by Roger Moore

September 16, 1873 - R.L. Moore is born in Decatur. He amasses the world's largest private collection of bird eggs in his lifetime.



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**View from the porch** By Linda Mussehl

**Drowning in the Jean Pool**

I used to have a favorite pair of blue jeans. Hand-me-downs from Pardner, they had achieved that perfect point of stasis: faded and buttery soft, but not yet wearing through at the knee.

The jeans had faded to a subtle two-toned pattern, gently chafed to almost white under his shotgun leggings, and darker wherever the leggings didn't rub.

He had set them aside because the jeans had become a wee bit snug. Then I wore them for six months or so before they went to where all good old blue jeans go. They had a slow descent — first to cutoffs, then to the scrap bag, only to live again briefly as knee patches on other younger, marginally more healthy jeans.

Neither of us are fashion plates. And proud of it. I spend on clothes in a year what some women spend in a month. I have an annual ritual. When the tax refund check comes each year, I splurge at the farm and ranch store and update my wardrobe basics: new jeans. Then last year's dress-up jeans descend into the "still good enough to go to town" category, and the three-year-old jeans are downgraded to the "grubby work" stack.

Pardner's jeans cycle through the same process, just a little faster. He's a tad harder on his clothes than I am. Jeans are made for riding, not welding.

We ought to own stock in Wrangler. Come to think of it, we do. It's all hanging in the back closet.

For the past several years, we each had to buy our jeans a size larger than we did the year before. You do that for five or six years and you've got a problem, a

big problem.

Earlier this year we decided to do something about our big (or bigness) problem.

So far, we've been successful. We've both lost imaginary children. I've lost the weight equivalent of an average toddler, and Pardner has shed (drum roll, please) an entire eight-year-old child.

(In the early months of the diet, we tracked the weight in feed sacks. First he lost a large bag of dog food, then a sack of feed. Once he passed through the range cube equivalency chart, we measured success in weight of hypothetical children.)

Now I'm down to my lying weight (what I've claimed on my driver's license for lo these many years). That's all fine — healthier, more energy, and whatnot. But golly, it's expensive.

For a while there, our jeans were too big by the time they had been to the laundry the third time. I just counted thirteen pairs of jeans — all almost new, all different sizes (three sizes for Pardner and two for me), and all too big. They're starched and creased, still in the laundry's plastic bags. That closet is now called the "jean pool."

I miss my good old jeans, the faded, ratty ones. I find myself dodging the dirty jobs around here. I just can't make myself wear a brand-new pair of jeans to help Pardner tar some little roof leaks.

And I really should clean, scrub, and paint that nasty back closet so I can fit in more of our old wardrobe. Instead, I fall back on the age-old female lament: "I just don't have a thing to wear."

**San Elizario Independent School District Special Education Services**

San Elizario Independent School District provides the following educational program/services to identified disabled children who reside within the district beginning on the third birthday through age twenty-one.

- 1) Instructional Program: including Early Childhood (beginning on the third birthday through age five), Resource (grades K-12) and Self-Contained (grades K-12); 2) Diagnostic Services; 3) Transportation Services; 4) Speech Therapy; 5) Counseling Services; 6) Adaptive Equipment Services; 7) Physical Therapy; 8) Occupational Therapy; 9) School Health Services; 10) Homebound Services; and 11) Dyslexia Services

Services are provided to identified auditorial and visually impaired children who reside within the district from birth through age twenty-one.

In compliance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 and Public Law 105-17, parents and adult students have the right to inspect educational records. District policies FL and FL-E provide for record access, confidentiality, and complaint procedures.

If you would like more information or know of a disabled child who is not receiving educational services, please contact: Emigdio Gonzalez, Special Education Director, 12280 Socorro Rd., Special Education Office, San Elizario, Texas 79849, (915) 872-3926. Mail: PO Box 920, San Elizario, TX 79849.

**Servicios de Educacion Especial**

*El distrito escolar de San Elizario provee los siguientes programas/servicios educacionales a niños que son identificados como desabilitados que viven dentro del distrito comenzando con el tercer cumpleaños hasta los 21 años.*

- 1) programa de instrucción: infancia temprana (comenzando con el tercer cumpleaños hasta la edad de cinco años), cuarto de recurso (K-12), y clases contenidas (K-12); 2) servicios diagnósticos; 3) servicios de transportación; 4) terepia de habla; 5) servicios de consejo; 6) servicios de equipaje adaptivo; 7) terapia fisica; 8) terapia ocupacional; 9) servicios de salud escolar; 10) servicios de clases en el hogar; y 10) servicios de dyslexia

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*Conforme al Acto de Derechos y Confidencia Educacionales de Familia de 1974 y Ley Publica 105-17, padres y alumnos adultos tienen el derechos de ver los archivos educativos. Polizas FL y FL-E explican los derechos, la confidencialidad, y el proceso para quejarse.*

*Si usted desea mas información o sabe de un niño/niña desabilitado que vive en el distrito escolar de Clint que no esta recibiendo servicios educacionales, favor de comunicarse con: Emigdio Gonzalez, Directora de Educación Especial, 12280 Socorro Rd., Special Education Office, San Elizario, Texas 79849, (915) 872-3926. Mail: PO Box 920, San Elizario, TX 79849.*

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**San Elizario Independent School District PUBLIC NOTICE**

The San Elizario Independent School District Special Education Department will be destroying confidential student information on special education students who have graduated, moved or were dismissed prior to 1993. Parents of these students may come to the Special Education Department located at 12280 Socorro Rd. in San Elizario on Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to claim their child's file. The remaining files will be destroyed as per state directives 30 days from the date of this notice. If you have an questions, please call 872-3926.

**AVISO**

*El Departamento de Educacion Especial del Distrito Escolar de San Elizario va a destruir los archivos confidenciales de estudiantes que estaban un programa de educación especial que han graduado, se han movido, o fueron despedidos en el año escolar de 1993 o antes. Los padres de estos estudiantes pueden venir a la oficina del Departamento de Educacion Especial del Distrito Escolar de San Elizario en 12280 Socorro Rd., San Elizario, de lunes al viernes de 8:00-4:30 de la tarde a recoger los archivos de sus hijos. Los archivos que no sean recogidos van a ser destruidos como manda el estado en 30 días después de este aviso. Si tienen preguntas, llamen al teléfono 872-3926.*

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**City of Socorro PUBLIC NOTICE**

A PUBLIC HEARING will be held at 6:30 p.m. during the City Council Meeting of Thursday, September 20, 2001 at City Hall, 124 S. Horizon Blvd., Socorro, Texas. Purpose of the public hearing is to allow any interested person to appear and testify at the hearing regarding the following proposed ordinance(s):

- 1) An Ordinance No. 76, Amendment 14, an ordinance establishing comprehensive zoning and land use regulations for the City of Socorro, El Paso County Texas, and its planning and platting jurisdiction, providing for the administration, enforcement, and amendment there, in accordance with the provisions of Section 211 of the Texas Local Government Code; hereby amending Section 4.

Those that are unable to attend the public hearing may submit their views to the City of Socorro. Accommodations for handicapped persons will be available; handicapped persons in need of special assistance for attending the hearings are encouraged to contact the City Secretary (915) 858-2915, forty-eight (48) hours prior to this meeting. Ordinances are too extensive to print. Copies of ordinances are posted in City Hall and are available upon request.

TERE RODRIGUEZ  
City Secretary

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## View from here By Superintendent Dr. Lu Stephens

# Fabens ISD earns spotless report from evaluation team

EAST EL PASO COUNTY comprehensive program review and audit for our district this month. When they exited our district, they delivered to our District Improvement Team an outstanding report on the programs and services that are implemented and provided by

our district.

Our district received a perfectly positive report with no citations or violations noted within it. This is a

very unusual situation, as we understand from the team members that this has not occurred but this one time in the last three years. As always we are proud of our fine staff and the effort everyone in the district has made to make such an excellent report possible.

As the first district in Region 19 to be visited by a DEC team this year, we have set a high standard for other districts in our area. We wish them all good luck as they have their own DEC visits later this school year.

Again, thank you to everyone for your hard work, determination, patience, positive attitude, and active support for this crucial evaluation. It is obvious to all that we accept the challenge to be the very best and strive for excellence at every opportunity. Our community, parents, students, staff and Board of Trustees can all be happy with the validation that this report places on our efforts to make Fabens ISD the best possible place for teaching and learning.

— As you may be aware, the District Effectiveness and Compliance (DEC) Team from the Texas Education Agency performed a com-

## This year's homecoming to showcase the evolution of San Elizario High

By Andrew Soliz  
Special to the Courier

SAN ELIZARIO — Homecoming is fast approaching for the San Elizario Eagles. Student Council members, class and club sponsors, cheerleaders, athletes — everyone is getting ready for a week filled with spirited activities revolving around the theme: "Evolution... A Pathway to Perfection."

"In the past, San Eli has been sort of a non-entity," said sophomore StuCo member Richard Cazares. "We really had no pride or school spirit. But in the past few years we have really evolved into a force to be reckoned with."

"We have evolved through time not only as strong independent leaders, but also as students with a mission in life. That's why we thought 'Evolution' would be a good theme."

The king and queen will be crowned during the half-time activities of the football game against Bowie Bears on Friday, Sept. 28.

The week kicks off Monday, Sept. 24 with a variety of traditional activities including hall decorating, a parade, pep rally and dress up days.

"The week is going to be very hectic," said StuCo vice president Carol Reyes, "But it's going to be a lot of fun."

Thursday there will be a parade followed by a pep rally, beginning at 2 p.m. Class floats, marching band, cheerleaders, decorated cars and shopping carts will parade around the campus. All members of the community and visitors, as well as parents of current Eagles are invited to the parade and pep rally.

At 10 a.m. Friday morning, StuCo will host an Exes Tea for all San Eli graduates. Council members will conduct tours of the building for those exes who graduated from the old building, to show how San Eli has entered the new millennium.

"We hope a lot of exes will attend the tea," said StuCo president Martiza Jimenez, "because I am sure they will be surprised at how the school has evolved since we moved into the new building."

## Lion Battalion completes active summer, heads into busy fall

By c/CPT Joshua T. Smith  
Special to the Courier

EAST EL PASO COUNTY — Clint High School Army JROTC — the "Lion Battalion" — has completed an active summer, presenting itself at many events, including football games, school board meetings, parades, and other functions.

Following summer camp, hosted at Cloudcroft, New Mexico, sent four cadets — Raymond Pierce, Tommy Garcia, Michael Garcia, and Ismael Aguayo — attended a rifle marksmanship training camp in Oxford, Mississippi.

Accompanied by 49 other cadets from schools in Texas, Kentucky, Mis-

issippi, Louisiana, and Arkansas, the CHS representatives were advised and exercised in the use and care of .177 caliber precision Olympic grade air rifles by such experts as the 1992 Olympic silver medalist Bob Foth. At the end of the camp, a match was held, in which Clint's cadets placed well — taking second, seventh, eighth and twelfth out of 54 total.

The every-day activities and operations of the JROTC unit are handled by the senior cadets, who comprise the battalion staff. Each year the staff is renewed, as the graduating officers are replaced by the next year's senior class.

This year, the JROTC Lion Battalion staff has a bright vision for the future of the organization, working hard

to set an example for all years to come.

These cadets are Battalion Commander c/LTC Raymond Pierce III; Executive Officer c/MAJ Nora Chaparro; Command Sergeant Major c/CSM Ismael Aguayo; Battalion S-1 Adjutant c/CPT Jessica Sapien; Battalion S-2 Public Relations/History c/CPT Joshua T. Smith; Battalion S-3 Operations c/CPT Tim Macias; Battalion S-4 Supply c/CPT Alex Torres; Battalion S-5 Electronic Media c/CPT Arnulfo Bravo.

During the month of September the Lion Battalion will perform at the Homecoming Parade; with the Army Combo Band in CHS cafeteria; at the Homecoming Football Game; at the CHS Open House; and at Mountain View HS JROTC Skills Meet.

## Classified Ads

### LEGALS

#### VILLAGE OF VINTON PUBLIC ADVERTISE- MENT FOR ENGINEERING/ ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES

The Village of Vinton has recently received a Contract award from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for a Street and Flood Improvement project. Accordingly, the Village is seeking to contract with a qualified engineer/engineering firm (registered to practice in the State of Texas) to prepare all preliminary and final design plans and specifications, and to conduct all necessary interim and final inspections.

Please submit your proposals for services to the Village of Vinton, 436 E. Vinton Rd., Vinton, Texas 79821. Proposals must be received by 5 p.m. on September 27, 2001. The request for Proposals Specifications can be obtained by calling or

writing to the address below:

Mayor Samuel Monrreal  
Village of Vinton  
436 E. Vinton Rd.  
Vinton, TX 79821  
(915) 886-5104  
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As per Article V, Sec. 5.05(a), all owners and lienholders have ten (10) days from this date to reclaim their vehicles at Southwest Wrecker, 1401 Darrington Rd., 855-1900, 851-2091-fax, or it will be sold at public auction for charges:

VIN - JHMAD7434FC11467, Honda Accord, blue, MEX - 808SFS3  
VIN - 2E3C1356U6KH239107, Eagle Premiere, gray, COL - WPB11080  
VIN - N/A, bed of truck  
WTCC-9/13/01

#### SOCORRO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT Invitation to Bid/ Respond:

Sealed bids/proposals/CSP to furnish the District with the following products and/or services accepted at the following times:

#### TRACK EQUIPMENT CSP NO. 199-0924-1095 MONDAY, SEPT. 24, 2001, 2:30 P.M.

Proposals will be received at Business Services Dept., 12300 Eastlake Drive, until the specified times. Detailed specifications are available from the above office between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Mondays through Fridays.  
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#### FABENS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT Invitation to Bid:

Fabens Independent School District will be accepting sealed bids for a Bus and Vehicle Salvage Sale on Sept. 19, 2001. Specifications and information may be obtained by contacting Lucas

Gallegos, Transportation Supervisor at the Ben Madrid Maintenance Facility located at 208 NE 4th Street, Fabens, Texas 79838 or by phone at (915) 764-4353.

#### ENTERTAINMENT

Free Satellite System  
Sistema Satellite Gratis  
Ask Me How!  
Preguntame Como!  
921-5009

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#### FREE KITTENS

Free to good home — kittens about six weeks old, three white, one stripe. Eating on their own and using box. Call 852-2919 or 852-3205 in Horizon City.

#### GARAGE SALES

YARD SALE - Saturday, 9/15/01, 113 Robert Alvarez in Clint area, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Furniture, small appliances, clothes, medical equipment, etc. Five cents to \$60.

MOVING SALE - items available about October 10, PB computer w/ printer and monitor, \$300 OBO. File cabinets, four drawer, \$18 each. Three metal shelves, \$50 for all three. Desk w/chair, \$45 OBO. Oreck vaccum, excellent condition, including shop vac, only \$150. Desk chair with caster, \$35. Book cases with two shelves, wood, \$35.

#### HELP WANTED

TORNILLO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT is in looking for a part-time bus driver. EXCELLENT position for a full-time mother with school age children. Requirements: passenger CDL. For more information, call 764-2366 X266.  
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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: Need minimum wage woman/man for phones, errands and filing. Learn two businesses. Work into bonus with experience/performance. Must be prompt, good telephone voice,

good running vehicle. Fax resume to 594-2906.  
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The TORNILLO WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION is currently taking applications for a full charge bookkeeping/finance officer. Applications and information can be obtained by writing Tornillo Water Supply Corp., P.O. Box 136, Tornillo, Texas or by calling (915) 764-2966. The positions will remain open until filled. The Tornillo Water Supply Corporation is an Equal Opportunity Employer.  
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Hair Slingers in Horizon City is seeking experienced cosmetologist. Apply in person after 2 p.m. at 13899 Horizon Blvd., Ste. 4, Horizon City.  
TFN

#### OFFICE SPACE

Office for lease in Horizon City. Corner of Darrington and Horizon Blvd. \$350/month. Call Horizon Prop-

erties, 852-3331.

#### SELF-HELP OPPORTUNITIES

Alcoholics Anonymous Group Paso Del Norte meets at 8501 Kingsway in Westway, Monday-Saturday, 8 p.m. Call 886-4948 for information. *Alcohólicos Anónimos Grupo Paso Del Norte sesiones lunes a sábado, a 8-9 de la tarde, 8501 Kingsway, Westway. 886-4948 para informacion.*

Persons who have a problem with alcohol are offered a free source of help locally. Alcoholics Anonymous Group 8 de Enero meets at 15360 Horizo Blvd., Horizon City on Mondays through Saturdays at 8 p.m. Call 859-0484 for information. *Tiene problemas con el alcohol? Hay una solución. Visítemos. Alcohólicos Anónimos, Grupo 8 de Enero, 15360 Horizo Blvd., Horizon City, sesiones lunes a sábado a 8 de la tarde. Informacion: 859-0484.*

#### SERVICES

"Windshield Ding — Gimme a Ring"  
JIFFY GLASS REPAIR  
Windshield Repair Specialists  
By appt. at your home or office:  
R.V. Dick Harshberger  
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BERT'S AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR  
Domestic and Foreign  
852-3523  
1558 Oxbow,  
Horizon City

HORIZON CITY PLUMBING  
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• Heating/cooling  
• Electric roofer service for sewers and drains  
• Appliance installation  
• Many other plumbing services  
• 24-hour service  
Licensed, bonded and insured for your protection.

AL'S PLACE  
Warehouse Space  
900 sq ft-\$200  
Yard Storage \$20 and Up  
Horizon Industrial Park,  
418 Kenazo, Horizon City  
852-3949

# Emmitt Smith may feel like a stranger in his own dressing room

By Steve Escajeda  
Special to the Courier

The 2001 NFL season is now underway and though some people may be wondering which team will win the Super Bowl in January, I am wondering about something else.

I wonder if Emmitt Smith will break Walter Payton's rushing record? And if he does, how the heck will he do it?

I mean Smith has been a great back over the years and is in no way over the hill, but with the Cowboys being — well — a definite lower tier team, I can't see it happening.

At least not this year.

Just think about it, how must Emmitt feel when he goes to work everyday?

How must it feel for Smith to look around the Cowboys' locker room and see no Troy Aikman, no Michael Irvin, no Moose Johnston, no Leon Lett, no Erik Williams, no Jay Novacek, no Charles Haley, no Bill Bates, no Deion Sanders, no Tony Tolbert, no Nate Newton and no many others?

Emmitt is the last of the Da Boys' championship team's offensive weapons and will have to rely on a decent but older offensive line to pave the way to immortality.

Smith is 1,560 yards away from Payton's mark and after rushing for an impressive 1,200 yards last year, Smith could get close this year but does he have enough in him for two

more successful seasons?

The older Emmitt Smith may not be the biggest NFL running back and he may not be the fastest running back but no runner in the league has a bigger heart.

And that's an intangible that no one can measure or underestimate.

Will he break Payton's record? I don't think so, but he still has to be considered arguably the best all-around (running, catching, blocking and winning) running back of all time.

And because of that, I still wouldn't put the record past him.

## Top Dogs

It was just a few weeks ago that UTEP Miners coaches and fans were disappointed at the fact that they were not going to play the WAC's pre-season No. 1 pick, the Fresno State Bulldogs, this season because of a scheduling quirk.

But after watching Fresno State beat powerhouses Colorado, Oregon State and Wisconsin over the first three weeks of the season, the Miners are probably breathing a collective sigh of relief.

The Miners have struggled mightily at quarterback and are not nearly the same team they were last year. Not playing Fresno State this season can only help the Miners' chances of at least tying for another WAC title but even that may be a stretch.

After their three improbable upsets, the Bulldogs' (now ranked No. 11 by the Associated Press) schedule

gets considerably easier the rest of the way and if they run the table the WAC should have a representative in the BCS bowl system at the end of the season.

That can only help the Miners and the rest of the league.

The Fresno State football team is already being called the feel-good story of the early collegiate season. And with probably the best quarterback in the nation, David Carr, the Bulldogs should be feeling good all the way through January 2002.

## Cal time

Imagine being so good a player during your career that you can actually influence the starting time of a game. Cal Ripken Jr. doesn't have to imagine it, he's living it.

There's no doubt that Ripken has given more than enough of his time to the game of baseball. Now baseball is giving some of its time to Cal.

Seems his last home game on Sept. 23, Major League Baseball is changing the starting time of the game against the Yankees from 1:30 in the afternoon to 7:05 p.m. so that it could be shown nationally on ESPN2.

Now that's power, baseball fans.

What makes the day even better is that Tony Gwynn's final home game in San Diego will also be televised just before the Baltimore-Yankees game.

Which is a fitting tribute for two men that played the game of baseball and the game of life the way I hope my son grows up to.



## Clint student honored at UTEP leadership academy

EL PASO COUNTY — Indaxali Estrada, a junior at Clint High School, was selected to attend the 2001 Summer Migrant Leadership Academy at the University of Texas at El Paso. Students who attended the Academy lived on campus for seven days. They attended workshops that build self-esteem, trust, teamwork and public speaking skills. Workshops such as Ropes class, Seven Habits of Highly Effective Teens, Career Exploration, Computer Training (UT Austin - Marketing Yourself), Arts and others were mandatory for all students to attend. Sally was selected based on her year round academic success, her positive attitude, interest, and her future after graduation plans. She returned to her campus with the recognition of Best All Around. Next summer she will qualify to return to the Academy as a student worker.

## Briefs

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previously served 22 years on the Fabens ISD school board and is a former president of the Texas Association of School Boards.

■ L.G. Alarcon Elementary School will be hosting a Fall Festival from 2-10 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 29, 2001. Some of the main attractions will be the haunted house, carnival games, a dunking booth, great music and lots of food. The school is located at 12501 Socorro Road in San Elizario.

■ Socorro High School senior Jackie Gurany has been named a semifinalist in the 2002 Merit Scholarship competition, based on her PSAT scores. Socorro varsity basketball player Gabriel Esparza recently attended University of Texas at Austin Basketball Camp and was named Outstanding Camper and First Place Winner of the Shoot-Out Competition against some 140 other players. Esparza also attended the UTEP Basketball Camp, earning the Hustler Award on the first day.

■ The Fourth Annual International Bat Festival in Carlsbad will be Sept. 21-28 with an all-day "Bat

Symposium" at the Pecos River Village Conference Center. Opening ceremonies will begin at 6 p.m. at the Bat Flight Amphitheater at Carlsbad Caverns National Park. For further information call 505-885-7218.

■ J. L. Sambrano Elementary School will hold its Scholastic Book Fair in the school library the week of September 24-28. Hours are 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. daily, except Thursday when it will remain open until 7:00 p.m. The public is welcome. The Sambrano Parent Night will be Wednesday, Sept. 26.

■ Horizon City Fire Department will host Fire Prevention Week 2001 and Open House on Oct. 6, 11 a.m.-4:00 p.m. and is inviting all area residents to attend. Visitors can learn about this year's FPW theme, "Cover the Bases and Strike Out Fire." Simple steps can be taken to strike out the risk of home fires. The Horizon City Fire Department is located at 14151 Nunda, Horizon City. For more information, contact Michelle Farley at 852-3933.

■ Southwestern General Hospital will host a Diabetes Health Fair on Sept. 22, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., free to the public for glucose

screening, blood pressure screenings, foot screening, diabetes education and foot care education. The location is 1221 N. Cotton, information is at 496-9610.

■ The El Paso Symphony will hold auditions on Sunday, Sept. 16 at 1 p.m. at the UTEP Fine Arts Recital Hall for several vacancies, with preliminary rounds held on Saturday, Sept. 15 for some positions. For more information, contact Jan Zubeck, EPS personnel manager at 581-0598.

■ UTEP's Centennial Museum's Hands On Science Outreach program encourages children to explore and question the world around them by experimenting with simple scientific principles. The eight-week Earth Science classes are held Saturday, Sept. 22 through Nov. 10, 2001. Registration is \$40 per child. "Oprix" teaches about the world of color and light. "Illusions" teaches children about how light patterns change and making straight lines curve without bending them. "Kaleidoscope" will guide young investigators through discoveries with anamorphic drawings, mirrors, and magnifications. Registration is on a first come, first served basis and classes are limited to 11 children each. For information call Genny Mooser at 747-6665.

## Clint ISD

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include new science and classroom wings, two new elementary schools that would be constructed where growth dictates, a new library for Surratt and upgrade of the Mountain View High School library.

A Site-Based Decision-Making Committee consisting of parents, school staff, business representatives and community members, decided on much of the contents in the bond

package. In addition, consultants were used for project sketches and cost estimates, as well as for a community-wide demographic study.

Perez said early voting is scheduled for Sept. 19-Oct. 2 at Clint Junior High School, Desert Hills Elementary School and Montana Vista Elementary School. Voters can also take to the polls from 5 to 9 p.m. Sept. 27 at all Clint ISD campus sites.

The district will hold its last bond presentation meeting Sept. 11 at Mountain View High School and Montana Vista Elementary School.

Clint ISD Deputy Superintendent Ricardo Estrada said he is pleased that the Board of Trustees adopted the bond election.

"We are experiencing a lot of growth in our district, and the board is being proactive in trying to prepare us to meet the needs of our district and its students.

"Maybe some of the items under consideration for the bond package will not meet our immediate needs," Estrada said. "But they will definitely push us forward for the next five to 10 years."

## Pepperoni's Pizza & Deli

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## PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS

Texas Community Development Program  
Contract #719781

North Loop Acres, Delip Subdivision,  
Bagge Subdivision and Quail Mesa Road

The City of Socorro will hold a public hearing on Wednesday September 20, 2001, at 6:30 p.m. in relation to the completion of the Texas Community Development Program Contract No. 719781. The meeting will be held at Socorro City Hall, 124 S. Horizon Blvd., Socorro, Texas 79927. This project, funded by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, improvements to poor road conditions in the North Loop Acres, Delip and Bagge Subdivision. These activities benefited seven hundred thirty-five (735) persons. This contract also provided a water line service to ten (10) households along Quail Mesa Road, which benefited 44 individuals. The purpose of this public hearing is to solicit input and participation of all citizens and in particular those who benefited from this program. Discussion of the completed activities will include the location of the projects, general cost and project benefits. Persons unable to attend this meeting may submit their views regarding these project to the office of the Mayor, Socorro, City Hall, 124 S. Horizon., Socorro, Texas 79927.

Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall, (915) 858-2915, to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact City Hall at least two days before the meeting so the appropriate arrangements can be made.

The City of Socorro promotes Fair Housing/Affirmative Action and Equal Employment Opportunity.

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## San Elizario Independent School District Public Notification of Nondiscrimination in Career and Technology Programs

1) The San Elizario Independent School District offers career and technology programs in Home Economics, Business, Health Occupations, TEL-NET Networking, Advertising and Graphic Design, Building Trades and Auto Technology. Admission to these programs is based on course pre-requisite and grade level classifications. For program information call Julian Encina at 872-3844.

2) It is the policy of the San Elizario Independent School District not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex or disability in its vocational programs, services, or activities as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

3) It is the policy of the San Elizario Independent School District not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, handicap or age in its employment practices as required by title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

4) The San Elizario Independent School District will take steps to assure that lack of English skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in all education and vocational programs.

5) For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact Superintendent Mike Quatrini, FM RD. 1110, Administration Building, San Elizario, Texas 79849, (915) 872-3900. Mail: PO Box 920, San Elizario, TX 79849.

### Notificacion Publica de no Discriminar en los Programas de Carrera y Tecnologia

1) El distrito escolar de San Elizario está ofreciendo programas de carrera y tecnología en Economía del Hogar, Negocios, Técnica de Salud, Red de Computación TEL-NET, Publicidad/Promoción y Diseños Graficos, Técnica de Carpentería, y Técnica Mecánica. Para poderse admitir en estos programas tienen que estar registrados en el distrito de San Elizario y completar los requisitos necesarios. Para más información contacto Julian Encina a 872-3844.

2) Es la póliza del distrito de San Elizario de no discriminar por causa de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo, o deshabilidad en estos programas vocacionales, servicios, o actividades requeridos por el Título IV del Acta de Derechos Civiles de 1964, que fue enmendada, Título IX de las Enmiendas Educativas de 1972, y la Sección 504 de la Acta de Rehabilitación de 1973, como enmendada.

3) Es la póliza del distrito de San Elizario de no discriminar por causa de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo, deshabilidad, o la edad en sus metodos de empleo exigido por el Título VI del Acta de Derechos Civiles de 1964, enmendada por las Enmienda Educativas de 1972, del Acta de la Discriminación por Edad de 1975, como enmendada, y la Sección 504 de la Acta de Rehabilitación de 1973, como enmendada.

4) El distrito escolar de San Elizario tomará pasos para asegurar que la falta de ingles no sea obstáculo para la admisión y participación en todos los programas vocacionales y educativos.

5) Para más información de sus derechos y procedimiento de agravios, puede ponerse en contacto con el Superintendente Mike Quatrini, FM RD. 1110, Administration Building, San Elizario, Texas 79849, (915) 872-3900. Mail: PO Box 920, San Elizario, TX 79849.

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## Public Notice TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

The *West Texas County Courier* will publish two editions early. The October 4 and October 11, 2001 issues will go to press on September 25, 2001.

All material for publication October 4 and October 11, 2001 must be submitted to the *West Texas County Courier* no later than Friday, September 21, 2001.

The *West Texas County Courier* office will close beginning Wednesday, September 26, 2001. The office will open again on Monday, October 15, 2001.

## Tornillo Independent School District Public Notice

The Tornillo ISD is in the process of applying for grant funds through the Texas Education Agency's "School Repair and Renovation Grant" for funding of repair and renovation project(s) to district facility(ies). Parents, staff, educators and all other interested members of the community who wish to participate in discussion of the proposed projects to be funded are encouraged to attend the Board of Trustees regular meeting to be held on Wednesday, September 19, 2001, at 6:00 P.M., at the Tornillo High School Library, 300 Oil Mill Road, Tornillo, Texas.

The agenda will provide for an administrative briefing of the proposed project(s), followed by an open forum for public participation and comments.

### Noticia Publica

El Distrito Escolar Independiente de Tornillo esta en el proceso de aplicar para fondos disponibles en una Beca de Reparacion y Renovacion de Escuelas. La beca es ofrecida por medio de la agencia educativa estatal de Texas. Padres de familia, empleados del distrito, educadores, y todas las personas interesadas que desen asistir son bienvenidos. El proceso sera discutido en mas detalle en la junta de la Mesa Directiva, el Miercoles 19 de Septiembre a las 6:00 de la tarde, en la libreria de la escuela secundaria, 300 Oil Mill Road, Tornillo Texas.

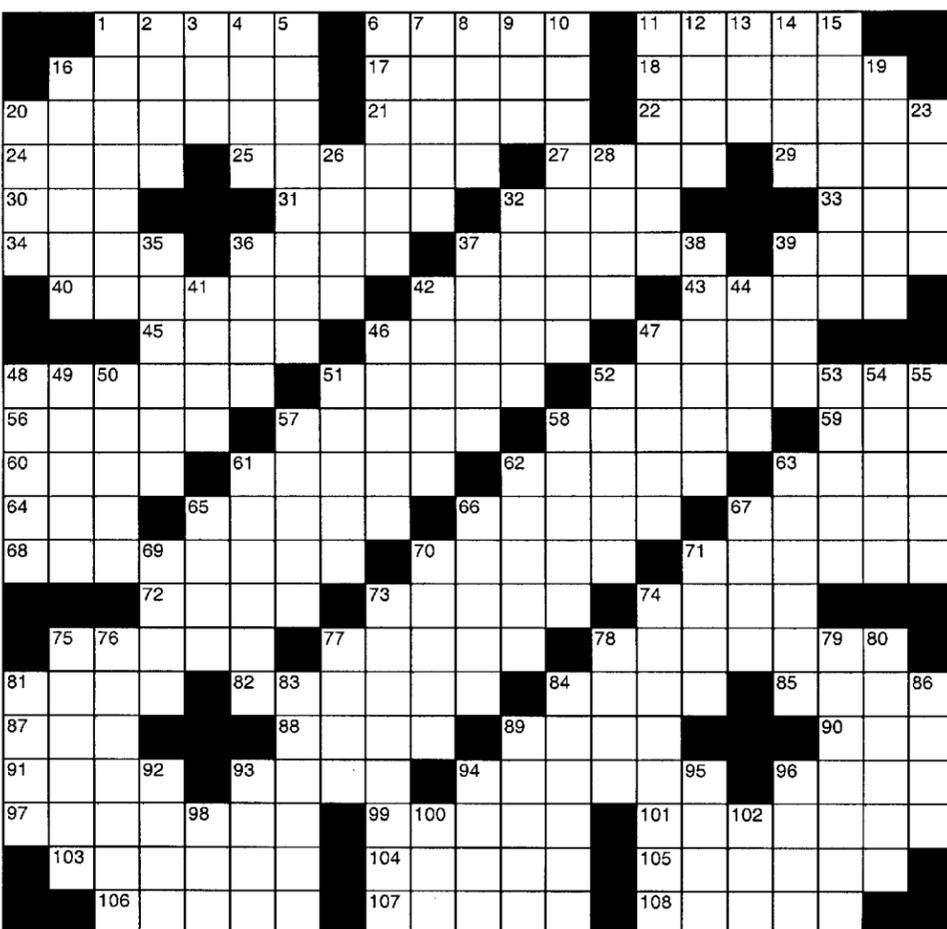
La agenda tendra un resumen de los proyectos planeados, seguido por una discusion publica y comentarios.

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# King Super Crossword

**RE-SOLUTIONS**

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# There she is...again

By Don Flood

"Revamped Miss America telecast becomes reality TV," the headline blared.

Yeah, right. If they really wanted reality TV, they'd announce which contestants have had plastic surgery.

Try to contain your excitement, but here are two of the wild and crazy ideas that are taking the Miss America Pageant into the 21st Century:

- The 8th Judge — The 41 non-finalists will be asked to vote on who they think should be Miss America based upon something called — excuse me while I yawn — Peer Respect and Leadership.

No one, the release was careful to say, will be "voted off the island."

Z-Z-Z-z-z-z ... Ooops, sorry — must have dozed off.

Why not have contestants voted off? The pageant has always claimed to value brains as much as beauty. Let them use their smarts to eliminate the competition.

True story: I heard a former Miss America say that they stopped presenting the Miss Congeniality award because all the girls voted for themselves!

Imagine that! "Hmmm, let's see, who is the nicest, warmest, most absolutely wonderful person here? My parents taught me always to be honest, so I'll have to vote for myself!"

- Knowledge Quiz — For the first time, the five finalists will compete in a quiz show.

Look, if we wanted a game show we'd watch "Jeopardy!"

Instead of aping "Who Wants to be a Millionaire," Miss America should take a page from "Fear Fac-

tor" and have the five finalists do something more meaningful than just regurgitate facts — they could, for example, see which of the five finalists could eat the most crickets.

Here are ways to give the show more of an edge:

- Move the pageant from Atlantic City to Florida, America's No. 1 Shark Playground (new tourism slogan: "Where Sharks and Humans Come Together!").

Losing contestants would be required to spend 15 minutes splashing in the surf, as the Florida state song — the theme from "Jaws" — played in the background.

Just to show you how cold-blooded those sharks are, here's a typical joke making the rounds at underwater comedy clubs off Florida:

First shark: What do you call a human who likes to swim alone?

Second shark: Dinner!

(Hey, no one ever claimed that sharks were funny.)

- In Hollywood there is an aerobics class where participants gradually take off their clothes while they dance — absolutely true story!

And it's not as nutty as it sounds. If you spent big bucks to get your derriere fixed, you might want to show it off too.

(Writing tip: Derriere is a polite-sounding French word for rear end. Using it shows you have too much class to use a coarse word such as "butt," which should always be avoided.)

Now I am not for one New-York second recommending that the Miss America Pageant stoop that low to hype their big production numbers, but if they do go ahead with it, I want to get my share of the credit. Or at least be a judge.

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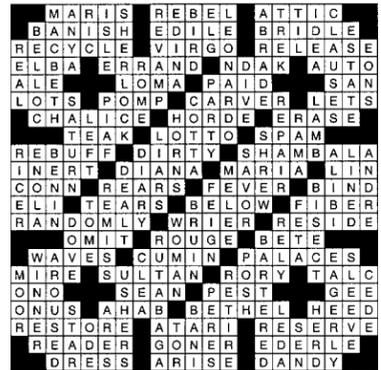
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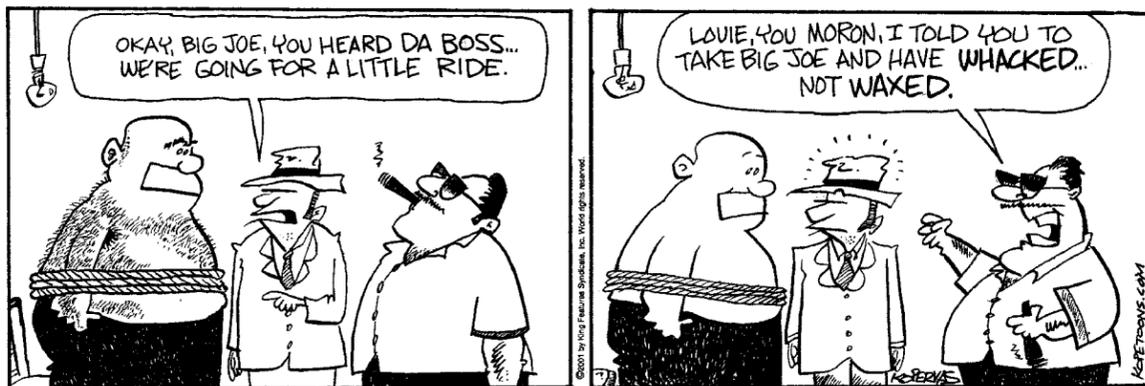
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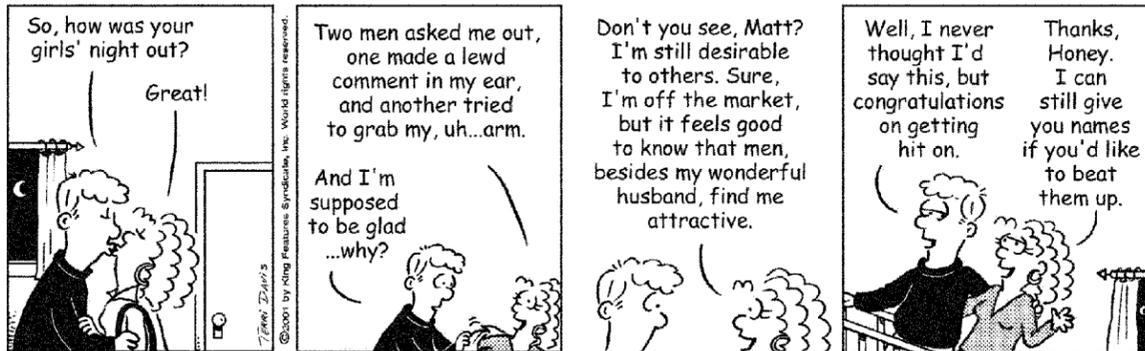
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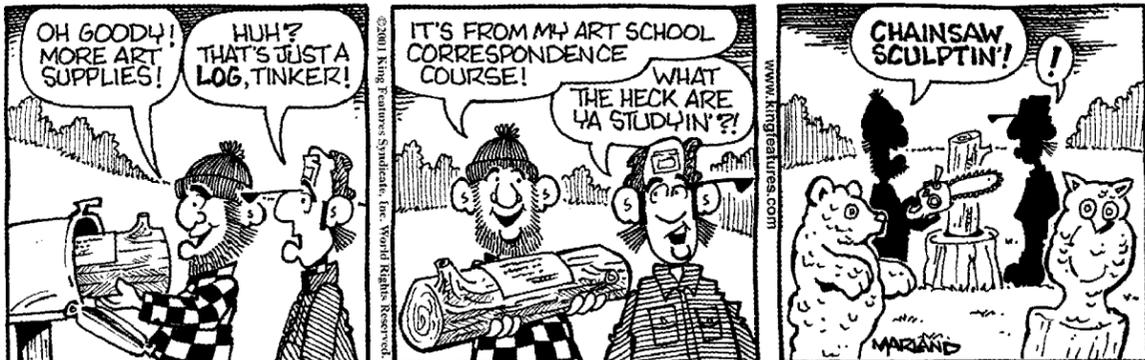
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### THE SPATS By Jeff Pickering



### R.F.D. By Mike Marland



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# 'Dick' Dockum dies at 93

HORIZON CITY — Richard "Dick" Dockum, a former New Mexico businessman, civic leader and Horizon City resident since 1978, died on Aug. 28 in El Paso. He was 93.

Dockum was born in Corsicana, Texas and received his degree in civil engineering from Texas A&M University where he was drum major of the marching band. During World War II, he served in the Army Air Corps, overseeing prisoners at a prisoner-of-war camp in Lordsburg, N.M. and acting as a

general's aide in the European theater. After the war, he and his wife, Mary, returned to Lordsburg where they owned and operated the Dockum Butane and Oil Company until they retired in 1974. During that time, he served on the city council and as a member of numerous civic organizations.

After retirement, the Dockums moved to Horizon City where Dockum was an active member of the Horizon City Golf Club and other local organizations.

Survivors include his second wife,

Wilhelmina; a daughter, a son, two grandsons and three great grandsons.

Graveside services will be held on Sept. 20 at 1 a.m. in Corsicana. Memorial contributions may be made to the Horizon City Lions Club, care of Charles Moneypenny, 437 Penroy, Horizon City, Texas 79928



# Socorro

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their constituents, therefore they postponed the evaluation of Police Chief Canuteson until after an extensive investigation is held regarding all of the concerns mentioned.

In other business, a public hearing was held on an ordinance ordering an election of the qualified voters of the City of Socorro, Texas, on Nov. 6, 2001 for the purpose of adopting a Charter for the City of Socorro, Texas. There was no public input, therefore, Council unanimously approved the Second Reading of the Ordinance.

# Horizon City Community Chapel

Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
 Sunday Service ..... 10:45 a.m.  
 Sunday Yth. Group ... 6:00 p.m.  
 Wed. Night Adult  
 Bible Study ..... 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Dean Pinney, Pastor

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THURSDAY	THUR. NIGHT	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Partly sunny and warm with a t-storm in spots. ▲ 88°	Rather cloudy. ▼ 66°	Mostly sunny and warm. ▲ 88° ▼ 66°	Warm with clouds and breaks of sun. ▲ 88° ▼ 64°	Warm with sun and clouds. ▲ 88° ▼ 64°	Warm with a blend of sunshine and clouds. ▲ 88° ▼ 62°	Plenty of sun; hot. ▲ 88° ▼ 62°	Sunny and hot. ▲ 92° ▼ 62°

## UV INDEX Statistics for noon.

The higher the UV Index, the greater the need for eye and skin protection.

Thursday	8	High
Friday	7	High
Saturday	6	Moderate
Sunday	8	High
Monday	8	High
Tuesday	9	Very High
Wednesday	9	Very High

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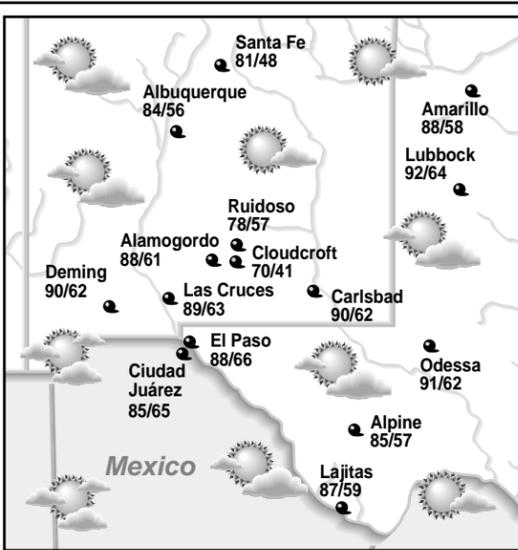
A composite of the effects of temperature, wind, humidity, sunshine intensity, cloudiness, precipitation, and elevation on the human body.

Thursday	86°
Friday	88°
Saturday	86°
Sunday	86°
Monday	88°
Tuesday	88°
Wednesday	90°

## TEXAS WEATHER

Anthony	88	66
Canutillo	89	67
Clint	89	65
E. Montana	88	66
Fabens	89	65
Horizon	89	67
San Elizario	87	63
Socorro	87	65
Tornillo	89	65
Vinton	89	67

Shown is Thursday's weather. Temperatures are Thursday's highs and Thursday night's lows.



## TRAVELERS CITIES

City	Thur. Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W	Sat. Hi/Lo/W	Sun. Hi/Lo/W	Mon. Hi/Lo/W
Albuquerque	84/56/pc	82/56/pc	82/54/pc	80/54/pc	82/56/pc
Atlanta	84/63/pc	84/63/pc	82/61/s	80/59/s	80/61/s
Atlantic City	78/56/pc	70/54/pc	70/54/s	70/53/s	73/52/s
Austin/San Antonio	94/68/s	94/68/s	94/68/s	92/70/s	92/70/s
Baltimore	78/56/pc	72/54/pc	72/54/s	74/56/s	76/57/pc
Boston	72/54/sh	66/51/s	66/53/s	66/54/s	68/51/s
Chicago	68/48/pc	66/48/s	68/54/pc	72/56/sh	68/52/pc
Dallas/Ft. Worth	88/66/s	88/66/s	88/68/s	88/68/s	88/68/s
Denver	78/48/pc	76/46/pc	74/44/pc	74/46/pc	76/48/s
Flagstaff	72/43/pc	73/46/c	61/45/c	60/48/c	68/43/t
Houston	88/66/s	90/66/s	88/70/s	90/70/pc	92/66/pc
Kansas City	82/58/s	80/58/pc	78/56/t	78/54/pc	82/64/c
Las Vegas	93/69/s	96/71/s	96/71/pc	93/69/c	94/63/s
Miami	89/76/t	89/76/t	89/78/pc	89/78/pc	88/76/t
Minneapolis	64/46/s	64/48/pc	66/48/sh	66/50/c	68/48/pc
New Orleans	92/72/s	92/70/s	88/72/s	88/70/s	86/68/s
New York City	76/56/pc	68/54/pc	68/54/s	70/56/s	70/58/s
Philadelphia	78/56/pc	70/54/pc	70/54/s	72/56/s	75/56/s
Phoenix	102/78/s	102/78/pc	100/76/pc	96/74/pc	98/74/pc
Portland	76/56/s	80/56/s	80/56/s	78/54/pc	76/54/pc
San Francisco	70/56/pc	72/56/pc	72/56/pc	70/56/pc	70/54/pc
Seattle	72/52/s	74/52/s	74/54/s	72/54/pc	70/54/pc
Tucson	98/72/pc	96/70/pc	96/70/pc	94/66/pc	96/68/pc
Washington, DC	80/60/pc	74/56/pc	74/56/s	76/58/s	77/61/pc

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

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