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NEWSBRIEFS

Clint history

The Town of Clint is creating a collection of historic photographs. Anyone who would like to submit photographs to the collection can take original photographs to the Clint Police Department to be scanned and returned to the owner the same day. Photographs larger than 8X10 will be returned the same week. The photographs will be exhibited at Town Hall and used in the future for the town's website. The Police Department is open Monday through Friday. For more information, please call Town Hall at 851-3146.

Canutillo Day

Childress Elementary School, in Canutillo Independent School District, will hold its Second Annual Community Action Day, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Saturday, April 27, at Childress Elementary School, 7700 Cap Carter Road (off Doniphan Drive in the Town of Vinton). Parents, students, teachers, and community members are invited to volunteer their time to plant desert vegetation in the outdoor science habitat, lay bricks along the campus walking path, and paint outdoor tables, among other tasks as part of Childress Elementary School's Campus Beautification Project. "The Saturday morning event will help us complete Service Learning projects, instill community pride, and give our students the opportunity to 'be heroes,'" said Carroll De La O, Childress ES teacher and event coordinator. For more information, call De La O, at 877-7700.

In other news

■ The Horizon Hospitality Association will host a candidate's forum and a special showing of the Horizon fire department's new fire engine at the Oz Glaze Senior Center on Saturday, April 27 at 9 a.m. Candidates for school board for both the Clint and Socorro ISDs will be on hand to make presentations and answer questions. Clint has two positions up for election with three candidates; Socorro has two positions and five candidates. A representative of the Horizon fire department (El Paso County ESD #1) will discuss the department and show off their newest ride. Call 852-3756 for more information

■ Scott Spitsberg, while still listed on the ballot for an at-large seat on the Clint ISD Board of Trustees, is not seeking election. Minister of the Clint Methodist Church, Spitsberg decided not to run but not in time to have his name removed from the ballot.

■ All residents and candidates up for election on May 4 in the City of Socorro are invited to an open forum event on Thursday, April 25 at 6 p.m. in the Socorro High School Cafeteria. This will be an informative opportunity for candidates to have direct contact with the voters and for voters to get to know the candidates.

■ The San Elizario Placita will again host the 10th Annual Conference of the San Elizario Genealogy and History Society on April 27, beginning at 8 a.m. Keynote

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Anybody with normal blood pressure these days just isn't paying attention.

— Quips and Quotes

Damian to leave Canutillo school board after 31 years of service

By Don Woodyard
Courier Staff Writer

CANUTILLO — The April 16 meeting of the Canutillo ISD board of trustees was one of marked contrast.

First, it was a night of praise for board members Jose Damian and Linda Samples and the girls' varsity basketball team. Later, the tone of the meeting became less than cordial with sharp exchanges among board members over a proposed addendum to the regular agenda.

Board members were profuse in praise of Damian, who is not seeking reelection and is retiring after 31 years as a trustee of the Canutillo school district.

"You've been a role model for all of us," said Laure Searls. "We appreciate all you have done."

Added Yvonne Sapien-Sanchez, "I hope we have learned from your wisdom. You are a living legend."

Linda Samples said, "It has been an honor and a privilege to work beside you."

Superintendent Charles Hart presented him a plaque in recognition of his work. "Your biggest asset is that you are a gentleman."

Hart also recognized Samples, who, like Damian, is not seeking reelection because she is graduating from UT El Paso next month and then going on to the University of Michigan where she will pursue a career in law.

Graduating with a 3.6 grade point average in psychology, Samples is one of UTEP's Top



Jose Damian

10 seniors honored recently at a Student Association banquet.

Members of Canutillo High School's girls' varsity basketball team were honored by the board for being co-champions for District 2-4A. "This was a great year; this was a fun year," said Coach Ron Ballinger.

The heated exchange came toward

the end of the meeting and primarily involved Searls, Sapien-Sanchez and board president Joe Villarreal. At issue was an addendum to the regular board agenda proposed by Searls. Under the heading of Instruction and Student Affairs, it read: "Consider requesting report by high school staff regarding grading and attendance data and possible Board action."

Searls said her action was prompted by errors in attendance and grading data on report cards involving her children. She also said other parents had been calling her about the same problem. The discussion carried overtones of animosity and centered on the merit of the addendum.

Villarreal said Searls' addendum was not submitted in accordance with timelines as outlined in district policy and was an illegal item. Therefore, no action was taken on it.

"I am planting a seed in your mind," Gonzalo Garcia told board members during the general comments portion of the meeting. He was asking the trustees to consider naming the new administration boardroom in honor of Joseph McDougal, the first superintendent of the school district. "He was a great motivator," Garcia said.

He also wanted to name the middle school for Jesus Jose Alderete, a member of a pioneer Canutillo family. Garcia described Alderete as a man who served his community "gallantly."

The proposed name change would come after the completion of the high school when the

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CHECKED YOUR BLOOD SUGAR LATELY? — Leo Chavez of Del Sol Medical Center checks blood sugar for Jose Villastrigo at SISD's 20th annual Lower Valley Health Fair at Socorro High School April 20. More than 70 area health agencies gave free medical tests and advice to more than 3,000 participants. The fair also featured recreational activities.

Unique guided tour of missions will usher in colorful Heritage Week

By Michelle J. Brown
Special to the Courier

EL PASO COUNTY — Bringing history to life and combining it with exciting elements of contemporary Southwest culture, the El Paso Mission Trail Association will lead a special guided tour of the El Paso Missions during the Mission Expedition, Saturday, April 27, as the kick-off to El Paso Heritage Week.

The fund-raiser's tickets are \$15 per person, advanced paid reservations required. For reservations, call (915) 534-0630 or (915) 534-0677.

The Mission Expedition will be held 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., departing promptly by bus from the El Paso Convention Center on Saturday, April 27.

Participants get to inscribe their name on an adobe brick, experiencing the lost art of adobe making and becoming a part of El Paso's living history. Tour guides in period costumes will be on hand at each mission to bring to life the history of the 400-year-old region.

"Complete with the aroma of fresh roasted chiles straight from the Mexican Food Capitol of the World, we want our guests to relax, enjoy and indulge!" said Mary Davis, executive director of the El Paso Mission Trail Association.

Nine days of more than 85 events attended by 20,000 people marked by mariachi merriment means the return of the 3rd Annual El Paso Heritage Week Festival, a community-wide event April 27 to May 5, 2002, touting the area's unique character, culture and history.

The border dynamic of two countries, a western civilization and a developing nation, fosters unique effects on a community, according to organizers. With more than a thousand volunteers and supporters from businesses, civic groups and public institutions, the Heritage Festival is one of the largest consecutive-day events in El Paso.

For more information about the Mission Expedition or El Paso Heritage Week, call Mary Davis at (915) 534-0630.

City of Socorro takes initial steps to annex along I-10 corridor

Courier Staff Reports

SOCORRO — The City of Socorro council has announced its intent to annex all four corners of the intersection of Horizon Blvd. and Interstate 10 according to a public hearing held April 18 during the regular Socorro Council meeting.

The public hearing addressed annexation of the "Leigh Clark Survey #293," which was clarified by City Engineer Reyes Fierro to include both sides of Interstate 10 at Horizon Blvd.

Council representatives answered questions from community members, indicating that the City of Socorro's interest was amplified because they had shared expenses with El Paso County to provide water and sewer services to that area.

In reply to suggestions from the audience that the Town of Horizon

City might also have annexation interest in that area, representatives said it would "be up to El Paso County officials" as to which municipality would eventually control the area, which lies in the ETJ (Extra Territorial Jurisdiction) of three municipalities: Socorro, El Paso and Horizon City.

Socorro had previously been unable to annex additional territory since its incorporation due to limitations of its original charter. However, with the passage of a "home-rule" Charter in recent months, it now has legal authority to initiate the annexation process.

The I-10 corridor is of special interest to both Horizon City and Socorro because of the significant increase in the tax base it would provide for the fledgling municipalities — especially with four major truck stops and a fast-food restaurant located on the respective

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One perspective

By Francis Shrum

Ugly Americans

I thought it was just me.

You know, that feeling when you're out in public

that you're invisible at best and a major irritation at worst. The honking horn if you don't spin out when the light turns green, the angry looks if you take your turn at the four-way stop, the irritation when you ask someone to move their cart in the aisle so you can pass.

But apparently it isn't just me. It seems a lot of people think so.

A recent survey by Public Agenda, a non-profit organization who claims dedication to "unbiased public opinion research," said three out of five Americans believe rude and selfish behavior has increased on highways and in stores in recent years.

We're not talking whether or not Americans know the difference between a salad fork and a dinner fork.

Deborah Wadsworth, president of Public Agenda, put it this way:

"It's about the daily assault of selfish, inconsiderate behavior that gets under their skin on the highways, in the office, on TV, in stores and the myriad other settings where they encounter fellow-Americans."

According to the survey, entitled "Aggravating Circumstances — A Status Report on Rudeness in America," 73 percent of those polled thought Americans treated each other with greater respect in the past — although 21 percent called that idea false nostalgia.

It isn't just a "border" attitude or a "New York" attitude. Apparently this infection of boorish behavior infects all areas of our nation.

The study surveyed 2,013 adults in a nationwide telephone poll Jan. 2-Jan. 23 with focus groups in Ohio, Florida, Missouri, Texas, Connecticut, New Jersey and California.

Findings of the poll include:
• Bad service from sales staff drove 46 percent of respondents out of

stores in the past year.

• Many said salespeople acted as though the customer did not exist. Eight out of 10 respondents said store owners were to blame for cutting back on hiring and making customers wait for service.

• Respondents voiced displeasure at inconsiderate cell phone users. Asked how to address the problem, 61 percent backed legislation banning cell phone use in public settings such as restaurants, movies and museums.

• 58 percent said they often encounter rude drivers — though just 35 percent admitting to such behavior themselves.

• Just over half of respondents said they believed the money donated to Sept. 11 victims would be misused or misdirected.

The margin of error was plus or minus 2 percent.

So what does this say about us, this most blessed and prosperous nation on the face of the earth — a place to which people will risk their very lives to come?

Personally, I'm afraid we've become a population of spoiled brats who are willing to throw temper tantrums when our immediate desires are not met. We've become a nation of multiple special interests — roughly the equivalent of one per citizen.

And like every other form of human behavior, it is a matter of what we teach — or don't teach.

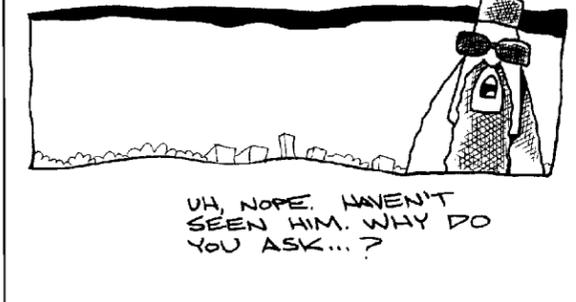
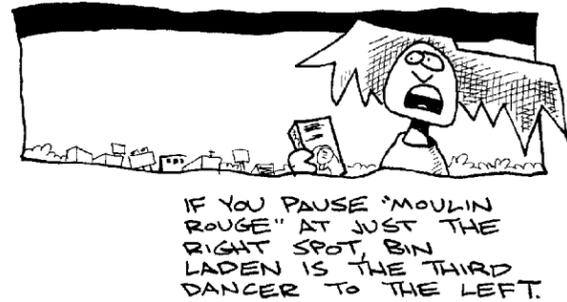
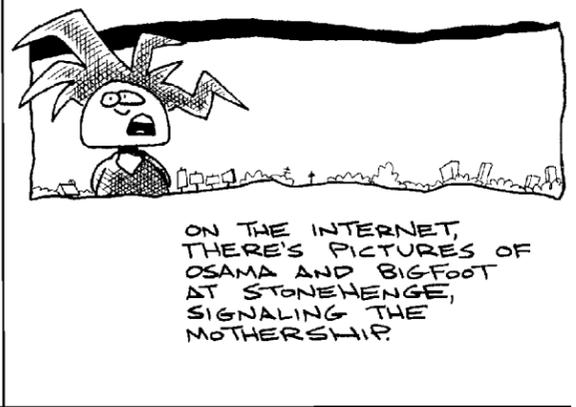
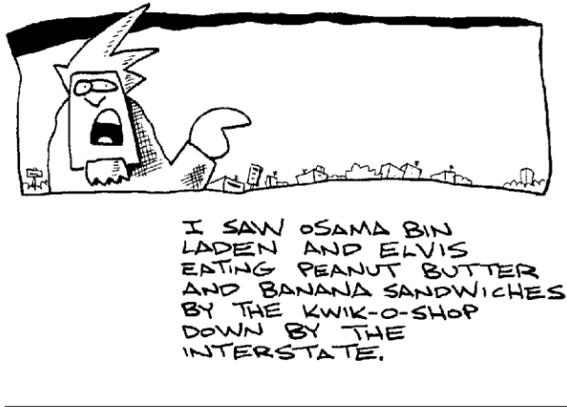
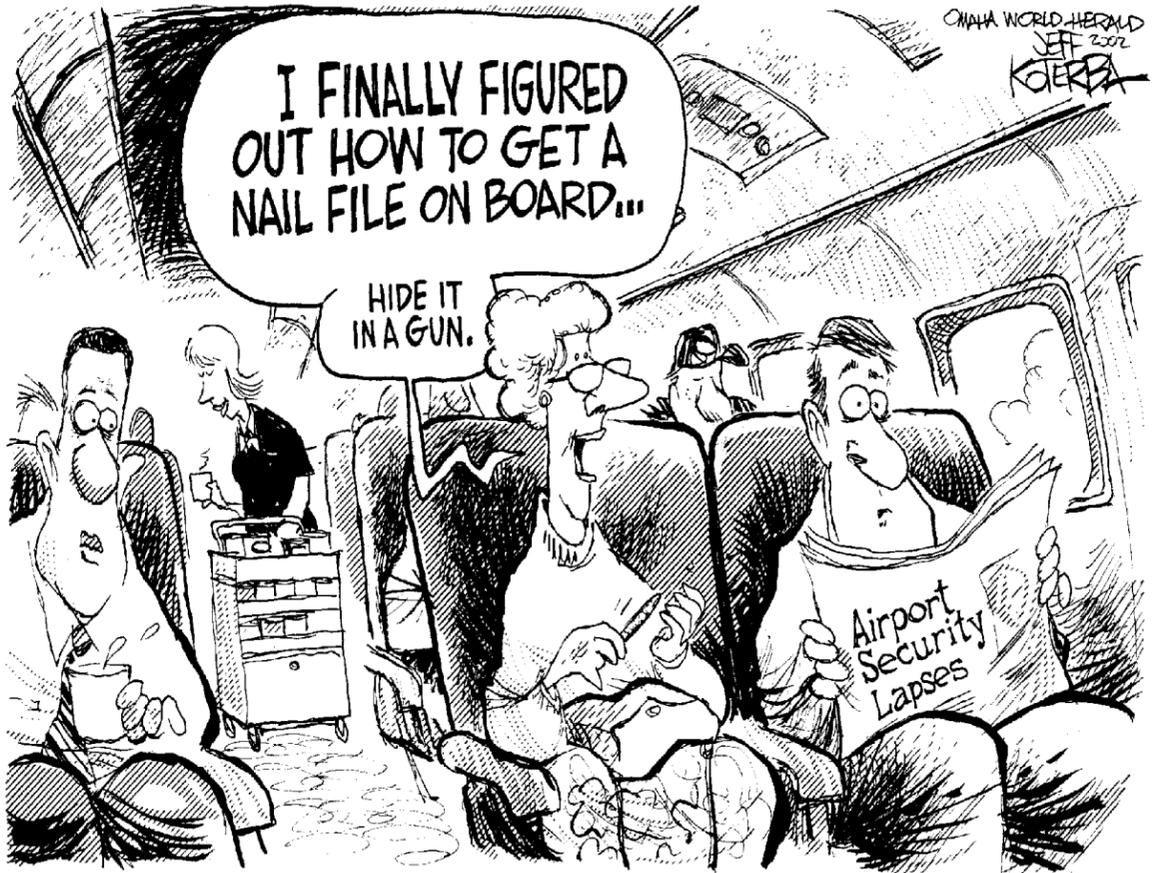
When was the last time you heard good manners, consideration, patience and putting the welfare of others first espoused as a viable, workable and necessary priority in the education of our children?

How about just some plain, old self-control?

How often in our daily national dialogue is the word "freedom" accompanied by the word "responsibility?"

Instead, we teach competition at all

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Pendell plans to build on past success in Clint ISD

EAST EL PASO COUNTY — Jim Pendell has been using his degrees in education to benefit the Clint Independent School District for the past nine years — he just doesn't get paid for it.

"It's my way of giving something back," said Pendell, who is running for the Clint school board once again. He says he has seen major improvements in the fast-growing district over the nine years he has been on the board, five years as secretary and the last four as president.

He holds a Bachelors and a Masters degree in Education from Texas Tech University, but as owner/operator of the Big 8 Food Store in Fabens, his educational skills were getting little use.

"That's the reason I ran in the beginning and the reason I stay," Pendell said. "It is my way of doing something with my degrees to benefit the schools. It is my way of giving something back."

Pendell points to several major milestones in the Clint district since he was first elected in 1993, including the passage of a \$67 million bond issue, and the awarding of the title "Recognized" to the district as a whole by the Texas Education Agency due to increases in TAAS scores and improved attendance, now in the upper 90 percentile. The dis-

trict also enjoys a low dropout rate — about one percent.

"We (the Clint ISD trustees) have been entrusted with the first bond issue in over a decade with a high approval rate of over 70 percent. It is unfinished business. We must spend wisely to take care of the money the taxpayers gave us," he said.

In addition to major improvements on existing facilities, there are four campuses currently under construction or in the planning stages. He said plans are to implement magnet programs at all high schools in the districts, with the new Horizon campus already slated to host an international finance program.

He said the sitting board has a good working relationship, both among themselves and with the administration. They were the 2001 Region 19 School Board of the Year and were rated among the highest in Texas.

Pendell's wife is a teacher in the district and, as of August, all four of his children will be attending Clint schools — a situation which he says gives him insight into district needs and motivation to fulfill them.

Areas he feels strongly that the district should continue to emphasize include a strong dress code, discipline and improving academics.

Ron Baerbock is walking Horizon streets to become alderman

HORIZON — "Ron" Baerbock is a home owner in Horizon City while working as a theological editor at Multi-Language Publications in El Paso. He is seeking the office of Alderman Place 2 on the Horizon City Council because of a love for the town and a desire to serve.

The Place 2 Alderman oversees the care and upkeep of the streets and roads in the town, and Baerbock says

he will have walked every street in Horizon City by the May 4th election time.

Baerbock has 30 years of leadership experience in working with and serving people. About 14 of those years of leadership were in Latin America and involved bud-

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UTEP, Canutillo ISD to host bilingual education conference

By Alfredo Vasquez
Special to the Courier

UPPER VALLEY — The Ninth Annual BEEMS (Bilingual Education Enhancement and Mentoring) Conference, co-sponsored by UTEP and the Canutillo Independent School District, will be held Thursday through Saturday, April 25-27.

The conference will highlight a Special Institute for School Board Members, hosted by Canutillo ISD Board of Trustees from 6 to 7:30 p.m., Thursday, April 25, at Canutillo ISD Administrative Offices, 7965 Arcraft Road.

As part of the three-day event, a pre-conference institute will be offered, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Friday, April 26, and will feature the four Canutillo ISD elementary schools that have been recognized for their exemplary programs and practices in Two Way Dual Language.

This institute will provide an in-depth look at the theory and practice behind one of the most successful two-way dual language programs in the El Paso area. About 200 participants are expected to attend.

The institute will feature Dr. Virginia Collier and Dr. Wayne Thomas, of George Mason University, who will make a presentation focused on

research-based programs that work for English language learners. Special guests will be State Sen. Eliot Shapleigh, El Paso Mayor Pro Tem Larry Medina, and UTEP College of Education Dean Dr. Josie Tinajero.

The institute will culminate with round table discussions with teachers, parents, and administrators that pertain to the essential components in the development and implementation of a two-way dual language program.

For more information, contact Dr. Tinajero, at 747-5552 or 204-3499; Pauline Dow, CISD Student Services Director and BEEMS Co-Chair, at 877-7438 or 203-3498.

Patton wants to serve Socorro ISD again

EAST EL PASO COUNTY — Craig Patton, a former Socorro ISD board trustee, is seeking another term on the SISD school board. He says his education and previous experience give him a decided advantage over the other challengers.

Patton graduated from UTEP with a B.A. in political science and has a law degree from the University of Houston. He has been an attorney in El Paso for 25 years. In 1996, Patton was elected to the SISD board as an at-large trustee, and from 1997-98 he served as vice president.

He chose not to run for re-election when his term expired, but continued public service by serving on the board of directors of the Central Appraisal District, and since 2000 has been its chairman.

Patton said he decided to run for school board again because he truly cares about the district.

"My wife is a teacher in the district, my children attend school in the district and so I have a vested interest in helping our district be the very best," he said.

"I believe we can do a better job in managing growth in the district. Schools need to be built in a more timely manner and we must do a better job of eliminating over-

crowded classes.

"Class sizes are crucial. Our children deserve the best education possible and when classes are overcrowded that goal is difficult to achieve," he said.

He said limiting class size is a policy that should be extended to middle and high schools as well as elementary schools.

Teacher and employee pay is another area of Patton's concern.

"If we are the best school district in (El Paso) County, we should have the best teacher and employee pay scales. It is a shame when Clint ISD pays its teachers better than we pay ours," he said.

Patton said there are specific characteristics that make a good school board member.

"A board member must show the utmost respect to everyone that appears before the board and be respectful to other board members. A board member should not be afraid to ask questions when questions need to be asked and not be afraid of disagreeing with the administration. Most importantly, a board member must reach out to the community and seek input before making a decision on an issue that will significantly affect the district."

"out of the city" setting and the quietness.

Baerbock said his promises to the people of Horizon City as alderman are: To always be ready to listen to your ideas and concerns; to support a good education for your children; to work hard to keep your streets and roads in good condition; to work to maintain Horizon City as a quiet and safe community in which to live for retirement and raise a family; and to work hard to be your Alderman. He is asking for the vote of Horizon City residents on May 4th.

Baerbock

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getting, living within the budget, and working with the governments of those countries to secure needed documents and permissions.

The Baerbocks, Ron and Karen, have been married for 31 years and have four children and five grandchildren. They love living in Horizon City because of its



Elect Craig PATTON FOR TRUSTEE

Socorro Independent School District

Experience:
SISD Trustee, 1996 - 1999.
School Board Vice-Pres., 1997 - 1998.
Chairman of Board of Directors;
Central Appraisal District, 2000 - Present.

Education:
Law degree, University of Houston, 1977.
Bachelor's degree, UTEP, 1973.

Personal:
Attorney.
My wife, Terry, teaches at Helen Ball.
My children attend SISD schools.

"Class sizes are crucial. I want to eliminate overcrowded classes and limit class sizes in the middle and high schools.

If Socorro ISD is the best school district in El Paso County, we should have the best teacher and employee pay scales."

Pol. adv. paid for by Craig Patton, 11904 Paseo Fresco, El Paso, TX



KEEP JIM PENDELL for School Board Trustee

Punch #4

Clint Independent School District

Serving the Clint, East Montana and Horizon Communities

It has been my pleasure to serve on the Clint School Board the past nine years. There have been many challenging issues and decisions over the years. There will be more as this District continues to grow at a record pace. Whether you vote early or on May 4th, I'm asking for your vote. Please put my experience to work for you, and most importantly, for the children of this District.

- Clint School Board Secretary: 1993 - 1998
- Clint School Board President: 1998 - Present
- Owner/Operator Fabens S & S Big 8 Food Store
- My children attend Clint schools

Election Day: May 4, 2002
Early Voting: April 17 - 30, 2002

Pol. adv. paid for by Jim Pendell, 14501 North Loop Rd., Clint, TX 79836

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Socorro

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corners of the I-10 and Horizon Blvd. intersection.

However, the area also has interest for the City of El Paso, in that the city could potentially become "landlocked" if either Horizon City or Socorro were to cut off the growth pattern along I-10.

In other Council business, during the consent agenda, approval was given to use Public Works personnel and equipment for the County Amnesty Tire Pickup program through May. This program allows citizens to discard their tires from non-commercial vehicles. Further details regarding this program may be obtained at Socorro City Hall.

In other business, City council approved a request by Mountain Vista Builders for early construction of model homes at the New Valley Ridge Subdivision. Normally, the Planning Department does not issue building permits until the subdivision plats are filed and the subdivision is complete, however, City Council may grant variances and in this case decided to allow the variance.

— Arleen Beard is the major contributor of this story

Tornillo is site of half-ton drug seizure

EAST EL PASO COUNTY — Deputies. The situation went from bad to worse on Monday this week when Border Patrol agents from Ft. Hancock were alerted to an illegal crossing about 16 miles east of the Ft. Hancock Port of Entry.

A Border Patrol helicopter working the area was dispatched to track the suspected pickup truck after the driver failed to yield to an attempted vehicle stop on I-10.

The driver then turned onto a rural road, followed at a distance by Border Patrol agents, DPS and Sheriff's

Deputies. But the driver struck a parked car and abandoned his vehicle, fleeing on foot to a nearby residence where he kicked in the door and hid in a bedroom.

When agents approached, the homeowner told them where to look, and a 30-year old male resident from Mexico was arrested. He had also attempted to hide a cell phone and a two-way radio under a mattress in the bedroom.

About 975 pounds of marijuana were confiscated from the bed of his pickup.

Canutillo

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middle school takes over the present high school.

In other action, the board approved the selection of Dr. Pam Padilla as the new assistant superintendent for student performance. She replaces Vicki Davis who retired earlier this year.

Padilla thanked the board for selecting her. She said her goal is to help the school district attain a balance between establishing high expectations for students while, at the same time, providing a safety net to catch those students who have problems and fall short.

The board also approved the district technology plan for 2002-05 following a report by director Martha Veale.

Public Notice Town of Clint

FAIR HOUSING, IT'S THE LAW

This year marks the Thirtieth-fourth (34th) Anniversary of the National Fair Housing Law. To promote Fair Housing Practices, the Town of Clint, El Paso County, encourages potential homeowners and renters to be aware of their rights.

Title VIII of the Civil Rights Acts of 1968, as amended, prohibits discrimination against any person on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, handicap, familial status or national origin in the sale or rental of units in the housing market.

For more information on Fair Housing or to report possible Fair Housing discrimination, call the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Toll-free Hotline at 1-800-669-9777.

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First county 'tire amnesty' called a success

TORNILLO — Over 44 tons of used rubber were turned in on April 6 in Tornillo in the form of 3,300 tires during the first Tire Amnesty Day, sponsored by the El Paso City-County Health District.

Two future amnesty days are scheduled: May 18 in the San Elizario area and June 2 in the East Montana community.

Funded under a two-year program by the Texas Department of Health to target mosquito reduction in county areas, residents were offered the opportunity to drop off as many passenger (non-commercial) vehicle tires as they wanted — their own or those they gathered from illegal dump sites.

"Tires are ideal mosquito breeding areas and can be found in abundance throughout El Paso County," said Health District Director Dr. Jorge C. Magana. "We can find tires on the rooftops of mobile homes, in yards, roadsides, vacant lots, irrigation ditches, canals, the desert or any other location where some people manage to dump them illegally."

Encephalitis infected mosquitoes have been found in or around the El Paso County area. The disease can be fatal, especially to children and elderly or others with low immune systems.

"I would like to thank the residents of Tornillo who have helped us tremendously by rolling up their sleeves to participate in this event," Dr. Magana said.

"I would also like to thank the El Paso Tire Association and the El Paso County Water Improvement District #1 for their assistance, Tornillo ISD for providing the event location, and Lupita's Grocery for their leadership.

"Waste tires are a nuisance and a threat to public health and safety. They can allow water to accumulate and serve as a breeding ground for mosquitoes. We appreciate the opportunity to partner with communities in cleaning up old tires that are littering their neighborhoods," he said.

For more information on disposal of commercial tires, future amnesty dates and locations call Juan Garcia at 594-1568.

Classified Ads

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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:

**RETAIL GOODS
CSP NO.199-0430-0234
TUESDAY,
APRIL 30, 2002,
3:30 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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SOCORRO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT Invitation to Bid/ Respond:

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**JANITORIAL SUPPLIES
CSP NO.199-0430-0259
TUESDAY,
APRIL 30, 2002,
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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SOCORRO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT Invitation to Bid/ Respond:

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**SCIENCE AND LABORATORY EQUIPMENT II
CSP NO.199-0429-0260
MONDAY,
APRIL 29, 2002,
3:30 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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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:
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Alcohólicos Anónimos Grupo Paso Del Norte sesiones lunes a sabado, 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 Horizon Blvd. in Horizon City on Mondays through Saturdays at 8 p.m. Call 859-0484 for information.

Tiene problemas con el alcohol? Hay una solución. Visitemos. Alcohólicos Anónimos, Grupo 8 de Enero, 15360 Horizon Blvd., Horizon City, sesiones lunes a sábado a 8 de la tarde. Informacion: 859-0484.

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Briefs

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speaker will be Dr. Robert R. Archibald, who will speak on "Using History to Build a Community." For the last 10 years SEGHS has celebrated the First Thanksgiving by sponsoring a celebration of family reunions during the last week in April. Food and fun will be part of this Mission Valley experience.

■ Socorro ISD "strongman" Ben Causey lifted 420 pounds in barbell weights during last week's board meeting, raising \$974 to benefit the district's Freedom Flag Memorial which will erect a 100-foot flagpole with a garrison-sized flag and memorial at the District's Student Activities Complex. About \$19,000 of the \$50,000 needed for the project has been raised. Causey is an instructional specialist with the Socorro district.

■ Frank Macias Elementary will be holding registration for pre-K and kindergarten on May 8-9 from 1 to 6 p.m. To be eligible to register, students must meet the following age requirements on or before Sept. 1, 2002: pre-K - 4 years old; kindergarten - 5 years old; headstart - 3 years old. The following documents are needed to register: original birth certificate, Social Security card, proof of residence (utility bill or lease agreement), current immunizations; and for pre-K, current proof of income.

■ The First Annual Fabens ISD Healthy Kids Fair will be Saturday, April 27 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Fabens Middle School. Food, fun, entertainment and contests are on the agenda. Free nutrition classes along with taste testing will be offered. The event is sponsored by the Fabens ISD School Health Advisory Council.

■ The El Paso County Library in Fabens will celebrate *Dia de los Niños* on Tuesday, April 30, from 4 to 5:30 p.m. at 1331 N. Fabens, with stories, music, fingerplays and goodybags. Area children are encouraged to share in the fun. For more information, call 764-3635.

■ Roses for Mother are again available to the East El Paso County community through the Horizon City Lions Club. For \$15, a dozen red roses will be delivered to the mom of your choice before Mother's Day. Your orders can be filled by contacting Bill McCabe at 852-9153, or any other Horizon City Lion, on or before May 1.

■ The governing board of the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) has named J. Kevin Ward as the agency's new Executive Administrator. Ward replaces Craig D. Pedersen, TWDB Executive Administrator since July 1, 1991, who recently accepted a position with a multi-national engineering consulting firm. Ward has over 18 years experience in public and private sector governmental management positions. He has served the TWDB in various capacities including Financial Analyst, Finance Section Chief, and Assistant Development Fund Manager. Ward has a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in accounting from the University of Texas at Austin.

Ugly

From Page 2

levels of human behavior, from T-ball practice right on up through marriage and national politics. Kindness and consideration are considered weaknesses — and are punished as such on the playground, the sports field, even in the workplace.

A solid majority of those surveyed in the Public Agenda poll felt Americans had become more thoughtful and caring after the Sept. 11 attacks, but far fewer thought the good feeling would persist.

As I struggle to swallow the ugly words that rise in my throat while negotiating traffic on I-10 in El Paso, I have to acknowledge with a certain sense of hopelessness that I agree with them.

The History of Texas Lands will continue next week.

Horizon City Community Chapel

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

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Pol. adv. paid for by Ron for Alderman, Karen Bearbock, Treasurer, 388 Medill Pl., Horizon City, TX 79928

Public Notice

LOWER VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

To the Duly qualified Resident Electors of the Lower Valley Water District and to all other interested parties:

A los Electores autorizados y residentes de el Lower Valley Water District:

The Board of Directors of the Lower Valley Water District hereby gives notice of an election to be held on May 4, 2002, for the purpose of electing three (3) Director Positions for the Lower Valley Water District board.

La Mesa Directiva de el Lower Valley Water District da aviso que se llevara acabo una eleccion el dia 4 de Mayo de 2002 con el proposito de elegir tres (3) miembros de la Mesa Directiva de el Lower Valley Water District.

EARLY VOTING by personal appearance will be conducted at the Socorro High School, 10150 Alameda Avenue, El Paso County, Socorro, Texas 79927 starting Wednesday, April 17, 2002 and continue through Tuesday, April 30, 2002 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on each day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday.

VOTACION POR AUSENCIA por presencia personal sera conducida en la Socorro High School, 10150 Alameda Avenue, El Paso County, Socorro, Texas 79927 empezando el Miercoles, 17 de Abril 2002 y continuara hasta el Martes, 30 de Abril 2002 de las 8 a.m. a las 5 p.m. en todos los dias que no sean sabado, domingo o dia oficial de vacaciones estatales.

Applications for absentee ballots by mail should be mailed to: Department of Elections, 500 East San Antonio, Room 402, El Paso, Texas 79901.

Solicitudes para una boleta de ausencia por correo deben ser enviadas a: Department of Elections, 500 East San Antonio, Room 402, El Paso, Texas 79901.

The **POLLING PLACES** designated below will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on the day of election.

Los SITIOS DE VOTACION indicados abajo se abriran de 7 a.m. a 7 p.m. el dia de la eleccion.

- Precinct Number (Numero de Precinto), Location (Colocacion):
 Precinct 147-Horizon Heights School, 13601 Ryderwood Drive
 Precinct 148-Sparks Community Center, 12899 Sparks Rd.
 Precinct 149, 152-H.D. Hilley Elementary, 693 Rio Vista Rd.
 Precinct 150-Robert R. Rojas Elementary, 500 Bauman Rd.
 Precinct 151-Socorro High School, 10150 Alameda Avenue
 Precinct 153-Escontrias Elementary, 205 Buford Rd.
 Precinct 154-Campestre Elementary, 11399 Socorro Rd.
 Precinct 157-Desert Hill Elementary, 300 East Lake Rd.
 Precinct 158, 163-Clint Jr. High School, 13100 Alameda Ave.
 Precinct 159-San Elizario Middle School, 12280 Socorro Rd.
 Precinct 160, 169-Rio Valle Woman's Club, 521 Mike Maros Dr.
 Precinct 161-Tornillo Ancillary Bldg., 19200 Cobb Street

City of Socorro PUBLIC NOTICE

ORDER OF ELECTION FOR CITY OF SOCORRO

An election is hereby ordered to be held on May 4, 2002 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. for the purpose of: Electing a Mayor and five Council persons from Districts 1, 2, 3, 4 and one at-large for the City of Socorro, Texas.

Early voting in person shall be conducted at Socorro High School, 10150 Alameda Ave., beginning Wednesday, April 17, 2002, and continue through Tuesday, April 30, 2002 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on each day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday.

The early voting ballot applications and ballots by mail may be sent to Helen Jamison, County Elections Department, 500 E. San Antonio, Room 402, El Paso, Texas 79901.

<u>Precincts</u>	<u>Polling Place</u>	<u>Address</u>
149	Hilley Elementary	693 Rio Vista
150 & 152	Rojas Elementary School	500 Bauman Rd.
151	Socorro High School	10150 Alameda
153	Escontrias Elementary School	205 Buford Rd.
154	Campestre Elementary School	11399 Socorro Rd.

Issued this 8th day of February, 2002.

Amado D. Padilla, Mayor
 City of Socorro

ORDEN DE ELECCION PARA CIUDAD DE SOCORRO

Por la presente se ordena que se llevara a cabo una eleccion el 4 de Mayo 2002 con el proposito de: Elejir el Alcalde y cinco Regidores de los Distritos 1,2, 3, 4 y un en general para la Ciudad de Socorro, Texas.

Votacion temprana en persona se llevara a cabo en Socorro High School, 10150 Alameda Ave., comenzando el Miercoles, 17 de Abril de 2002, y continuara hasta el Martes, 30 de Abril de 2002 desde las 8 a.m. hasta las 5 p.m. en todos los dias que no sean Sábado, Domingo, o dia oficial de vacaciones estatales.

La direccion postal de la secretaria de votacion de antemano para votar por correo y a donde se puedan enviar solicitudes para balotas y enviar las balotas con votos es: Helen Jamison, County Elections Department, 500 E. San Antonio, Room 402, El Paso, Texas 79901.

<u>Precincto</u>	<u>Lugar de Votacion</u>	<u>Domicilio</u>
149	Hilley Elementary	693 Rio Vista
150 & 152	Rojas Elementary School	500 Bauman Rd.
151	Socorro High School	10150 Alameda
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Emitada este dia 8 de febrero, 2002.

Amado D. Padilla, Alcalde
 Ciudad de Socorro

UTEP defeats bad luck curse with a Kindred spirit

By Steve Escajeda
Special to the Courier

Can you believe it? It's over...it's finally over!

It has to be over. The dreaded and well-documented "Curse of the Aggies" has finally been lifted over UTEP's aching head. The Sun Bowl, the Don and Bob Stull's personal office has finally been cleansed.

How do I know UTEP's year-long bad-luck-apalooza has gone bye-bye? How else would you explain the Miners' ability to sign high school basketball star Keion Kindred?

The signing of Kindred over the likes of Oklahoma State, Georgia Tech, U Conn, Providence and Seton Hall has got to be the beginning of something special.

For once, UTEP won a battle with the big boys. Somebody who had his choice to sign with any major program he wanted chose

UTEP. Not Utah or UCLA or UNM or UT...he signed with U-T-E-P.

In an earlier column I said the Miners' chances of signing Kindred, based on what he said to me and the way he said it, were about 80-20 against.

I also said that I wished I was wrong.

Coach Jason Rabedeaux's ability to sign such a high-profile athlete will erase all the memories of all those guys that were oh-so-close to being Miners but got away.

Coming off that miserable 10-22 season, we may now see Rab walking around the Don with something we haven't seen for a while...a skip in his step and a smile on that mug.

So now what? The Miners now have a plethora of guards like Luke Martin and new guys Kindred, Gio St. Amant and Chris Craig to go with Roy Smallwood, Justino Victoriano, Antone Jarrell, Joe DeVance along with early signee John Tofi.

Is this a lineup that can play .500 ball next season? I say yes. But probably only .500 ball.

But look at it this way, UTEP definitely is on

the way back.

The curse is broken.

How do I know? We got 2K...Keion Kindred.

Lee heads east

Being a true Dallas Cowboys fan I've had to make an enemy of certain rival teams.

I can't root for the Washington Redskins, for goodness sake. They are my mortal enemy. I can't root for the New York Giants or the Philadelphia Eagles because they, too, are yearly rivals of my 'Boys.

The Green Bay Packers...forget about it. The San Francisco 49ers...are you kidding?

But after last weekend's NFL draft I have to start keeping tabs on one of my most hated rivals.

For years the Dallas Cowboys have had a running feud with an AFC member. In fact, they've met the Cowboys three times in the Super Bowl. Who am I talking about? The Pittsburgh Steelers, of course.

And why must I take a sudden interest in them next year? I'll tell you in two short words...Lee Mays.

The former UTEP receiver was selected in the sixth round of the draft by the Steelers last Sunday and I have to be true to one of my favorite Miners. It will be fun seeing whether or not, and

I can't see why not, Mays will make the team.

Mays is by far the most gifted receiver I've seen at UTEP in over 30 years. And even though he'll probably play with...(clearing my throat)...the Pittsburgh Steelers, I hope he has a great career.

Oh, and if the Steelers meet the Cowboys in the Super Bowl in a few years, let's hope Mays catches 11 passes for 159 yards and three touchdowns — in a tough 31-28 loss to Dallas.

Seeing triple

One of the most exciting plays in Major League Baseball is the triple. A race to see if a speedy base runner can get to third base on a hit before the outfielder can throw the ball there.

The play is very rare. It is so rare that last season's MLB leader in triples had 14. That's 14 in 162 games. That's one triple every 11.5 games.

That makes last weekend's achievement all the more impressive.

The Atlanta Braves' Rafael Furcal didn't hit one triple last Sunday, he didn't hit two triples — Furcal hit *three* triples in a game against the Florida Marlins. His feat tied the all-time one-game triples record.

Furcal proved another thing. Unlike the old adage, sometimes good things come in three's.

ANTHONY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Notice of Vacancy on Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees of the Anthony Independent School District is accepting applications for persons interested in filling a vacant position on the Board of Trustees of the School District due to the recent resignation of a Board Member. Persons interested in being considered of this position should deliver or mail a letter of interest to the Board of Trustees, 610 6th Street, Anthony, Texas 79821. All letters of intent must be received on or before 5 p.m., May 14, 2002. The School District reserves the right to waive any formalities or extend the deadline for such letters of intent.

The letter should include any information that the applicant desires to have the Board consider such as a resume, qualifications, experience or other pertinent information. The Board of Trustees will consider all applicants and reserves the right to conduct interviews of some or all of the applicants before making a decision. The person appointed by the Board to the vacant position shall serve until the election held in May, 2003.

For additional information please contact the Superintendent's office at (915) 886-6500.

WTCC: 04/25/02

SANTA TERESA 1st ANNUAL CONSIGNMENT AUCTION

Date: Saturday, April 27, 2002
Time: 9:30 a.m.

Location: 5523 Naranjo Road
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City of Socorro PUBLIC NOTICE

A PUBLIC HEARING will be held at 6:00 p.m. on May 14, 2002 during the Planning Commission meeting at City Hall, 124 S. Horizon Blvd., Socorro, Texas. Purpose of the public hearing is to receive public comments on the following proposed rezonings:

1. Lots 40 and 41 Moon Addition, 9962 Gideon Circle From R-1, Single Family Residential to U-M, Urban Mobile Home by Mr. Rubio;
2. Lot 28, Block 5 Lynn Park, 10700 Donna Marie from R-1, Single Family Residential to R-2, Medium Density Residential by Mr. and Mrs. Ramirez;
3. Lot 2, Block 9 County Green Addition, 692 Supima Dr. from R-1, Single Family Residential to R-2, Medium Density Residential by Mr. and Mrs. Guzman.

TERE RODRIGUEZ
Interim City Clerk

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King Super Crossword

JOB REQUIREMENTS

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- 24 FARMER
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- 34 It's a long story
- 38 Gum gob
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- 48 "_ Got Tonight" ('83 tune)
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- 50 Buck's "The Good _"
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- WANTED!
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- 103 "Hi, Horace!"
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Answer Page 7

With career guidance, your child will support you

By Don Flood

You're a good parent. You want your kids to grow up happy and healthy and, most importantly, be able to support you in your retirement.

To prepare kids for this wonderful future of supporting us, we try to get them to Decide on a Career.

Parents usually handle this the tried-and-true way, by asking 25,000 times a day — more on the weekends — what do you want to be when you grow up?

This is an unbelievably irritating question.

I know. I'm 44 and people are still asking me!

Get off my back already!

I'm going up to my room and listen to music! (SLAM!)

OK, I'm back, but please don't bug me about my career! I'll decide when I'm ready.

But some parents think they're helping kids by steering them toward something like: "computers."

The problem is, computers keep getting smarter. We won't need experts to get them to work.

We'll say to our computer/butler, "Make me a pas-trami sandwich."

Of course, they'll say, "Hey, what do I look like, your Mom? Make it yourself!"

So if you really want to be "ahead of the curve" with a computer career, start thinking about opening a Computer Obedience School. That's where we'll need help.

But for your child, you want a career that has stood the test of time, a career that will continue using the same skills they can learn today, a career that will still be here 50 years from now!

You want your kid to become: A Rock Star. Training to become a rock star used to be hit or miss. You'd hang around bars, date supermodels, maybe learn to lip-synch or play an instrument.

But now in Philadelphia there is a Paul Green School of Rock Music.

The goal? Teach kids to become rock stars.

I think it's a great idea, if only I can interest my 12-year-old son.

And no, I'm not one of those pathetic Stage Dads who can't wait to see his son's name up in lights.

If the best he can do is land a deal like Mariah Carey's — where the record company paid her \$28 million NOT to sing — that would be fine!

My interest in a rock star career was piqued by my son's desire to see The Who in concert.

The Who, for those lacking even the basics of American history, was part of British Invasion, an attack that led directly to the American War for Independence. (This gives you an idea how old these guys are.)

They're still playing! Or appearing onstage anyway. Maybe they stand there and drool.

But the point is, they're still getting paid to sing lyrics like, "I hope I've properly monitored by retirement investments!"

(The original lyric — "I hope to die before I get old" — had a little more kick but was modified for obvious reasons, since the original band members are now well over 150 years old.)

So if you love your children, make them study to become rock stars. Someday they'll thank you.

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PUBLIC NOTICE Town of Anthony, Texas

Texas Community Development Program, 2002 Texas Capital Fund Project

The Town of Anthony is giving notice of intent to submit an application for grant funding from the Texas Capital Fund of the Texas Community Development Program in the amount of \$750,000 for an economic development project for infrastructure improvements to serve the American RV and Marine development located on Interstate Highway 10 in Anthony, Texas.

The application will be available for review at the Anthony Town Hall in Anthony, Texas, after May 1, 2002, during regular business hours.

Art Franco

MayorDate

Published: 4/25/2002

Town of Anthony, Texas Fair Housing Statement

The Town of Anthony hereby declares its support of fair housing practices. It is hereby declared that the policy of the Town is to bring about, through fair housing and orderly and lawful procedures, the opportunity for each of its residents to obtain housing without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sex, national origin, physical or mental handicap, marital status, parenthood or age.

It is further declared that such policy is established upon a recognition of the inalienable rights of each individual to obtain housing and, further, that denial of such rights is detrimental to the health, safety, and welfare of the inhabitants of the Town and constitutes an unjust denial or deprivation of such inalienable rights, which is within the power and the proper responsibility of government to prevent.

The Town of Anthony has a Fair Housing Policy that may be examined and copied by interested groups or individuals at the Town Hall, 401 Oak St, Anthony, Texas 79821 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The Town of Anthony has proclaimed the month of April "Fair Housing Month"; copies of the official proclamation are available to the public at the Town Hall during the hours shown above.

The Town of Anthony is an Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action Employer.

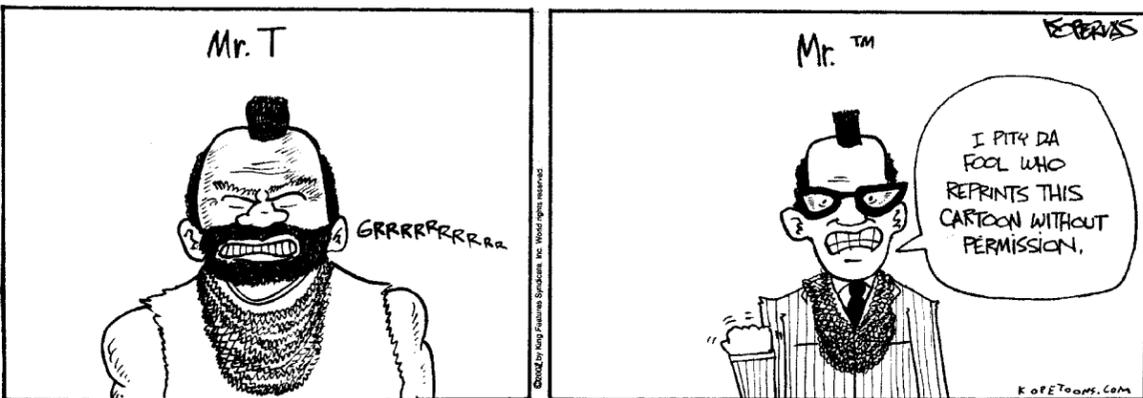
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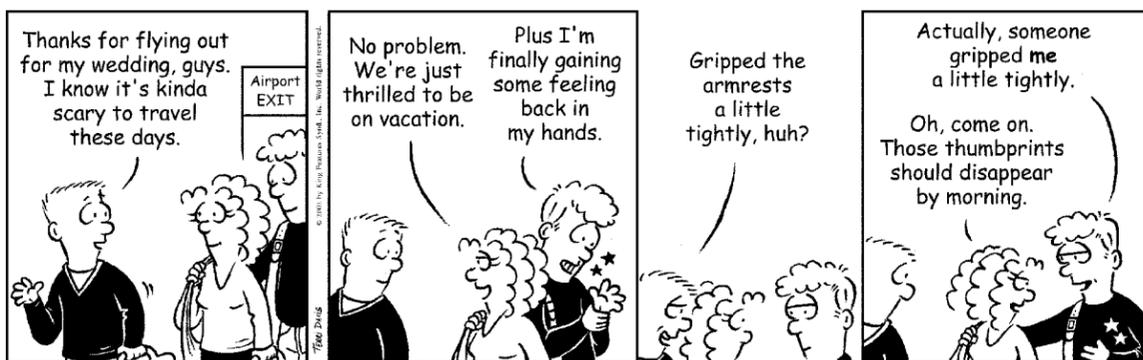
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Phamiliar phrases

"penny wise and pound foolish"

Monetary units in England include the penny and the pound. This phrase refers to someone who is frugal in small matters but wasteful in larger ones.

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Social Security: Q & A By Ray Vigil

What affect does non-work income from Texas retirement pension have on Social Security benefit?

Q: I am 61 years old and I will be eligible for Social Security at the age of 62. I worked as a teacher for 18 years in both Texas and Arizona. I am retired from education. I get about \$900 monthly from the Texas Retirement System. I have over 40 quarters therefore I have earned enough credits to qualify for SS benefits. Based on information from Social Security, my payment will be about \$434 per month. This is my question:

will the non-work income from my TRS pension affect my social security benefits?

According to the SS Question and Answer column in the April 4, 2002 issue of the West Texas County Courier, you stated, "Non-work income such as pensions, annuities, investment income, interest and capital gains are not counted and will not affect your Social Security benefits." If this is true, I should get my full

\$434 monthly from Social Security. Is this correct?

A: The question makes reference to "non-work income such as pension, annuities, investment income, interest and capital gains" — "non-work" meaning you did not work to earn the income, rather you actually purchased into an annuity, pension plan or an individual retirement account. Your situation is slightly different. You stated that you are receiving a pension from the Teachers Retirement System of Texas. Unless you have 30 years of coverage credited to your social security record of earnings, the Windfall Elimination Provision will apply in your case therefore yielding a smaller social security benefit.

If you have less than 20 years of coverage under social security, your benefits are age 62 will be approximately \$205 per month.

There are two provisions in the Social Security Act, — Windfall Elimination Provision and Government Pension Offset — which can make a difference in the amount an individual receives from social security. The first provision applies to individuals receiving a pension based on non-covered employment and applying for social security benefits on their own social security record. Under this provision, as long as you have the number of quarters of coverage required, you will receive social security benefits.

The second provision applies to individuals filing for social security benefits on their spouse's social security record. This provision states that two-thirds of your government pension will be applied against any social security benefits you are eligible to receive on your spouse's record.

For more information on how to safeguard your Social Security number, log onto our website, <http://www.ssa.gov>, call our toll-free number at 1-800-772-1213 or visit your local Social Security office. If you have any questions that you would like to have answered, please mail them to the Social Security Office, 1111 Gateway West, Attn: Ray Vigil, El Paso, Texas 79935.

WEATHER

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SEVEN-DAY FORECAST FOR EL PASO

THURSDAY	THUR. NIGHT	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Warm with periods of clouds and sunshine.	Rather cloudy and warm.	Partly sunny with a warm wind.	A full day of sunshine.	Sunny and warm.	Warm with abundant sunshine.	Sunny and warm.	A good deal of sunshine; warm.
▲ 86°	▼ 62°	▲ 84° ▼ 58°	▲ 80° ▼ 54°	▲ 82° ▼ 56°	▲ 86° ▼ 54°	▲ 86° ▼ 52°	▲ 84° ▼ 54°

UV INDEX Statistics for noon.

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

Thursday	9	Very High
Friday	10	Very High
Saturday	10	Very High
Sunday	10	Very High
Monday	10	Very High
Tuesday	10	Very High
Wednesday	10	Very High

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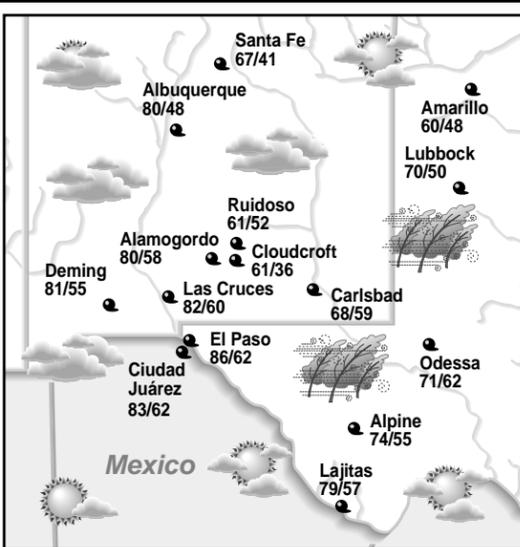
A composite of the effects of temperature, wind, humidity, sunshine intensity, cloudiness, precipitation, and elevation on the human body.

Thursday	90°
Friday	78°
Saturday	86°
Sunday	80°
Monday	82°
Tuesday	80°
Wednesday	78°

TEXAS WEATHER

Anthony	86	62
Canutillo	87	63
Clint	80	61
E. Montana	86	62
Fabens	81	62
Horizon	87	63
San Elizario	81	60
Socorro	85	61
Tornillo	81	62
Vinton	87	63

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	80/48/pc	72/44/pc	72/42/pc	76/46/s	78/46/s
Atlanta	74/50/pc	72/56/s	74/60/s	78/60/c	80/62/pc
Atlantic City	64/44/sh	62/46/s	62/50/s	66/48/sh	64/38/s
Austin/San Antonio	78/66/pc	82/70/pc	84/64/s	84/66/c	84/66/c
Baltimore	70/42/sh	68/44/s	68/52/s	70/48/sh	66/36/s
Boston	62/44/sh	60/44/s	60/48/s	62/44/c	58/37/s
Chicago	54/36/pc	60/42/pc	48/40/r	58/36/pc	62/48/s
Dallas/Ft. Worth	76/62/pc	82/66/pc	84/60/pc	76/58/c	78/64/c
Denver	62/34/pc	56/32/pc	58/36/pc	62/38/pc	62/38/pc
Flagstaff	66/32/pc	56/29/c	60/29/c	64/34/c	64/23/pc
Houston	82/66/pc	84/70/pc	86/70/pc	86/68/c	86/68/c
Kansas City	62/48/s	62/46/pc	64/44/sh	66/46/s	68/58/c
Las Vegas	84/59/pc	80/55/pc	80/55/s	85/61/s	82/46/s
Miami	86/74/pc	84/72/s	84/74/s	86/74/s	85/69/s
Minneapolis	50/30/pc	48/32/r	44/30/sn	50/34/pc	54/38/c
New Orleans	86/66/pc	82/72/pc	86/70/pc	82/66/pc	84/66/s
New York City	62/46/sh	62/46/s	64/50/s	66/48/sh	62/40/s
Philadelphia	66/44/sh	66/46/s	68/50/s	68/48/sh	64/38/s
Phoenix	92/64/pc	86/62/pc	88/62/s	90/64/s	92/64/s
Portland	64/42/pc	58/44/c	56/44/sh	58/46/pc	64/44/pc
San Francisco	60/50/pc	60/48/pc	62/50/pc	62/50/pc	64/50/pc
Seattle	58/40/pc	56/42/c	54/42/sh	58/42/pc	60/44/pc
Tucson	90/58/pc	84/52/pc	86/54/s	88/52/s	90/54/s
Washington, DC	70/46/sh	68/46/s	68/54/s	70/48/sh	68/42/s

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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