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## NEWSBRIEFS

### Thanks, teach

Three area teachers will be receiving something better than an apple because they had a positive influence on certain students. Thanks to Rio Grande Pipeline Company, students who receive \$1,000 in scholarship funds from the company are asked to designate a special teacher to receive a \$500 award. This translated into a double windfall for one teacher, Gary Vernier, who teaches social studies at San Elizario — he was selected by twin sisters Carolyn and Catherine Reyes, who won scholarships, and he will receive \$1,000 for the double nomination. Timothy Yasger, an English instructor at Clint High School, was nominated by student Teresa Herring. Carlos Valverde, who teaches government and economics at Clint, has apparently influenced quite a few students — this is his second year to be nominated, this time by Melissa Jauregui. The cash awards are given annually by Rio Grande Pipelines in the Clint and San Elizario communities through which a transmission lines passes on its 265-mile trek from Odessa, Texas to its destination about 20 miles over the border into Mexico.

### Drought meeting

A July 15 meeting of the Rio Grande Citizens' Forum of the International Boundary and Water Commission will consider drought management strategies and preparation for reduced allotments of river water due to declining water levels at Elephant Butte. The meeting will be at 7 p.m. at the Chamizal National Memorial Administration Building Room 800, S. San Marcial in El Paso. Joe Balliew of El Paso Water Utilities and Edd Fifer of the El Paso County Water Improvement District #1 will be featured presenters. Public comment will be invited. Call 832-4100 for more information.

### In other news

■ Misty Schneider of Canutillo, now a sophomore at Cornell College, has been named to the 2001-2002 Dean's List with high honors, meaning she maintained at 3.8 to 3.99 average.

■ People with specific interests in animal health and welfare as well as experience in web page writing, fundraising, information distribution and Spanish speaking are asked to please contact the El Paso City/County Animal Shelter Advisory Committee and Pets Alive-El Paso, Inc. (ASAC) at (915) 873-PETS (3785) to find out about volunteer opportunities. Formed in 1999, ASAC leads an on-going effort to reduce the pet overpopulation problem in El Paso (by increasing Animal Control adoptions and the number of city and countywide spays/neuters) and reach a

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*The old-timer can remember when the only thing bad on TV was the reception.*  
— Quips and Quotes



**BUILT ON SAND** — Even with state-of-the-art erosion and flood control built into major waterways, the elusive "sugar sand" that covers the El Paso landscape melts away beneath, causing portions of the structure to collapse.

## Much needed rain washes through East County

EAST EL PASO COUNTY — It didn't hold a candle to the kind of rainfall being experienced by our sister Texas cities, but for the East El Paso County the rains that fell on Monday this week were enough to finally settle the dust and leave a few inches on sand on many roadways.

Tuesday morning at the busy intersection of

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**GIVING DIRECTION** — Monday's rain storm caused malfunctioning in the traffic signal at Joe Battle and Rojas. El Paso Police were providing manual assistance Tuesday morning as crews worked on the mechanism.

## Colonia residents want something done about Clint Landfill

EAST EL PASO COUNTY — The residents of Las Colonias subdivision, who purchased lots without water and "within the shadow" of the Clint Landfill are protesting the filing of a permit by the City of El Paso to continue to operate the disposal site.

"The community of Las Colonias has the misfortune of being located next to the Clint Municipal landfill; because of its location it is subjected to illegal dumping, proposed processing plants of one kind or another, and an irresponsible posture for the health and safety of the residents by the City of El Paso," said Dan Solis, spokesman for Alianza Para E Desarrollo Comunitario, Inc., (Alliance for Community Development) a grass-roots group that represents Las Colonias.

They held a press conference Monday in San Elizario to air their complaints, including

"stench, flies, debris, health and safety risks that are a constant" in the subdivision.

"Once again the community of Las Colonias is faced with having to confront another environmental issue that threatens the health of its residents and the value of their property," he said.

"In 2001, the residents of Las Colonias, after two years of constantly fighting to do away with a proposed grease dump, finally won that battle — now they are confronted with yet another threat."

At issue is the filing by the City of El Paso for a permit from the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission to continue to operate the Clint Landfill, the only disposal site in the East County. The existing permit is to expire in December of this year. A TNRCC hearing was to be held on Wednesday this week in El Paso to

## Lower Valley Water District submits proposal for countywide water authority

By Francis D. Shrum  
Courier Staff Writer

EL PASO COUNTY — The issue of providing water to all of El Paso County in an organized and equitable fashion is again on

the table in County government as the Lower Valley Water District submitted a proposal it asks be placed on the legislative agenda for 2003.



Arturo Duran

County Commissioner Dan Haggerty, who submitted the proposal instead of County Commissioner Miguel Teran

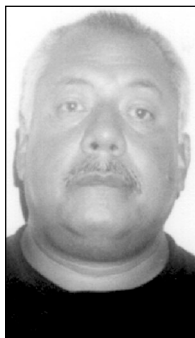
who represents the East County area on the Commissioner's Court, said he was doing so on behalf of LVWD General Manager Arturo "Tury" Duran.

The proposal requests that there be one countywide water authority with an elected Board of Directors to represent all geographical areas, to serve as regional water and waste water planner for the entire county, to be the center recipient of state and federal funds, and to administer and distribute those funds in an equitable manner to water providers in the County.

The proposal also includes a point which the LVWD board has insisted be resolved — that the customers of the LVWD are not penalized with interest on funds from state and federal sources already used to construct water infrastructure in the low-income community.

While the agenda item was presented to the Court on Monday, Teran persuaded the Court

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Daniel Solis

consider the request.

A spokesman from Solid Waste Management, which operates the landfill, said the company is sympathetic to the plight of the neighborhood, but noted that the landfill was already there when they purchased their property and the risks were self-evident at that time. The needs of the entire East County are at issue.

Solis called on all elected representatives to "come forth and help us resolve this health and safety issue for the betterment of the community as a whole. It is bad enough that the residents of Las Colonias have to live in the shadow of the landfill, but that does not mean they have to be the trash dump of El Paso."

Solis said the colonia residents want more communication with government entities involved in the landfill, stronger enforcement of illegal dumping, for the City of El Paso to use better operating procedures to handle hazardous materials.





## One perspective

By Francis Shrum

# In the name of independence

For amber waves of trash. Some of it is even red, white and blue.

Almost every color of the rainbow undulated along the Gateway, rippling in the breeze early morning after the Fourth of July.

Along the miles and miles of roadway outside the city limits of El Paso, Horizon City and Socorro, the evidence of our patriotism gleamed in the sunlight. In the case of Horizon City, some of us were so independent that we ignored the law and left evidence of our celebration along Horizon Blvd. well inside the city limits sign.

I don't know where the police were. I didn't see them patrolling in our neighborhood where patriotic citizens took to the streets popping fireworks well into the night.

I was roused from sleep several times to be reminded that in our nation today independence is no longer married to personal responsibility or concern for one's neighbor. They divorced long ago.

Today, independence has shackled up with lack of restraint and personal choice without regard to rule of law.

Their illegitimate children are not beautiful.

On the morning of July 5 a lone woman and a child who appeared to be her daughter were picking up fireworks litter along Gateway West near Eastlake. The hordes of men and boys — and other women — who had participated in the free-for-all the night before were nowhere to be seen. Only the evidence of their merriment, their patriotic revelry demonstrating their devotion to freedom.

Returning along Gateway East, near the Mission del Paso campus, a host of government workers were sacking some of the fireworks debris, lights flashing on their big pickups.

Your tax dollars at work, in the name of independence.

There's a new country song out lately that was given quite a bit of air-time during the Fourth of July. It has risen high on the charts which indicates that a lot of Americans like it.

In this song, the singer Toby Keith is threatening that the terrorists have aroused the "big dog," that Lady Liberty is "shaking her fist" in anger. He says the people in Afghanistan have already suffered our wrath as we rained death on them "like the Fourth of July" and, he threatens, "we'll put a boot up your ass 'cause that's the American way."

All in the name of independence, of course.

So is this rude, hateful, incautious and uncaring attitude that shoots fireworks at passing cars and insults the earth with its trash to be the final destiny of our children?

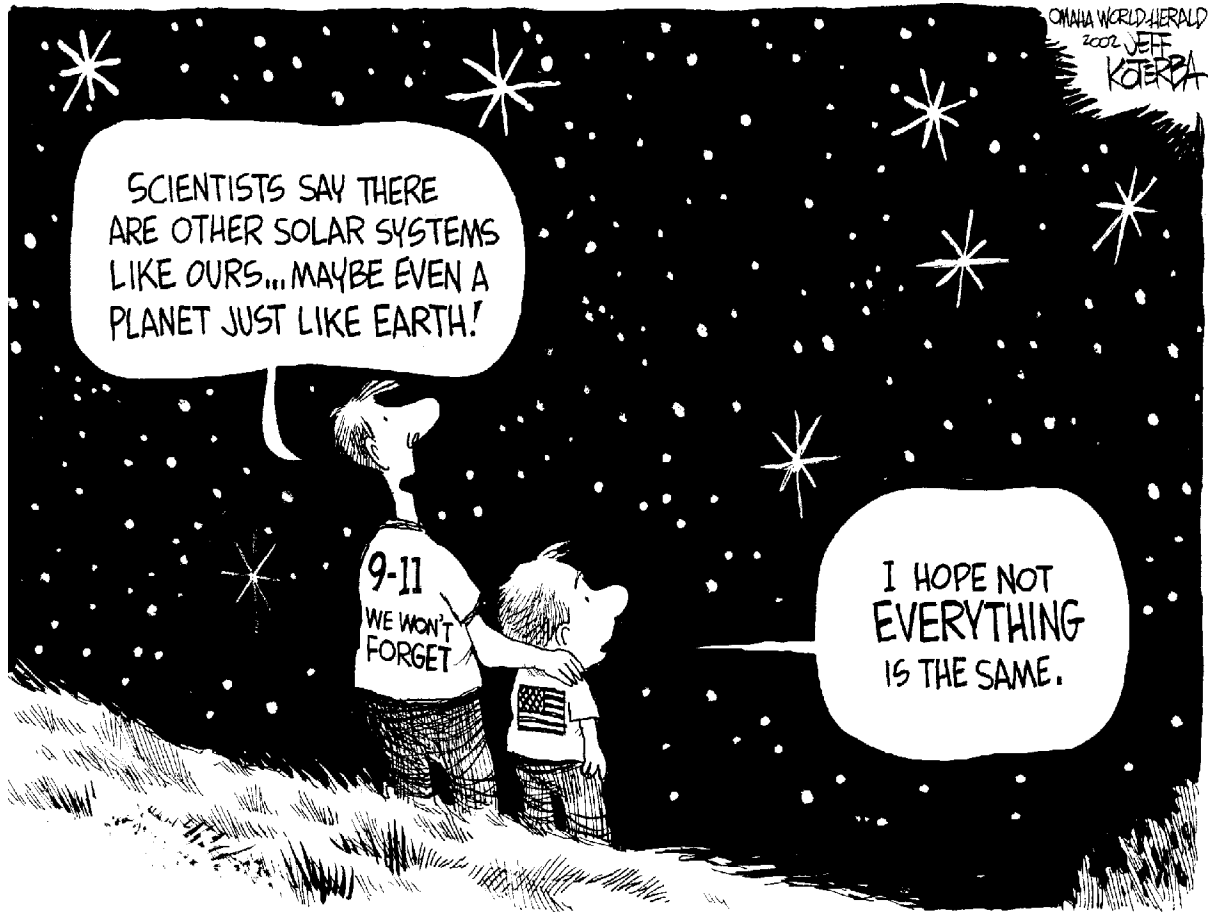
There is another recent country song in which singer Alan Jackson asks Americans: "Where were you when the world stopped turning, on that September day?"

In poignant remembrance of America's heartbreak, Jackson evokes humility in confessing his lack of political knowledge, that "I watch CNN but I'm not sure I can tell you the difference in Iraq and Iran."

He asks what we did on that day — did we "stand in line and give your own blood?" Did we "go to a church and hold hands with some strangers, thank God you had somebody to love?"

Jackson's conclusion is that he says he knows God, and "I remember this from when I was young: Faith, hope and love are some good things He gave us, and the greatest is love."

Meanwhile, a rare rain began falling Monday afternoon in El Paso County, soaking the parched landscape, washing like tears over the wounds of our indiscretions committed in the name of independence.



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

# The road to the Capitol

When I was attending South San Antonio High School, I never thought I would one day be representing you in Washington as a United States Congressman. It

was something of a feat for a student there to graduate, let alone go on to college and beyond. Most people assume congressmen have worn suits their whole lives, and that a law or business degree is a required ticket of admission. However, Congress is full of self-made men and women who came from every background imaginable. Let me share a few examples with you.

At the young age of 20, Rep. Bob Riley of Alabama began selling eggs door to door with his brother. The small operation grew to become one of the largest totally integrated poultry and egg operations in the Southeast.

Rep. Ellen Tauscher of California was the youngest person to win a seat on the coveted New York Stock Exchange at age 25. She worked as a stock trader and investment banker. After moving to California she founded the ChildCare Registry, the first company to provide background information on child-care providers.

Congress has also attracted its share of athletes over the years. Rep. J.C. Watts of Oklahoma was a college All-American football player at the University of Okla-

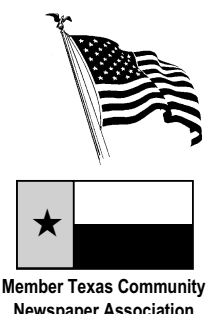
homa. He went on to play for the Canadian Football League, and after that became a youth minister.

Rep. Steve Largent, also of Oklahoma, was also a professional athlete. He played for the Seattle Seahawks for 14 years and was inducted to the NFL Hall of Fame after retiring as the third all-time leader in pass receptions in 1989.

Congress is also honored by the service of true heroes, its war heroes. Sen. Bob Kerry of Nebraska served his country in an elite Navy SEAL team in Vietnam and was awarded the Medal of Honor after losing part of his right leg in action. Rep. Sam Johnson of Plano, Texas, is a retired Air Force colonel who endured nearly seven years of brutality — half of that period in solitary confinement — in a North Vietnamese prison camp.

Congress is full of people from all walks of life, many who never ran for office before coming to Washington. My colleagues have included a great songwriter (Sonny Bono), a winemaker, a restaurant manager and a self described "journeyman" carpenter, just to name a few.

As students across America graduate from high school and move-on to college and other ambitions, I'd like to remind them that America is still a country where the American Dream can become a reality. It's a country where a child living in a public housing project can grow up to become whatever he or she dreams of becoming.







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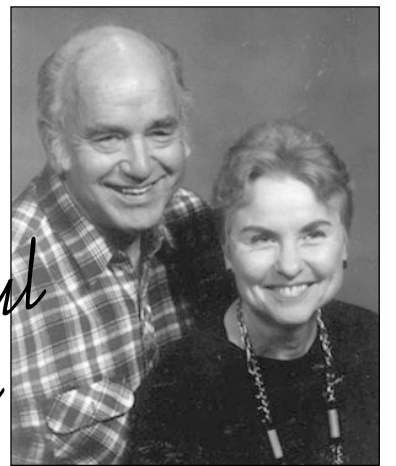
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*Jan & Paul Haney*



## Study says heavy tax burden will inhibit economic growth

AUSTIN — How strong is the relationship between Texas' economic growth and its tax burden? Numerous studies from the United States and around the world indicate it is stronger than anyone may have previously believed.

In a study released by the Texas Public Policy Foundation, acclaimed economist Richard Vedder, Ph.D., finds that international scholarship has concluded that lower tax burdens lead to greater economic growth and prosperity.

"In fact, several decades of studies by economists confirm the proposition that the higher the level of taxation, the lower the rate of economic growth," said Vedder. His study, available on the Internet at <http://www.tppf.org/tax/worsttax/part2.pdf>.

Among several dozen other scholars and studies, Dr. Vedder cites the work of the National Bureau of Economic Research president Martin Feldstein of Harvard concluding that "the deadweight burden caused by incremental taxation... may exceed one dollar per dollar of revenue raised, making the cost of incremental government spending more than two dollars for each dollar of government spending."

Vedder notes that "there is mounting evidence that high

taxes reduce job opportunities and sometimes lead to higher unemployment." On the other hand, a lower tax burden can stimulate high rates of individual income growth, he said.

"Personal income rose by 315 percent from 1957 to 1997 in low-tax states, compared with only 268 percent in the high-tax ones," Vedder concludes from his own study of economic data.

Dr. Vedder finds three key rules for crafting a growth-oriented state fiscal policy:

- It would stress general tax relief for the entire citizenry rather than targeted tax abatements or other subsidies for specific businesses.
- It would emphasize public investment such as highways and parks, rather than entitlement or income maintenance programs.
- Finally, it would minimize business governmental regulation and keep a rein on unemployment and worker compensation costs.

*The Texas Public Policy Foundation is a non-profit research institute based on the principles of limited government, free enterprise, private property rights, and individual responsibility.*

**TRUE TEXAS FACTS** by Roger Moore July 9, 1857, the first mail leaves San Antonio for San Diego, the start of the first successful transcontinental mail route.



# New directory offers invaluable info for El Paso County animal lovers

By Michelle J. Brown  
Special to the Courier

EL PASO COUNTY — A first-edition directory detailing virtually every El Paso area animal health and welfare organization plus lists of veterinarians, pet friendly apartments and hotels and spay/neuter information is now available to the public and to animal health and welfare groups who have not already received a copy.

Produced by volunteer members of the El Paso City/County Animal Shelter Advisory Committee (ASAC) and Pets Alive- El Paso, Inc., The Directory of El Paso Animal Organizations & Resource Guide serves as a reference for people trying to find lost pets, seeking to adopt a companion animal, or wishing to volunteer or financially support an animal organization. The concise volume features names, addresses, phone numbers, contact people, mission statements and policies as well as activity information.

The directory is also posted on

the ASAC web site at [www.epasac.org](http://www.epasac.org). Copies have been disseminated to area veterinarians, animal groups, Animal Control and requesting media.

"Many of the groups listed are not well-known while others are not listed in phone directories," said Janice Nutt, an ASAC member and school teacher who compiled all research and coordinated information for the 3-ring binder directory. "Previously, people would often search without result unless they came across someone who knew of a particular association or rescue group."

Dedicated to relieving the suffering of helpless animals due to human irresponsibility, dire circumstances or other misfortune, the directory serves to help eliminate killing as a response to such conditions by promoting only non-profit organizations and volunteer groups.

It does not feature pet shops, groomers, boarding facilities and other for-profit commercial businesses.

According to ASAC, each animal health and welfare group works to fulfill its own community need.

Some animal rescue and adoption groups will accept any creature while others specialize in certain breeds or types of animals.

This comprehensive contact directory features every non-profit and volunteer animal health and welfare group, regardless of size, who wanted to be represented.

For pet friendly hospitality sites in the area (apartments, hotels/motels), included for visitor reference and for emergency accommodation, information includes pet quantity and size limitations as well as deposit requirements, whether they're refundable, and if cats must be declawed. Under Spay/Neuter, the section lists the Top 10 Rea-

sons People Fail to Spay/Neuter Pets, plus the realistic facts, as well as information on "Snip and Save" voucher programs for low income and/or senior citizen pet owners.

To obtain a directory — copies are complimentary for animal health/welfare groups, or \$10 to the public — call Janice Nutt at (915) 855-7273.

## 1.5 million Texas women without adequate health care

AUSTIN — Nearly one quarter of the women in Texas — 1.5 million — do not have health insurance, or access or the ability to pay for routine physician examinations, contraceptive care and general preventive health screening.

Texas ranks third in the nation in the number of uninsured women. The state ranks second in both the percentage and raw number of individuals who are uninsured. More than 4.4 million Texans lack access to basic health care services.

The situation is especially dismal for low-income women of color, especially Latinas living along the Texas-Mexico border, where the state's poverty is more pronounced than the national average.

Even though a majority of the poor in Texas work, most of the working poor are not covered through their employment. Not surprisingly, the counties with the highest poverty rates also have some of the highest rates of uninsured, as well as the highest need for better care.

"Health care is woefully underfunded in Texas," said Lesley Ramsey, project director for the Texas Campaign for Women's Health. "Healthy women are integral and necessary for the health and prosperity of our state's families and communities. Texas needs to do a better job providing this fundamental service for its women."

Although the overall number of uninsured in Texas has declined slightly since the implementation of the CHIP program, which covers low-income children, women are still disproportionately excluded from publicly funded health care. Medicaid, the national health

insurance program for the poor, only covers poor women if they have children, or if they are pregnant. For pregnant women on Medicaid, coverage ends 60 days after delivery.

Unintended births to low-income women is the leading cause of welfare dependency in Texas. Nearly half of all births in Texas are paid for by Medicaid. In state fiscal year 1997, Texas paid \$458 million for these deliveries alone. Adding the costs of prenatal and newborn care and WIC, the cost to the state increases even more.

Hospital emergency rooms have become more and more crowded as uninsured and low-income women turn to them when they have problems that could have been prevented or treated by a visit to a family planning clinic.

"Poverty and poor health are positively correlated," Ramsey said. "Yet Texas perpetuates a cycle of poverty, poor health and unintended pregnancy by failing to fund health care services for women that would allow them to plan their pregnancies, space their births, and receive comprehensive non-reproductive healthcare for the enrichment of their lives."

"Better funding for full family planning and health care coverage just makes sense — it saves women's lives, and it saves the state money."

The co-sponsoring organizations of the Texas Campaign for Women's Health are urging communities all over the state to tell their elected officials to make women's health care, including family planning services, a priority in the next legislative session.

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Sealed CSP/proposals for providing all labor and materials for the construction of TED HOUGHTON DRIVE/ LOMA VERDE DRIVE campuses street and drainage improvements will be received at Socorro Independent School District, 12300 Eastlake Drive, El Paso, Texas 79928 until 2:30 p.m., local time, July 15, 2002, at which time they will be publicly read aloud.

Submittals shall be addressed to Socorro Independent School District, all proposals must be sealed and clearly marked as follows:

#### TED HOUGHTON DRIVE AND LOMA VERDE DRIVE, STREET AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS CSP NO. 199-0715-0281

Bidders may obtain bid documents by contacting ROE Engineering after 1 p.m. on July 1, 2002.

ROE Engineering L.C. 601 N. Cotton Ave. Suite 6 El Paso, Texas 79902 Phone: 915-533-1418 Fax: 915-533-4972

A pre-bid meeting will be held Tuesday, July 9,

2002, at 2 p.m. at the SISD Education Center Board Room.

Bid Deposit is refundable \$250 per set in the form of a cashiers check or certified check payable to Socorro Independent School District.

Proposals will be received at the Business Services Department, 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. WTCC-7/11/02

#### 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:

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#### JULY 15, 2002, 2 P.M.

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#### VILLAGE OF VINTON VINTON, TEXAS

#### Notice of Request for Proposals for Architectural Services, Engineering Services, and Management Services

#### TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM GRANT PROJECTS

The Village of Vinton, Texas, is soliciting proposals from: 1. Qualified individuals or firms to provide management, administrative, and

planning services required by the locality for the procurement of and implementation of projects anticipated to be carried out with grant assistance from the Texas Community Development Program, and; 2. Registered firms or individuals are to provide Architectural or engineering services in the procurement and implementation of these projects.

The projects are to be financed with federal funds from grants administered by the Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA) under its Texas Community Development Program. In order to be considered, proposals must be submitted prior to 4:30 p.m. on the 22nd day of July, 2002.

A complete request for proposals, outlining services required by the locality, submission requirements, and evaluation criteria, has been prepared. Interested parties may obtain copies of this Request for Proposals by contacting:

Camille Castillo, Clerk Village of Vinton 436 Vinton Road Vinton, TX 79821 (915) 886-5104

The locality reserves the right to negotiate with any and all individuals or firms submitting proposals, in accordance with the Texas Professional Services Procurement Act and the Uniform Grant and Contract Man-

agement Standards Act, and may choose to retain services for three consecutive funding cycles. The locality reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.

The Village of Vinton is an Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity Employer.

Antonio Castro Sr., Mayor Date Published: July 11, 2002

#### PUBLIC MEETING FY 2003 Solid Waste Grants Program

The Rio Grande Council of Governments (RGCOG) will hold a public meeting regarding the Solid Waste Grants program for fiscal year 2003. An estimated total of \$240,000 will be available to local governments for grant projects which implement the goals of the regional solid waste management plan. Topics to be covered include: (1) goals and objectives of the regional plan, (2) grant categories, (3) eligible grant recipients, and (4) the process for considering private industry concerns. Public comment is invited on the proposed funding plan. Questions or comments regarding eligible activities, proposal review procedures, and private industry concerns will be welcomed.

The meeting will be held Wednesday, July 17, 2002 at 1 p.m. (MDT) at

the Rio Grande Council of Governments, 1100 North Stanton Street, El Paso, Texas, in the 4th Floor Conference Room. Persons unable to attend the meeting are invited to submit written comments to the Rio Grande Council of Governments, attention: Barbara Kauffman, 1100 North Stanton Street, Suite 610, El Paso, Texas 79902, for fax their comments to: (915) 532-9385. Comments must be received by 12 p.m., July 18, 2002.

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*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 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 solucion. 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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## A little advice on veggies

Eat your vegetables! This advice could come from mothers — or financial advisors.

“When you buy fresh vegetables, you are making an investment, both economically and nutritionally,” said Dr. Jenna Anding, Texas Cooperative Extension nutrition specialist.

“Fresh vegetables are nutritious because they are great sources of fiber and vitamins A, C and folate. They are naturally low in fat, salt and calories.”

But that’s not all. Buying quality produce is good for your budget too. “To get the most nutrition from your food dollar, buy only high quality, fresh vegetables,” Anding said. “If you don’t like the quality of the fresh vegetables available to you, then consider canned or frozen varieties. Both are nutritious substitutes for fresh vegetables.”

Getting the most from your food dollar requires a little planning, she said. “Buy only the quantity and types of fresh vegetables that can be eaten in a short amount to time unless you plan to preserve them. Throwing away spoiled vegetables is like throwing away money.”

When it comes to buying fresh vegetables, Anding advised — like the old song — you better shop around:

- Buy fresh vegetables when they

are in season. That’s when price and quality are at their best.

- Grocery stores are only one source of fresh produce. Try farmers’ markets and roadside stands too.

But buying the finest quality of fresh vegetables isn’t enough, Anding said. “Poor storage and preparation of vegetables can cost you money if the vegetables go to waste or cause foodborne illness.”

To keep vegetables at their best, Anding said, follow this advice:

- To avoid cross contamination, wash hands and counter tops before washing vegetables.

- Handle delicate vegetables carefully. “Bruises and other blemishes speed up deterioration and allow bacteria to enter the produce,” Anding explained.

- Wash vegetables under clean, cool running water.

- Use a vegetable brush to clean dirt off hard vegetables, such as potatoes and carrots. Softer vegetables, including green beans and lettuce, can be gently rubbed with the hands under running water.

- Peel the vegetables if you are concerned about contaminants on the outside. “Keep in mind,” Anding said, “that peeling reduces nutritional value.”

## Celebrating teaching excellence



**FABENS — The Fabens ISD Board of Trustees honored the 2001-2002 recipients of Campus and District Teachers of the Year during the May regular meeting. Shown from left are Vic Payne, Fabens High, who was also District Secondary Teacher of the Year; Gordon Pugh of O’Donnell Elementary who was District Elementary Teacher of the Year; Lois LaNell Linder of Fabens Middle; Veronica Candelaria, RECC; and Olga Hernandez, Fabens Primary.**

- Rinse prepackaged, prewashed vegetables — such as baby carrots — in case of contamination that occurred during processing and/or packaging.

- Cut vegetables on a different cutting board than the one used to cut raw meat to prevent the produce from being contaminated by the raw meat juice.

Getting more vegetables into your diet isn’t all that difficult, Anding said. Try these ideas:

- For extra texture and crunch, add lettuce, onion, tomato and/or shredded carrots to a sandwich.

- When making a lettuce-and-to-

mato salad, toss in sliced carrots, strips of bell pepper and chunks of cauliflower or broccoli.

- Instead of snacking on chips or crackers or cookies, cut up some carrots into sticks and break up some broccoli and/or cauliflower into bite-sized pieces, and enjoy with a dip of low-fat ranch dressing.

- Use the microwave oven for a quick and easy way to steam fresh vegetable side dishes.

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# The Ted Williams popsicle saga – a chilling family feud

By Steve Escajeda  
Special to the Courier

I've written about some wild stuff in the past thanks to winners like O.J., Latrell Sprewell, Tonya Harding, Dennis Rodman and John Rocker, but this week's look at the world of sports may actually top them all.

Now, when I think of some of the top baseball players in the history of the game I immediately think of names like Ruth, Gehrig, DiMaggio, Cobb, Musial, Mays, Mantle, Aaron, Gibson, Young, Mathewson, Rose and Ryan.

But one of the first names that always come to mind is that of Ted Williams, even if he didn't like to tip his cap.

Williams, as most of you undoubtedly already know, passed away last week at the age of 83. The news of his death was sad but not as sad as the strange news that resulted because of his death.

This is where the weird comes in. This is something Rod Serling would usually come up

with on one of those *Twilight Zone* episodes.

In fact, well, let's give it a shot. Let's give this story the proper mood...dim the lights, please...*Twilight Zone* theme music, please...narration begins,

"Picture if you will, a famous athlete passes away after a long and illustrious career. Leaving behind a generous list of records and accomplishments for the game he loved so very much. However, this athlete also left behind a greedy son that has thought of a way to make some money off his father's lifeless body. His idea is to freeze his father's body or at the very least his father's head so that when science can figure out a way to inject the preserved DNA into the womb, or an incubator, for the purpose of producing superior humans...his son will own the rights to the DNA and make a fortune by selling it. All this may sound impossible...but it is, in fact, very possible...in the *Twilight Zone*."

Fade out *Twilight Zone* theme music...lights back on, please.

Creepy, huh? But this is not the *Twilight Zone*, this is the year 2002 and this story, un-

fortunately, is all too real.

Seems Williams' estranged (or not, depending on your source) daughter Barbara Joyce Williams Ferrell (I think that's the whole name) is on a personal crusade to stop Williams' son, John Henry Williams, from cryogenically preserving her father's body for future sale.

Ferrell said that her father's body was flown to Alcor Life Extension Foundation, a provider of cryonics services in Scottsdale, Arizona, soon after his death.

"I will rescue my father's body," she said.

Boy, this really sounds like one of those "B-films" of the late '60s with horrible actors, bad lighting and even worse special effects.

Anyway, all the representatives involved in Ted Williams' estate have declined to comment on the matter (which usually means they've got a lot to say but cannot right now or they'll screw up the whole money-making deal).

Ferrell said that Williams' son first brought up the idea after his father's open-heart surgery in 2001.

What a loving son. Talk about making the best of a bad situation. "Gee, dad, sorry to see

that you're going to die soon...by the way do you mind if I chop your head off after you kick so I could make a profit from whatever is left of you?"

I wonder what Ted Williams himself would think of all this. Would he be shocked at the idea? Would he like the idea of being immortalized? Would he prefer his head to stay on his body?

The saga will play itself out in the coming days and we'll see who wins this tug-o-williams-war. But the saddest thing is the memory of the great Ted Williams.

Williams said he wanted to be remembered as baseball's greatest hitter — at age 19! Will we remember the "splendid splinter" for all the great things he did on the baseball field or will he be the butt of jokes on the late night talk show circuit thanks to his wacky family.

Even if his son wins the eventual court battle to deep freeze his dad, I will try not to forget what the greatest hitter in baseball did on the diamond. He hit that ball all over the park...maybe he should have hit his son more, too.

## Briefs

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point of operating a "no kill of adoptable animals" shelter at Animal Control.

■ Several area graduates have made recent achievements in the U.S. military. Navy Hospitalman Apprentice Mirella Morales, daughter of Maria and Jorge Morales of San Elizario, graduated from Basic Hospital Corps School in Great Lakes, Illinois. Marine Lance Cpl. Felix Fierro, son of Juanita and Rolando Fierro of Clint, recently received the Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal. And Navy Reserve Hospitalman Ricardo Rocha, son of Rosa Castro of Socorro, graduated from Basic Hospital Corps School in

Great Lakes, Illinois.

■ Beginning July 26, 2002 from 7:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m., Valley growers will hold Friday morning Farmers' Market at Ardovino's Desert Crossing in Sunland Park, New Mexico. Locally grown produce, fresh flowers, native plants, and baked goods will be available. All area farmers and artisans are invited to participate. Attend the meeting at Ardovino's Desert Crossing on July 11, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. for more information. The Friday morning market at Ardovino's Desert Crossing is on of several dozen farmers' market throughout the state of New Mexico. It is supported and promoted by the New Mexico Farmers Marketing Association, the New Mexico Department of Agriculture; the Dona Ana and El Paso

County Agriculture Asst. Office, and the Texas Cooperative Extension. For further information contact Robert Ardovino at 505-589-0653.

■ C'mon down, or up, as the case may be. The Dude Ranchers' Association wants the world to know that the recent Western fires have impacted only three dude ranches of the 117 member properties it represents. Marcia Williams, executive director, said "Ranches in almost all of Colorado, Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, California, New Mexico, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Arizona, Nevada, Arkansas and Canada are open. While ranchers continue to hope for rain, their guests are enjoying the beautiful weather." Info: www.duderanch.org.

## Glaucoma can be treated

By Matilda Charles

Glaucoma, while it may sometimes occur in younger people, is more likely to develop in people in their middle-age or senior years. And because it has no symptoms when it first develops, it can lead to blindness almost before anyone is aware that she or he has it. No wonder it's called "the silent thief of sight." And if you are middle-aged or older, you may be among the more than 1 million people who don't know they have it, especially if a family member also has it or if you are African-American.

Glaucoma occurs when there is a gradual buildup of pressure in the eye. At a certain point, it will cause some sight problems. Unfortunately, too many people assume this is part of aging and do nothing more about it. As a result, the untreated pressure kills the optic nerve, destroying the sight.

These days there are some excellent treatments — mostly in the form of eye drops — to keep the glaucoma in check, considerably reducing the risk

of blindness. But you have to know you have the disease before you can begin the treatments.

The first thing to do is schedule an examination with an ophthalmologist, who will measure the pressure in your eyeballs with a scale made for this purpose and see if it's something to worry about or not. It's totally painless. Eye drops temporarily anesthetize the eyeballs so that you don't feel the scale when it's in place. It takes a few minutes for an accurate reading that can save you from a lifetime of blindness.

Second, learn the symptoms of an incipient glaucoma attack. You can get this information from your ophthalmologist. If at any time you think you may be showing signs of an attack, don't wait. Call your doctor immediately, even if your last exam showed normal pressure. Remember, glaucoma is also called the "sneaky" disease, and pressure can start building up at any time. Quick treatment can save your sight.

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*Thought for the Day: "He who is in love with himself has at least this advantage — he won't encounter many rivals."*

— George Christoph Lichtenberg

## King Super Crossword

### CAREER CHOICES

- ACROSS**
- 1 From the top
  - 5 Pride of the pumped-up
  - 9 St. Louis team
  - 13 Dirty
  - 19 118 Across'
  - mistress
  - 20 Way off base?
  - 21 Director Kazan
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- 36 "Fantasia" frame
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- 38 Plead
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# Scooby-Doo, why are you a movie?

By Don Flood

Before we begin today, it's time for an Ozzy update.

Recently, I wrote that Ozzy Osbourne had made a name for himself in music by biting off the head of a bat.

Ozzy fans complained, saying either that he did not bite off the head of a bat or that it was an unfair treatment of Ozzy's contribution to the world of music.

I apologize and I will now tell the real story: Ozzy Osbourne first made a name for himself by biting off the heads of live puppies.

JUST KIDDING!

The true story, according to a TV interview with Ozzy himself, was that he did bite off the head of a bat, but only because he thought it was a toy.

Which is the kind of thing that could happen to anyone.

I mean, someone hands you a stuffed animal and the most natural reaction is to decapitate it using your teeth.

So let this be a lesson. If someone hands you a bat, check to see if it's alive before you bite off its head.

If not, you could wind up like poor old Ozzy Osbourne, who has been reduced to sitting around his house all day, yelling obscenities and making millions of dollars.

And now on to the meat of my column, which once again centers on the Collapse of Western Civilization.

I'm referring, of course, to the success of Scooby-Doo.

Scooby-Doo, the movie, is based one of the dumbest cartoons ever made.

But it wasn't mere dumbness that set it apart from other Saturday morning shows, Scooby-Doo's creators

strived to make it irritating too. They succeeded.

Naturally, Hollywood figured it was a sure bet for a Major Motion Picture.

They were right!

Here's USA Today quoting a 31-year-old mother about to take her 7-year-old daughter to see the movie: "How could I not see them on film? I don't care if it's bad; the cartoon wasn't great, either."

Is anybody else confused by that quote?

MOM: Let's go see Scooby-Doo!

KID: What's that, Mommy?

MOM: It's a bad movie based on a dumb cartoon. I can't wait!

KID: Yippee!

Let's recap. She heard the movie was bad, didn't much like the original cartoon, but she had to see it.

Why? Does she live in a bizarre neighborhood where people who don't see the latest computer-generated doggie movie are ostracized?

But perhaps I underestimate Scooby. I saw another article that discussed, seriously, the movie's subtext.

That's right. Scooby has subtext, just like those novels you were supposed to read in high school.

In other words, it's like my column, which — given a quick reading — appears silly and superficial.

But as more discerning readers appreciate — and I'm sorry to say you are not one of them — my column's subtext unlocks the mysteries of life.

Don't believe me? OK, I'll reveal something that doesn't require understanding the subtext:

Only big stars can get away with biting off the head of a bat.

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**GONE WITH THE WATER** — Erosion in water courses is a constant problem in the East County, even through El Paso has little rainfall. In this ravine, an attempt has been made to slow erosion by depositing chunks of broken curbs and busted asphalt from other locations.

## Rain

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Joe Battle and Rojas police were still directing traffic on behalf of the malfunctioning signals and road crews were scrapping mud and sand off roadways where water levels rose high enough to wash over.

Sharp crevices were cut through the erosion-prone sandy landscape denuded of vegetation by development and ravines without erosion control grew substantially.

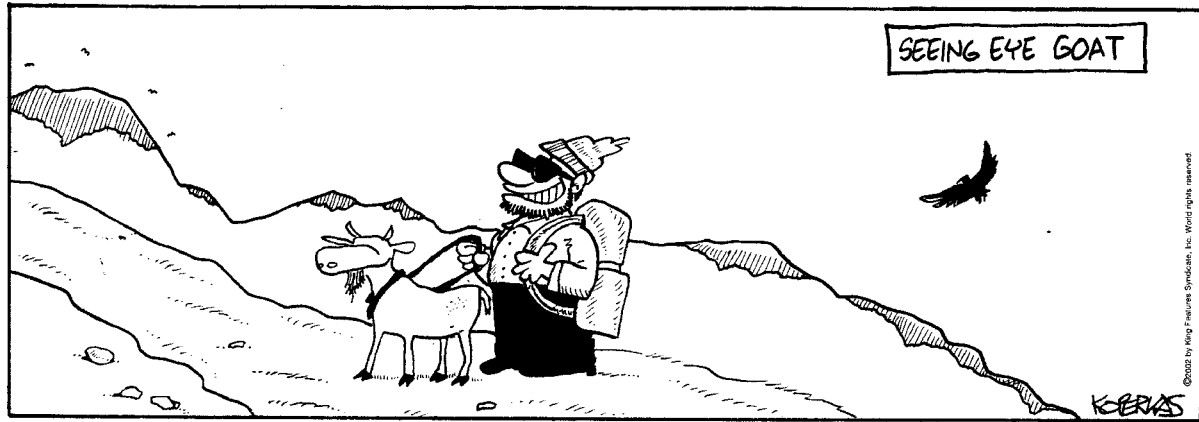
Weather officials said about two inches fell in the East County areas, though the official rain gauge at the El Paso airport collected only about .02 inches.

Though no major damage was experienced, a trailer park in the City of Socorro suffered water and mud flooding after an earth dam broke under the increased pressure.

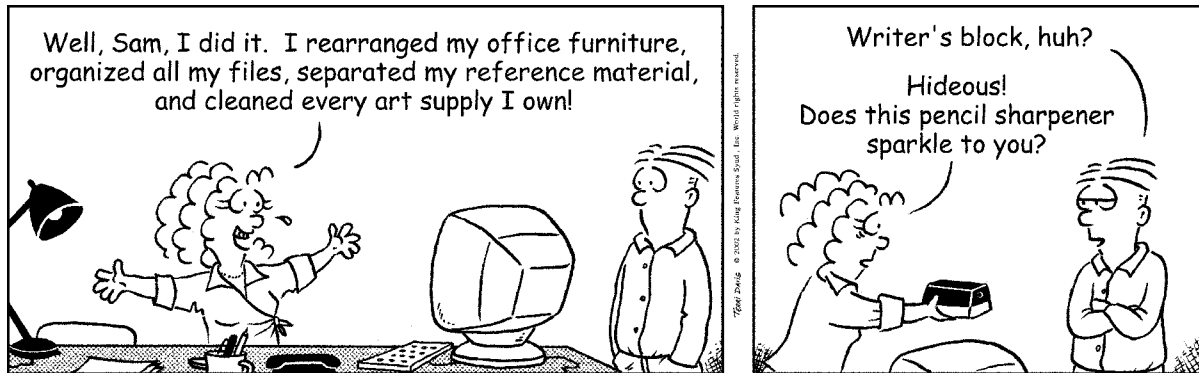
Children played in the puddles accumulated in streets and low places in the evening light after the storms passed, and most were glad to have a break in the summer heat.

## Comix

### OUT ON A LIMB By Gary Kopervas



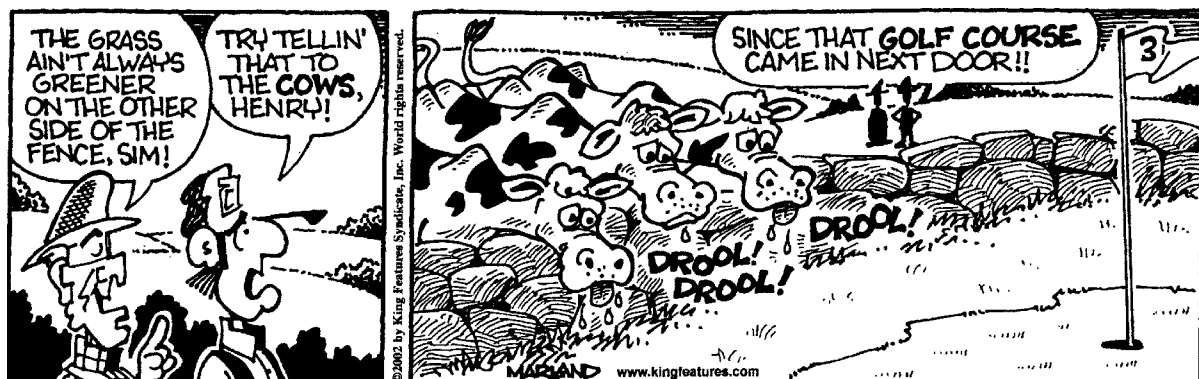
### GOT A LIFE By Terri Davis



### THE SPATS By Jeff Pickering



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



## Water

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to postpone discussion on the water issue until a special meeting on Tuesday in which the legislative agenda will be considered.

Like numerous other issues coming out of El Paso County, there is little unity in what should be done about the water.

The Public Service Board which manages the El Paso Water Utilities for the City of El Paso has garnered the legislative designation by the state as "regional water planner" so that planning funds are administered through it. And it has proposed consolidating with the LVWD, but without allowing representative from the East County to sit on the board, nor to take into account the interest burden that LVWD customers would pay over and above that of other PSB customers.

Duran, known for his never-say-die attitude in defending the rights of the Lower Valley water district, has lost no opportunity to bring the issue

to the powers-that-be in ways that cannot be ignored.

Some observers contend that an elected board to oversee a regional or county water authority would introduce politics into water issues.

Others, however, say that water always has been a political power issue and that appointed boards are not immune to such influence.

State Sen. Eliot Shapleigh has gone on record recently that he will attempt to see that El Paso presents a unified front in Austin in 2003 on all issues, including water.

History bears out, however, that unity on the water front has proven elusive.

### Phamiliar phrases "put it on the back burner"

When using a stove, most people use the front burners for cooking the food, and the back burners for simmering or keeping the food warm while other foods are cooked. Any project "on the back burner" is no longer a priority.

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## Social Security: Q & A By Ray Vigil

# It is important to report changes when receiving SSI

The Social Security Administration reminds people who get Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits that they must report all changes in their income, the things they own or how they pay their household expenses.

It's important to report changes as soon as possible, so we can be sure

we're paying you the right amount. If you do not report changes, your benefit amount may be wrong. Sometimes you may be due more money than you are getting. There are penalties for not reporting a change or for making a false statement — a fine, a prison sentence or both.

Always report income changes, especially if you start or stop working, if your employer changes, if you get a raise or if your paydays change. Keep all of your pay stubs so we can verify your income. Tell Social Security about any other income, like pensions, government benefits and insurance payments.

The things people own can affect their SSI payments. They should report changes in their bank accounts, stocks, bonds, certificates of deposits, Christmas club accounts, cars, property and anything else they own, buy or sell.

How people handle their house-

hold expenses or living arrangements can make a difference in their SSI payments. The benefit amount is different when someone else pays for their rent and food, or when they do not pay their share of the household expenses.

Also, be sure to report if you marry, separate, divorce, move or have children. If your spouse or children who live with you have changes in their income, assets or living arrangements, report these changes, too. Sometimes these changes affect your payment amount.

Have you ever wondered if you might now be eligible for monthly

Social Security benefits, or if you qualify for Medicare health insurance? Sometimes it's hard to know where to begin when you are looking for information about large government programs.

For more information log onto our website, [www.ssa.gov](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, 11111 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
A good deal of sunshine.	Partly cloudy.	Sunny to partly cloudy.	Sunshine and patchy clouds.	Mostly sunny.	A good deal of sunshine.	Sunshine and some clouds.	Mostly sunny and hot.
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## UV INDEX Statistics for noon.

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

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

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Thursday	99°
Friday	93°
Saturday	92°
Sunday	93°
Monday	95°
Tuesday	96°
Wednesday	96°

## AGRICULTURE

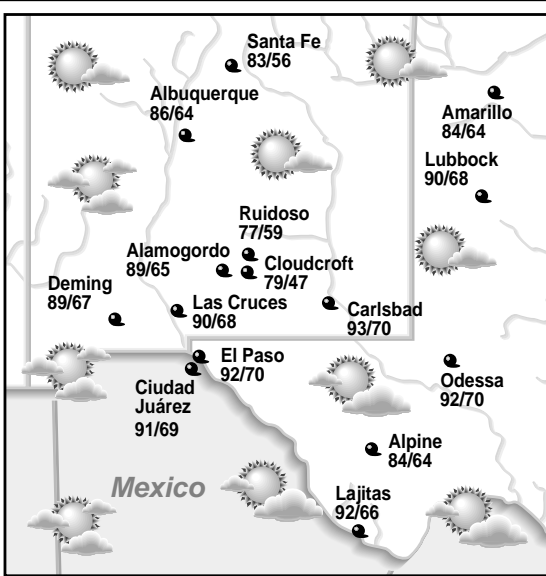
On Thursday, 10-12 hours of sunshine are expected. A small part of the area could have a thunderstorm in the afternoon. Similar conditions are expected Friday. Dry and seasonably hot weather will continue into the weekend.

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## TEXAS WEATHER

Anthony	92	70
Canutillo	93	71
Clint	91	70
E. Montana	92	70
Fabens	91	70
Horizon	93	71
San Elizario	89	68
Socorro	91	69
Tornillo	91	70
Vinton	93	71

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	86/64/pc	90/66/s	92/66/s	92/66/pc	92/64/pc
Atlanta	86/70/t	86/70/pc	86/70/t	88/72/t	90/74/pc
Atlantic City	77/62/s	78/62/s	82/64/c	84/64/c	85/60/c
Austin/San Antonio	92/72/pc	94/74/pc	94/72/t	96/74/t	96/74/t
Baltimore	80/60/s	84/64/s	86/68/pc	88/70/t	87/61/c
Boston	78/60/s	82/64/s	84/66/s	86/64/pc	81/62/t
Chicago	78/62/pc	82/66/pc	84/66/pc	86/66/s	92/70/s
Dallas/Ft. Worth	94/74/pc	94/72/pc	94/74/t	96/74/t	96/76/t
Denver	90/58/s	94/60/s	92/60/s	92/62/s	90/60/s
Flagstaff	82/52/pc	84/52/c	83/52/sh	80/50/c	79/52/c
Houston	92/74/pc	94/74/pc	94/74/t	96/74/t	94/76/t
Kansas City	82/62/pc	82/64/s	86/68/s	88/70/s	92/66/s
Las Vegas	107/82/pc	110/84/pc	107/82/pc	104/82/pc	98/78/c
Miami	88/76/t	90/78/pc	90/78/t	92/78/t	92/78/pc
Minneapolis	78/62/pc	80/64/t	82/64/pc	86/66/pc	86/68/t
New Orleans	92/78/pc	92/78/t	92/76/r	94/76/t	92/76/pc
New York City	78/64/s	82/68/s	84/68/pc	84/70/pc	86/68/pc
Philadelphia	80/64/s	82/66/s	86/68/pc	86/70/pc	88/66/pc
Phoenix	107/86/pc	109/88/s	107/86/pc	105/84/pc	105/84/pc
Portland	89/60/s	91/62/s	80/58/pc	76/56/pc	76/58/pc
San Francisco	68/54/s	64/54/pc	64/54/pc	64/52/pc	66/56/pc
Seattle	82/58/s	84/58/s	74/54/pc	72/54/pc	72/54/pc
Tucson	102/76/pc	104/78/s	102/76/pc	100/74/pc	100/72/pc
Washington, DC	80/66/s	84/68/s	86/70/pc	88/72/t	89/67/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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