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NEWSBRIEFS

Socorro flooding

People whose homes and property were damaged by recent flooding in the Socorro area were offered little hope for outside assistance during a special meeting last Friday with Socorro city and El Paso County officials. The meeting was called after numerous homes and property located at the lower end of waterways were flooded with water and mud during rainstorms early last week. Socorro Planning Department Director Reyes Fierro told those in attendance that the Socorro city council is prohibited from using city tax dollars to make improvements on privately-owned property. Other officials, including County Commissioner Miguel Teran, agreed that the flooding is also partly the result of uncontrolled development in the areas above Socorro where major land-moving was done without "ponding" or flood control measures. To correct this situation, a major flood control project needs to be implemented across the East County, but it is expected these improvements will be at least two to four years away. The flooding problem for some is also because they bought property and built homes in flood-plain areas.

Humility helps

Confidence is critical when interviewing for a job, but executives warn against too much of a good thing. In a recent survey, 50 percent of chief financial officers said arrogance is the worst characteristic a management-level candidate can reveal. Of the some 1,400 CFO's surveyed by RHI Management Resources, 50 percent said displaying arrogance is the worst mistake a candidate can make, followed at a distance 13 percent who said avoiding difficult questions or being unprepared to discuss specific achievements were major pitfalls. Asking up-front about compensation and benefits was also listed as a no-no.

In other news

■ Don Woodyard, *Courier* staff writer, and Richard Shrum, *Courier* publisher, have been named to the Texas Association of School Board's Media Honor Roll. Woodyard was nominated by the San Elizario ISD and the Clint ISD, which also nominated Shrum. This honor roll recognizes media representatives statewide for fair and balanced reporting of news about public schools. Their names will appear in the August/September issue of the TASB's *Texas Lone Star*.

■ Michelle J. Brown, creator and director of the public relations firm Hollyglen Communications, achieved a three-year national accreditation renewal from the Public Relations Society of America (PRSA) effective this month, according to a representative of PRSA's Universal Accreditation Program. As one of the region's only independent nationally accredited PR practitioners in an El Paso advertising/PR agency, she has held the certification since 1996. She's one of only seven in the

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As a rule, the freedom of any people can be judged by the volume of their laughter.

— Quips and Quotes

El Paso Electric transmission lines move through Horizon City



HIGH WIRE ACT — Massive silver poles to carry 115kV electric lines have risen along Horizon Blvd. in recent weeks as part of a 14.4-mile, \$6.1 million line extension project to connect El Paso Electric's Montwood substation to the Horizon City substation. The line will ultimately connect with yet another substation in the Sparks area. The poles on Horizon Blvd. are taller than those along other parts of the transmission line as part of an agreement to help protect residents and motorists from electro-magnetic fields.



STILL NEEDS DRESSING — As part of a health and safety agreement with Horizon City resident Jim Munafo almost two years ago, El Paso Electric agreed to construct a rock wall around this Horizon substation. Still unshielded, the station sits only yards away from Horizon's only city park and the Oz Glaze Senior Citizens Center. Children practice on the baseball field directly across the street from the substation.

Horizon council looks at code enforcement officer hiring

By Arleen Beard
Special to the Courier

HORIZON CITY — Horizon City Councilman Rafael Padilla is concerned over the need to address violations of various city ordinances.

At the regularly scheduled Horizon City Council meeting on July 9, Padilla brought up the possibility of hiring a Code Enforcement Officer to be responsible for alerting offenders of violations of Horizon City's regulations.

Padilla said he feels this would benefit Horizon because this would allow the city to enforce ordinances at a more successful rate than is being done at the present time. It was mentioned that the officer would probably report to the Building Inspector.

Mayor Pat Randleel said she recognizes the need for such an officer, but expressed concern over funding the salary for this position whether they be an independent contractor, a part-time city employee or full time city employee. Regardless of the type of contract, the monies need to be available before this could become a reality, she said.

Further details and research needs to be done before the city can proceed on the Code Enforcement Officer position, it was decided.

In other business, Council considered and approved the minor preliminary and final plat for Emery Subdivision and also approved park fees in lieu of parkland for Horizon Manor 8A.

Permission was also given to the Flowering Cactus Neighborhood Crime Watch Program to host its 4th Annual Block Party. Block Captain Herb Beard approached Council to request permission for the block party scheduled for Aug. 3, 2002 to begin around 7:00 p.m. In the previous three years, this block party has been a success because

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Exuberant exhibition of light and color define the works of Chilean artis

The work of Chilean born artist Ruby Aránguiz, in an exhibition entitled *Embraced by Light and Color*, will open on Thursday, Aug. 1, 5-7 p.m., in the Los Paisanos Gallery of Chamizal National Memorial, 800 South San Marcial, El Paso, Texas, with a reception for the artist. The public is invited. The painting shown at left is entitled *Fishermen of Portugal*. Dr. Barbara Mujica, professor of Spanish at Georgetown University, has linked Aránguiz' work in the past decade with a "growing number of Latin American



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One perspective

By Francis Shrum

Opinionators

The President didn't call this morning.

He didn't call yesterday, either, or the day before. Come to think of it, he's never called to see what I thought about the issue of the day.

What's the matter with him? Doesn't he know I have an opinion?

Opinions are, apparently, the most interesting thing in the news these days, far above actual happenings. Everybody has an opinion, and in America today, we believe ours is the most important one, be we the mailman, the custodian, or the McDonald's fry cook.

Some people say that when Al Gore was running for the presidency he didn't brush his teeth without first taking a public opinion poll concerning what kind of toothpaste he should use or whether he should brush at all.

In Gore's defense, he wasn't the first, nor the only, politician to live or die by the polls. He was just a contender to become one in a long line of so-called leaders that govern according to which way the wind is blowing this morning.

Unfortunately, the public opinion poll is fairly useless because the average American "opinionator" changes his opinion like he changes his shirt.

I get a chuckle out of these so-called interactive programs in which various news pundits invite little ole me to call in and voice my opinion.

Oh, great day in the morning! I thought no one would ever ask! Rush to the phone and call in because I want the whole world to know that I believe John Walker Lindh should be hung from the light posts by his heels and pummeled with rotten tomatoes — or no! Wait! Maybe I think he's just a misguided youth who made a mistake! Maybe we should simply slap his hands and let him go with a shame-on-you! Oh, I don't know! But I sure have to call in before I lose

this priceless opportunity to have my voice heard!

In all honesty, your opinion and mine isn't worth the air we pollute expounding it.

Except, of course, you are Allan Greenspan.

He's often referred to around our house as "the scariest man in the world." When Greenspan talks, people don't just listen. They either run for cover or rush to fling their life savings under the thundering hooves of the bulls.

We sometimes joke about a scenario where he turns to his news correspondent wife Andrea Mitchell at the breakfast table over coffee and says:

"Hey, honey, watch this. Boo! Ha, ha, did you see that investor faint at his keyboard?!"

Well, I don't think Greenspan actually takes his responsibility that lightly but I do believe it has almost that effect on the stock market.

On Tuesday morning, Greenspan addressed the nation. With typical arrogance, the news media wouldn't just deliver his message uninterrupted into my living room. Instead, they spent days before hand speculating on what they thought he *might* say, continually interrupted his address to tell me what *they thought* he was saying, and the next few days will be spent dissecting his words and expounding their opinion on what *they believe* he said.

They do this to the President everytime he gives a speech.

Of course, I'm no Karen Hughes, but if he'd just give me a call, I'm sure I could shed some sage and discerning light on whether we should blast the stuffing out of Saddam or spend a few trillion jillion bucks on prescription medicines — no, wait — we should spend that last jillion on education or...

Oh, well, maybe tomorrow. Because an opinion as important as mine can't go unnoticed forever.

So, what do *you* think?



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



Man on the moon

Thirty-three years ago this week, America made reality out of a dream. We put a man on the moon. We achieved a feat that many on Earth thought was impossible. We met the challenge

President John F. Kennedy set forth on May 25, 1961: "I believe that this nation should commit itself to achieving the goal, before this decade is out, of landing a man on the moon and returning him safely to the earth."

Those of us from the black and white TV generation remember where we were on that July day when Neil Armstrong lowered himself onto the moon's surface and uttered the words: "This is one small step for man and one giant leap for Mankind." That picture marked the end of a race between America and the Soviet Union, our flag on the moon's surface marking the finish line.

Today, shuttle missions have become a common occurrence. Space still inspires our imaginations, but now our dreams are not of walking on the moon, but traveling to Mars. Schoolchildren are forming Mars clubs — clubs dedicated to learning about it, and preparing for

the day not too far in the future when maybe they will be among the first astronauts to step foot on the red planet.

In our memory, our successes are measured by these images: the first man in space, the first man on the moon, the first manned space station and someday the first man on Mars. But much of the success of the space program can be measured right now, right here, by the improvements in our every day lives that have resulted from the journey thus far.

For instance, the extremely small electronic circuits used for pacemakers for people with heart problems were developed for space technology. A special coating created to protect from rust and very hot smoke to cover rockets and space shuttles, was used to paint the Statue of Liberty, to protect her from erosion. Our entire tech economy is a product of the technology created from the space program. The trillions in our Gross National Product growth stems from those instruments made 40 years ago.

America is still charging into the final frontier. Some predict that, within the next 50 years or so, we'll be taking vacations on the moon. Ridiculous? Perhaps, but they laughed at Columbus, too.

Write stuff

Dear Editor:

When I visit a computer store, they often have a sale. This sale usually involves a rebate. I pay the standard price and am entitled to a rebate. But often I don't get it because:

- 1) I never hear back from the company. Maybe they blame the post office.
- 2) I did not meet the terms of the offer such as not provide the proper

paperwork — I am not a lawyer; or did not cut out all the correct bar codes — I am not a snipper.

3) I did something wrong but they assume I know what it is — I cannot read their minds.

The store should give you the rebate immediately and:

- 1) We would save on postage.
- 2) We would not wait eight weeks for the rebate — the computer is supposed to be fast.
- 3) The cartons would not be de-

stroyed — which makes it harder to return products.

4) The sales tax would be on the purchase price, not the artificially high list price.

5) One would be sure of the final price.

The computer companies make millions and the hiring of high-priced lawyers to avoid the rebates cause me to get disgusted with computer sales.

Mark Connolly
Horizon City



Phamiliar phrases
"Achilles' heel"

Any small but potentially fatal weakness. The mythical war hero Achilles was dipped in the River Styx as a baby to grant him invulnerability; only his heel remained dry, held by his mother. He later died from a wound to his heel.

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'ARNOLD AND I HAVE AN FBI-CIA RELATIONSHIP...NO COMMUNICATION.'

View from here By Ed Archuleta

PSB GM says regional water authority is not needed

During the 1970's and 80's, colonias developed outside the city of El Paso in El Paso County. These illegal subdivisions were developed where unscrupulous developers sold tracts of land without the necessary infrastructure to unsuspecting citizens. Years later, the State legislature passed regulations that stopped the proliferation of colonias. Nonetheless, a problem existed.

In 1990, the El Paso Water Utilities Public Service Board (PSB) prepared the initial master plan for services outside the city. We have since completed over 30 projects, representing approximately \$156 million, on behalf of the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB). Most of the funding came from TWDB grants and/or low interest loans to the water districts and/or County of El Paso. Rural Development and Community Development contributed resources through Block Grant funds issued directly to communities outside the city and the County of El Paso. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. Corps of Engineers, and the County of El Paso also provided assistance. There have been no El Paso Water Utilities funds committed toward these projects.

As the program nears completion, water is available to approximately 53,000 residents; sewer service is available to approximately 29,000

residents and many more can be connected. El Paso Water Utilities now provides water and/or sewer services on a wholesale basis to the Lower Valley Water District, Haciendas del Norte Water Improvement District, the County of El Paso, Homestead Municipal Utility District, and the Ponderosa and Western Village Water District. Canutillo and Westway Control and Improvement District receive direct retail services.

The PSB recently received a \$500,000 Border Environment Cooperation Commission grant to update the master plan. This is a joint effort with the County of El Paso, which is working cooperatively with El Paso Water Utilities. The study will document areas that have been served, so that an accurate database can be created.

The study will also document areas needing services, the engineering requirements and cost of providing services, and funding programs that might be available. Unfortunately, the bond issues approved by the Texas Legislature 12 years ago and the monies previously appropriated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency are no longer available.

A second portion of the study will examine growth, jurisdictional, and development issues outside the city in terms of where growth corridors should occur commensurate with

good infrastructure planning and who will provide the services. Particular attention must be paid to the growth in East El Paso County because of dwindling groundwater in the Hueco Bolson.

In summary, the PSB has played a major role in managing and providing utility services outside the city. Many local, county, state, and federal legislators and entities assisted, particularly in funding, thus improving the quality of life and health benefits to the region. Also, not-for-profit organizations such as EPISO (El Paso Interreligious Sponsoring Organization) deserve immense credit for their advocacy in getting water to people.

In 1996, the Legislature designated the PSB as the regional planner for water and wastewater services in El Paso County. We've taken that role very seriously and will continue to do so to ensure quality services at a reasonable cost.

Therefore, the proposal before the County of El Paso Commissioners to create a Regional Water Authority in El Paso County is not necessary and would only create more cost and bureaucracy to the ratepayers of this region.

(Ed Archuleta is General Manager of the El Paso Water Utilities Public Service Board)

TRUE TEXAS FACTS by Roger Moore July 25, 1974,

Congresswoman Barbara Jordan of Houston delivers her famous "We the people" speech.





Art

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women (who) have shaped new scenes in the visual arts." Her work is found in private collections in Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, England, France, Holland, Japan, Mexico, Spain, Switzerland and the United States. She has both studied and taught at the Rockefeller Foundation in New York. Her work has been published on the covers of 33 books, including five books of the Chilean writer Isabel Allende. She works in several media, including oil, pastel, acrylic, charcoal pencil, etching and serigraphy. The artist will attend the opening reception. For additional information, call 532-7273. The Painting above is entitled *Party Outside*.

Horizon

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it brings all the neighbors together, allowing opportunity to get to know each other and strengthen the success of the Neighborhood Watch Program.

"People feel safe in our neighborhood and I feel a big reason for that is the fact that we have a Neighborhood Crime Watch Program," Beard said. "It would be great if other neighborhoods would begin their own Crime Watch Program. The program helps out our city police department."

TPPF social studies textbook review finds hundreds of problems in proposed books

AUSTIN, Texas — Sixteen classroom teachers and college professors have completed their review of social studies textbooks presented by publishers for use in Texas classrooms, finding that none meet the exacting standards of academic excellence, though with some work they could.

In fact they found more than 500 factual errors, and hundreds of additional problems with insufficient discussion of key people, places and events. The complete listing of factual errors were submitted to the Texas Education Agency on July 10.

The Texas Public Policy Foundation commissioned the review, asking reviewers to examine each proposed textbook to determine its conformity to Texas curriculum standards, balanced presentation of ideas and people, and academic accuracy.

The entire textbook review, supporting documents and background information is available at the TPPF website: www.tppf.org.

"TPPF is not calling, and will not call, for the rejection of any textbook, but we hope publishers will want to ensure their textbooks meet the highest academic standards," said TPPF director of education research Chris Patterson. "We have not asked, and will not ask, for content to be removed, rather we want content added to ensure that every topic is treated fairly and presented accurately."

Some examples of factual errors found in the TPPF review include:

- A textbook states that Rosa Parks took a seat in the middle section of the bus where both African-American and Whites were allowed to sit. In fact, there was no shared or integrated seating on buses; Whites sat in the front of the bus and African-Americans sat at the back if there were enough seats for Whites. Rosa Parks took a seat in the front of the bus and was asked to move to the back. Her refusal to give her seat up sparked a boycott against segregated busing.

- A textbook states that John Marshall was the first Supreme Court Justice. In fact, John Jay was the first Supreme Court Justice.

- A textbook states that Matthew Perry "convinced" Japan to open trade relations with the United States. In fact, Matthew Perry's "persuasion" was the armed navy that threatened to invade Japan if the nation did not agree to open commerce.

Additionally, TPPF reviewers were concerned with the insufficient information about important people, places, dates, and events — the history that teachers and scholars believe Texans need to know. Some examples TPPF recommend included:

- A textbook describes William Jennings Bryan as a "lawyer and politician" who was a pacifist and advocate of neutrality during World War

I. Student understanding of history and the importance of William Jennings Bryan would be better served if the textbook portrayed him as the U.S. Secretary of State between 1913 and 1915 who resigned over President Wilson's militaristic response to the sinking of the Lusitania.

- A textbook describes the role played by Japan in World War II but does not identify the reasons why Japan entered the war. The textbook does not describe the economic depression in Japan, population pressures, social tensions and the influence of the military in Japanese culture.

- A textbook states that the Preamble of the Constitution authorizes the national government to ensure that citizens will be free from poverty, hunger, and disease. The textbook should provide information about the Framers beliefs about government's responsibility for the "general welfare" of the people. James Madison, for example, defined it as those powers enumerated in the Constitution and stated that "I cannot undertake to lay my finger on that article of the Constitution which granted a right to Congress of expending, on objects of benevolence, the money of their constituents."

Go to www.tppf.org to view the entire 2002 Social Studies Textbook Review.

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The Canutillo Independent School District manages a Pest Control Program in accordance with Integrated Pest Management procedures prescribed by the Texas Structural Pest Control Board.

The District provides pest control services in-house. The District pesticide applicator is licensed through the Texas Structural Pest Control Board. The applicator has been scheduled to perform indoor applications of pesticides on a monthly basis. On occasion, requests are made for indoor pesticide applications for special purposes.

Information on the times and types of pesticide applications is available at the request of the parents, guardians, or managing conservators. Information may be obtained by writing to:

Department for Support Services
Canutillo Independent School District

P.O. Box 100
Canutillo, Texas 79835

ASBESTOS MANAGEMENT PLAN PROGRAM NOTICE

The Canutillo Independent School District, in compliance with government regulations requiring the development of a written plan for the management of Asbestos Containing Building materials (ACBM's) in schools, maintains on record, a management Plan for each campus and facility.

School Districts nationwide have expanded a great amount of effort and substantial number of dollars in identifying materials in our buildings which may contain even small amounts of asbestos. Many of these materials are the same materials we may have in our homes: some are located in areas not accessible to students or teachers; others are covered with protective covering which restrict direct access. The intent of the government requirements is to identify these materials and develop a written document dealing with the ways of managing them to ensure that they continue to be non-threatening.

A mandated 3-year reinspection was recently completed and was placed on record at the District's main office and at each school. The EPA requires that schools perform both visual and physical assessments of condition of asbestos containing materials in the schools in the form of a six-month periodic surveillance inspection and

a three-year re-inspection, respectively. Asbestos abatement activity is scheduled in the schools to facilitate planned renovation projects and maintenance work in schools where asbestos is present. All activities involving asbestos are recorded in the Management Plans and are available for review during normal business hours at either the school's administrative office or the Support Services Office, 7710 Cap Carter Rd. Copies can be obtained for a nominal fee.

AVISO A TODAS LAS PERSONAS INTERESADAS

Los programas sobre materiales reglamentados por el gobierno estatal y federal requieren que todos los estudiantes, personal, padres, y otras personas interesadas les sea provisto información tocante a estos programas obligatorios.

AVISO DEL PROGRAMA DE TRATAMIENTO PARA CONTROL DE PLAGAS

El Distrito Escolar Independiente de Canutillo administra un programa de control de plagas en conformidad con los procedimientos prescritos por la junta del Control de Plagas Estructural de Texas. El Aplicador ha sido programado para que haga aplicaciones interiores de insecticidas una vez al mes. Hay ocasiones en que se hagan aplicaciones de insecticidas en el interior de edificios por razones especiales.

A petición de los padres, guardianes o conservadores dirigentes, esta disponible la información tocante a las horas y tipos de pesticidas que se usaran en las aplicaciones. Está información se puede obtener escribiendo al:

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AVISO DEL PROGRAMA DEL PLAN PARA EL CONTROL DE ASBESTOS

El Distrito Escolar Independiente de Canutillo, en conformidad con los reglamentos del gobierno que requieren el desarrollo de un plan escrito para el control de materiales de construcción que contienen asbestos (ACBM's) en las escuelas, mantiene en archivos un plan para cada escuela o edificio del distrito escolar.

Distritos Escolares a través del país han invertido una gran cantidad de esfuerzo y una cantidad sustancial de dólares en identificar aquellos materiales en nuestros edificios que pueden contener aun pequeñas cantidades de asbestos. Muchos de estos materiales so los mismos materiales que tenemos en nuestros hogares; algunos se encuentran en áreas que no son accesibles a los estudiantes o maestros, otros están cubiertos con capas protectoras que no

permiten el acceso directo. La intención de los reglamentos del gobierno es de identificar estos materiales y desarrollar un documento escrito que trate las maneras de controlarios y así asegurar que no sean peligrosos.

Una reinspección obligatoria cada 3 años fue recientemente terminada y la información fue archivada en la oficina de Administración del distrito escolar y en cada escuela. La EPA (Agencia Protectora del Ambiente) requiere que las escuelas lleven a cabo inspecciones visuales y físicas de la condición de aquellos materiales que contienen asbesto, por medio de una vigilancia o inspección cada 6 meses, y una reinspección cada 3 años respectivamente. El control de asbesto en las escuelas en programado para facilitar todos los proyectos de renovación y de mantenimiento de proyectos en las escuelas donde hay asbesto. Todas las actividades que implican asbesto son anotados y archivados en los planes de administración y pueden ser revisados durante las horas de oficina de la escuela o en las Oficinas de Support Services, 7710 Cap Carter Rd. Se puede obtener copias por un costo bajo.

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Proposals will be received at Business Services Dept., 12300 Eastlake Drive, El Paso, Texas 79928 until the specified times. Detailed specifications are available from the above office between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Mondays through Fridays.

GARAGE SALES

GARAGE SALE: Friday-Saturday, July 19-20, 19005 Bremerton Drive, Horizon City, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Furniture and miscellaneous items.

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Alcoholics Anonymous Group Paso Del Norte meets at 8501 Kingsway in Westway, Monday-Saturday, 8 p.m. Call 886-4948 for information.

Alcohólicos Anónimos Grupo Paso Del Norte sesiones lunes a sábado, a 8-9 de la tarde, 8501 Kingsway, Westway, 886-4948 para información.

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. Información: 859-0484.

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Rural business coop in Washington intended to aid rural and agriculture enterprises

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The U.S. Department of Agriculture has announced its Rural Business-Cooperative Service and will hold a public meeting in Washington for interested persons to express their views on implementing the new Agricultural Innovation Center Demonstration Program.

"Expanding business opportunities in rural areas and increasing farmers income is an important priority for USDA and the Bush Administration. The Agricultural Innovation Center Demonstration Program will go a long way toward helping farmers realize their full income potential through the development of value added enterprises," said Deputy Under Secretary for Rural Development Mike Neruda.

The Agriculture Innovation Center Demonstration Program, created with the recent passage of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002, will provide farmers with sound technical, financial, and business advice as they consider new value added enterprises. Not more than five centers will be established in the first year of the program; and not more than ten in the second year.

The meeting will be held July 31, 2002, between the hours of 9 am and 4:30 p.m. (EST). The location will be Room 107-A, Jamie Whitten Building, USDA, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC. Written comments can be accepted through Aug. 6, 2002. Those interested in making a presentation at the meeting should send a written request to Wendy Dotson, Office of the Deputy Administrator for Cooperative Services, Room 4016, Stop 3250, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250. Further information on the meeting can also be obtained from the July 11, 2002 edition of the Federal Register.

USDA Rural Development serves as the lead federal entity for rural development needs and administers financial and technical assistance through three agencies: Rural Housing Service, Rural Business-Cooperative Service and Rural Utilities Service. Further information on USDA Rural Development can be obtained by contacting any USDA Service Center or by visiting USDA's web site at <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/>

Veterans serving in 60s may want check-up

By Freddy Groves

The Pentagon now admits that from 1964 to 1968, it conducted four tests in the Pacific using one of three substances: the nerve agent sarin, the nerve gas VX or a biological toxin that causes flu-like symptoms. And because these tests were not previously made public, anyone who suffered any ill effects could never be sure what caused their problems, nor could they hope to have their complaints investigated — let alone treated — by the government.

But, according to Dr. Michael E.

Kilpatrick, a Defense Department health official, there's no need to worry, since the (admittedly sketchy) ships' logs indicate no ensuing health problems with the ships' personnel. "We believe if anything catastrophic happened or...large numbers of...people (took ill), it would be in the log," said Kilpatrick.

What about delayed reactions? Were notes kept of complaints by former personnel that could tie into the tests?

In any event, Rep. Mike Thompson, D-Calif., who, along with a num-

ber of veterans, has been pressuring for release of the test details, advises that if you served aboard the ships in question, you should be getting a notification from the DOD.

(Note: The only two ships' names I have at present are the USS George Eastman and the USS Granville S. Hall. If you are not contacted, and suspect you should be, call your local VA office and ask them to check if the ship you were on was one of the four.)

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Strange but true

By Samantha Weaver

• Add to the list of ill-conceived newspaper headlines: "Panda mating fails; veterinarian takes over."

• In the 19th century, many cities in America experienced a flood of immigration from Ireland. These immigrants often lived in crowded slums, and drunkenness and rioting were fairly commonplace. When the police arrived, they brought with them vehicles to cart off those they arrested. Since the police (and the offenders) were often of Irish descent, these vehicles came to be known as "paddy wagons," "Paddy" being a shortened form of Patrick.

• Hippopotamus teeth can weigh as much as six pounds.

• The woman's name "Melanie" is derived from the Latin word "melania," meaning "dark."

• It was deadpan comedian Steven Wright who observed: "A clear conscience is usually the sign of a bad

memory."

• Have you ever seen an arion ater? You might not realize it, but I'm sure you have. The creature so named is commonly known as a slug.

• Early car windshields were very dangerous because they would break into tooth-like radial shards around the neck of accident victims being ejected through them, often causing fatal lacerations or even decapitations.

• Mechanics and engineers can tell exactly how hot an object (such as an engine component) is if they know two things: what color it glows and what material it is made of.

• An anteater can grow to be 6 feet long, but its mouth is no wider than an inch.

• Peanuts are used to make dynamite. Those with peanut allergies are therefore advised to avoid dynamite.

• The word "laser" is in common use, but few people know that it's actually an acronym: "Light Amplification by Stimulated Emission of Radiation."

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Canutillo Independent School District SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

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

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

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

If you would like more information or know of a disabled child who is not receiving educational services, please contact: Priscilla Caballero, Special Education Director, P.O. Box 100, Canutillo, Texas 79835, (915) 877-7450.

El Distrito Escolar de Canutillo **SERVICIOS DE EDUCACION ESPECIAL**

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

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

Se provee servicios a niños identificados como deshabilitados audible y visualmente que viven dentro del distrito desde nacimiento hasta la edad de 21 años.

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

Si usted desea mas información o sabe de un niño/niña deshabilitado que vive en el distrito escolar de Canutillo que no esta recibiendo servicios educacionales, favor de comunicarse con: Priscilla Caballero, Special Education Director, P.O. Box 100, Canutillo, Texas 79835, (915) 877-7450.

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Money will talk, million-dollar thug will walk

By Steve Escajeda
Special to the Courier

Will the real Allen Iverson please stand up — and for goodness sake, pay attention to your Miranda rights.

Iverson, once again, proved this week why much of the American public has a problem with his bad-boy image.

Whether he's feuding with his coach, the Philadelphia 76ers' Larry Brown, or cutting a profanity-riddled

rap C.D., or forcing his way into an apartment and threatening two men while carrying an unlicensed gun, Iverson just can't seem to grow up.

Allen Iverson, is not exactly Wheaties box material, is he?

Iverson turned himself in to authorities this week after he was charged with four felonies and 10 misdemeanors. I think that even breaks Mike Tyson's record.

All of his troubles started when he got into an argument with his wife and promptly threw her out of the

house — naked!

What kind of a sane person does that?

I guess Iverson got a little lonely because he decided to go out and look for her. That's when he, accompanied by his uncle, put a gun in his pants and went out to get her at his cousin's house.

There's nothing like family life. He forced his way into the house, couldn't find his wife or cousin but found two other guys there. Iverson questioned them, and I mean pulled-his-shirt-back-so-they-could-see-his gun kind of questions.

The two guys called the police and told them of Iverson's antics.

Police found the car his wife was driving when she was thrown out of the house — it had broken windows, rocks and blood inside.

Naturally, you or I would spend years in prison for this kind of behavior, but chances are that Iverson will get a smack on the wrist with one of those long hard metal rulers — but not much more.

Iverson still has \$70-million coming to him from the Sixers.

Money will talk and Iverson will walk.

To pay or not to pay

What's all this I hear about two Major League Baseball franchises having trouble reaching payroll?

It was reported last week that the

Detroit Tigers and the Tampa Bay Devil Rays may not be able to pay their players later this month.

You've got to be kidding me.

During these tense on-the-verge-of-a-strike-filled-times, that's the best the owners could come up with.

Owners

"We're so broke that we can't even the pay the players, we don't have any more money, we can't even — WHAT! Joe Superstar shortstop is available — offer him a seven-year deal worth \$150-million with another \$50-million in incentives and a signing bonus of \$10-million — hurry!!! Uh, where was I, oh yes, we can't even afford uniforms, and have you seen the escalating cost of weenies?"

I don't believe a single word that comes out of any owner's mouths any more.

Don't get me wrong, I'm not on the player's side of this either.

They are a bunch of greedy babies who could care less whether or not the average fan can afford to take the whole family to a game anymore, as long as they get their millions.

Both sides are wrong and the whole thing should just collapse so it could be rebuilt from scratch. I don't care anymore — any of you feel the same?

All-Star embarrassment: Last week's MLB All-Star game had all

you'd want in it, great catches, home runs, some good pitching and timely hitting.

But it also lacked some things — a winning or losing pitcher, an MVP, and last but not least — a final score!

The decision, by commissioner Bud Selig, to stop the game and call it a 7-7 tie after 11 innings has the entire nation buzzing.

A guy once said that any publicity is good publicity. That guy is probably out of a job right now.

Just when you thought baseball, which is on the verge of another work stoppage, couldn't possible shoot itself in the foot again, enter Selig.

The National and American League teams each fielded 30 players. Sixty players to chose from and they ran out.

Selig says he didn't have a choice. He said he couldn't risk an injury to a player.

Then why play the game in the first place? Somebody might get hurt in a game that doesn't count in the standings.

You know baseball could make this all better. Find every fan that can produce a ticket stub to the game and refund their money.

What's so hard about that? They were promised a full all-star game and didn't get it.

Maybe while we're at it we can refund the commissioner as well.



PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE NOTICIA DE REUNION PUBLICA

Lower Valley Water District invites you to attend a public meeting to discuss how you can save \$70 a year on your taxes.

El Distrito de Agua del Valle Bajo los invita a la reunión publica para discutir como puden ahorrar \$ 70. 00 al año en sus impuestos.

Date: Friday, July 19, 2002
Fecha: Viernes, 19 de Julio del 2002

Time/Hora: 6:30 p.m.

Place: LVWD Admin. Office
Lugar: 1557 FM Rd. I I 10
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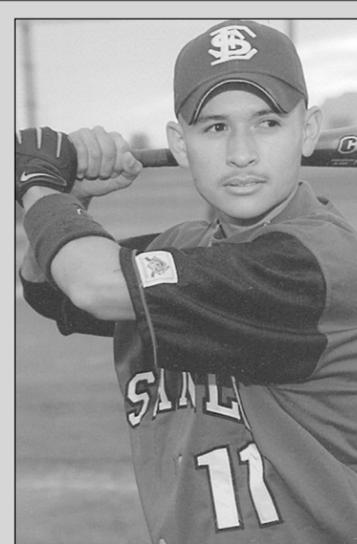
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Solis earned MVP

SAN ELIZARIO — Bo Solis, graduating senior at San Elizario High School, was named district 2-4A Most Valuable Player for his performance in Eagles varsity baseball. He has played baseball since he was a freshman, in positions that include pitcher, shortstop and first, second and third bases. He was also selected to the All-Star and All-City Team and was a First Team All-District and All-City pitcher his junior year. He is the son of Rene and Sandra Solis and plans to attend UTEP this fall. A regular on the honor roll, he was eighth in his class.

King Super Crossword

SNAP SHOT

- ACROSS
- 1 Unoriginal thinker?
- 6 Shimon of Israel
- 11 Sack
- 14 Actress Tilly
- 17 Fit to feast on
- 19 Barber of Seville
- 20 _ Baba
- 21 Conduit fitting
- 22 Speaker of remark at 44 Across
- 25 Golfer's gadget
- 26 Inventor Whitney
- 27 Playing card
- 28 Caustic
- 29 Actress Alicia
- 30 Spool
- 31 Karloff's colleague
- 35 Riyadh's religion
- 37 Deal with a dragon
- 40 Iraqi city
- 41 "Forget it!"
- 44 Start of remark
- 51 Bustle
- 52 Home on high
- 53 Russian ruler
- 54 Caviar
- 55 _ Branco, Brazil
- 56 Musical chord
- 57 Brandy bottle
- 59 Adds lace
- 61 London gallery
- 63 Always, poetically
- 64 Bucket
- 65 Monks' milieu
- 67 Glowing
- 69 Sharpshooter
- 72 Justice Fortas
- 73 Writer Hilaire
- 76 Like fine wine
- 77 Standard
- 79 Interstate exit
- 83 Trite
- 84 Coaxed
- 86 Laramie and Sumter
- 88 By means of
- 89 Inc., in England
- 90 South African plant
- 91 Thespian
- 92 Word form for "bone"
- 93 Part 2 of remark
- 100 Most competent
- 101 Produces prunes
- 102 Jacob's brother
- 103 Competitor
- 105 Truly
- 107 Neatnik's nemesis
- 110 Important numero
- 111 Absurd
- 114 Cry of contempt
- 115 Summer quencher
- 118 Capek play
- 119 End of remark
- 125 Exist
- 126 TV's _ Got a Secret"
- 127 "Dancing at Lughnasa" star
- 128 Beethoven symphony
- 129 Spearheaded
- 130 Dress size

- DOWN
- 1 Marseilles mother
- 2 Adored one
- 3 Conservative skirt
- 4 _ Saud
- 5 Baseball's Boyer
- 6 Brooch
- 7 "The _ and I" ('47 film)
- 8 Actress Cassidy
- 9 Miscalculate
- 10 Couches
- 11 Boxer Max
- 12 _ Really Want to Do" ('65 hit)
- 13 More lightheaded
- 14 Ancient science
- 15 Actress Verdugo
- 16 Shimmer
- 18 Bronte heroine
- 19 Weldon or Wray
- 23 Mario _ Monaco
- 24 Reserve
- 30 Rug type
- 31 Spiked the punch
- 32 Dos Passos trilogy
- 33 Kennel threat
- 34 Paddle
- 36 _ Tome
- 37 Hurt
- 38 Actress Cornell
- 39 In progress
- 40 Herding dog
- 42 1970 World's Fair site
- 43 Historic org.
- 45 Make a doily
- 46 "From _ Eternity" ('53 film)
- 47 Buffalo waterfront
- 48 Pasta peninsula
- 49 Refusals
- 50 _ Moines, IA
- 57 Lost luster
- 58 Schubert song
- 59 Recede
- 60 Mailer's "The _ Park"
- 62 First name in scat
- 64 Kid at court
- 66 Hungarian composer
- 68 Unwell
- 70 Raring to go
- 71 Distinctive eras
- 73 British spa
- 74 Strove
- 75 Religious sects
- 78 Comic Johnson
- 80 Maintains
- 81 Baryshnikov, familiarly
- 82 Couturier Jean
- 83 Diner order
- 85 Typical
- 86 Destined
- 87 _ Lanka
- 90 "Stroker _" ('83 film)
- 94 Cops' org.
- 95 Prohibited
- 96 "Kookie" Byrnes
- 97 Mispickel or

- galena
- 98 "Bah!"
- 99 Society miss
- 103 Bucolic
- 104 Harden
- 106 Full of gossip
- 107 Sea plea
- 108 Rob of "The West Wing"
- 109 Midwestern airport
- 112 Church area
- 113 Prayer finale
- 114 Seed
- 115 Dismounted
- 116 Art _
- 117 And more of the same
- 120 Ideologue's suffix
- 121 Singing syllable
- 122 "Tell _ No" ('65 hit)
- 123 Female turkey
- 124 Bagel partner

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Answer Page 7

Oh, say can you sing?

E.B. White once said, "Whatever else an American believes or disbelieves about himself, he is absolutely sure he has a sense of humor."

There's some truth to this — the National Bad Joke Index shows an alarming increase in Really Awful Jokes — but what modern Americans really believe about themselves is this: *they can sing!*

Oh, yes, they are blessed with a True Gift.

And many, many of these people really believe that they could make it big If Only Somebody Gave Them A Chance.

Well, the new reality show "American Idol" has done something hideously cruel: they gave them that chance.

Thousands and thousands of contestants from all over America walked out in front of three judges and sang. No stage, no accompaniment, no warm-up, no microphone.

And in the vast majority of cases: No Talent.

And let's be honest, America, we felt good.

There's just nothing quite like the simple joy of seeing someone stink up the joint.

Especially when further humiliation is heaped on them by judge Simon Cowell, a record producer and professional nasty person from Britain.

Which brings up a frightening shortage this country is facing: Why is the World's Only Remaining Superpower so lacking in sufficiently nasty game show hosts that we have to import them from England?

First, the "Weakest Link" psycho woman, and now this guy. What gives?

My favorite contestant was the girl who tried to give the judges a music lesson.

I don't recall what she sang — probably the result

of post-traumatic stress disorder — but I believe you could achieve the same sound if you tossed a wet cat in a barrel and rolled it down the driveway.

Following a performance that suggested powerful new methods in the War Against Terrorism, the singer (?) listened as the judge helpfully put his finger on what he believed to be the problem.

JUDGE: I don't think you sang a single note right. (He really said this, and *he* wasn't the nasty guy.)

TONE-DEAF GIRL (with how-could-you-be-so-stupid venom): I wasn't trying to sing the 'right' notes.

Oh.

Another girl couldn't understand why her audition went so badly. She *actually* said, I sound so much better in the shower.

Call the record company! They love to record in shower stalls! If nothing else, it'll make a great location for your CD cover photo!

Not that I'm a singer myself. I'm not even sure how to describe my voice: tenor, baritone, frog with its tonsils removed?

Whatever register I'm singing in seems to be the wrong one, so I'll switch back and forth.

I imagine that nearby listeners — or at least those not already employing earplugs or headphones with a recording of something more pleasant, such as the squealing of frightened pigs — wonder if I have dual personalities, each struggling to dominate the other so he can mangle the song in his own inimitable fashion.

The sad thing is, I can hear how bad it sounds.

If only they could hear me in the shower — especially with backup singers and a good orchestra.

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Briefs

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region and about 4,500 nationwide to hold the designation, one of PRSA's highest. Brown served as president of Prevent Blindness Texas' Metro El Paso Branch for four years and continues on the board of directors of Therapet Eldercare, the El Paso Veterinary Medical Association Feral Cat Program and its Annual National Pet Week Awards Banquet, the El Paso City/County Animal Shelter Advisory Committee by county appointment, and the El Paso Animal Hall of Fame. Her articles appear regularly in the *Courier*.

Amazon Outfitters will be featured during the Clint First Baptist Church Vacation Bible School July 29-Aug. 2, from 9 a.m. to noon. Area children, ages pre-K through 6th grade are invited to 200 Main Street for the event. For information call 851-3939 or 851-1599.

The No Limits Track Club extends appreciation to donors to the uniform fund. The summer track season has ended with the Regional Track Meet at UTEP last weekend, and the USTF Junior Olympic Cross Country season will begin in August. For more information contact Dick Harshberger, coach, at 852-9082.

The family of Sylvester Loya of San Elizario say they are very proud of him as he graduated from the U.S. Customs Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) in Glynco, Georgia as a U.S. Customs Inspector in February of 2002 and at the Canine Enforcement Training Center (CETC) in Front Royal, Vir-

ginia as a Canine Enforcement Officer (CEO) in June. Loya is a graduate of San Elizario High School, El Paso Community College and UTEP. The family also congratulates his canine assistant, Cinder.

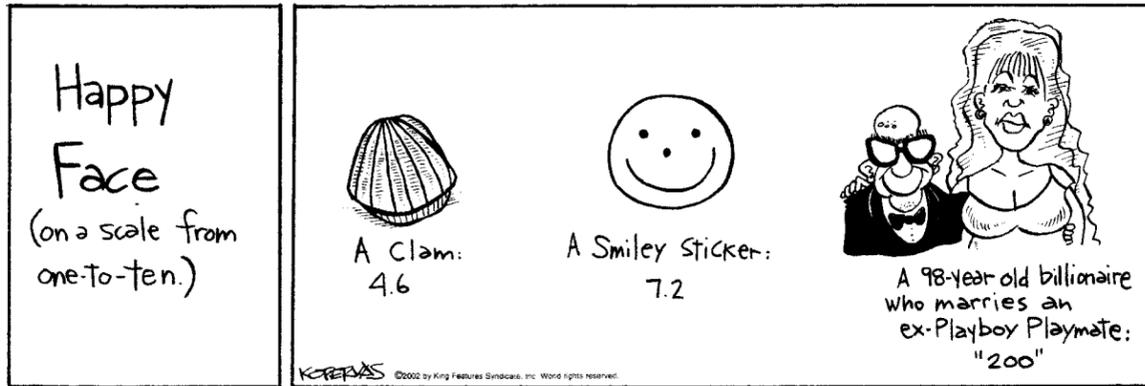
Three recent Socorro High School graduates finished third in the nation in the HOSA (Health Occupations Student Association) medical reading competition during the national confab in Anaheim, California. Brenda Cervera, Rocio Torres and Gabriela Hernandez won their way to the national meet by top placement at the state meet. They are coached by Nancy Hankins.

Computer classes for adults are being offered free of charge by the Socorro ISD Community Services beginning Aug. 5. Registration will be July 20-Aug. 2. Introduction to the Internet, e-mail and keyboarding will be held Monday through Friday, 1:30 to 2:45 p.m. at the Community Learning Center, 313 Rio Vista. Classes are open to any area resident age 18 or older. For more information call 860-6364 or 860-6350.

Applications for emergency agricultural loans for damages and losses attributed to drought that occurred beginning Jan. 1, 2001 are being accepted at the Farm Service Agency (FSA) office in Ft. Stockton. El Paso County has been recently named as being eligible for loans of up to 100 percent of actual losses or the amount needed to continue in business, at an interest rate of 3.75 percent for those unable to obtain private loans. For information call William McAnally at 915-336-5206, ext. 2.

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



Town of Anthony PUBLIC NOTICE

A PUBLIC HEARING will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 23, 2002 during the Regular Town Council Meeting at Anthony Town Hall, 401 Oak Street, Anthony, Texas. Purpose of the public hearing is to allow any interested person to appear and testify at the hearing regarding the following proposed ordinance(s) (second reading):

- 1) Ordinance No. 404 prohibits certain types of aggressive solicitation within the Town of Anthony, Texas. This ordinance carries a penalty for violation.

Ordinances are too extensive to print. Ordinances are always available for viewing or copying upon request from the Town Clerk at the above address. Those that are unable to attend may submit their written comments to the Town of Anthony, P.O. Box 1269, Anthony, Texas 79821. Persons in need of assistance to attend are encouraged to contact the Town Clerk at 886-3944.

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Canutillo names top teachers to vie for Regional honors

CANUTILLO — Lorena Salas, Childress Elementary School second grade teacher, will represent Canutillo Independent School District's elementary school teachers; and Jerry McMahan, Canutillo High School mathematics teacher, was named to represent CISD's secondary level teachers, as both vie for top Region 19 honors with candidates from the other school districts in the area.



Lorena Salas

The Texas Teacher of the Year program is coordinated locally by Region 19 Educational Service Center and statewide by Texas Education Agency (TEA).

The Texas Teacher of the Year program selects Regional Teachers of the Year at the elementary and secondary levels in each of the state's 20 education service center regions.

These Regional Teachers of the Year each receive a \$500 cash award from

the Southwestern Bell Foundation and become semi-finalists for the state Teacher of the Year event.

The Texas Elementary and Secondary Teachers of the Year are chosen from the regional winners. The state winners each receive an additional \$3,500 as well as other recognition and awards. The panel that selects these two outstanding

teachers also selects one of these teachers to represent Texas in the Na-



Jerry McMahan

tional Teacher of the Year program. Salas has been a teacher for nine years, the past three years at Childress Elementary School. She is an instructor in the Bilingual education program and campus coordinator for the Mother-Daughter program and Spanish Spelling Bee. She also is author of a bilingual children's book.

"I feel honored because it is a recognition from my colleagues, also I feel a lot of responsi-

bility because I represent Canutillo ISD and the Bilingual Education program," said Salas.

McMahan has been an educator for 30 years, the past 26 years at Canutillo High School. He has taught all levels of mathematics including algebra, geometry, pre-calculus and calculus classes. He has also taught biology and astronomy.

"I think that there are at least two dozen teachers at Canutillo High School who could have been selected to be secondary teacher of the year. I appreciate the honor bestowed upon me by my colleagues," said McMahan.

WEATHER

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SEVEN-DAY FORECAST FOR EL PASO

THURSDAY	THUR. NIGHT	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
A mix of clouds and sun with a stray t-storm.	Partly cloudy.	Clouds and some sun, maybe an afternoon t-storm.	A mix of clouds and sunshine.	Intervals of clouds and sun; chance of a t-storm.	Times of clouds and sun, perhaps a t-storm late.	Sunshine mixed with some clouds.	Clouds, some sun, chance of a t-storm.
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UV INDEX Statistics for noon.

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

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

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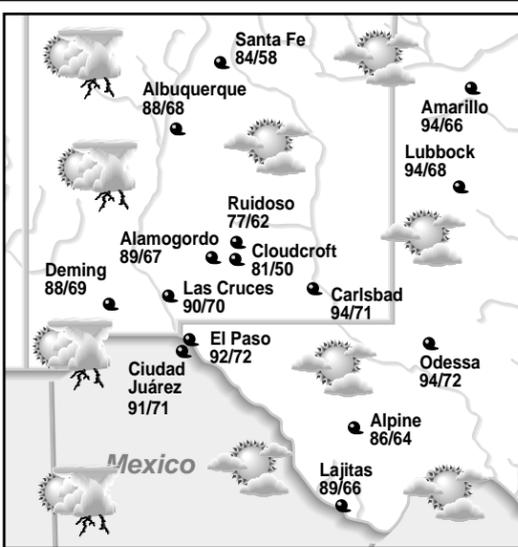
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Thursday	98°
Friday	96°
Saturday	97°
Sunday	96°
Monday	98°
Tuesday	97°
Wednesday	96°

TEXAS WEATHER

Anthony	92	72
Canutillo	93	73
Clint	91	72
E. Montana	92	72
Fabens	91	71
Horizon	93	73
San Elizario	89	71
Socorro	91	71
Tornillo	91	71
Vinton	93	73

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



TRAVELERS CITIES

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Albuquerque	88/68/pc	92/68/pc	92/68/pc	92/68/s	94/70/s
Atlanta	94/74/pc	92/74/pc	92/74/pc	92/72/pc	92/74/pc
Atlantic City	90/72/pc	84/70/pc	84/70/pc	86/72/pc	86/66/c
Austin/San Antonio	94/74/pc	96/74/s	96/74/s	96/74/pc	96/72/pc
Baltimore	96/72/pc	88/70/pc	88/70/pc	92/72/pc	92/66/c
Boston	88/66/pc	84/64/sh	80/66/pc	82/66/pc	83/68/t
Chicago	86/66/t	84/66/t	84/66/c	86/66/pc	86/68/pc
Dallas/Ft. Worth	94/74/pc	96/74/s	96/74/s	96/74/s	96/72/pc
Denver	90/62/s	88/62/pc	88/60/pc	90/62/pc	90/64/s
Flagstaff	78/52/pc	81/53/pc	81/53/pc	81/50/c	82/51/c
Houston	96/76/pc	96/76/pc	96/76/pc	96/76/s	95/72/pc
Kansas City	90/70/pc	90/70/pc	94/70/pc	92/68/t	94/68/pc
Las Vegas	98/80/s	100/80/s	100/80/s	105/82/s	105/84/pc
Miami	92/78/pc	92/78/pc	92/80/pc	92/78/t	89/75/pc
Minneapolis	84/64/t	82/66/t	84/66/t	86/66/pc	84/64/pc
New Orleans	94/78/s	93/77/pc	93/77/pc	92/77/s	92/74/pc
New York City	96/72/pc	86/70/pc	86/70/pc	88/72/pc	88/68/c
Philadelphia	96/72/pc	88/70/pc	88/70/pc	90/72/pc	90/66/c
Phoenix	102/82/pc	106/84/pc	108/84/s	108/85/s	108/84/s
Portland	76/56/pc	80/58/pc	82/60/s	86/62/s	86/62/s
San Francisco	64/54/pc	66/54/pc	66/54/pc	68/56/pc	66/54/pc
Seattle	72/54/c	76/56/pc	78/56/s	82/56/s	82/54/s
Tucson	96/76/pc	100/76/pc	100/76/pc	102/75/s	102/75/s
Washington, DC	96/76/pc	90/72/pc	90/72/pc	92/74/pc	92/68/c

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

AGRICULTURE

Expect 6-9 hours of sunshine on Thursday. While parts of the area may have a thunderstorm, the majority of the region will remain dry. Average rainfall with any thunderstorm should be less than 0.10 of an inch. Similar conditions are expected heading into the upcoming weekend with thunderstorms limited to few locations.

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