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NEWSBRIEFS

Remembering 9-11

The Horizon City Police Dept. will pay tribute to the casualties of Sept. 11, 2001, with a commemorative ceremony on Sept. 11, 2002 at 8:30 a.m. at the Horizon City Town Hall parking lot by the flag pole. Horizon City Mayor Patricia Randleel will read a proclamation designating this day as "9-11, We Will Never Forget." Then, at 8:45 a.m., the time when the first hijacked passenger jet American Airlines Flight 11 struck the North Tower of the World Trade Center, all the marked police vehicles will go to a "Code 3 mode" with red lights flashing and sirens sounding for one minute. This will be followed by one minute of silence. Then the flags will be lowered to half-mast, to stay in that position for the remainder of the day. The ceremony will be closed by Chief of Police Tony Aguilar, followed by benediction and prayer. The public is invited to attend.

30,000 official at SISD

Horizon Heights Elementary was the campus at which the 30,000th student in the Socorro Independent School District registered on Aug. 28. Maria Isabel De La Rosa, a second grader, was also celebrating her seventh birthday that day. She will make a special appearance at the Board of Trustees meeting on Sept. 17, a living milestone in the record-breaking growth that SISD has experienced since the early 1980s when the district had about 7,000 students and six campuses. Now the district is celebrating enrollment of 30,000 at 30 campuses — with three more schools to open in 2003 and two already on the drawing board. Hang on to your hat, though — the district expects to double its population within the next 10 years.

Clint superintendent

The Clint Independent School District will welcome its new superintendent, Dr. Donna Smith, on Sept. 9 at the regularly scheduled school meeting, to be followed by a reception for her at Carroll T. Welch Middle School in Horizon City.

In other news

■ J. L. Sambrano Elementary School will be hosting its fall Scholastic Book Fair Sept. 30 - Oct. 4. The book fair will be held in the library from 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. daily, and will be open until 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 2. A wide variety of books for children will be available, as well as educational software, and materials of interest to parents and teachers. For more information, contact Nancy Williams at 872-3950.

■ Two Socorro ISD campuses are collecting quality of life items to send to U.S. soldiers in Afghanistan to be delivered by Sept. 11. Escontrias Early Childhood Center and Escontrias Elementary School are collecting everything from candy and playing cards to toiletry items and microwave popcorn. The faculty and staff are donating DVDs, videocassettes, CDs and cassette tapes. The items are to be delivered by the Red Cross.

■ The Horizon City Municipal Court will be closed Sept. 16 through Sept. 18, 2002. The Court will resume regular hours on

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Famous last words: "Go right ahead, don't let that big truck crowd you off the road."

— Quips and Quotes



ART AS A WAY OF LIFE — Mike Dillard, assistant principal at Canutillo elementary School, points to the mural that will be officially dedicated during the Sept. 20 ceremony.

Creation of art intended to instill independent thinking, teacher says

By Alfredo Vasquez
Special to the Courier

CANUTILLO — Canutillo Independent School District's "Arts Against Drug Abuse" campaign will showcase the fruits of its efforts with the unveiling of three distinct mural projects and the presentation of recognition awards to youth participants during special ceremonies in September.

The murals are located at three locations including Canutillo ISD Administration Building, 7965 Artcraft; Damian Elementary School, 6300 Strahan; and Canutillo Elementary School, 651 Canutillo Avenue.

Separate ceremonies are planned for the unveiling of each mural. The Administration Building mural will be presented to the Canutillo ISD Board of Trustees during its next school board meeting at 6 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 10. The Damian ES and Canutillo ES mural celebrations are scheduled for Friday, Sept. 20. Damian ES's unveiling will be at 9 a.m., and Canutillo ES will be at 4:30 p.m.

"The campaign philosophy is based on the belief that the arts have a unique power to en-

gage and motivate youth," said Carlos Callejo, mural project facilitator and Canutillo ISD Project Link coordinator.

"Participants in our campaign have expanded their personal skills and resources, self-confidence, and self-reliance, thereby promoting an independent thinker attitude. This is a most important step in combating the influence of negative peer pressure, which is the main perpetuating force behind drug abuse," Callejo stated.

The mural to be installed in the administration building was done in the spring by Canutillo High School students under the supervision of Terri Trehorne, English and ESL teacher, and Ken Wolverton, artist facilitator.

Damian Elementary School students in the Peer Assistance Leadership (PAL) program completed their mural in May. PAL sponsor is Velia Acosta, Damian ES counselor. Wolverton also assisted the Damian ES students in this project.

Canutillo Elementary School's mural is the third of four murals completed by students under the direction of Callejo. Local muralist Gregorio Garcia has also been assisting in the project.

Licon's positive attitude has opened door to many opportunities

By Gloria Padilla
Special to the Courier

EL PASO COUNTY — This summer, Elvira Licon, who attended Clint High School, was selected to participate in the 2002 Summer Migrant Leadership Academy at the Loretto Convent. Students who attended the Academy lived in the convent's dorms for seven days while they attended various workshops. These mandatory workshops are structured to strengthen and build students' leadership skills.



Elvira Licon

Because of Elvira's observed characteristics such as her positive attitude, eagerness to learn, demeanor, and her program success, she was awarded with another great opportunity.

After her return to El Paso, she was chosen to attend the Bert Corona Leadership Institute located in Washington D.C. for seven additional days. Their goal is to train, develop, and empower migrant communities across the United States.

The Experience in Democracy Leadership Program (EIDL), a program available at the Institute, is a comprehensive civic leadership program designed to meet the needs of Migrant populations across the United States. Specific emphasis is on youth.

This program provided Elvira with non-partisan, "hands-on," customized training where she explored civic responsibility. By the end of the program, she gained a greater understanding on how democracy works in America.

Elvira returned to her new campus in the Clint Independent School District, Mountain View High School, with many benefits. She now has the opportunity to communicate via email and Internet to keep in communication with the EIDL. She will receive newsletters and special mailings to keep her informed about opportunities. In addition, she will have internship and scholarship opportunities to enhance her career choices, training, and personal growth.

Texas Medical Association concerned about ability of medical community to handle terror attack

AUSTIN — If your community suffers a bioterroristic attack tomorrow, how prepared would your health care providers be?

The answer may depend upon where you live, according to the September edition of *Texas Medicine* magazine, the official monthly news magazine of the Texas Medical Association.

Texas Medicine reports that multi-faceted efforts are underway to shore up knowledge and resources to thwart the effects of a disease outbreak as a result of bioterrorism. Federal funds are flowing to Texas to augment research and preparedness for the day when such readiness will be needed — and experts forecast it is a question of when, not if.

"I think it's very likely that there will be biologic agents used against us by our enemies," Ronald R. Blanck, DO, president of the University of North Texas Health Science Center and chair of TMA's Task Force on

Bioterrorism, told *Texas Medicine*. "Is it going to happen? Yes. What's the organism going to be? I don't know."

Part of the new federal money funded research to learn which Texas hospitals deemed themselves most ready for attack. Many hospitals proclaimed preparedness — to an extent.

"What the survey found was that the large hospitals seem to be better prepared than the smaller hospitals," said David Morgan, MD, medical director of the Central Texas Poison Center at Scott & White Hospital and a member of the TMA bioterrorism task force. "The trauma hospitals are better prepared than the non-trauma hospitals."

According to the magazine's reporting of the findings, many Texas hospitals are ready for an influx of 10 patients, but not prepared for a surge of hundreds, or more, of sick people all at once.

"How do you handle a surge of 500 pa-

tients?" asked Ron Hilliard, RN, coordinator of the Texas Department of Health Bioterrorism Hospital Preparedness Program. He said the project's next step focuses on helping hospitals plan to handle a large-scale event.

A second grant is beefing up the state's health infrastructure, which will benefit Texans regardless of bioterroristic threat. Approximately 70 percent of that money, for example, will help local health departments statewide detect, track, and investigate disease outbreaks.

While public health efforts are underway, academic physicians are taking steps to increase the anti-bioterrorism arsenal as well. *Texas Medicine* reports that the Center for Biodefense was recently created at The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, including a new laboratory where scientists will research some of the most virulent biological

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One perspective

By Francis Shrum

Moments of violence and mystery

The desert is a world unto itself. It only interacts with humans for brief, incredible moments before it draws the curtains of silence again, leaving us to speculate what simmers just below the surface, just beyond the realm of our perception.

Those moments are often violent. The bones of many a creature, both man and beast, have bleached white in the blazing sun after a struggle that only the desert remembers.

The black, blunt line of railroad track stretches for thousands of miles across the desert, much of it along Interstate 10. Standing on the track in the middle of a hot afternoon, a person can feel the power of this entity as almost a tangible thing. Massive steel cars will hurtle through the silence here in one brief moment that violently joins with the desert's mystery.

The wreck happened around 6 a.m. Saturday morning, July 6, 2002 about 15 miles east of Sierra Blanca in the wide-open expanse of Hudspeth County.

As the early morning light began to fully illuminate the rails, three engines pulling a train of more than 50 cars loaded with everything from ironing board covers to DVD players and tires shot across a length of track undermined by erosion from heavy rains the day before.

The engines made it across, but the rest of the cars weren't so fortunate.

In a grinding melee, the track gave way and the cars piled in on top of one another in the newly born ravine below.

The rain began falling Friday before the wreck. Residents of the area near the crash said they measured at least two inches of rain over a 24-hour period.

The rain had done what rain does in sandy terrain. In only a short time the water had created a void along one side of the rails, unseen until the crushing weight of the flying steel mass forced the rails to buckle.

Amazingly, the wreckage was almost entirely confined to the railroad right-of-way. The rail cars had folded themselves into an obscene sort of order.

Within hours the place was crawling with railroad officials, investigators, reps from the Environmental Protection Agency, geologists, and, of course, lawyers. Everybody except local law enforcement who were apparently the last to know.

The VIPs and their lesser agents streamed in along the bumpy dirt road that runs from I-10 down to the tracks, their shiny new SUVs, pickups and cars soon coated with a layer of white powdery dust. They parked as close to the wreck site as they could get, then they got out and walked. Sometimes they parked right in the road, unmindful that anyone



else might need to drive through.

Their first priority: Get the tracks repaired so the trains can keep running. Time is money, survival.

It is amazing what determined people with financial resources can do. In a fortunate turn of events they found a family that lived only miles from the site operated a heavy-equipment construction company.

Hang the cost, they said. Clear the tracks.

Shortly a new road was created along the tracks so the big clean-up vehicles could get through. They cleared brush from an acre or so of

University land adjacent to the site and hoisted the cars into a wretched row, bent and twisted. Broken cartons, merchandise and debris littered the desert near the site. They gathered the massive broken cargo for hauling away.

The track was soon joined again and the trains waiting on the side rails continued on their way. The people and their SUVs went away. The desert closed its eyes again, but it never sleeps.

A few weeks after the wreck I stood on the tracks at the site and tried to imagine the melee. All that re-

mained were the few bare acres where the broken rail cars sat awaiting ignominious transport, a few unused railroad spikes, a piece of steel rail that bore the marks of a cutting torch. The hot wind smoothed, then ruffled, a piece of debris flapping in a nearby mesquite.

I wondered about the chain of events that led to the derailment of the thundering train, events to which only the desert was witness.

No matter how long they investigate they'll never understand it all. The curtain has fallen and the desert is silent.

Write stuff

Dear Editor:

On Aug. 29, 2002, I was taking my daughter, Rosie Apodaca, to school. We were going north on Darrington Road when we heard a horrendous impact noise. At the intersection of Darrington Rd. and Temperance St. apparently there was a head-on collision.

We got off our truck and no one was around. I immediately called the Sheriff's department and advised them of a collision with multiple vic-

tims. We did not know which truck to run to first.

In one of the trucks I noticed a victim pinned behind the steering wheel. At this point Rosie climbed into the truck, compromising her safety with jagged edges and broken glass, to hold C-spine (align the head and spinal cord to prevent further injury.)

About five to 10 minutes (later) Officer Ruben Garcia from the Horizon Police Department arrived. He then approached me and I told him (the victim) was in critical condition since he was pinned behind the steering wheel (and I asked him) to please

expedite the Fire Department. The victim had (serious) injuries to the face but Rosie kept calm and a steady concentration in holding C-spine.

Ten minutes later the five Fire Department crew (members) arrived and a fire-fighter climbed in and relieved Rosie. At this time Rosie walked over to Officer Garcia and asked, what else can I do? The officer opened the trunk of his car and gave Rosie some traffic cones to put along the road to protect the victims that were laying on the roadway. When further emergency crews arrived she assisted them in holding IV bags and comforting the injured victims.

This is why I think my daughter Rosie Apodaca should be recognized (for her actions) in which she made a small contribution in a chaotic situation.

I consider her a small hero. I am her proud daddy.

Ray Apodaca
East El Paso County

Dear Editor:

We, the officers of Clint Little League, want to take this opportunity thank (the members of Clint Town Council) for their generous support of our organization. With the \$2,000 they gave us, we were able to purchase equipment for 10 teams. We purchased duffle equipment bags, batting helmets, full catcher's gear (including chest protector, catcher's helmet and mask, shin guards, and knee savers) for every team that needed them, baseballs, softballs, numerous bats, bases, and batting tees.

We were able to fulfill the "wish list" of every team that turned one in, thanks to their contribution. Over 120 boys and girls from the Clint area played ball this summer with the equipment they helped purchase. What an accomplishment!

It has been an enjoyable season for all involved. It would not have been possible without their support. Thank you again to the Clint Town Council for their generosity in supporting Clint Little League.

Kellye Hickman
Clint

PUBLIC NOTICE

Fair Housing Statement Town of Anthony, Texas

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

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

The Town of Anthony, Texas, has a Fair Housing Policy that can be examined and copied by groups or interested individuals at the Town Hall at 401 Oak Street, in Anthony, Texas between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

The Town of Anthony has proclaimed the month of April "Fair Housing Month"; copies of the official proclamation are available at the above address at the hours stated.

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

Art Franco, Mayor
Town of Anthony, Texas

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By U.S. Rep. Henry Bonilla

Keep on rolling!

I know each of you will agree with me when I say that the date Sept. 11, 2001 changed life as we know it. The last eleven months have been different than any in history. But from this tragedy, our nation has risen above adversity. In Congress, I've worked vigorously over the last year to re-shape and prepare our nation. I'm proud of our accomplishments and would like to take this time to look back on what we've done so far.

Homeland Security: Now, more than ever, the safety of our homeland must be examined. Congress is doing its part by watching over the security of our nation. We've passed an airline security measure and the Patriot Act, which gives the Department of Justice the tools needed to combat and prevent future terrorist acts. I played an influential role in legislation to reform and secure our nation's borders. And of course, we're ensuring adequate defense funding. This year's increase was the largest in 20 years. We're studying every issue that comes our way. With diligence and dedication, we will win the war against terrorism.

Veterans: Just two months ago, a major veterans initiative became law. The Congresses voted for and approved the Veterans Opportunity Act. This legislation expands outreach programs for departing servicemembers, veterans and dependants. The Act increases burial benefits and provides for family coverage under the Servicemembers Group Life Insurance. We've also approved \$500 million for major medical facility construction projects. And to commemorate the sacrifices of our veterans, I authored legislation calling for an annual Veterans' Day stamp. Once in print, a new and unique stamp would be released each year on Veterans' Day. We owe our veterans a huge debt of thanks. This stamp is just a small token of our unending appreciation.

Education: The U.S. House of Representatives enacted education reform that is already empowering parents and giving children greater opportunities. It's a common-sense approach that includes quality programs, accountability, dollars directly to the classroom, and parental involvement and responsibility. Education is not about government or bureaucrats or federal mandates. Education is first, last and always about children.

Health Care: For far too long, our political leaders have drowned in the details of health care. It doesn't have to be this difficult. Your Congress is working diligently with the president to ensure every American has access to affordable health care. We've already passed a prescription drug plan which will lower the costs of drugs and make them more available to more seniors. We've also passed a Patients' Bill of Rights that will leave medical decisions in the hands of physicians, instead of insurance companies. There is still a need for more nurses and other health professionals. That's why I'm working

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**Notice to Public Hearing
Town of Anthony, Texas**

**Project Completion and Closeout
Texas Community Development Program FY
2000 Contract #720-039**

The Town of Anthony will conduct a public hearing to solicit the input and participation of all its residents in its Texas Community Development Program project. Please attend this meeting and voice your opinion concerning the completion of the water system improvements financed with a grant from the Texas Community Development Program.

The hearing will include discussion of the completed activities of the TCDP-funded project and the Town's performance in implementing the project, including location, general cost, and project benefits.

DATE OF THE HEARING: Monday, Sept. 9, 2002
LOCATION OF THE HEARING: Town Council Room, Town Hall in Anthony, Texas
TIME OF HEARING: 5 p.m.

The Town of Anthony has a Citizen Participation Plan that provides for and encourages citizen participation at all stages of the Community Development Program; copies are available by request. Persons unable to attend these public hearings may submit their views regarding completion of the project at the Town Hall in Anthony, Texas.

Accommodations for handicapped persons will be available; handicapped persons in need of special assistance for attending the hearings are encouraged to contact the Town Clerk at (915) 886-3944.

El publico en general está invitado a asistir a estas audiencias. La presentación y discusión del Programa de Desarrollo de la Comunidad del Estado de Texas se haran en español para aque las personas que asi lo deseen.

Art Franco, Mayor Date Published: 09/05/02
Town of Anthony, Texas

**Town of Horizon City
PUBLIC NOTICE**

A PUBLIC HEARING will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 10, 2002 during the Regular City Council Meeting at City Hall, 14999 Darrington Road, Horizon City, Texas. Purpose of the public hearing is to allow any interested persons to appear and testify regarding the following proposed ordinance(s):

- 1) Proposed Amendment No. 009 to Subdivision Ordinance No. 0035;
- 2) Proposed Ordinance No. 0101 authorizing the Assessment and Collection of Property Taxes within the Town of Horizon City, Texas for the fiscal year commencing October 1, 2002 and ending on September 30, 2003.

Those who are unable to attend may submit their views in writing to the City Clerk of Horizon City. Ordinances are too extensive to print. Ordinances are always available for viewing or copying upon request from the City Clerk at the above address.

Sandra Sierra
City Clerk

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**NOTICE
OF VOTE ON
TAX RATE**

The Town of Horizon City conducted a public hearing on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of the Town of Horizon City by 11.99 percent on August 29, 2002.

The Town of Horizon City is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on Tuesday, September 10, 2002 at 5:30 p.m. at 14999 Darrington Road, Horizon City, TX 79928.

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PUBLIC NOTICE Town of Anthony, Texas

Policy Statement Establishing Nondiscrimination Based on Handicapped Conditions

The Town of Anthony, Texas, does not discriminate on basis of handicapped status in the admission to, access, participation, treatment, employment or benefit of its federally assisted programs or activities.

The Town Clerk of the Town of Anthony, at the Town Hall, 401 Oak Street, (915) 886-3944, has been designated to coordinate compliance with the nondiscrimination requirements contained in the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regulations implementing Section 504 (24 CFR Part 8, dated June 2, 1988).

Art Franco, Mayor
Town of Anthony, Texas

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PUBLIC NOTICE Town of Anthony, Texas

Policy Statement on Prohibiting the Use of Excessive Force by Law Enforcement Agencies of the Town of Anthony

The Town of Anthony, Texas, announces that it has adopted a policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement personnel within its jurisdiction against any individual engaged in nonviolent civil rights demonstrations. This policy is in compliance with Section 519 of Public Law 101-44, 1990, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act. Interested individuals or groups may obtain copies of this policy statement by calling (915) 886-3944 or by writing to the Town Clerk at P.O. Box 1269, Anthony, Texas 79821.

Art Franco, Mayor
Town of Anthony, Texas

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13105 Thea Smith in Horizon City - just off Horizon Blvd. 9 a.m. till 3 p.m. NO EARLY BIRDS! Toys, clothing and household items.

PETS

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SELF-HELP OPPORTUNITIES

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

for information.

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

Persons who have a problem with alcohol are offered a free source of help locally. Alcoholics Anonymous Group 8 de Enero meets at 15360 Horizon Blvd. in Horizon City-Mondays through Saturdays at 8 p.m. Call 859-0484 for information.

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

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Anthony Independent School District 2002-2003 Meal Policy

The Anthony Independent School District serves breakfast and lunch every school day. All children in the District will receive a reimbursable meal at no charge through the academic year of 2002-2003. All children will receive a free breakfast and a free lunch regardless of income. In the operation of the child feeding program no child will be discriminated against because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, age or national origin.

El Distrito Escolar Independiente de Anthony Regla de Alimentos Año 2002-2003

El Distrito Escolar Independiente de Anthony ofrece desayuno y comida todos los días escolares. A todos los estudiantes del distrito se les servirán alimentos a ningún costo durante el año académico de 2002-2003. Todo estudiante recibirá almuerzo y comida gratis no tomando en cuenta ingresos. En el funcionamiento del programa de alimentación ningún niño ó estudiante será discriminando contra su raza, color, religión, sexo, incapacidad, edad o origen nacional.

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to ensure training programs for nurses and clinicians are adequately funded. These are real changes that will affect real people throughout our nation.

Corporate Responsibility: In the wake of accounting scandals amounting to billions of dollars in pension losses and thousands of lost jobs, corporate accountability has become a household word. The House of Representatives has its eye on the issue. We recently passed the Pension Security Act, which will do its party by securing employees' retirements. We also passed legislation to stop accounting abuses. Congress and President Bush are working to improve corporate responsibility and restore public trust in our economy. There is not quick fix, but I know in time we can turn the tide of corporate accounting abuse.

These are only a few highlights of our tremendous accomplishments. Next week Congress will reconvene and will immediately get to work. We plan to pass the important Agriculture spending bill and other essential spending bills. We're also looking to the future and finding new ways to keep our nation safe, strong and prosperous.

Anthony Independent School District SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

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

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 child with disabilities who is not receiving educational services, please contact: Pat Caballero, 610 Sixth Street, Anthony, Texas 79821, (915) 886-6570.

El Distrito Escolar de Anthony SERVICIOS DE EDUCACION ESPECIAL

El distrito escolar de Anthony 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 Confidencia Educacionales de Familia de 1974 y Ley Publica 105-17, padres y alumnos adultos tienen el derechos de ver los archivos educativos. Polizas FL y FL-E explican los derechos, la confidencialidad, y el proceso para quejarse.

Si usted desea mas información o sabe de un niño/niña deshabilitado que vive en el distrito escolar de Anthony que no esta recibiendo servicios educacionales, favor de comunicarse con: Pat Caballero, 610 Sixth Street, Anthony, Texas 79821, (915) 886-6570.

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It is curious how much more interest can be evoked by a mixture of gossip, romance and mystery than by facts.
— Eleanor Roosevelt

Briefs

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Thursday, Sept. 19. Information: 852-1048.

■ The San Elizario Booster Club is offering an opportunity to serve in projects to improve and enhance the education provided by the San Elizario School District. Any parents, business owners or community members interested in joining

the San Elizario Booster Club can contact Fina Almanzar at 851-2573.

■ The Texas Historical Commission (THC) is hosting free regional workshops throughout the state featuring a variety of seminars and sessions keyed to preservation interests in a particular area. The workshops include tours of historic sites and areas of interest as well as opportunities to discuss preservation issues with THC archeologists, architects and historians. Upcoming regional workshops this

year include El Paso, Sept. 24 (Mountain/Pecos Region). The workshop offers a basic training session for county historical commission members, including instruction on the new Texas Preservation Handbook for County Historical Commissions. For more information, call the THC at 512/463-6100 or visit the web site at www.thc.state.tx.us.

■ Leopards, tigers and elephants combine with aerial artistry, the Flying Condors and the whirling

Wheel of Destiny to bring high-spirited hoopla to the Sun City with eight shows in three rings of the 51st Annual El Maida Shrine Circus, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 20-22, 2002, at the El Paso County Coliseum. Show times are Friday at 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday at 12 p.m., 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. Advance tickets are \$6 for child, \$8 for adult and \$10 for box seat while

at the door tickets are \$8 for child, \$10 for adult and \$12 for box seat. Active duty and retired military with I.D. will receive a \$2 discount per ticket. To charge tickets by phone, call (915) 544-8444 or log on to www.ticketmaster.com. El Pasoan and El Maida Shriner Mike Edwards returns to the circus as its ringmaster for the 22nd year, according to circus officials.

Anthony Independent School District Public Notification of Nondiscrimination in Career and Technology Programs

1) The Anthony Independent School District offers career and technology education programs in:

- Business Professions;
- Human Service Professions including culinary arts and cosmetology;
- Commercial Arts Professions
- Health Professions;
- Industrial Professions including air conditioning and refrigeration, electronics, plumbing and metal trades;
- Computer Professions including Macromedia certification, Microsoft Windows NT, microcomputer technician, and telecommunications and networking, and;
- Automotive Professions including diesel mechanics and automotive technology.

Admission to these programs is based on appropriate age, grade, aptitude and ability.

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

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

4) Anthony Independent School District will take steps to assure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in all career and technology programs.

5) For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the Title IX Coordinator/Section 504 Coordinator: Mr. Robert Ortega, (915) 886-6500, 610 Sixth Street, Anthony, Texas 79821.

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

1) *El Distrito Escolar Independiente de Anthony ofrece programas de carrera y tecnología:*

- *Profesiones en negocios;*
- *Profesiones en servicios humanos incluyendo artes culinarias and cosmetología;*
- *Profesiones en arte comercial;*
- *Profesiones en al salud;*
- *Profesiones industriales incluyendo aire acondicionado y refrigeración, electrónica, plomeria y oficio en el metal;*
- *Profesiones de computación como certificación de macromedia, Microsoft Windows NT, Técnico en micro-computación, telecomunicaciones, y red de radiodifusión, y;*
- *Profesiones automotrices incluyendo mecánica diesel y tecnología automotriz.*

Para admisión a éstos programas se basa en edad apropiada, grado, aptitud y habilidad.

2) *Es norma del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Anthony no discriminar por motivos de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo, ó impedimento, en sus programas, servicios, ó actividades vocacionales, tal como lo requieren el Título VI del Acta de Derechos Civiles de 1964, según enmienda; Título IX de las Enmiendas Educativas de 1972, y la Sección 504 de la Acta de Rehabilitación de 1973, según enmienda.*

3) *Es norma del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Anthony no discriminar por motivos raza, color, origen nacional, sexo, impedimento ó edad en sus procedimientos de empleo, tal como requieren el Título VI del Acta de Derechos Civiles de 1964, según enmienda; Título IX de las Enmiendas Educativas de 1972, la Ley de Discriminación por Edad de 1975, según enmienda; y la Sección 504 de la Acta de Rehabilitación de 1973, según enmienda.*

4) *El Distrito Escolar Independiente de Anthony tomará las medidas necesarias para asegurar que la falta de habilidad en el uso de la lengua inglés no sea obstáculo para la admisión y participación en todos los programas carrera y tecnología.*

5) *Para más información sobre sus derechos ó procedimientos para quejas, comuníquese con el Coordinadora del Título IX/Coordinador de la Sección 504, Mr. Robert Ortega, (915) 886-6500, en 610 Sixth Street, Anthony, Texas 79821.*

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Town of Horizon City PUBLIC NOTICE

A PUBLIC HEARING will be held at **6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 10, 2002** during the **Regular City Council Meeting** at City Hall, 14999 Darrington Road, Horizon City, Texas. Purpose of the public hearing is to allow any interested persons to appear and testify regarding the following proposed ordinance(s):

- 1) Proposed Amendment No. 009 to Subdivision Ordinance No. 0035;
- 2) Proposed Ordinance No. 0101 authorizing the Assessment and Collection of Property Taxes within the Town of Horizon City, Texas for the fiscal year commencing October 1, 2002 and ending on September 30, 2003.

Those who are unable to attend may submit their views in writing to the City Clerk of Horizon City. Ordinances are too extensive to print. Ordinances are always available for viewing or copying upon request from the City Clerk at the above address.

*Sandra Sierra
City Clerk*

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Anthony Independent School District Public Notice Of Non-Discrimination

It is the policy of the Anthony Independent School District to prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender or any person who has a disability in the admission or access to programs, delivery of services or employment.

The Anthony Independent School District is fully committed to meeting its responsibilities as specified by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; prohibiting sex discrimination, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended; and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

Inquiries concerning your rights may be referred to Mr. Robert Ortega, 610 Sixth Street, Anthony, Texas 79821, (915) 886-6500.

Notificacion Publica

Es la norma de conducta de el distrito escolar de Anthony prohibir la discriminación a base de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo o deshabilidad en la admisión o el acceso a programas, entrega de servicios o empleo.

El distrito escolar de Anthony esta comprometido a cumplir con las responsabilidades especificadas por el Título VI del Acta de Derechos Civiles de 1964, como enmendado, el Título IX de la Enmienda de Educación de 1972, como enmendado, que prohíbe la discriminación sexual, la Sección 504 del Acta de Rehabilitación de 1973, como enmendado, la Ley de Discriminación por Edad de 1975 como enmendado, y el Acta de Americanos con Deshabilidades.

Para información tocanta a sus derechos comuníquese con Mr. Robert Ortega, 610 Sixth Street, Anthony, Texas 79821, (915) 886-6500.

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If you build it, the marriage counselors will come

By Don Flood

Can a minor league ball club help save a marriage with major league problems?

That's what Rob and Tammy Deschaine, a couple who recently appeared on "Good Morning America," are trying to find out.

The Deschaines won a radio station contest with a somewhat unusual prize: free marriage counseling, followed by a public discussion of their issues at a minor league baseball park — in front of the fans.

In fact, the fans even vote, holding up colored cards showing whose side they're on.

At the end of the series of counseling sessions, fans vote on whether the marriage should continue!

Who better than a baseball crowd to decide if a marriage should go into extra innings?

Here's how it works. An hour before the game, the couple goes to the park and receives marriage counseling from a certified beer vendor.

Just kidding! They take marriage far more seriously than that!

They sit down with a real-live marriage counselor, who goes over issues that have arisen in the marriage: designated hitter rule, aluminum bats, etc.

Ha! Ha! Just kidding again!

They just go over the normal, everyday curveballs that life can throw at couples.

(OK, I'm sorry, I'll stop. At least till the next one I think up.)

Of course, airing your marriage's dirty laundry in front of a crowd of baseball fans isn't for everybody.

Many couples would no doubt prefer a pro wrestling venue. Perhaps the couple could even step into the ring themselves.

Other couples might opt to have their intimate issues discussed by a more refined tennis or golf crowd.

(Golf announcer, in typical hushed whisper: Joe Skirtchaser is facing a tough lie here. He said he's been working late, but his wife found lipstick on his collar, plus his place of employment left town two weeks ago. Let's see how he plays this.)

The important thing, though, is to get input from large numbers of people.

The question of continuing a marriage isn't the kind of thing that should be left up to two people to decide.

But what about those who don't have a good fan base with which to discuss their marriage problems?

There's no reason they can't benefit from the science of polling, such as the following couple, who were able to make an informed decision based on the latest survey:

WIFE: Happy anniversary, dear!

HUSBAND: No, Sweetie, I'm afraid it's not.

WIFE: You mean?

HUSBAND: Yeah, I just got the overnight numbers.

They're worse than we thought.

WIFE: How could that be!

HUSBAND: Seventy-one percent of the people say our marriage should go down the hopper, honey. It's over.

WIFE: There must be some mistake.

HUSBAND: No mistake. On Sunday evening, they randomly called 1,096 adults between the hours of 6 and 9 p.m. The survey has a margin of error of only plus or minus 3 percent. Face it, baby, our marriage is toast!

WIFE: Oh well! Guess I might as well cancel those dinner reservations!

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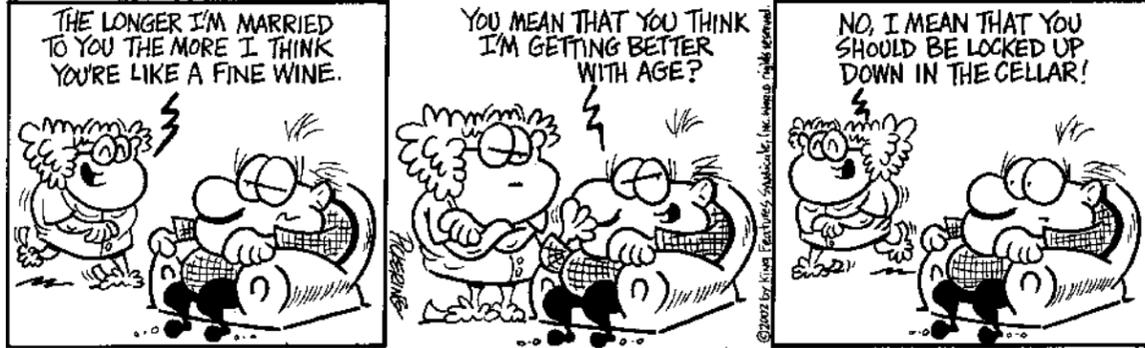
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Miners

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Alabama, Auburn, LSU, Florida, Arkansas, Georgia, South Carolina and Mississippi State.

With a schedule like that one facing you it's pretty easy to look right past the name — Texas-El Paso.

And that's a good thing for the Miners. Another good thing for the Miners is that Kentucky was so up for state-rival and 17th ranked Louisville last week that they may have played the best game they'll play this season on a 22-17 upset.

So how is that good for the Miners? The week after their game with UTEP, Kentucky will take on the Big Ten's Indiana Hoosiers.

Hmmm, let's see, Louisville on one end, Indiana on the other and there sits little ol' UTEP in the middle. If I were a Kentucky football player I'd think that was a pretty empty sandwich.

I mean how can any Kentucky football player get excited about that? And that's the whole point. The Miners are getting Kentucky at just the right time.

Look for something special this Saturday from the Miners. I'm not saying that UTEP will upset Kentucky but I am saying is that it wouldn't surprise me in the least if the Miners scare the pants off the Wildcats.

I mean, highlights on ESPN kind of scare.

True, the game is in Kentucky. And it's true Kentucky will be favored by about two-an-a-half touchdowns. But it's also true that the Wildcat players are human and are due for a huge let-down.

And that will benefit the Miners this weekend. Do not be surprised if the Miners upset Kentucky — I won't be. In fact, I'm looking forward to it.

Baseball still doesn't get it

You would think that after coming so close to committing professional suicide — again — Major League

Baseball would be doing all that it could to win back the fans they lost and keep the fans they've got.

But MLB apparently still doesn't get it.

See, I was hoping that the players would strike and that it would be a long strike and baseball would be wounded so bad that it would be forced to put the fans first and their already over-stuffed pocketbooks second.

But once both sides agreed and a strike was averted only one thing happened — both sides were given a green light to keep doing business as usual.

Case in point: What is one of the first things MLB does to get closer to the fans after the strike-that-almost-was? They try to close several fan's websites that use MLB logos.

I'm amazed they have time for this kind of censorship.

Seems MLB wants websites run by fans to be regulated. They actually went after one website that displayed several vintage Houston Astros logos the team has had throughout the years.

What kind of un-American activities will fans engage in next?

Baseball has got to get its act together. So many fans have been driven away from the game over the past 10-15 years and MLB is doing absolutely nothing to get them back.

The "once-proud" game of baseball had better change its ways quickly or we'll all talk about it in the past tense.

Oh, and one more thing — leave those creative fans who love your game alone. They are your last line of defense.

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Phamiliar phrases

"on the double"

In military terms, this phrase refers to going twice the normal marching speed. It has come into general use as meaning simply "very fast."

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Cross country runners of all ages invited to Junior Olympics

EAST EL PASO COUNTY — Boys and girls, men and women, ages seven to 70, are invited by the No Limits Track Club to sign up for cross country racing in the Junior Olympics Cross Country Program.

Sign up will be at Col. John Ensor Middle School Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 14-15 from 9 to 10 a.m. Information: 852-9082.

San Eli champs

The San Elizario Varsity Volleyball team won the Fabens Tournament, Aug. 24, beating the host Wildcats 15-9, 15-13 in the championship game. The Lady Eagles defeated Canutillo, Ysleta and Clint on their way to the championship and were led by senior Ana Morales. Morales (right) was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player. Also taking home an individual honor for



San Elizario was senior Valerie Soto. Soto was named All Tournament Hitter.

Terror

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agents. TMA Task Force on Bioterrorism member C.J. Peters, MD, who is overseeing the project, said the lab will allow UTMB scientists to work with the "nastiest bugs."

However the main focus should not be on reaction, but prevention — the article quotes one physician as saying. "Should we be responsive? Should we know how to treat if there's a treatment? Should we know

how to isolate? Yes, yes, yes," said Saul B. Wilen, MD, president of International Horizons Unlimited, a San Antonio-based terrorism prevention think tank. "But we're putting all our eggs into one basket, and that's the responsiveness basket. We need to be putting half of our efforts into prevention."

TMA is the largest state medical society in the nation, representing more than 37,000 physician and medical student members. It is located in Austin and has 119 component county medical societies around the state. TMA's key objective is to improve the health of all Texans.

WEATHER

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SEVEN-DAY FORECAST FOR EL PASO

| THURSDAY | THUR. NIGHT | FRIDAY | SATURDAY | SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY |
|-------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|---------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| | | | | | | | |
| Partly to mostly sunny. | Partly cloudy. | Sunshine and some clouds. | Clouds and sun. | A good deal of sun. | Mostly sunny. | Partial sunshine. | Sunshine and some clouds. |
| ▲ 94° | ▼ 66° | ▲ 94° ▼ 66° | ▲ 92° ▼ 66° | ▲ 92° ▼ 66° | ▲ 89° ▼ 60° | ▲ 90° ▼ 62° | ▲ 90° ▼ 64° |

UV INDEX

Statistics for noon.

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

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

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| Thursday | 96° |
| Friday | 91° |
| Saturday | 89° |
| Sunday | 88° |
| Monday | 86° |
| Tuesday | 85° |
| Wednesday | 88° |

AGRICULTURE

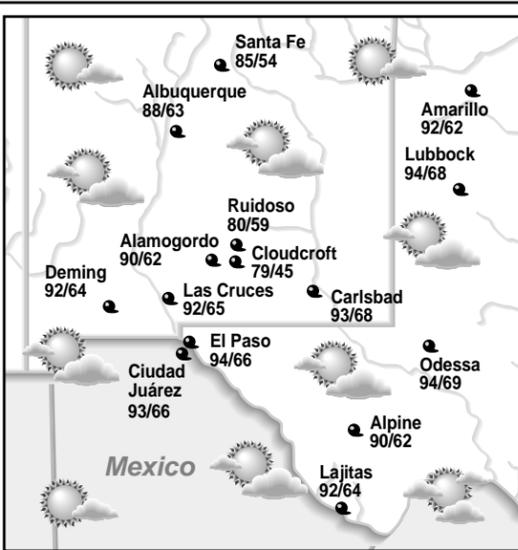
Over the next several days, a trough of low pressure will develop over the western United States. This will provide some cloudiness over the area each day. Some days will have more clouds than sunshine while others will be a little sunnier. Temperatures will be near or slightly below normal.

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TEXAS WEATHER

| | | |
|--------------|----|----|
| Anthony | 94 | 66 |
| Canutillo | 95 | 67 |
| Clint | 93 | 69 |
| E. Montana | 94 | 66 |
| Fabens | 93 | 68 |
| Horizon | 95 | 67 |
| San Elizario | 91 | 66 |
| Socorro | 93 | 65 |
| Tornillo | 93 | 68 |
| Vinton | 95 | 67 |

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



TRAVELERS CITIES

| City | Thur. | Fri. | Sat. | Sun. | Mon. |
|--------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | Hi/Lo/W | Hi/Lo/W | Hi/Lo/W | Hi/Lo/W | Hi/Lo/W |
| Albuquerque | 88/63/pc | 87/63/pc | 85/62/pc | 86/61/s | 84/59/s |
| Atlanta | 88/68/pc | 86/66/pc | 86/66/pc | 86/66/pc | 85/67/pc |
| Atlantic City | 83/57/s | 81/63/s | 85/61/pc | 79/57/pc | 83/61/pc |
| Austin/San Antonio | 90/72/pc | 92/72/pc | 92/70/pc | 92/70/pc | 92/72/s |
| Baltimore | 84/62/pc | 84/66/s | 86/66/pc | 84/62/pc | 85/62/pc |
| Boston | 76/58/pc | 78/60/s | 80/62/s | 78/60/pc | 79/55/pc |
| Chicago | 82/60/s | 86/66/pc | 88/66/pc | 80/60/pc | 80/64/s |
| Dallas/Ft. Worth | 92/74/pc | 94/74/pc | 94/74/s | 94/72/s | 93/70/c |
| Denver | 90/61/s | 88/59/s | 86/57/pc | 80/57/pc | 81/60/c |
| Flagstaff | 76/48/pc | 72/46/pc | 72/46/pc | 75/48/pc | 77/47/pc |
| Houston | 92/76/pc | 94/74/pc | 94/74/pc | 92/72/pc | 92/72/t |
| Kansas City | 94/68/pc | 90/66/s | 92/66/s | 86/64/pc | 88/66/pc |
| Las Vegas | 96/73/pc | 94/71/c | 94/71/s | 94/73/pc | 97/75/pc |
| Miami | 90/76/t | 88/76/t | 88/76/pc | 88/76/pc | 90/78/t |
| Minneapolis | 84/64/t | 84/62/pc | 82/60/pc | 78/58/pc | 78/58/t |
| New Orleans | 92/74/pc | 92/76/pc | 90/74/c | 88/74/c | 90/74/t |
| New York City | 78/62/s | 82/66/s | 84/64/s | 80/64/pc | 83/62/c |
| Philadelphia | 82/60/s | 84/66/s | 86/64/s | 82/62/pc | 84/62/pc |
| Phoenix | 104/80/pc | 102/79/pc | 102/79/s | 102/82/s | 104/76/s |
| Portland | 72/52/pc | 72/52/pc | 74/54/c | 78/56/s | 77/55/pc |
| San Francisco | 67/60/pc | 67/52/pc | 67/53/pc | 68/51/pc | 73/51/s |
| Seattle | 68/52/pc | 68/52/pc | 68/52/c | 72/53/s | 71/53/c |
| Tucson | 100/73/pc | 98/73/pc | 97/73/pc | 97/72/s | 98/69/s |
| Washington, DC | 84/64/pc | 86/68/s | 88/68/pc | 86/66/pc | 86/68/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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