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## NEWSBRIEFS

### Heritage Month

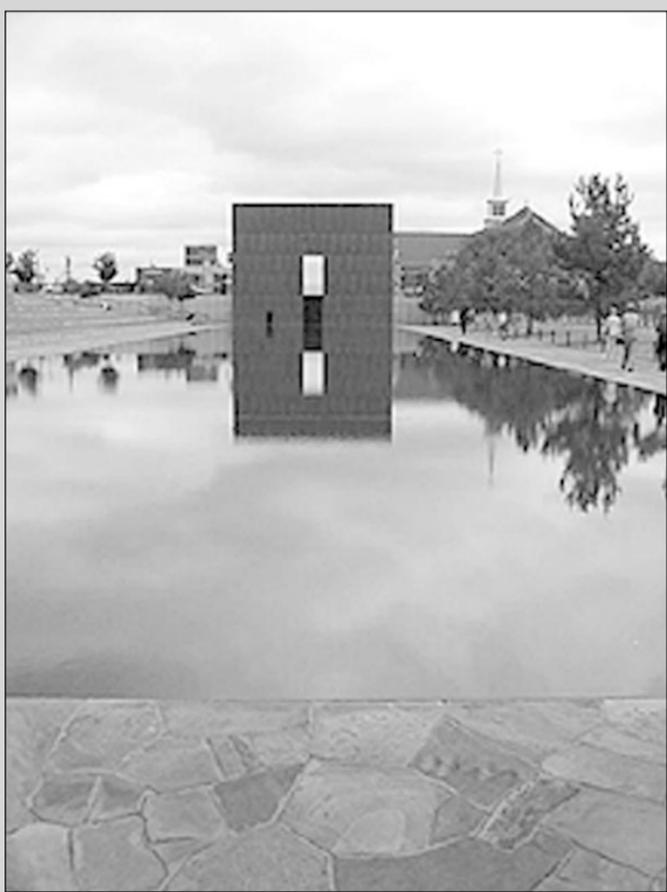
President George W. Bush proclaimed Sept. 15 - Oct. 15, 2002 as National Hispanic Heritage Month to commemorate the rich culture that the Hispanic population provides to America. This year's theme is "Hispanic Americans: Strength in Unity, Faith, and Diversity." In rural America, there are constant population shifts, migration from rural to urban areas and vice versa. Recently, the USDA Economic Research Service published a report entitled "Rural America at a Glance" which highlights the significant Hispanic population shift to rural America and indicators related to social and economic condition affecting rural areas. According to the latest census data, more than 30 million Americans are of Hispanic origin, with over 25 percent of the growth in rural areas over the last decade being attributed to migration of Hispanics to rural areas. President Bush emphasized that the strength of the nation is built on the strength of ideas. Another critical element of President Bush's Economic Security Agenda is to take down the barriers that exist in homeownership for all Americans. The USDA Rural Development report said providing income eligible residents with funding for their investment in long-term wealth — rural homeownership — is central to improving the lives of Hispanic Americans. In Fiscal Year 2001, close to 4,643 Hispanic head of households were afforded an opportunity to own their own home in rural America. Additionally, over 590 rural Hispanic households received funding to make essential home repairs and improvements such as roof repair, window replacement, and accessibility needs, the report says

### Western royalty

Three El Paso FFA and 4-H students were crowned at the County Coliseum as the Queen, Princess and Junior Princess of the 49th Annual 2002 El Paso County Fair. Queen Michele Bolner, a 16-year-old junior from Canutillo High School and Canutillo FFA member competed against two other girls to receive her title. Princess Laura Baeza, a 14-year-old student at Slider Middle School who belongs to El Paso County 4-H Horse Club, also competed against two other students. Junior Princess Megan Connor, an 11-year-old sixth grader from Sanchez Middle School and member of El Paso County 4-H Horse Club, competed against six other students. All three will represent the El Paso County Fair for the next year at regional parades and official engagements, such as parades and agricultural functions. In addition, the winners received hats, boots, buckles and jewelry as well as savings bonds from Century 21 DKD Realtors and gift certificates from Wrangler and Gun Slinger, among other items.

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*The man who smiles in the face of trouble is either brave or covered by insurance.*  
— Quips and Quotes



**OKLAHOMA CITY — Unlike the day when death and terror struck this very site on N.W. Fifth Street, the reflecting pond of the Oklahoma City National Monument shimmers in serene silence, surrounded by haunting beauty. On one end of the pool, the East Gate reads 9:01, the West Gate bears 9:03. As you stand between the portals, time seems to stand still at 9:02, the moment terror was unleashed on April 19, 1995. (See Perspective, Page 2)**

## Tornillo water district grant will bring unprecedented change to rural community

TORNILLO — A \$5.5 million boon to the El Paso County Tornillo Water Improvement District is expected to dramatically change the lifestyle of many in this rural community on the edge of El Paso County, courtesy of a Texas Water Development Board grant/loan from the Economically Distressed Area Program (EDAP).

According to TWID spokesman Francelia Vega, the grant was approved on Sept. 18, in the amount of \$5,527,219. Of that amount, \$34,343 comes from the Research and Planning Fund, \$5,328,876 is in the form of a grant and \$164,000 is a loan through the EDAP.

The funding will provide facility planning, design and construction of a wastewater collection system and treatment plant.

It will bring first-time wastewa-

ter service to an estimated 4,252 residents at the conclusion of construction, Vega said.

The TWID currently provides water service to the residents of Tornillo using groundwater from two wells. It has no centralized wastewater system and residents and businesses discharge their wastewater into cesspools, septic tanks or other individual on-site waste disposal systems.

Vega said it has been determined that most of these on-site systems do not provide adequate treatment of the waste, which results in a health hazard and potential groundwater contamination.

Tornillo is an unincorporated community straddling U.S. Highway 80/Texas Highway 20 in southeast El Paso County, about 30

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## Mexican consulate offers services to nationals in U.S., Socorro council told

By Arleen Beard  
Special to the Courier

SOCORRO — Juan Carlos Cue Vega, General Consulate of Mexico, gave a presentation to the Socorro City Council during the regularly scheduled meeting on Sept. 19, 2002.

The presentation was regarding the services provided by the El Paso-based Consulate Office to Mexican nationals residing in the United States.

One main service of interest is that of providing a form of picture identification to Mexican nationals that is recognized by over 700 Law Enforcement Agencies, nationwide. An-

other service mentioned are initial legal services for any Mexican national needing counsel if they run into any legal problems with any law enforcement agency. Vega said the Mexican Consulate offers what they call "matricular consular," which is an official document for Mexican nationals residing in the U.S.

Due to time constraints, Vega's presentation was brief but he stated there were many other services available, and more information is available at the Mexican Consulate Office.

In other business, a public hearing was held regarding the proposed use of the grant funds awarded from the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant for fiscal year 2002. The monies will be used for the purchase of equipment for

the Socorro Police Department. Some of this equipment includes hand-held radars, dash-mounted radars and intoxilizers. The grant total is for \$12,000 plus \$1,441 matching funds from the City of Socorro bringing the total to \$13,441. There was no public input, therefore, the hearing was closed.

City Council considered and took action on the second reading of an ordinance formally setting the tax rate for the City of Socorro authorizing the El Paso City Tax Office to perform the actual assessment and collection of said property taxes on behalf of the City for the fiscal year of Oct. 1, 2002 to Sept. 30, 2003. The tax rate would be increased about two cents per \$100 of property value.

## Canutillo graduate receives national Hispanic scholarship

By Alfredo Vasquez  
Special to the Courier

CANUTILLO — Maria Elena Mendez, Canutillo High School graduate, was recently awarded a \$500 scholarship from the National Caucus of Hispanic School Board Members.

"This scholarship will help me accomplish my goals in education and in life," said Mendez, who graduated in May and is currently enrolled at the El Paso Community College.

Criteria for the award is to be of Hispanic/Latino ancestry, be a high school graduate who is enrolled in an accredited college or university, have a grade point average of at least 2.5 on a four-point scale, and

demonstrate financial need.

Other recipients for the 2002 scholarship were: Alexis Vargas of Illinois; Lorena Pelaez of New Jersey; Erika Mendoza of Los Angeles, California; and Javier Ortiz of Santa Fe, New Mexico.

"This is what school board service is all about, to help our students get an education," said Laure Searls, Canutillo ISD School Board trustee and member of the National Caucus of Hispanic School Board Members. Searls was instrumental in encouraging Canutillo students to apply for this scholarship.

**FUTURE INVESTMENT — Laure Searls, Canutillo ISD School Board member, presents award to Maria Elena Mendez.**





## One perspective

By Francis Shrum

# Monuments to terror

I promised myself that I wouldn't cry. We passed under the huge entry portal with the time of 9:01 imposed on its towering facade. I turned and looked across the shimmering glassy surface of the reflecting pool to the



**HEARTBREAKING REMINDER** — The stone-and-bronze chairs representing each victim of the Oklahoma City bombing come in two sizes — 19 of them are small. The wall behind is part of the original foundation of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building, which has been left in the rough, unfinished condition brought about by the destruction.

and devastating reality of the worst act of terrorism ever committed against the American people by one of our own.

At 9:02 a.m. on April 19, 1995, the face of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building disintegrated into a mass of rubble and blood, taking with it the lives of 168 people, 19 of them children. Five years later, on April 19, 2000 they dedicated an intricately detailed, awe-inspiring memorial at the site.

The embittered, twisted young man who perpetrated the horrendous act lies in a dishonorable grave, forced to surrender his own life to the very government against which he struck with such bitter futility.

What a waste. Oklahoma City held a national contest to design the memorial. About 624 entries were submitted from 23 countries, including at least one from every state of the union. The final design was chosen by a committee that included survivors and family members.

Most poignant among the various dimensions of the memorial are the 168 empty stone-and-bronze chairs that are protectively surrounded by flourishing pine trees.

Their design is clean, and decep-

tively simple until you realize that they are arranged in nine rows, representing the nine floors of the building, with their placement according to the floor on which they were working or visiting at the time of the explosion. Each chair has a name etched in its glass base.

You must catch your breath when you realize they come in two sizes. There are 19 of the little ones.

I didn't make it into the museum portion of the site — I was traveling with a group on a schedule and they humored me by making this stop. But standing by the shimmering pool, located between 9:01 and 9:03, I remembered vividly the morning I stood in my own living room watching the devastation in real time.

After taking some pictures, with my camera and my mind, we headed back to the entrance and that's where I got in real trouble. There was a woman coming toward me and she was crying. I asked if she had lost family here. No, she said. Just a good friend.

And me? No, I said. I'm from El Paso, but this really gets to me.

They say that at night the glass bases beneath the bronze chairs are illuminated as beacons of hope. Maybe so. But I found little to be

hopeful about as we walked away, looking at a statue built in the yard of a church across the street which depicts a crying man covering his face and turning his back on the site.

We're going to build something equally beautiful, equally awe-inspiring in New York City, I expect. And people like me from all over the world will go there and try to understand. We may even leave little mementos on the fence outside, messages to people who cannot receive them.

Our national leaders tell us, and we know deep inside, that Oklahoma City and 9/11 are only the first of such terrorist strikes this nation will suffer.

How many more monuments to violence must we build? How long before we come to grips with the true forces that brought this devastation to bear?

"May this Memorial offer comfort, strength, peace, hope and serenity," the inscription reads across the Memorial's massive face.

But instead of a message of hope and peace, I heard the voices of the victims of the Oklahoma City bombing cry out a different message — a warning.

Welcome to the dark ages.

*Brockings*  
RICHMOND  
TIMES DISPATCH



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



### October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month

October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. This is a good time for us to learn and remind ourselves about the serious facts surrounding this disease and to look ahead to the promising news about breast cancer research.

The widespread impact of breast cancer is staggering. Every year, almost 184,000 American women are diagnosed with breast cancer and more than 44,000 will die from the disease. These are not just faceless women. They are our wives, our mothers, our sisters and our daughters. Breast cancer has become the leading killer of women aged 35-44.

Breast cancer is not just a struggle fought by the families directly affected by it. It is every American's battle to win. Each year breast cancer costs this country \$6 billion in medical costs and lost productivity. When it comes to this disease, no one can afford to take a "that won't happen to me" attitude.

Clearly federal resources are limited, but if there's one thing it should be dedicating resources towards, it's searching for cures to deadly diseases — such as breast cancer. I am proud to sit on the House Appropriations Committee which funds breast cancer research.

Cancer research is a national priority. That is why Congress has consistently provided necessary and ample funding to expand breast cancer research through the National Cancer Institute or the National Institutes of Health.

The good news is that researchers are making exciting new strides in breast cancer research. Genes responsible for inheritable breast cancer have been isolated. New drugs like tamoxifen lower the risk of developing the disease in high risk women. And scientists are developing a better understanding of the cancer cell itself. We now have the armor and weapons needed for the fight against this disease.

There's still a lot we don't know about breast cancer. But what we do know is that early detection and treatment is essential to winning the war against this terrible disease. The number of women dying each year from breast cancer is declining. The experts tell us that this is a direct reflection of the recent increase in early detection and treatment of breast cancer. Let's keep that trend going.

I encourage everyone to learn more about breast cancer this month. Through education, research and sheer tenacity, we can work together to help the millions of women and their families whose lives are threatened by breast cancer.





## For Sanity's Sake By Taprina Milburn

### Bringing up daughter

She watches me closely, like an understudy careful to not miss a line, but eager to add her own personality to the character.

"You're my role model," she said to me one day. "I really look up to you."

After I looked around and realized she must be talking to me because I was the only other person in the room, I had two feelings that surged through my body — pride, as in: "Someone admires me," and fear, "Lord, help me. Don't let me screw this up."

I'm the mother of a spunky 9-year-old daughter who's inquisitive, competitive and eager to learn. I'm only beginning to understand what an awesome responsibility I've been blessed with. It's a gift that has kept me on my knees asking for guidance and wisdom because I know that I'm giving her an initial view of what womanhood looks like.

My prayers are that she will draw on my strengths and pass by my weaknesses like one would the casserole surprise dish on a buffet line. I want to be focused enough as a mother to impart to her the important lessons she will need to learn before she leaves my care.

When I really start thinking about the road ahead of us, I long for the days when she was only a toddler and the lessons were so simple: "Hot. Don't touch," or "Naptime. Naps are good for you."

But she's long past the "duck, duck, goose" stage and has recently begun to ask such questions as what I like about being a woman, and how does it feel to be a mother?

We know as women that any answer we give our daughters will not shine as brightly as how we actually live our lives before them. So, with the help of my daughter, I'm watching myself more closely these days.

This insightful daughter of mine told me one day that when we eat at

home, I eat most of my meals standing up. It's easier that way, I replied, to get the juice when someone needs it, to grab a towel when someone spills. Don't all mothers eat standing up? She let me know that my constant cooking, cleaning and standing at meals makes being a mom look like much more work than fun.

I'm finally off the hook. I'll sit more and clean less. And I'll try to demonstrate for my daughter that being a mom — although some of the mechanics associated with it are exhausting — is fun, rewarding and deeply spiritual. That the role is more about helping my children grow up confident in setting and achieving their goals and sharing in their dreams than about doing their laundry and straightening their rooms.

She also recently scolded me for being passive. "Why don't you say where you want to eat when we go out? Why do you always let other people choose?"

I didn't know I did this. For my daughter, for myself, I'll speak up more, be more vocal about my preferences, so that she will learn that part of the satisfaction in being a woman in this country is that it's OK for us to share our opinions with others, and that our voices and our intelligence count and can make a difference in the lives of others.

Watch out world, here she comes.

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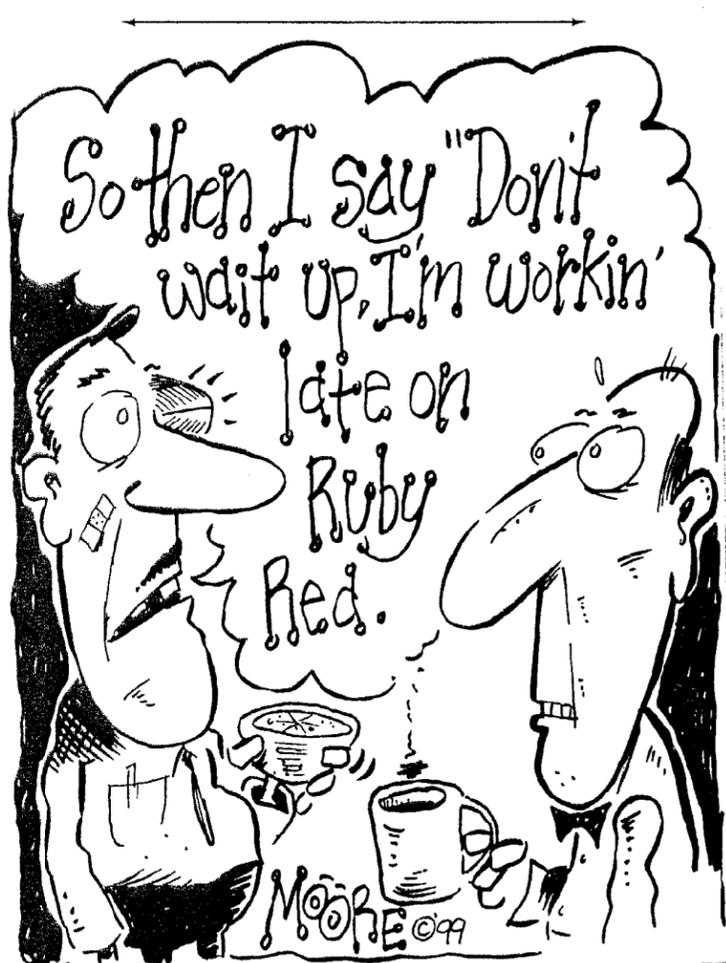
### Phamiliar phrases "pigeonhole"

A dovecote, a structure built to house pigeons or doves, has many small holes cut in it as doorways for the birds. Often the term is used for any small place, such as a desk's compartments; or it can refer to categorizing ("pigeonholing").



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True Texas Facts by Roger T. Moore  
Oct. 15, 1929—Two Rio Grande Nurserymen develop the Ruby Red Grapefruit.



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## First Mission Valley Youth Arts festival unites the best in talent



— Photo contributed by Phillip Cortez

**ART ON THE PLAZA** — San Elizario High students Eddie Rodriguez, left, and Joseph Candelaria rehearse a scene from Steinbeck's *Of Mice and Men* to be performed during the First Annual Mission Valley Youth Arts on the Plaza San Elizario this Saturday, Oct. 5, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. The event, sponsored by the San Elizario Genealogical and Historical Society will help showcase the talents of area students in grades 8-12 attending schools in the Mission Valley including Clint, Tornillo, San Elizario and Fabens. Professional local artists, including Jai Tanner, Antonio Castro H., San Sanchez Sr. and Dave Ford, will be attending to interact with their youthful counterparts. A chalk art demonstration and dramatic performances will be accompanied by live music and food. Over \$1,000 in scholarships will be awarded to encourage advancement among the younger people.

## Briefs

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### In other news

■ Border Patrol Agents from the Ft. Hancock station in Hudspeth County arrested a San Elizario resident on Sept. 24 about 1 p.m. after being alerted to a vehicle traveling northbound from the Rio Grande River east of the Ft. Hancock Port of Entry. A white 1992 GMC Sierra pickup pulling a gooseneck trailer was stopped and searched. Several bundles of marijuana, about 667 pounds, were subsequently discovered under the floorboards of the trailer. They were estimated to have a value of about \$553,616. El Paso Sector Border Patrol agents were also making news of a more positive slant with the donation of computer hardware equipment to the Ft. Hancock High School this week.

■ Immunizations provided free of charge are being offered

by the El Paso First Health Plan in a series of Health Fairs to be held in October. Standard immunization shots, as well as free diabetes and blood pressure screenings for both children and adults, will be offered along with jumping balloons, hot dogs, face painting and fingerprinting. Parents should bring records of past immunizations, along with CHIP insurance or Medicaid cards. The event, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., will be at the Rio Vista Community Center in Socorro on Oct. 5; at the Northeast YMCA on Oct. 12; and at the Desert Mountain OB/GYN Clinic in Vinton on Oct. 19.

■ Preparing for life after high school will be the subject of two collegiate forums sponsored by the Socorro ISD for students and parents. A panel discussion on admission process and requirements, and a question-and-answer session will be held. The first session is on Oct. 8 at 6:30 p.m. at the Socorro High School Performing Arts Center with eight representatives from UT-Austin, Texas Tech-Lubbock, and Texas A&M-College Station. The second session is on Nov. 5 at the Americas High School Auditorium with representatives from MIT in Massachusetts; Vassar College in New York; Stanford in California; and Harvard in Massachusetts. For more information call Hilda Lopez at 937-6605.

■ A support group for caregivers of those with special needs will meet on Thursday, Oct. 10 at the Church of the Incarnation, 15000 Darrington Rd. in Horizon City. The meeting is open to the public and admission is free. Care for dependents will be provided at the church so that caregivers may attend. Call for information at 859-

5689 or 852-4032.

■ Making high school count is the subject of a one-hour presentation form freshmen class students and parents of Americas High School at 2:30 p.m. on Oct. 7 in the Blazer Gym. "Making It Count" is a nationally recognized program that was viewed by more than 800,000 first-year students in 2001. It discusses the importance of high school and how students can maximize their use of this critical time of preparation for success.

■ Mosey on down to Lorenzo G. Loya Primary and join the "Reading Roundup" where you can "lasso a great book!" Lorenzo G. Loya Primary, at 13705 Socorro Rd., will be having its Fall Book Fair on the following days: Oct. 22-25, 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Oct. 26, during the Fall Fair, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Oct. 28, 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The community is invited to come in and browse for themselves or the children. Information: Linda Carrasco at 872-3940, ext. 3606.

■ Area high school bands would be raising the roof of the Socorro Activities Complex on Oct. 9 — if it had one. The victorious music and precision marching, combined with youthful enthusiasm, will make for memorable viewing beginning at 4 p.m. at 1300 Joe Battle, with bands performing at 15-minute intervals. Bands from the Socorro, Anthony, Fabens, San Elizario, and Clint school districts, along with several from the City of El Paso will perform. The UTEP Marching Miners will conclude the program at 9:15 p.m. Show admission is \$2 per person, those younger than 12 are free.

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

1) The San Elizario Independent School District offers career and technology programs in Consumer and Family Science, Business, Health Occupations, TEL-NET Networking, Advertising and Graphic Design, Building Trades and Auto Technology. Admission to these programs is based on course pre-requisite and grade level classifications. For program information call Julian Encina at 872-3939, ext. 3844.

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

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

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

5) For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact Superintendent Mike Quatrini, 1050 Chicken Ranch Rd., Administration Building, San Elizario, Texas 79849, (915) 872-3900. Mail: PO Box 920, San Elizario, TX 79849.

### Notificación Publica de no Discriminar en los Programas de Carrera y Tecnología

1) El distrito escolar de San Elizario está ofreciendo programas de carrera y tecnología en Ciencia al Consumidor y Familia, Negocios, Técnica de Salud, Red de Computación TEL-NET, Publicidad/Promoción y Diseños Graficos, Técnica de Carpentería, y Técnica Mecánica. Para poderse admitir en estos programas tienen que estar registrados en el distrito de San Elizario y completar los requisitos necesarios. Para más información contacto Julian Encina a 872-3939, ext. 3844

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

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

5) Para más información de sus derechos y procedimiento de agravios, puede ponerse en contacto con el Superintendente Mike Quatrini, 1050 Chicken Ranch Rd., Administration Building, San Elizario, Texas 79849, (915) 872-3900. Mail: PO Box 920, San Elizario, TX 79849.

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### SELF-HELP

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

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.

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**Dear Editor:**

With all due respect and condolences to the Murati family for the loss of Fire Chief Lee Murati from San Elizario, I am at liberty to bring to (attention) two main corrections that need to be made on your Sept. 12, 2002 issue.

First and most damaging is one that has caused the Trevizo and Sanchez families great concern where it is mentioned that Mr. Murati was survived by two sons. My sister, Rufina S. Trevizo and brother-in-law, Felix Trevizo Sr., never relinquished legally or illegally Ray Trevizo to the Murati family. He has been identified as one of his sons. She has been receiving telephone calls wanting to know details of this misinformed, erroneous statement.

Secondly, Mr. Murati has been mentioned as a founder of the San Elizario Fire Department. While he was a great mentor to the many young men and women serving in today's volunteer fire department, his association with this department came two years later in 1978 (after the department was founded in 1976).

It was at this time, his experience and involvement was highly appreciated and was instrumental in the development of what the department is today. However, to recognize him as "the founder" of the department would take away recognition from those that have left before us: Ramon Mendoza, Pilar

Grijalva and Esteban Giron.

In February of 1976, Commissioners Court announced there was surplus money to be distributed among unincorporated communities in El Paso County. At Commissioners Court request, we started having community meetings to determine the needs of the community of San Elizario. The community of San Elizario came together and made recommendations to a steering committee and it was decided that a fire department was needed and had priority.

Signatures taken in February of 1976 do not include the Murati family as they were still residing in Buffalo, New York. I have in my possession documentation to the validity of the real founders of this volunteer fire department and they are available for review.

Therefore, I will say that the community of San Elizario in conjunction with a steering committee headed by five individuals was the real (founding entity) of this organization back in 1976 through Commissioners Court and Gil Treviso from Regional Planning, West Texas Council of Governments.

**Ben Sanchez  
San Elizario**

*(Editor's Note: Previous to publishing that Ray Trevizo was a surviving son of Lee Murati, the Courier contacted the surviving family. It was requested the survivorship be published that way due to the close relationship between Mr. Murati and Mr. Trevizo. The Courier credited Mr. Murati with founding the San Elizario fire department based on information provided by the fire department personnel.)*



**Fabens features a permanently patriotic door on central office**

**FABENS — Poncho Garcia, Interim Superintendent for Fabens ISD, stands proudly in front of the entrance to the Administration Building, which has been painted to permanently display the nation's colors. The display was orchestrated by the Administration staff as part of the Homecoming celebrations, which coincided with the anniversary of Sept. 11. Their enthusiasm will now greet staff and visitors daily.**

**Canutillo HS gears up for Homecoming celebration**

UPPER VALLEY — Weeks of building floats, planning hallway decorations, stockpiling wood and choosing the perfect semi-formal outfit are finally coming to a climax as Canutillo High School prepares to celebrate its 39th Annual Homecoming Week activities, Oct. 14 – 19.

"Homecoming week is always an exciting event for the community. I enjoy seeing the students' enthusiasm and school spirit, that's what makes the Canutillo High School homecoming a big success," said Gil Lopez, 1977 Canutillo graduate.

The homecoming parade will begin at 5 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 16, starting at Canutillo Elementary School, 651 Canutillo Avenue, and end at

Gallegos Park where the homecoming fair will follow with entertainment, food and game booths until 8 p.m.

The homecoming bonfire will be lit at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 17, near the district's Support Services Center, 7700 Cap Carter Road.

The traditional pep rally and introduction of Outstanding Ex will be held at 2:45 p.m. Friday, Oct. 18, in the Canutillo High gym. The football team will play Chapin High School, at 7:30 p.m., Friday, at the Eagles Stadium.

The homecoming dance will be from 8 p.m. to midnight, Saturday, Oct. 19, in the high school's cafeteria and patio area.

For more information: 877-7500.

**Program helps low income spay/neuter pets**

EL PASO COUNTY — Working to reverse the trend of destroying more than 21,000 animals a year for lack of homes, the Pets Alive El Paso program provides qualified low-income pet owners free vouchers for spaying and neutering dogs, cats, puppies and kittens, which can be sterilized at three months of age.

To qualify, pet owners must receive at least one of the following: food stamps (Lone Star Card), WIC,

TANF, Medicaid, major Veterans Administration disability, public or Section 8 housing or must have received County General Assistance in the last six months. The Jan Sumrall program is geared specifically to pet owners 60 years of age or older. There is no age requirement for the John Cook program. Pet owners are urged to call (915) 873-PETS to arrange appointments as soon as possible.

**San Elizario Independent School District Public Notice of Non-Discrimination**

It is the policy of the San Elizario 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 San Elizario 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, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

Inquiries concerning your rights may be referred to Title IX Coordinator: Superintendent Mike Quatrini, 1050 Chicken Ranch Rd., Administration Building, San Elizario, Texas 79849, (915) 872-3900; or Section 504 Coordinator: Emigdio Gonzalez, 1050 Chicken Ranch Rd., Special Education Office, San Elizario TX 79849, (915) 872-3960. Mail: PO Box 920, San Elizario, TX 79849.

**Notificación Publica**

*Es la norma de conducta de el distrito escolar de San Elizario 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 San Elizario 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, del Acta de la Discriminación por Edad de 1975, la Sección 504 del Acta de Rehabilitación de 1973, como enmendado, y el Acta de Americanos con Deshabildades.*

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

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

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

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

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

If you would like more information or know of a disabled child who is not receiving educational services, please contact: Emigdio Gonzalez, Special Education Director, 1050 Chicken Ranch Rd., Special Education Office, San Elizario, Texas 79849, (915) 872-3926. Mail: PO Box 920, San Elizario, TX 79849.

**Servicios de Educacion Especial**

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

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

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

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*Si usted desea mas información o sabe de un niño/niña deshabilitado que vive en el distrito escolar de Clint que no esta recibiendo servicios educacionales, favor de comunicarse con: Emigdio Gonzalez, Directora de Educación Especial, 1050 Chicken Ranch Rd., Special Education Office, San Elizario, Texas 79849, (915) 872-3926. Mail: PO Box 920, San Elizario, TX 79849.*

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# Hindsight is 20/20 but picking champs now is pretty murky business

By Steve Escajeda  
Special to the Courier

What a difference a year makes. Before the NFL season started I would have bet you money that the best teams in the league would be the St. Louis Rams, the New York Jets, the Pittsburgh Steelers, the Tennessee Titans and the Chicago Bears.

Now I know it's still early, but those five underachievers have combined for a record of 5-14. What's even worse is that the two teams picked to win the whole darn thing at the Super Bowl in January are the Steelers and the Rams who are a combined 1-6. And the only win between the two came courtesy of the Steelers in a hard-fought 16-13 overtime win over the Cleveland Browns, not exactly the toughest guys on the block.

Why the heck have these teams fallen flat on their faces?

Easy, blame the quarterbacks. The Steelers' Kordell Stewart and the Rams' Kurt Warner have looked more like frightened rookies than seasoned successful veterans. Warner won't

throw to a receiver unless he's covered by at least three defenders while Stewart, a.k.a. Slash, looks totally unsure of what he wants to be, a slashing passer/runner or a stay-in-the-pocket passer.

The Rams are in worse shape than the Steelers at 0-4. Can the Rams come back? No way, not this year.

The reason they are finished is because even the great Marshall Faulk hasn't been a factor this year. Just like the fat cat we had as a kid, the Rams got lazy.

They accomplished everything they could over the last three years and got to the point where they felt the playoffs were their own personal playground. But they forgot you still have to earn the trip no matter what you've done in the past.

It's not too late for the Steelers, though. At 1-2, Pittsburgh still has plenty of time to get it together but the real question is — can they? Every team in the NFL now knows how to beat the Steelers. Throw, throw, throw...and when you're finished...throw it again.

Pittsburgh is having trouble scoring but can still stop the run better than anyone. Trouble

is, no teams are running against them. So now who do I think is going to the Super Bowl? That's easy...not the Steelers or the Rams.

## No Moss, no Moss:

The Dallas Cowboys got a lot of flack when they had a chance to draft the best receiver the league has seen since Jerry Rice, and didn't. Now the Randy Moss-less Cowboys are looking smarter every day.

What in the world was Randy Moss thinking about when he pushed that female traffic officer down the street with his car? Maybe Moss misunderstood the slogan he heard on TV. He thought they said "Don't think and drive."

Now Moss is in even bigger trouble with the league. He was charged with marijuana possession and although he may only be charged with a \$200 misdemeanor by the courts, he could be suspended and fined by the NFL.

Moss tested positive for marijuana last season and is already on the NFL's substance abuse program. Moss has also lost his driv-

ing privileges in two states, Minnesota and Florida.

Randy Moss can catch any kind of football thrown at him. It is still not proven whether or not he can handle the book that the NFL is going to throw at him.

## What have you done lately:

Bobby Valentine brought winning back to the New York Mets organization, averaging about 90 wins a season before finishing last this year. So the Mets fired Valentine this week. The real shock was not that the Mets fired Valentine, the real shock was that the Mets kept general manager Steve Phillips. Phillips went out and did a miserable job of signing three players that did absolutely nothing. Mo Vaughn, Roberto Alomar and Roger Cedeno all had down seasons.

What's worse is that the rest of the team was up...like in the clouds. maaannnn. A scandal accusing several Mets players of smoking marijuana earlier this season didn't help either. Maybe they should change their names from the Mets to the Doobie Brothers...no wait, I think that's taken.

## Clint migrant program to distribute 1,700 books during this year

EAST EL PASO COUNTY — The Clint Migrant Education Program (MEP) celebrated its first of three Reading Is Fundamental (RIF) book giveaways at Desert Hills Elementary School in Horizon City on Sept. 14. The second giveaway will be held in November.

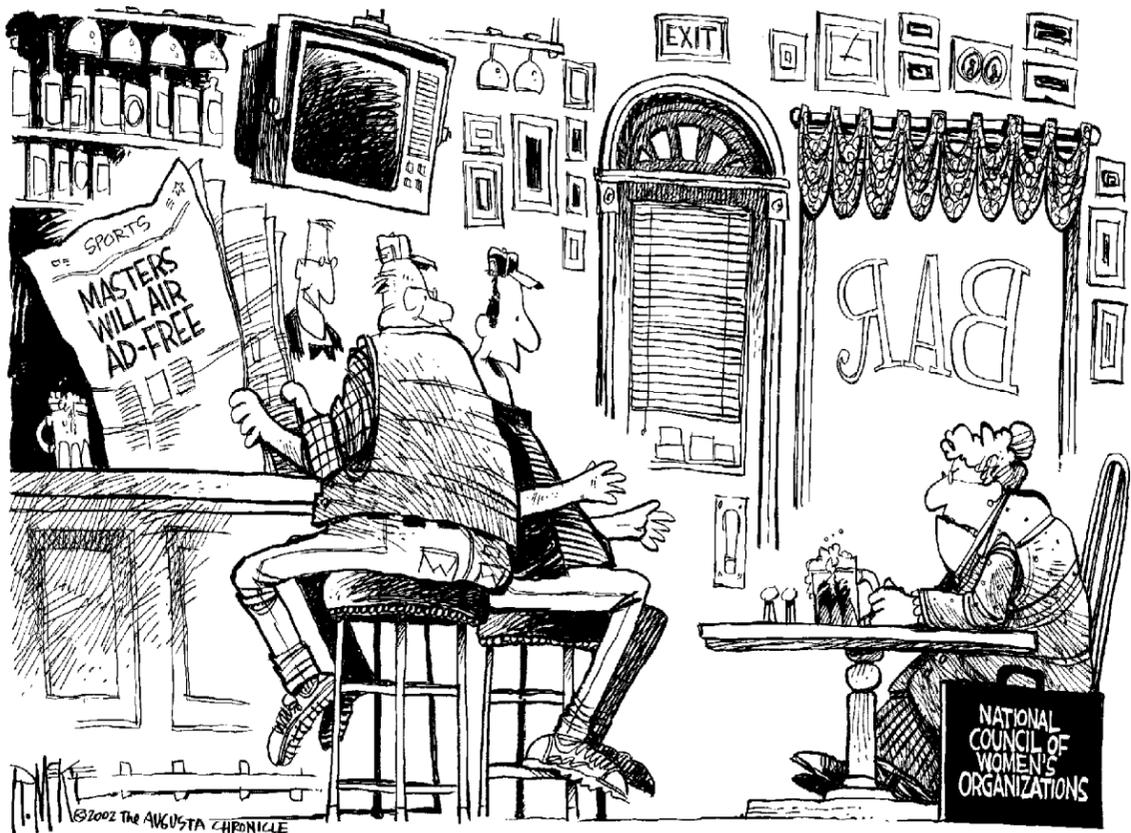
RIF is the nation's oldest and largest literacy organization serving children and their parents. Gloria Padilla/Counselor for the Migrant Education Program, said the program is delivered to this special population in hopes of helping children understand that reading is fun and fundamental to success in life, to encourage children to become life-long readers, to build self-esteem, and to involve the most important people in their lives — parents, teachers and other kids — in the learning process.

The MEP applied for the grant and received 100 percent funding for approximately 1,700 books to be distributed throughout the school year.

Padilla said the business community is also welcome to show its support of the program's success by becoming sponsors for the migrant RIF program. Those interested in becoming sponsors may contact her at 204-6324.

The Clint Federal Programs Department, of which Padilla is a part, also saluted its parent volunteers: Margarita Pacheco, Dolores Ortiz, Bertha Escobedo, Maria Guerrero and San Juana Chairez.

"Parents and children participating in the program are integral to its ongoing success. Their efforts are helping to build a nation of readers," Padilla said.



"HEY, LADY, DO YOU THINK WE COULD TALK YOU INTO BOYCOTTING THE WORLD SERIES and the SUPER BOWL, TOO?..."

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# Mr. Whipple, how soon we forget

By Don Flood

A recent study showed that many of our high-school seniors lack a basic knowledge of American history.

Shockingly, many students graduate without knowing it was Ben Franklin who invented the electric guitar or that the first song he played on it was "Stairway to Heaven."

This knowledge deficiency was brought home to me when a young person asked who Mr. Whipple was.

Mr. Whipple! Defender of the Toilet Paper! One of the most famous men on America!

As the ancient Romans said, whenever someone was dumb enough to lend them their ears, "Sic transit gloria," a Latin phrase meaning, literally, "Send the bus to get Gloria."

(Why the ancient Romans would want to send a bus — which didn't exist yet — to pick up Gloria — who apparently stayed up too late and overslept, thereby missing the bus — remains a subject of heated debate among scholars.)

I was dumbfounded, but will do my best to instruct my young readers regarding the place Mr. Whipple holds in our history.

It's hard to imagine now, but a generation ago, grocery stores were a lawless no man's land — literally, men didn't go shopping — where crazed women roamed the aisles, searching for "squeezably soft" packages of Charmin toilet paper.

In Whipple World, squeezing the Charmin was strictly forbidden. It was up to Mr. Whipple to tame this Wild West and bring peace and order to the paper goods aisle.

Sadly though, Mr. Whipple possessed a dark secret.

While it was his job to prevent others from squeezing the Charmin, Mr. Whipple was not above tempta-

tion himself.

In the first act of the commercials, two or three women would be in the local food store, sneakily squeezing the forbidden Charmin.

But not sneakily enough to escape Mr. Whipple's keen eye.

Policing the store alone and without the aid of modern electronic surveillance systems, Mr. Whipple nevertheless proved himself a match for these outlaw shoppers.

As the second act unfolded, Mr. Whipple would confront and firmly reprimand the offending shoppers.

But this, unfortunately, would be the beginning of the end, because in so doing Mr. Whipple always made the mistake of confiscating the Charmin with his own hands.

By then it was too late. He was already squeezing the Charmin himself!

Worse, he continued squeezing the Charmin at the same time he was lecturing others not to!

Oh, the irony!

Naturally, the shoppers were only too quick to call this to Mr. Whipple's attention.

In the final act, Mr. Whipple, a sadder and nearly defeated man, would sheepishly return the Charmin to the shelves, where it would remain until the next sociopathic squeezer came down the aisle.

But the question remains, was Mr. Whipple a bad man, a hypocrite who too easily succumbed to the weakness he detested in others?

Or was he basically a good man who — in a world where many squeezed the Charmin without a trace of remorse — held himself to a higher standard?

Unless you want Mr. Whipple to be forgotten, you should discuss these questions with your children.

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## A little safe fun in Horizon

**HORIZON CITY** — A safe place for recreation on Friday evenings is the goal of the Club 316 at the Horizon City Community Chapel Gym, 14802 Duaneburg at Horizon Blvd. All teens are welcomed for dancing, basketball and other activities from 7 to 10 p.m. each Friday at the HCCC gym. Free pizza and soda are provided, with a snack bar available for those with additional appetites. Admission is free for teens age 11 to 19 with local school ID cards. Security is provided.

## Grant

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miles from the City of El Paso.

With a population of about 3,176, the community encompasses about 2,400 acres consisting of six subdivisions and several unplatted residential areas.

The TWID currently serves about 794 customers, Vega said.

"The District will utilize the funding to construct a wastewater treatment and collection system to serve and dramatically improve the quality of life of its residents," Vega said.

"EDAP funds will provide approximately 43 percent of the cost of the project which consists of a collection system, gravity sewer lines, force main, 239 manholes and one 1,650 gallon-per-minute

sewage lift station.

"It will also include a 734,000 gallon-per-day extended aeration oxidation ditch process wastewater treatment plant, which will be located at the intersection of Henderson Road and the Tornillo Drain. The wastewater treatment plant will consist of an influent pump station, screening and grit removal, an oxidation ditch, secondary clarifier, chlorination facilities, sludge drying beds, and a 200-foot outfall line to Tornillo Drain," she said.

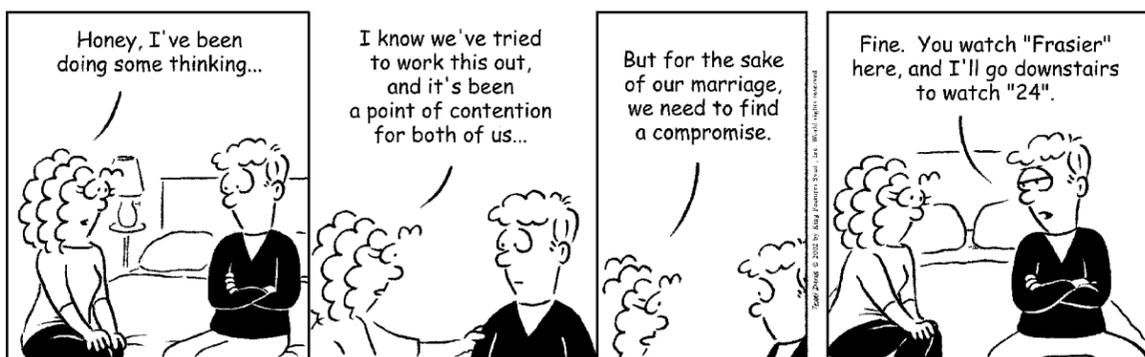
Additional loan/grant funding will be sought from the North American Development Bank, Vega said, adding that a \$489,000 commitment from the Border Environmental Cooperation Commission has been obtained for design funds through the Project Development Assistance Program.

## Comix

### OUT ON A LIMB By Gary Kopervas



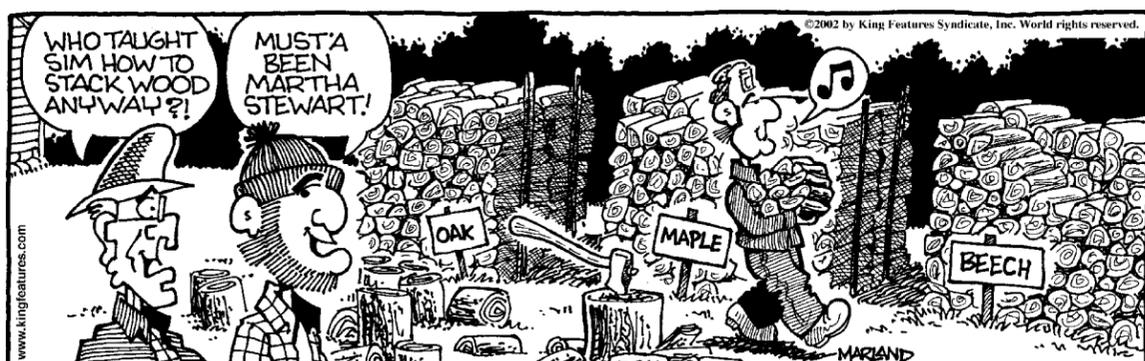
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# Historian Leon Metz to tell Chamizal story in public service announcements

EL PASO COUNTY — Nestled between Bowie High School and the Bridge of the Americas — otherwise known as Cordova Bridge — on the border with Mexico, the Chamizal National Memorial has a long, sometimes forgotten history with the cities of El Paso and Juárez.

Chamizal staff and historian-in-residence Leon Metz are taking steps to ensure that El Paso and the surrounding area does not forget its own history.

“The Rio Grande in its role as a recognized boundary between

Mexico and the United States forced the issue of boundary resolution in the area known as “El Chamizal,” which was west of the Cordova Island.

All along the river — except here — the boundary had been widely recognized and accepted. Flooding, urbanization and a shifting river bed had made it difficult to find agreement on the actual international boundary,” explained Cordell J. Roy, Chamizal National Memorial Superintendent.

“It took almost 100 years and a

strong desire on the part of the United States to improve relations with Mexico to finally set the stage for the peaceful resolution of the border dispute.

“With the signing of the Convention between Mexico and the United States in 1963 for the “Solution of the Problem of the Chamizal,” came changes of historic proportion. Over 5,000 people, a river, railroads and many businesses were physically relocated to make the new boundary work,” Roy said.

“Over time, the significance of the

solution has faded from public memory. The story is too important to forget because basically it is our own story, a story of this region. It is a story of the river, of the people, of the countries and of the two cities,” he continued.

To remedy the situation, Chamizal National Memorial has worked closely with Metz to create a series of public service announcements designed to tell the story of the Memorial over time.

Time Warner Cable assisted Memorial staff with the development

and production of the series and is also running the spots. Other media partners include: Newschannel 9, ABC7, CBS4 and KFOX14.

Additional spots are planned for the future, and a series developed around Consul General Juan Carlos Cue Vega is planned for the Spanish language media. Univision 26 and Telefutera 65 will run the spots.

Chamizal National Memorial is El Paso’s National Park and is located at 800 South San Marcial. For additional information, call 915-532-7273.

## WEATHER

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### SEVEN-DAY FORECAST FOR EL PASO

THURSDAY	THUR. NIGHT	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Mostly sunny with a breezy afternoon.	Mainly clear.	Sunny and nice.	Mostly sunny.	Sunny to partly cloudy.	Clouds and sun with a shower or t-storm possible.	Partly sunny.	Sunny to partly cloudy.
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### UV INDEX Statistics for noon.

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

Thursday	8	High
Friday	8	High
Saturday	8	High
Sunday	8	High
Monday	7	High
Tuesday	7	High
Wednesday	8	High

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Wednesday	82°

### AGRICULTURE

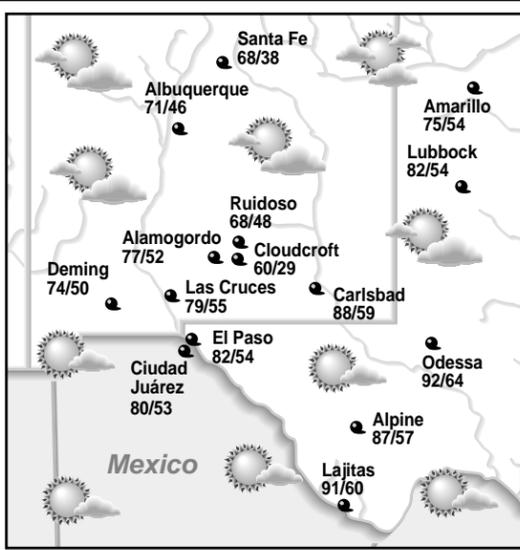
A dry southwesterly flow will promote dry weather over the next few days. Thursday, Friday and Saturday will feature 7-9 hours of sunshine with highs each day in the lower 80s. Similar weather is expected Sunday. Winds become southeast by Monday, advecting moisture over the area and bringing the chance for needed rainfall early next week.

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### TEXAS WEATHER

Anthony	80	57
Canutillo	81	58
Clint	81	57
E. Montana	82	54
Fabens	81	57
Horizon	81	58
San Elizario	77	55
Socorro	81	54
Tornillo	81	57
Vinton	81	58

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								
Albuquerque	71/46	pc	70/48	s	72/46	s	70/49	s	74/44	s
Atlanta	85/68	s	87/68	pc	85/66	t	83/64	sh	79/62	pc
Atlantic City	80/59	pc	74/65	c	80/58	pc	75/53	s	72/58	pc
Austin/San Antonio	94/72	pc	92/66	pc	89/66	pc	84/59	r	82/58	c
Baltimore	82/62	pc	76/64	c	82/60	pc	76/56	pc	74/60	c
Boston	70/54	pc	68/58	pc	70/55	c	68/51	pc	66/60	r
Chicago	68/56	c	70/56	t	64/46	pc	65/45	pc	64/36	pc
Dallas/Ft. Worth	91/72	s	90/66	pc	85/64	pc	81/59	r	78/49	pc
Denver	56/36	pc	58/40	pc	52/36	sh	66/43	s	68/41	pc
Flagstaff	52/28	pc	59/30	s	62/32	pc	65/28	s	70/29	s
Houston	86/74	sh	90/72	c	88/70	pc	88/70	pc	86/68	pc
Kansas City	76/60	t	72/50	sh	68/46	pc	67/48	c	70/41	pc
Las Vegas	74/52	pc	78/56	s	82/56	s	81/56	s	85/58	s
Miami	89/78	pc	88/78	pc	88/79	pc	88/78	pc	88/74	pc
Minneapolis	62/48	pc	58/44	r	56/40	c	59/43	pc	59/31	pc
New Orleans	83/76	r	87/74	c	87/71	pc	86/69	pc	84/69	pc
New York City	78/60	pc	74/64	c	78/60	pc	72/54	pc	70/54	pc
Philadelphia	79/60	pc	74/64	c	79/60	pc	74/55	pc	72/60	c
Phoenix	82/60	s	84/62	s	88/64	s	88/66	s	97/58	s
Portland	60/50	r	68/44	pc	68/46	s	68/49	pc	69/48	pc
San Francisco	80/54	s	74/54	s	82/54	s	84/54	s	73/58	s
Seattle	60/48	sh	64/44	pc	64/48	s	66/48	pc	63/48	sh
Tucson	78/52	s	84/56	s	86/58	s	90/60	s	93/55	s
Washington, DC	85/64	pc	78/64	c	80/58	pc	76/58	pc	74/64	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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