



## NEWSBRIEFS

### Correction

In the May 8, 2003 article entitled "Socorro council appoints interim city manager during stormy session" the sequence of events regarding a vote was incorrectly stated. In fact, City Rep. Chito Bowling left the meeting prior to the vote to appoint Reyes Fierro as interim city manager and did not cast a vote in the matter. Additionally, City Reps. Gary Gandara and Gloria Rodriguez did not leave the meeting until a recess was called, not prior to the recess as reported.

### Master gardener offer

The Master Gardener course is again being offered by the Texas Cooperative Extension to people interested in learning and sharing knowledge about plants and gardening. A in-depth six-day course will begin with evening orientation on July 7 at 6 p.m. followed by day courses July 10-11 and 14-17, with a field trip on Saturday, July 19. Attendance at all class sessions is required and absences will not be permitted. After completion, participants will be required to volunteer at least 50 hours of community service. After the course and the volunteer hours, participants will be certified as Texas Master Gardeners. Cost of the class is \$150 and enrollment is limited to 25. For information and application call 859-7725.

### In other news

■ They wore caps and gowns but they won't be graduating from high school until 2015. More than 150 graduates of Escontrias Early Childhood Center's kindergarten class will walk across the stage during ceremonies at the Socorro High School Auditorium at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, May 28 to prepare for the next big step — first grade.

■ Dr. Eldon and Gayneita Shaw, former pastor of the Horizon City Community Chapel and owner of Horizon Hair Slingers, visited in Horizon City recently from their present location in Nevada, Missouri, in preparation to move to Antigua, West Indies as part of the Teaching Leaders in Countries (TLC) International and the World Bible Institute and School Ministry (WBISM), a program to train leaders in as many as eight countries, including Haiti and Barbados. Through use of modern technology including computer, CD's and DVD's, Dr. Shaw said the best teachers and leaders from Christian-based colleges and universities can be transported to these far away locations. For further information write the First Christian Church-TLC, P.O. Box 468, Nevada, Mo., 64772, (417) 667-3540, or email at pastoregshaw@hotmail.com.

■ Good news has been happening at

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*If at first you don't succeed, do it like your mother told you to do it in the first place.*

— Quips & Quotes



**ONLY SEVEN HOURS AWAY** — Hard to believe such lush and lovely landscape is there for enjoying, only seven short hours away in Big Lake, AZ. Story page 2.

## Surratt kinder kids surpass donation goal

CLINT — When the kindergartners at W.D. Surratt Elementary heard the news that Brandon Allen's house burned down they wasted no time. For the next five weeks, the students collected money with \$100 as their goal.

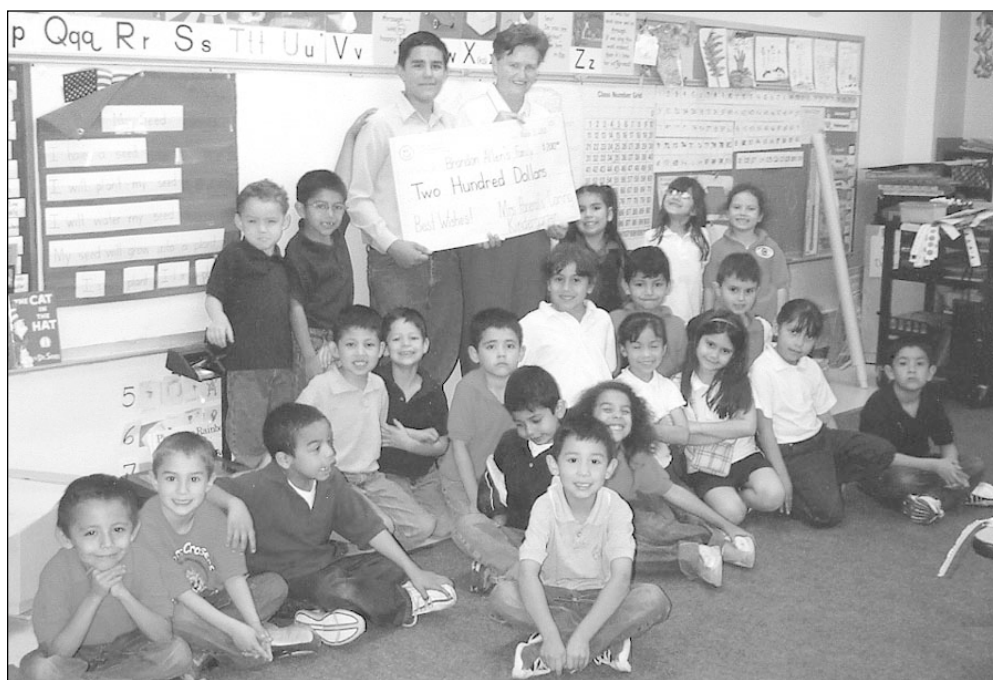
They gave up Friday candy sales money, did extra jobs at home and asked friends and family members to help out.

The class counted money every Friday. At one point, when the class figured out they were \$40 short of the goal, one student went home

and collected \$40 from family members and proudly came to school to contribute it the following Monday.

His idea caught on — and during the week, another \$100 poured in. The excited students had not only met their goal — they had doubled it.

On March 13 the student's hard work was rewarded with a visit from Mrs. Allen and Brandon, who graciously accepted 22 hugs and handshakes, and a check for \$200.



**HUGS AND HANDSHAKES** — The donation to help out the Allen family came with 22 hugs and handshakes from Danny Borrego, Stetson Rayas, Nick Hamilton, Jacob Espinoza, Mario Garcia, Kitty Badillo, Sabrina Segura, Devin Cade, Desiree Reazola, Joshua Sublasky, Gilbert Lopez, Hector Herrera, Nick Caudillo, Destiny Lopez, Ramon Fierro, Patrick Gutierrez, John Pendell, Isaac Ontiveros, Juliette Lopez, Alyssa Luna and Elizabeth Norris. Brandon and Mrs. Allen are shown standing at rear. The class is taught by Judy Paneral.

## El Paso firm to construct local Veterans Home

AUSTIN — Urban Associates, of El Paso, has been conditionally awarded the contract to construct a new Texas State Veterans Home in El Paso, according to an announcement by Jerry Patterson, Commissioner of the Texas General Land Office.

Final approval will come after review and approval by the U.S. Department of Veterans

Affairs, which is expected by the end of August. The VA provides 65 percent of construction costs for state veterans homes. The state's 35 percent match comes from revenue bonds issued by the Texas Veterans Land Board.

The approximately \$9.7 million contract

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## East meets west in Rocket Fest

By Don Woodyard  
Courier Staff Writer

CANUTILLO — The learning curve for Canutillo Middle and San Elizario Middle school students will arch and soar to new heights Friday at UTEP's Sun Bowl stadium.

The occasion will be the fifth annual Rocket Festival at which more than 500 students from the two schools will be launching homemade rockets. The event, which will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., is sponsored by Canutillo Middle School's Science Department which invited the San Elizario students to participate.

The rocket program is an outreach component for grades K-12 through a NASA-funded program, says Harry Schulte, project director for the Digital Media Center at UTEP. Each school gets \$15,000, Schulte says.

"This is a great example of how NASA can excite kids about science," Schulte says. "It lets people know that NASA is relevant to today's science."

On a more personal level, he adds, "I like to see the excitement in kids' eyes when they fire their rockets. It's cool, really cool."

More than 150 student-made water-bottle rockets will be competing for the high altitude record. Robert Martin, Canutillo Middle science teacher and festival facilitator, says the rockets are constructed from two-liter plastic soft drink bottles. Students attach fins to the bottle to give it stability in flight and an elongated nose cone to give it aerodynamic stability, Martin explains.

In previous years, rockets have soared to heights of approximately 300 meter says Martin. He feels the most important thing students get out of this project is being able to apply in real life the principles they learn in the classroom — "connecting it to real life."

Those textbook principles that take on a new meaning are:

1. Applying Newton's law of motion to the flight of model rockets.
2. Experimental design. Martin says many designs are similar as students realize the basic characteristics of what's required to achieve flight.
3. Use of computer simulation and spreadsheet programs to change parameters of rocket flight.
4. Building and successfully launching a water-bottle rocket.
5. Use of an apogee (highest point in flight) scope for angle estimation and calculating altitudes by geometric methods.

Martin praises Canutillo ISD superintendent Charles Hart and middle school principal Tom Patti and Schulte for their support in making the rocket festival possible. With their assistance, he points out, the program has grown from originally a 35-rocket event with about 50 students to more than 500 participants.

This year's top finishing groups will be invited to an exclusive preview of the Amigo Air Show compliments of Larry LaRose, Manager ELP-FOL at the NASA hanger, and Yolanda Garza, Management Assistant of the Engineering Office from the NASA White Sands Test Facility.

The public is invited to the program. There is no admission charge.

— Alfredo Vasquez contributed to this story





# One perspective

## Everyone gets equally dirty

By Francis Shrum

We took the inside of our house and set it up outside by the creek. We don't travel light. I'm talking about camping, of course, that all-American activity when we lose our minds and decide to go get dirty.

There are few other endeavors I know for which we work so hard up front getting ready, work so hard during just to perform the simple tasks of life, and most certainly work so hard afterward hauling it all back in, cleaning it up, and packing it safely away for the next time we lose our minds.

What were we thinking?

Well, for one thing, the uninhabited areas of our nation have to be among the most beautiful on earth. And one of the few ways you can enjoy them is to go camping.

For another thing, we had this yearning desire to get out of El Paso for a few days — no traffic, no noise, no Wal-Mart bags waving from the nearest cactus.

Winding our way up through New Mexico is always a pleasure, stopping for a cold drink in Glenwood, crossing over into Arizona in one of

its more picturesque areas. The map is dotted with names as picturesque as the landscape itself: Potato Patch, Skunk Flat, Moonshine Park, Mexican Hay Lake and Dead Horse Flat. Some were a little less imaginative. We crossed the Little Dry Creek a few miles before crossing over Big Dry Creek.

We stopped for gas in Alpine, Arizona and headed on to Big Lake. Seventeen miles of dirt road off the asphalt gets you to the main fishing/camping area but that wasn't our destination. We headed on down nine more miles of narrow, bumpy, dusty by-way to find the campgrounds less inhabited — you haul in your own drinking water and haul out your own trash.

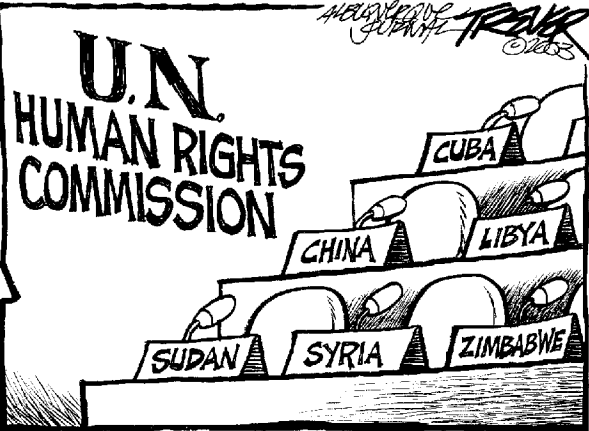
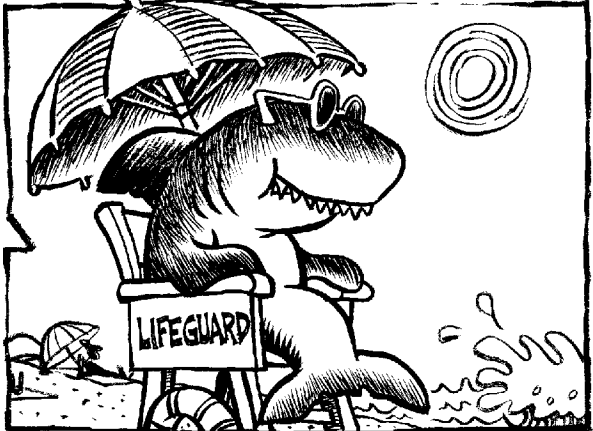
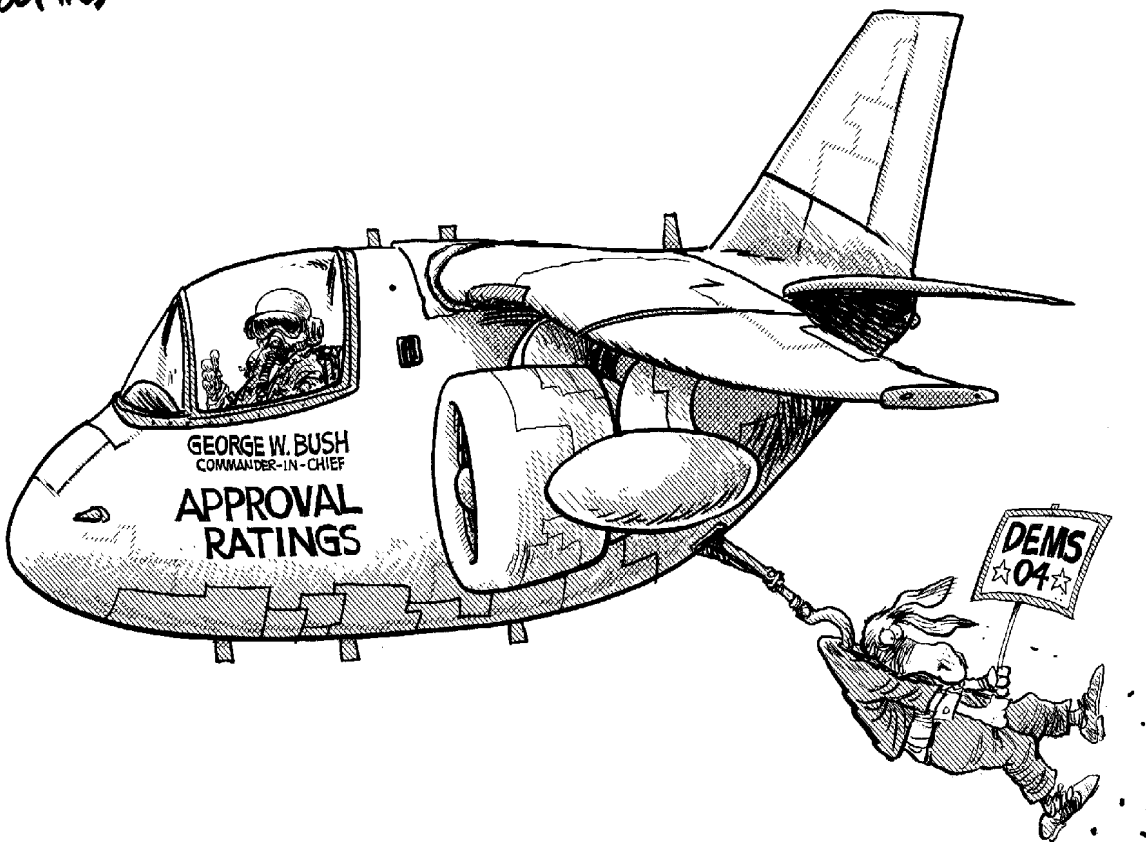
After all those miles of dusty roads our vehicles were hardly recognizable. A few hours after the kids hit the creek, they weren't either. Mud, dust and water combined for an effective disguise. A good Friday night scrubbing in my handy-dandy portable shower was hardly more than a temporary fix.

The two-year-old in our midst hit the ground running and was from that



**HANDY-DANDY CLEANING SYSTEM** — It has a solar-heated, five-gallon, overhead reservoir which hardly made a dent in the dirt.

Brookings RICHMOND TIMES DISPATCH



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## Por la Gente By State Rep. Chente Quintanilla



## Quintanilla authors two successful bills this session

Hola, mi gente. This is your friend, Chente Quintanilla sharing great legislative news. Gov. Rick Perry has signed two bills, HB 2013/SB-1084, and SB-446 that I have authored and sponsored into law that will become effective on Sept. 1, 2003. The two bills are as follows:

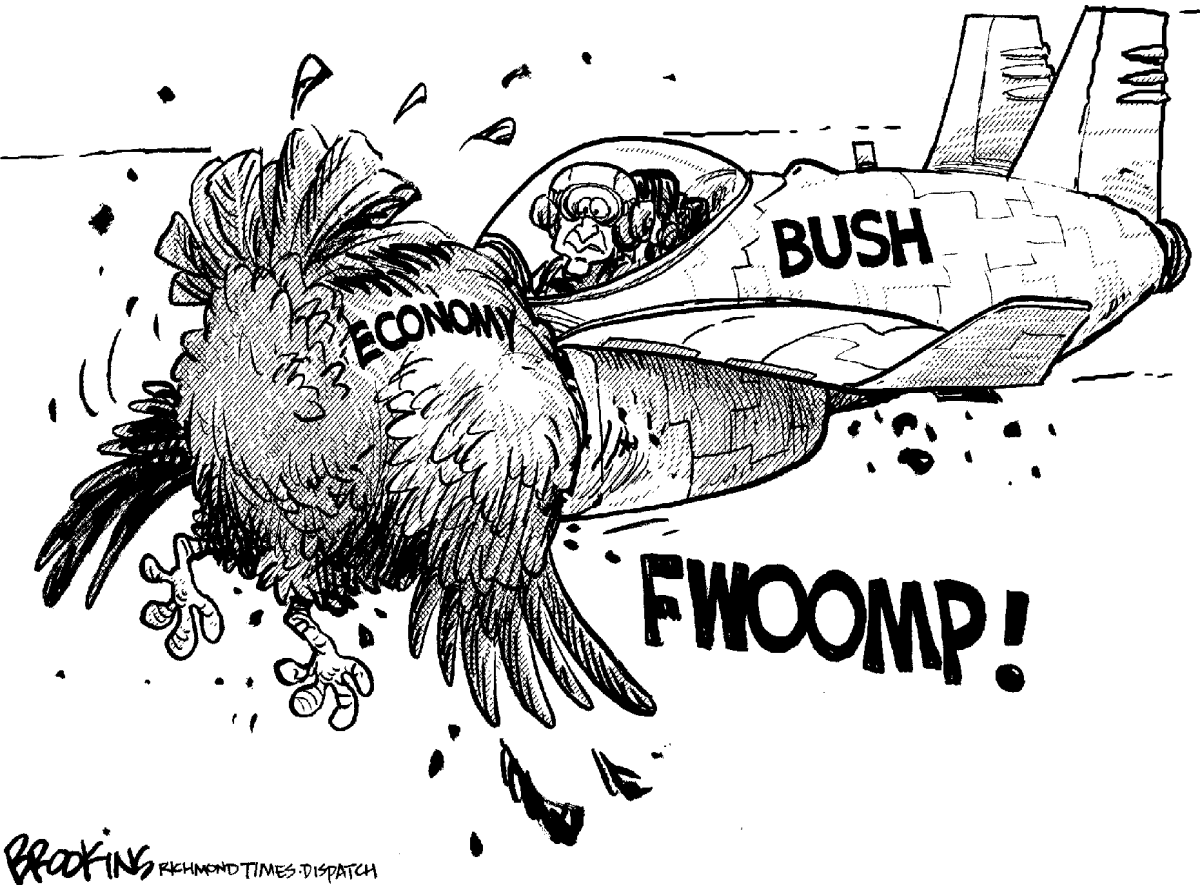
- SB 1084: This bill amends the Water Code to require the Texas Water Development Board, in providing financial assistance in the form of a loan under the Economically Distressed Areas Program to a conservation and reclamation district, to make the loan to the district without charging interest. In 1989, the 71st Texas Legislature created the Economically Distressed Areas Program (EDAP), under the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB). These areas receive grants and/or loans from TWDB to provide water and wastewater services. EDAP counties are those counties that either have a per capita income 25 percent below the state average and unemployment 25 percent above the state average for the last three years, or are adjacent to an international border. This means us, mi gente. Not only do some of us live adjacent to an international border with Mexico, but our people's earning power is not what it could be. That's why this bill means so much to our constituents. Remember, there still are too many people in our county that must do without water. They must cart water from

wherever they can, and store it in large containers. All too often these containers develop rot and other health problems. Providing water to our people is of the utmost importance. This bill benefits Horizon, Montana, the Lower Valley and all other rural communities.

- SB 446: clarifies that the Rural Foundation may apply for grants for economic development programs in rural areas of the state. The Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA) provides grant writing and grant compliance assistance to rural communities, hospitals, schools, or health care providers who are attempting to find funding for a variety of projects. During the 77th Legislature, the Rural Foundation was created as a non-profit foundation because some grants prohibit a governmental entity from receiving grant money. However, due to a drafting error it was unclear whether the foundation could apply for and administer grants relating only to health care entities or for other entities as the bill intended. The Attorney General has ruled that the foundation is currently authorized only to work with health care grants. SB 446 would clarify that the Rural Foundation may apply for grants for economic development programs in rural areas of the state.

I am pleased to tell you that this legislation has direct positive impact in our rural communities and provides us with economic incentives for our community. I'm respectful and proud to be your representative. Chente for la gente






# Congratulations, Class of 2003

This is such an exciting time of year. Spring is in full bloom and summer is right around the corner. This time of year always reminds me of new beginnings. This is especially true for the students getting ready to graduate from high school.

You've all been through your "ups" and your "downs" over the past few years. It wasn't easy. Homework



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

wasn't always fun and many times it made your head hurt: struggling to solve algebra problems, writing papers for English class and working on history projects. Like many of my classmates at South San Antonio High School, schoolwork did not come naturally to me. It was discouraging to see half of the kids in my class give up the fight and quit school. However, I believed — and continue to believe — that if you work hard and give it your all, you can do anything you want. Each of

you has the power to become a doctor, a rancher, a writer, an engineer, or even a U.S. Representative.

Here in America, we have greater opportunities than any place in the world. Education provides us with endless possibilities. It opens doors we never realized existed. For example, there are many people out there who start their lives at a disadvantage. But with hard work and a dedication to their education, they can soar to new heights. I know this is true, because it happened to me.

Real life success stories begin in communities just like yours. Every day is an opportunity — an opportunity to learn and an opportunity to set new goals for yourself. You might learn how to program a computer, build a fence, speak a new language or put together an engine. Whatever you plan to do in the future, never stop thirsting for knowledge and reaching for the stars. Your efforts and success are what will keep our nation strong in the coming century.

So, for those students out there who are about to march across the stage and receive your diploma, I would like to congratulate you on a job well done. You're about to start a new chapter in your life. I wish you great luck as you set out to realize the American dream.

Congratulations and good luck, Class of 2003!





**Reyes Reports** By U.S. Rep. Silvestre Reyes

## Small businesses benefits all

In El Paso, small business is the heart of our community. We are lucky to have a vibrant, entrepreneurial spirit and hard working people that provide jobs, infrastructure, retail, construction, and entertainment for our residents and visitors.

Small businesses in El Paso play a critical role in our regional economy and without these businesses and people, El Paso would not offer the jobs and opportunity it currently does. However, there is always room for improvement. We need more jobs and more opportunity for those in our community.

There are local and federal resources small businesses can tap to improve their performance. The El Paso Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, the El Paso Black Chamber of Commerce, the El Paso Korean Chamber of Commerce, and the Greater El Paso Chamber of Commerce are wonderful tools for businesses, especially small minority-owned businesses. On the federal level, the General Services Administration (GSA) can assist businesses

through access to government contracts. It doesn't matter if you are just getting started or if you have been established for years, these organizations exist to assist you.

The General Services Administration is holding a workshop, called the 2003 Regional Small Business Industry Training Day, here in El Paso on June 16 and 17. The training will give vendors insight into GSA's Multiple Award Schedule contracts and Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity contracts. It is free, and there will be two sessions held at the Marriott Hotel at 1600 Airway Boulevard. To review course descriptions and register, you can visit the El Paso Hispanic Chamber of Commerce's website at [www.ephcc.org](http://www.ephcc.org).

Business prospects in El Paso will also improve with the passage of the Southwest Regional Border Authority Act, legislation I recently introduced in Congress that will help small businesses gain access to capital. Access to technology and workforce development are at the heart of this bill, which will create and implement regional strategies for economic and community development among the Southwest border

region. By bringing border communities the technology they need and training our workforce to use that technology, we will be able to compete and attract corporate investment.

The Southwest Regional Border Authority will be an independent agency, led by one Senate-confirmed federal representative and the governors of New Mexico, Texas, Arizona, and California. The bill authorizes \$50 million for the first year, followed by increasing amounts in the following years. The Authority's primary responsibility will be the approval of grants and economic development plans for the border region, and will conduct research on the resources available to the region, sponsoring demonstration projects and coordinating new federal border programs.

Through training programs such as the GSA's workshop, the Southwest Regional Border Authority Act, the local chambers of commerce, and the enterprise of our community, small business will improve and grow, directly impacting our economy. It is important to ensure that our small businesses have the resources they need to continue to be critical aspects of our economy.

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**TRUE TEXAS FACTS** by Roger Moore April 17, 1897, Aurora, Texas, The Dallas Morning News reports that a "strange airship" (complete with a green alien) has crashed into a windmill and exploded.



# Community forestry grants available

COLLEGE STATION — The Texas Forest Service is offering over \$400,000 in partnership grants to cities, towns, and community groups to begin or improve local tree programs. These competitive grants range from \$1,000 to \$20,000 and must be matched dollar-for-dollar. Applications may be downloaded from the Texas Forest Service website and must be received by 5 p.m. on July 17, 2003 to be considered.

“We call them ‘Partnership’ grants

because they can be a catalyst for improving the whole community,” said program coordinator, Pete Smith. “Our money is paired with the energy and effort of city staff and local citizen volunteers to take stock of their urban forest or make plans to plant new trees, protect existing ones, or improve their care.”

New this year are \$5,000 grants to begin a “NeighborWoods” tree planting program, which helps a community work with citizens to plant trees

in their yards or in the public right-of-way to serve as street trees.

“Urban forestry is the management of trees and related natural resources where people live, work, and play,” said John Giedraitis, state urban forestry coordinator for the Texas Forest Service in College Station. “Texas is now an urban state, where over 80 percent of the people live on just three percent of the land. Providing grants and technical assistance to communities are the two best ways our agency can improve the lives of urban Texans.”

Applicants may be local or state governments and non-profit groups.

Projects eligible for funding include professional forestry staff positions to manage a community-wide forestry program, tree ordinance development, workshops, volunteer programs, and the production of public service announcements, brochures, videos, or other educational materials. Funding priority is given to projects that have a long-term impact on the community.

For more information contact the local Texas Forest Service office, call the Forest Resource Development Department in College Station at (979) 458-6650, or go to <http://texasforestservicetamu.edu/>.

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awarded to Urban Associates is the largest ever made by the General Land Office or Veterans Land Board to a minority-owned firm.

Work on the El Paso home should begin within 30 days after the contract is awarded. The home is expected to be completed about 16 months after construction starts, and should be open for residents in early 2005. The estimated cost of construction is about \$12.2 million.

“With so many veterans living in El Paso, I can’t think of a better place to build a nursing home designed expressly for their needs,” Patterson said. “As state senator, I authored the legislation that created the Texas State Veterans Home program, so I am committed to seeing these facilities be the best they can be. For veterans in Texas, we intend to offer the best care anywhere.”

Patterson said the El Paso home will have 160 beds, of which 60 will be certified for Alzheimer’s-care in separate, secure wings. There are no nursing homes in El Paso County with certified Alzheimer’s-care beds now. More than 2,100 of the county’s 56,000 veterans are thought to have the disease.

“Our Alzheimer’s wings always fill up fast when we open a veterans home,” Patterson said. “That’s why the El Paso home will have almost twice the number of Alzheimer’s-care beds as the first state veterans home, which opened in late 2000. There’s a critical need for this service in El Paso.”

The El Paso veterans home will eventually employ 127 full-time employees, including registered nurses, licensed vocational nurses, therapists, nurses’ aides, laundry and housekeeping staff, activities aides, cooks and dietary staff. Its annual payroll will be more than \$3 million.

An invitation for bids to construct a state veterans home in El Paso and one in McAllen was issued by the Veterans Land Board on April 4, 2003. Bids from 14 firms were received, and they were opened on May 6. The members of the Veterans Land Board recently approved the conditional contract award to Urban Associates at a public meeting in Austin. Moorhouse Construction, of Harlingen, was conditionally awarded the contract to construct the home in McAllen.

Because the VA subsidizes over half of a veteran’s cost to stay in a Texas State Veterans Home, the daily rates are well below market average. A veteran pays about \$23,000 per year for a semi-private room in a Texas State Veterans Home, while the average cost to stay in a Texas nursing home is about \$40,000.

Spouses of Texas veterans and Gold Star parents are also eligible for care in Texas State Veterans Homes.

There are Texas State Veterans Homes in Temple, Floresville, Big Spring and Bonham. Each home has 160 beds and provides a broad spectrum of health care services, a comprehensive rehabilitation program, special diets, recreational activities, social services, a library, a gift shop and certified, safe Alzheimer’s wings with their own secure outdoor courtyards.

For additional information on Texas State Veterans Homes and state home, land and home improvement loans for Texas veterans, call (800) 252-VETS, or visit the Texas Veterans Land Board Web site at [www.texasveterans.org](http://www.texasveterans.org).

## Briefs

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Socorro High School and a few of recent student achievements follow:

- The Socorro High School Student Council received the Sweepstakes and Community Service award at the recent Texas Association of Student Council’s Conference, after receiving the Outstanding Student Council honors in district competition.
- Toni Marie Ramirez will serve as student body president for 2003-04. Debie LaFuentes will serve as vice president, as well as senior class president.
- The SHS Missionettes will be led by Adriana Salcido and Juan Rojas co-leader.
- Winners of the first annual ESL Reading-fest were Isabel Guillen, Victor Santiesteban and Brenda Bagues. More than 300 students displayed and commented on a variety of books.

- Omar Nava is the first-ever student of SHS to make the All City High Q. Team.
- Senior Brenda Bagues has won two scholarships: the Bill Gates Millennium Scholarship for \$9,400 for the first year, renewable each year. She also received the Walmart scholarship for \$1,000.
- Evelyn Zuniga also won a Bill Gates scholarship for \$5,549.
- Melissa Pina won a first-place award for her work from the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese. Two other students won second places, and two third places..

■ The lifetime risk of an individual in the U.S. developing melanoma was one in 71 in 2001, and by the year 2010 that number will increase to one in 50, according to The Skin Cancer Foundation. In response to these alarming statistics, and in recognition of May as National Melanoma/Skin Cancer Detection and Prevention Month, Galderma Laboratories, the leading pharmaceutical manufacturer

of dermatological products in the United States, has joined forces with the Skin Cancer Foundation to arm Americans with the information they need to combat this disease. Detailed descriptions of warning signs, as well as guidelines for sun protection, are available on [www.galdermausa.com](http://www.galdermausa.com). Since people receive 50 percent to 80 percent of their lifetime sun exposure before age 18, detection is the most important part of protecting yourself against skin cancer. National Melanoma/Skin Cancer Detection and Prevention Month presents a great opportunity for Americans to educate themselves about this deadly disease, but it is important to realize that melanoma and skin cancer are year-round threats and awareness is an issue that needs to be addressed daily.

■ The American Heart Association’s Heart Walk Kick-Off will be held at the Marriott Hotel Ballroom, at Airway and Montana on June 11, 11:30 a.m. The Ameri-

can Heart Walk, sponsored by Las Palmas Medical Center, will be held Sept. 6, and will raise funds for research and education programs. For more information call 833-1231.

■ Self Help for Hard of Hearing persons (SHHH) will present a workshop on cochlear implants on June 21 at the El Paso Center for the Deaf, 511 Executive Center in El Paso, at 9:30 a.m. Dr. Brian Reynolds and Aundie Werner, faculty members of the UTEP Cochlear Implant Center, will be presenters. The workshop is free to the public. Information: 544-6032.

■ Southwest Texas ACA, which specializes in financing farm and ranch real estate, rural housing, livestock and equipment purchases and operating expenses for agricultural producers and rural landowners, recent reached the milestone of \$500 million in outstanding loans. Information is at [www.swtaca.com](http://www.swtaca.com)

## Canutillo ISD Public Notice Summer Meal Program

Canutillo Independent School District is offering a free Summer School Food Service program to children between the ages of 1-18.

Breakfast is served from 7 to 8 a.m. and lunch is served from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Six school campuses’ schudules are:

- Canutillo High School 7311 Bosque Rd., June 6 - July 3;
- Canutillo Middle School, 801 Talbot, June 9 - July 3;
- Canutillo Elementary School, 651 Canutillo Ave., June 9 - June 27 (may be extended throughout the summer);
- Davenport Elementary School, 8401 Remington Rd., June 9 - June 27;
- Bill Childress Elementary School, 7700 Cap Carter Rd., June 9 - June 27;
- Jose Damian Elementary School, 6300 Strahan Rd., June 9 - June 27.

CISD Food Service Program does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, disability, sex, age, national origin, religion or political beliefs. Anyone who believes that they have been discriminated against should write immediately to: Director, Civil Rights Division, MCE-106, Texas Dept. of Human Services, P.O. Box 149030, Austin, Texas 78714-9030 or the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250. **NOTE:** Discrimination complaints based on religion or political beliefs must be referred **ONLY** to the Director, Civil Rights Division, Texas Dept. of Human Services.

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## Town of Horizon City PUBLIC NOTICE

A PUBLIC HEARING will be held at **6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 10, 2003** 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. 002 to Zoning Ordinance No. 0102 to amend Appendix III Fee Schedule on building permits, plumbing, mechanical and electrical.
- 2) Proposed Ordinance No. 0107 Regulating Street Names and Addresses within the territorial limits of the Town of Horizon City.

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

WTCC: 05/29/03



Write stuff

**Dear Editor:**

As a member of the (Socorro) City Council just let me point out some of the errors that have been printed in your articles about us. I come to City Hall every day, and even though I do not stay eight hours every day, I dedicate such time to my job as city representative. A couple of months ago I sent you a report for the citizens of Socorro and in return I was criticized with erroneous information by a very negative person that hasn't attended one of our meetings to this day, so draw your own conclusions.

On your 4/10/03 article your reporter stated that the Council impedes progress. I disagree. Progress is all around us and happens whether we have a meeting or not. It was also stated that I did not go to the meeting because my items did not get on the agenda. Wrong again. There have been other times when the mayor denied my items to be placed on the agendas, which, by the way, according to the Attorney General, that denial is improper, may be unlawful, and may constitute malfeasance, misfeasance, or incompetence. Let me also tell you that the Council gets along just fine, even if the mayor hasn't spoken to us to give us any information in over nine months. I agree that Socorro has great potential with the right kind of leadership, and that's what we don't have right now. She is also very protective of some of the employees.

On your 5/8/03 article there are errors. There was also a report about some of the councilmen working on the parks, but it was not mentioned because it is not controversial enough, I suppose.

On your 5/22/03 headline it states that we appointed an interim city attorney. That is wrong, Mrs. Borunda is the permanent attorney for the City Council and the CSC (Civil Service Commission), and that is not a conflict of interest. In the past we had one attorney that worked on both meetings. The mayor was in the Charter Commission, so she should know her comments were wrong. There is also no mention in the Charter of the services of the attorneys having to be separate. When you talked about the Fire Chief, you forgot to mention that there were two members of Council that had supported him and the Fire Dept., and that I was one of them. Someone very conveniently left that out. People that

attend our meetings often ask why it is that what they experience there does not match with your articles and they ask if the information isn't supposed to be researched before it is written on your newspaper, and I have no answers. We draw our own conclusions. I am not a "yes, mayor," person, if I see something is wrong, I am going to say or do something about it. Part of my job is to do the right thing — not for the mayor, not for the Council, not for me, but for Socorro and its people. I invite the people to come and ask questions and not be misled by the rumors that certain persons are spreading about us.

**Gloria Macias Rodriguez**  
Socorro City Representative

*Editor's Note: The headline on the April 10, 2003 article states that "council infighting" is impeding Socorro's progress and does not place blame personally on any specific council member or members. The article also does not name Ms. Rodriguez as the city representative who community members in attendance believed did not attend because their agenda items were not included. There was an extensive effort made in that article to include the views held by all members of Socorro's council. The Courier's coverage of the Socorro Council meetings is based on what is said and done in public meeting on major issues. Not every detail may be included, as in the above-mentioned report concerning some councilmen working on the park. If the statement made by the Fire Chief did not specifically include that he had been supported by you or other specific councilmen it is unlikely our report would have mentioned this. Information of this type is never intentionally left out. As to the appointment of Ms. Borunda being interim in nature, this was published based on statements made by Mayor Irma Sanchez. Ms. Borunda's interim status is also supported by the authorization of the council to seek Requests for Qualifications (RFQs) which indicates that your council is seeking a pool of attorneys from which to choose. The coverage of Socorro's council meetings is done with every attempt to present a clear picture of what occurred through the eyes of an unbiased person. On the occasions when factual errors are made they will be corrected.*

San Elizario cadets receive awards for job well done

By Don Woodyard  
Courier Staff Writer

SAN ELIZARIO—Seventeen Naval Junior ROTC cadets at San Elizario High School received awards May 8 in a special ceremony held in the instructional gym.

Marine Col. Roy Gray, who heads the school district's NJROTC program, accompanied representatives of military organizations who presented the plaques, trophies and medals to the cadets in recognition of their leadership skills.

Cadet Lt. Jessica Carbajal received two awards. The first is the Ever Forward Trophy presented by the Military Order of World Wars (MOWW). It is presented to a senior in a leadership position who "has done the most to improve the unit by individual involvement."

The second, presented by Col. Gray, was the Area 10 Meritorious Achievement Award, the highest award given to a cadet in NJROTC. It is given to the person who "has made the greatest impact on the unit's achievements."

Carbajal, according to program notes, "sets the standard for leadership and mental toughness."

Receiving the MOWW's Junior ROTC Award was Petty Officer Brandon Wiseman. According to the program notes, he has "performed exceptionally well in school academics as well as a NJROTC cadet."

The MOWW's Most Improved Cadets Awards went to Petty Officers Jorge Ortiz and Adriana Valdez.

Ensign Marisela Hernandez received the MOAA Junior ROTC medal that is given to a senior cadet who "is in good standing in all military and academic aspects (and who) has been instrumental in the total unit's success."

Earning the MOWW's Second Language Award was Cadet Lt. and company commander Luis Guterrez and Felipe Davila. It recognizes cadets who have successfully met the challenge of learning a foreign language and "excelling."

Cadet Chief Petty Officer Filiberto Carrillo received the Junior ROTC Achievement Award that was presented by the Order of Daedalions, an organization of military pilots. It

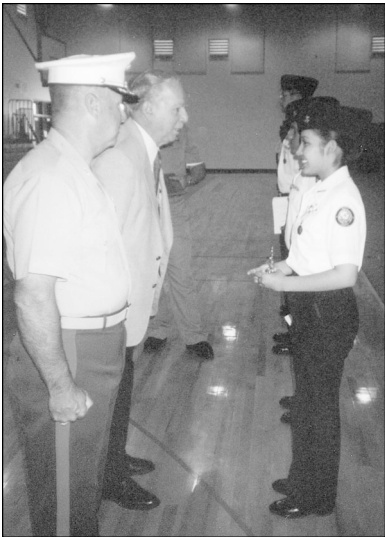
is presented for "outstanding leadership and performance."

The VFW's Leadership Award was presented to Petty Officer Sarah Verduzco for her "commitment to the unit as a member of the unarmed drill team."

The American Legion Award for leadership went to two cadets, Ensign Adriana Pacheco and Petty Officer Dulce Soriano.

Recognized for demonstrating "unparalleled Americanism and support of the United States as a patriot" was Lt. Erica Campos. The award

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Col. Roy Gray, left, with Lt. Col. Don Hallaver (Ret) representing MOWWC, with Cadet Lt. Jessica Carbajal.

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Título I, Partes A y D - Desarrollo Profesional y Juventud Delincuente y Desatendida
- Title II, Parts A and D - Supplemental Education Services;  
Título II, Partes A y D - Servicios Educativos Suplementarios;
- Title III, Part A and Title IV, Part A - Safe and Drug Free Schools;  
Título III, Parte A y Título IV, Parte A - Escuelas Libres de Drogas y Seguras;
- Title V - Innovative Programs.  
Título V - Programas Innovadores

The meeting will be held:  
La junta se llevará a cabo:

Saturday, May 31, 2003 / sábado, 31 de mayo 2003  
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# Sorenstam’s game with the boys wasn’t about winning and losing

By Steve Escajeda  
Special to the Courier

Well, it’s been a week since Annika Sorenstam made history at the PGA’s Colonial golf tournament and what have we learned? We learned that Vijay Singh is afraid to play with girls. We learned that the event may have done wonders to promote the LPGA. And we also leaned that Sorenstam, the best woman golfer in the world, cannot come close to competing with the best men in the world. But that was not the point. Sorenstam failed to make the cut of the tourney, finishing her two-day stint at 5-over par. The winner, Kenny Perry, finished the event at 19-under par. That means that Sorenstam was a whopping 24 shots behind the eventual champion. And she likely would have lost by many more strokes had she played the last two days. Now, I don’t think anybody expected her to contend for the title, or even make the cut, but Sorenstam did accomplish something positive. For one round, and one round only, she was not one of the best female golfers in the world... she was one of the best golfers in the world. Her opening round 1-over par 71 shocked

me. She found herself among such male notables as Tom Lehman and Sergio Garcia. But Sorenstam shot a four-over 74 on day two and came back down to Earth with a vengeance. All in all, Sorenstam’s showing was a success. She displayed nothing but grace and class during her short stay and I think she won over many men who weren’t sure she had any right to get a free ride into a men’s tournament... including myself. So what do you know, Annika Sorenstam played in a men’s tournament and the world didn’t come to an end. She was 24 shots away from the top man in the field but sometimes it’s not all about winning and losing. In a funny way, it seems like everyone involved in the tournament won...except, of course, for Vijay Singh.

### Grounds for dismissal

Again, just when you thought you’d heard it all something new and a bit strange comes along. I’ve seen so many different guys in the major leagues get tossed from games for so many different reasons. I’ve seen managers and players get tossed for arguing, for fighting, for throwing pitches

at other batters. I’ve seen mascots and even announcers (Paul Strelzin with the Diablos) get thrown out of games, but this is a new one. In a game last week between Lakewood, N.J. and Kannapolis of the Class A South Atlantic League, it began to rain pretty hard by the seventh inning with manager Buddy Biancalana’s Lakewood team leading 3-0. Enter groundskeeper Bill Butler. Seems Butler, a three-time Groundskeeper of the Year in the minors and working his 13th season in the business, told umpires Brandon Cooney and Steve Cummings that it was time to cover the field. Butler said that both managers wanted the game halted so no players would get hurt. When Butler walked onto the field to talk with the umpires he was told, in no uncertain terms, to get off the field. Butler insisted that the field needed to be covered. The umpires were in the middle of an on-the-field-meeting when Butler insisted once again that the game be halted and the field be covered. The umpires, who apparently didn’t have enough sense to get out of the rain, got angry and then gave Butler the heave-ho. They tossed the groundskeeper from the game!

Now that’s a new one. And here’s the punchline. Right after the umps threw Butler out of the game for wanting to cover the field, they ordered the field covered and the game was never resumed. Remember this one guys, it will be in all the sports trivia games next year.

### Titan-sized mistake

What the heck was Steve McNair thinking? McNair, the Tennessee Titans star QB, was arrested last week on charges of drunken driving and illegal possession of a handgun. The usually strong-minded quarterback who temporarily went stupid, apologized to his team saying that this was something you didn’t usually see out of him. He said he put himself in this situation and he’s got to get himself out. Well, there’s no doubt that he put himself in that situation. I can see that a lot of guys go out and drink and make the dumb mistake of going too far but what’s the deal with the loaded gun? I thought McNair did all his target practice with his arm on the football field. Steve McNair proved once again that the finely tuned athlete’s body is often a thing to behold...however, his brain is often out to lunch.

# San Elizario Special Olympians earn medals at the games

By Don Woodyard  
Courier Staff Writer

SAN ELIZARIO— Special Olympics students, wearing their medals, from the San Elizario ISD were honored at the May 14 meeting of the district’s board of trustees. Eighteen participated in 76 events in the area Special Olympics held April 25 and 26 at Riverside High School, said Ernie Gonzalez, director of special education. Nineteen received gold medals. Twenty-one earned silver medals, and 17 received bronze medals. Eight got fourth-place honors and five came in fifth. Events, that covered four days, included gymnastics, motor activities, track and field and swimming.

“That weekend was their weekend,” Gonzalez said. He thanked parents of the participants. “We had more than 30 volunteers who helped those four days. This includes the coaches who worked from the end of January to the actual competition in April. “Some of these volunteers are middle and high school students who offered their time to help out with Special Olympics,” he added. The students are Fernando Almanzar, Miguel Bautista, Corina Camargo, Steven Chavez, Claudia Esquivel, Francisco Flores, Jr., Jesus Flores, Ivan Lamas, Joel Lopez, Manuel Lozano, Julio Luna, Adrian Maldonado, Ivan Marquez, Viridiana Morales, Laura Ramirez, Danielle Reza, Rhett Rubio and Macario Sanchez.



Ivan Marquez was ready to go during opening ceremonies at Riverside High School.

## Cadets

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was presented by the National Sojourners. For “excellent leadership qualities, military bearing and patriotism,” Lt. Raymond Tarrango received the Marine Corps League’s award. The Navy League presented Lt. Miriam Eguade its award for “personifying leadership and courage.” The MOWW also presented a leadership award to Cadet Lt. Cmdr. Diana Chairez, the unit’s battalion commander. It is presented to the cadet who “personifies integrity, leadership and devotion to country.” The Military Order of the Purple Heart award went to Ensign Eric Puentes, battalion guide for two years. Recognized for being “the catalyst in the total success of the unit” was Cadet Chief Petty Officer Michael Torrez.

## King Super Crossword

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14 Hopeless case

19 Mistreated

20 \_ Simbel

21 "I could - horse!"

22 Madrid museum

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by Gene Perret

24 Makes one's mark

25 Fragment

26 High points

27 Ben, to Hoss

28 Sparkle

31 Tend a tot

33 Actress Meyers

34 \_ gras

36 One of the

Waugh's

38 Prickly plant

41 Part 2 of remark

46 Managed

47 Burton or Curry

48 Doe in "Bambi"

49 Comic Charlotte

50 "Alley \_"

51 Rash

55 Unrestrained

59 Handbag part

62 " \_ Be Me" ('60 hit)

63 Designer Simpson

66 Baseball's Berg

67 " \_ Is for Heroes"

('62 film)

68 Crude cartel

70 Gray or Moran

71 Comics' noise

72 Wedding gift,

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76 Electrician's

device

79 "You bet!"

81 Conductor Karl

82 Puerto \_

84 Piccadilly figure

86 Mellow

87 Athenian arcades

89 French

impressionist

92 Inclines

94 Playwright Hart

96 Fusilli's

predecessor

98 " \_ favor"

99 Curious

102 Quisenberry or

Quayle

103 "I've \_ it!"

104 Texas athlete

106 Part 3 of remark

112 Rudy Vallee, for

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113 Showstopper

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115 Word on a pump

116 Cotton clump

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121 Davis' dom.

124 See 5 Down

127 Prepare to be shot

129 " \_ whiz!"

130 End of remark

133 Martini garnish

134 Depraved

135 April initials

136 Paganini's

instrument

137 Olympic award

138 Medieval menial

139 Squirrel's snack

140 Graceland, e.g.

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1 A sweeping

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46 \_ Cob, CT

52 More mature

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54 Semester

56 Musical

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57 Card game

58 Morning moisture

60 PC key

61 Commoners

64 Speak with a

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65 Record

69 Winter warmer-

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73 Bon \_

74 "Hold your

horses!"

75 Blake or Plummer

77 Neighbor of

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78 Distinctive period

79 Tasty tuber

80 Self-esteem

83 Mischief-maker

85 Hurling or curling

88 Corset parts

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91 Learn to walk

93 Theater sign

95 London district

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100 Bear's lair

101 Comic Carey

104 Bk. convenience

105 Health club

106 Baltimore bird

107 Steamy

108 Long curtains

109 Fire

110 Starting point

111 Homegrown

112 Pool shot

117 Mourning \_

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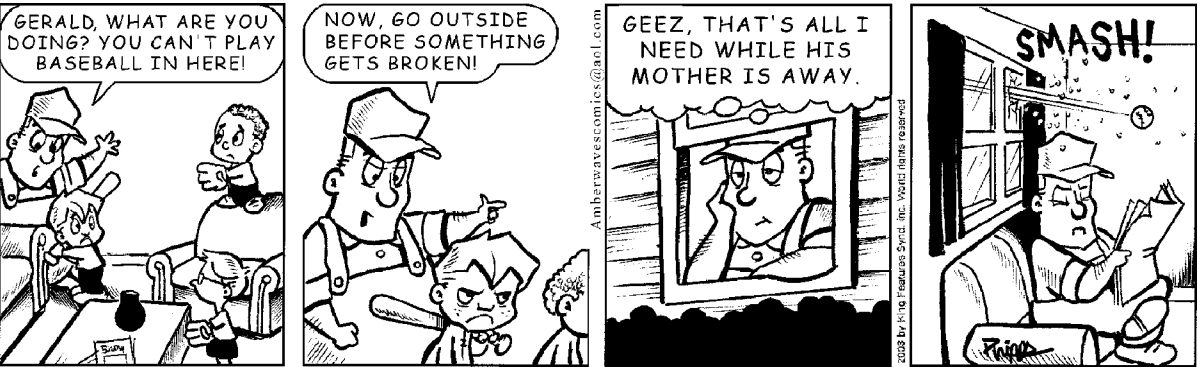
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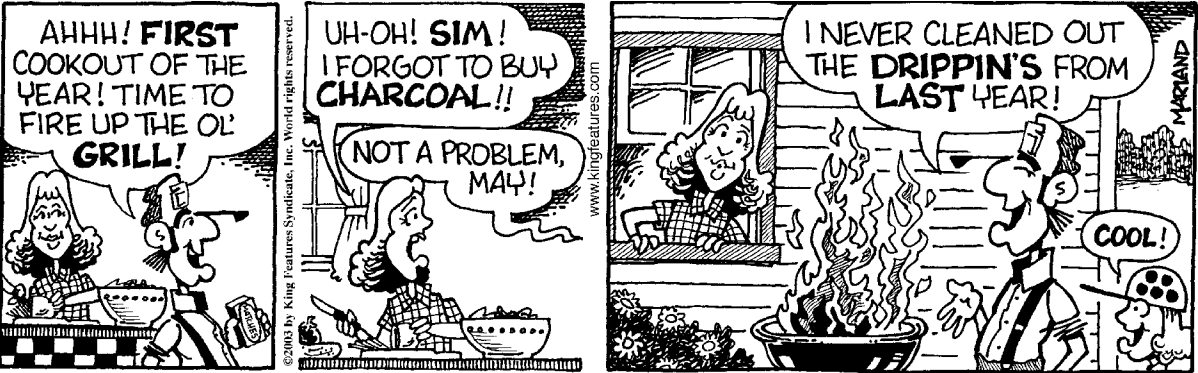
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**Dirty**

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Fly the friendly skies

**By Don Flood**

I don't know if exact figures are available, but there seem to be more reports of people flying naked than there were when I was growing up.

One recent story involved vacationers flying to Cancun in what was billed as the first nude flight.

Said Donna Daniels, co-owner of Castaways travel agency, "These are professionals who lead very stressful lives and are ready to let it all go."

(Expect Bill Bennett, now sworn off slots and seeking new ways to release tension, to be a high-flying naked professional.)

What intrigued me, though, was thinking about how much time could be saved at airport security checkpoints if *everybody* removed their clothes before entering the airport.

They'd be able to whoosh people right through. Just a thought.

Another item concerned two Southwest Airlines pilots who were fired for taking off their uniforms in the cockpit and flying the plane naked.

According to one story, "a flight attendant saw them *when summoned* (my italics) into the cockpit on the flight several months ago."

PILOT: Isn't this fun!

CO-PILOT: Yeah, as a boy I always dreamed of being a naked pilot!

PILOT: Me too! Hey, I've got an idea. We need a witness so that everybody will know what two *wild and crazy guys* we are!

CO-PILOT: Yeah, let's show 'em we got the Right Stuff! Bring in the flight attendant!

However, in fairness, I must report that the pilots, who are appealing the decision, tell a different tale.

A tragic tale, really, a tale of an extraordinary coffee spill that somehow — *hey folks, this is their story, not mine* — forced one pilot and then, apparently, the other to remove his clothes.

According to the CourtTV Online account, "It was unclear why the second pilot may have removed his clothes."

Yes, that is unclear. Apparently, in the airline industry it's good form, when a co-worker has been forced to undress because of spilled coffee, to remove one's own clothing.

(Actually, I'm still unclear about the *first guy*. At our office, where we drink and spill coffee by the gallon, people rarely disrobe in front of co-workers, but then we are a rather straight-laced group.)

It's possible, of course, the pilots were simply following standard operating procedure:

PILOT: Coffee spill in the cockpit! Repeat, we have a coffee spill in the cockpit.

CONTROLLER: Roger that, Captain, have you commenced uniform-removal procedures?

PILOT: No, sir, I ...

CONTROLLER: Don't "No sir" me, Captain! You know the rules.

PILOT: Yes, but ...

CONTROLLER: No "buts"! I am officially advising you — *as I am sure you are already aware* — that FAA regulations require IMMEDIATE removal of all clothes in the event of a coffee-spill emergency.

PILOT: Roger, uniform-removal procedures completed. Now what?

CONTROLLER: Have you completely lost your head, Captain? It is time to summon the Flight Attendant so she can verify that you have achieved fully naked flight status.

In the event the flight attendant is unwilling or unable to perform her duty, then hopefully Bill Bennett would be on hand help out.

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Bill Childress ES 6th Grader writes 'outstanding essay'

CANUTILLO — Jessica Paez, sixth grade student at Bill Childress Elementary School in the Canutillo Independent School District, received the "Most Outstanding Essay" award, presented by UTEP's

M o t h e r / Daughter program during its leadership conference held recently.

Paez wrote about the importance of a college education and how she plans to get her degree in the medical field as a doctor or nurse. Mother/ Daughter program participants wrote essays on how the program has changed their lives and has inspired them to seek higher education goals.

Lorena Salas, Mother/Daughter Program Coordinator at Bill Childress Elementary, nominated Paez for this distinguished honor. Paez received a plaque and certificate for her efforts.

— Contributed by Carmen M. Guzman



For Sanity's Sake By Taprina Milburn

The expensive game of baseball

Before my son had any interest in baseball, we used to watch the neighbor kids play catch. As soon as the dad arrived home from work, he was in the yard with his sons, who for grade-schoolers had powerful throws that would make any coach salivate.

My son was more into building things with Legos and sticks and was much too busy to notice anything round unless it was a gum ball.

But that all changed one day last year when he arrived home from school and announced to us that he

now wanted to be a baseball player. Dad perked up, as most dads do when their sons begin to show interest in sports, bought our son a mitt, dusted off his own mitt and took to the back yard.

Now I could watch from the kitchen window my own boys enjoying a true slice of Americana.

Except that the first few experiments our son had with playing catch more resembled dodge ball. The small white ball hurling through the air was at times intimidating to him.

As a mom, I wanted to run out and cover my son in foam rubber from head to toe until he became more apt at using his mitt.

But sometimes mamas have to know when to stay out of the game. Unless they're asked to join, of course.

Despite a few mishaps with the ball, our son hung in there. Despite a few frustrating afternoons trying to teach our now 7-year-old how to throw and catch, Dad hung in there too. Today when I look out the

kitchen window, my boys actually look as if they're having fun.

"Mom, I caught a ball from far away, and Dad owes me a quarter," he said after several successful catching practices.

He has big plans for all the quarters he's collected.

This week on a particularly beautiful spring day, Dad wasn't home yet from the office, and I was finally asked to join my son for a game of catch.

"I'll show you how to throw the right way, Mom," he told me after I made several pitiful attempts at lobbing the ball.

He demonstrated for me the correct way, and I tried to imitate what he showed me.

"No. Watch me carefully," he said.

He gave up on my getting it right, saying that I was harder to play with than Dad. He decided we'd move on to the lesson on catching.

"If you catch this one you get a quarter," he said.

I missed more than once. He offered the money incentive again. I caught the ball. And the next one and the next one.

The price for catching dropped to a nickel.








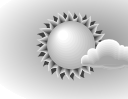
My son cut his losses and dropped me from the game. Dad was home, and he had money to earn back.

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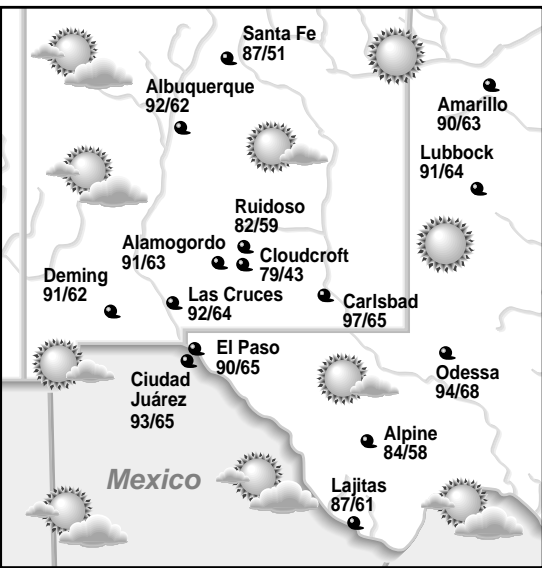
The higher the UV Index, the greater the need for eye and skin protection.

Thursday	10	.....Very High
Friday	9	.....Very High
Saturday	9	.....Very High
Sunday	8	.....High
Monday	9	.....Very High
Tuesday	10	.....Very High
Wednesday	10	.....Very High

TEXAS WEATHER

Anthony	93	65
Canutillo	94	66
Clint	93	66
E. Montana	90	65
Fabens	93	66
Horizon	94	66
San Elizario	90	63
Socorro	90	64
Tornillo	93	66
Vinton	94	66

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



TRAVELERS CITIES

City	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.	Mon.
	Hi/Low/W	Hi/Low/W	Hi/Low/W	Hi/Low/W	Hi/Low/W
Albuquerque	92/62/pc	91/62/pc	87/60/pc	85/60/pc	84/49/pc
Atlanta	79/60/pc	78/66/s	83/66/pc	81/60/pc	75/56/s
Atlantic City	70/56/c	78/57/c	76/57/pc	74/54/c	73/49/pc
Austin/San Antonio	92/70/pc	94/71/s	94/71/s	86/63/c	87/66/s
Baltimore	75/59/c	80/63/pc	77/61/pc	73/55/c	69/50/pc
Boston	72/58/c	72/58/c	72/56/pc	70/56/c	69/51/c
Chicago	70/52/pc	76/56/pc	70/49/pc	68/52/pc	70/49/s
Dallas/Ft. Worth	93/68/s	92/74/s	89/68/pc	84/65/pc	85/64/s
Denver	93/57/s	88/53/pc	75/50/pc	78/53/pc	81/53/pc
Flagstaff	81/44/s	79/44/pc	79/42/pc	79/43/pc	76/39/pc
Houston	93/70/pc	92/74/s	92/74/s	88/70/c	88/70/s
Kansas City	82/62/s	83/62/pc	76/55/pc	75/56/s	76/58/pc
Las Vegas	102/74/s	100/74/pc	98/74/s	100/74/s	100/74/s
Miami	88/72/pc	90/74/pc	92/74/s	91/74/pc	90/74/c
Minneapolis	78/56/s	74/52/t	70/48/pc	70/52/s	73/54/s
New Orleans	90/72/pc	90/75/pc	90/73/s	87/70/pc	85/66/s
New York City	73/58/c	75/61/pc	72/58/pc	73/60/c	71/52/pc
Philadelphia	76/58/c	78/62/pc	76/62/pc	72/56/c	68/52/s
Phoenix	103/79/s	103/79/s	103/78/s	103/78/s	103/74/s
Portland	72/50/pc	76/50/pc	74/52/pc	75/52/s	74/48/pc
San Francisco	64/54/c	70/54/pc	70/54/pc	68/54/pc	69/50/s
Seattle	66/48/pc	70/48/pc	68/50/pc	69/50/pc	68/45/pc
Tucson	100/70/s	98/70/s	98/70/s	100/72/s	100/72/s
Washington, DC	74/60/c	78/62/pc	76/62/pc	77/59/pc	76/55/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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