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NEWSBRIEFS

SISD ratings

The Socorro ISD campus ratings by the Texas Education Agency for the 2004-05 school have been released with mixed results. According to a statement from the school district, of the 35 campuses, two were given "recognized" status — Elfida P. Chavez and Lujan-Chavez Elementary Schools — 25 were rated "academically acceptable," and five were "academically unacceptable." Students attending these five campuses are eligible under state law to transfer to other campuses for the 06-07 school year and the district will send home letters and conduct a public meeting at each to provide information and answer questions. These meetings will be as follows:

- Montwood Middle School, Aug. 4, 6 p.m. - The unacceptable rating was based on the results from one subgroup, SDAA, which is the special education sector.
- Paso Del Norte, Aug. 8, 6 p.m. the rating was based on science scores, which the campus missed passing by one point.
- Socorro High School, Aug. 9, 6 p.m. the rating for this campus was based on the SDAA group scores, also.
- Ensor Middle School, Aug. 10, 6 p.m. the rating was based on science scores.
- El Dorado High School date and time to be announced. The rating for this campus was based on the drop out rate for 7th and 8th grades, due to nine students. The district statement said this rating will be appealed.

Evening music

The San Elizario High School Fine Arts Department will initiate their season with an Outdoor Band Concert and picnic on Saturday, Aug. 6 at 4 p.m. at the Eagle Stadium. The festivities will be hosted by the 2005-06 Band Boosters. The public is invited.

In other news

- Joseph David "Buddy" Cook, a former resident of Anthony, Texas, died on Aug. 1 while on a camping trip with his family. He was 67. Funeral services will be Aug. 5 at 1 p.m. at the Sandy Funeral Home in Sandy, Oregon. Buddy and wife, Jean, owned and operated Cook Trucking Company in Anthony until they moved to Damascus, Oregon in 1992. He is survived by his wife of 44 years; two daughters, Teresa Kunde and Paula Bullock; and a son, Scott. He is preceded in death by his daughter Eva Cook.
- Socorro ISD Community Learning Center is proud to announce a 'Self-Paced' Computer Applications class beginning Aug. 8. The class will be a 'hands-on' introduction to Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Outlook as well as Keyboarding and e-mail. Classes will be held

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Ability will enable a man to get to the top, but it takes character to keep him there. — Quips & Quotes

Socorro ISD schools transition smoothly into new school year



- Photo courtesy Socorro ISD

LUNCH BREAK — This Campestre Elementary kindergartner enjoys his lunch on the first day of school.

By Carlos A. Briano Special to the Courier

EAST EL PASO COUNTY — Despite temperatures flirting in the triple digits, the principals and teachers, parents and students of the Socorro Independent School District kept their cool on the first day of school.

Socorro is the first of El Paso County's school districts to begin the 2005-2006 school year. With enrollment at more than 36,000 students, the district started classes on Monday, July 25, opening its 34th campus, Hurshel Antwine School. The school's principal Janet Levine, her administrators, teachers and staff spent a couple of weeks in preparation to make the first day of school a smooth process.

"We started our day at around 5:45 in the morning and worked many late nights," she says, adding that 900 students enrolled at the new campus. "It's like going into a fog. We

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San Eli pair dance their way through history as part of Viva! cast

By Phillip Cortez Special to the Courier

SAN ELIZARIO - Dancing is about timing, movement, body control, grace, and beauty - a little something that two current San Elizario High School seniors know plenty about. Alberto Portillo and Elsa Chavez have spent their summer vacations the way any teenager would, hanging out with friends, staying out late, and staying out of trouble. The only difference is that you won't find the two in a mall. Instead, you'll find these two on the



- Photo courtesy San Elizario ISD

A BEAT OF THEIR OWN - San Eli High School seniors Alberto Portillo and Elsa Chavez help tell El Paso's rich history See DANCERS, Page 4 through the beauty and grace of dance.

New law on sale of decongestants may limit availability

By Doug McBride Special to the Courier

AUSTIN — Consumers searching for certain over-the-counter decongestants may not find them on store shelves. A law passed by the Texas Legislature in June and effective today requires that solid forms of medicines containing pseudoephedrine or ephedrine be displayed in locked cabinets or placed behind sales counters.

The law, House Bill 164, also limits the quantity of these products that can be sold to a customer in a single purchase. Retailers selling the products must have a temporary certificate of authority from the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) to sell the products and must keep a signed log of purchases.

Consumers must be 16 or older and show a photo identification to buy the products.

Examples of solid-form products to which the law applies include Tylenol Sinus, Sudafed, Claritin-D, Advil Sinus, Alka-Seltzer Cold, Coricidin Cough & Cold and Dristan Sinus.

Solid forms of products containing pseudoephedrine or ephedrine can be used to illegally make methamphetamine, or speed, a powerful stimulant. Solid forms include tablets, caplets and powders.

The restrictions do not apply to liquid or gel forms of the products but do apply to gel-coated tablets and caplets.

The law carries an administrative penalty of \$1000 per violation per day, with a maximum of \$20,000, for retailers who violate the law.

Each retail outlet is required to have its own certificate of authority.

The temporary certificates are valid till May 1, 2006. DSHS will be going through a rule making process to support compliance with the law and will issue permanent certificates to retailers after May 1.

Retailers can go online www.tdh.state.tx.us/bfds/lic/retailers.htm for more information.



Photo courtesy EPSO

THE ART OF MUSIC — Hal Marcus paints a violin.

EPSO's 75th birthday celebration begins with unveiling of 30 painted violins

By Rosemary Flores Special to the Courier

EL PASO COUNTY — In anticipation of a major fall gala event to celebrate 75 years of bringing the art of music to the El Paso County community, the El Paso Symphony Orchestra will unveil 30 violins painted and transformed by the area's top artists into unique works of arts.

The unveiling will take place at a reception on Friday, Aug. 26, at the Adair Margo Gallery, 415 E. Yandell from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The reception is open to the public, free of charge, and many of the artists will be in attendance. The violins will tour around town from Aug. 27 through Oct. 14 at local business and will be displayed at the El Paso Symphony's opening concerts on Sept. 16 and 17.

The artful instruments will ultimately be auctioned off on Oct. 15 at the El Paso Symphony's 75th Anniversary Gala Celebration.

The EPSO is the longest continuously running symphony in the state of Texas. In honor of this significant milestone, a Gala Birthday Celebration is planned for Saturday, Oct. 15, 8 p.m. at the El Paso Convention and Visitors Bureau.

The black-tie event — which includes dinner, a "painted violin" auction and entertainment — will trace the 75-year history of the El Paso Symphony Orchestra in El Paso. Tickets for this event are \$125 per person and may be purchased through the EPSO office, (915) 532-3776. Proceeds from this event will benefit the El Paso Symphony's education and outreach programs. For further information, contact the EPSO office at the above number.

One perspective **By Francis Shrum**

Stay outta them places

kid I used to pester my father. He'd come home from a long, hard day and sit in his chair, quietly smok-

game would begin. where I thought he couldn't see me. I'd give him a quick poke and retreat so quickly I figured he couldn't grab me. Even though I knew the danger I

under control. The game proceeded the same every time. Initially, I would be soundly ignored. An artificial calm hid the storm brewing in the hands that quietly turned the pages of his book. I would grow bolder and less hasty in my retreat until I would suddenly find myself snatched in a lightening fast grip, and tickled unmercifully until I cried tears of laughter.

But without fail, once I was released from this dreaded torture I loved to hate, I'd start it all over again.

Of course, I was just a little kid. themselves in harm's way. As we grow up, we learn not to put ourselves into dangerous situations where we tempt fate, look death in the eye, and dally with forces far too strong to overcome, right?

Wrong.

threatening clouds of tornado and hurricane season darken the skies of the earth, there is a group of people who attach a bunch of little gadgets, including recording devices and antennae, to the tops of their SUVs and charge headlong into the teeth of the storm, all in the name of science.

They call them storm chasers.

Now, personally I love stormy weather. Lightening and thunder send

When I shivers of excitement up my spine was a little and the majestic light and fury of the skies during a violent storm are more enthralling than any man-made thriller. I love the pounding of heavy ing his pipe and reading. And the wind and rain and there's even a certain exultation in getting soaked to I'd sneak up on him at an angle the bone, as long as the downpour doesn't contain balls of ice.

By and large, though, I prefer to experience my storms as they beat against a shelter — notice I didn't say was flirting with, I was sure I had it car, bicycle, horse, slicker, hat or skin.

> I've been outdoors, miles from a house or barn, when the sky let loose on more than one occasion and I am intimately aware of my frailty before the forces of nature.

> Now, I don't question a person's perfect right to choose their vocation. And if you're gutsy enough to fool with mother nature, more power to you. Just don't expect me to get all starry-eyed over the danger some folks have survived or feel real sorry about the situation they are dealing with when they have voluntarily put

> If it is known that bodily injury lurks in particular places, it's generally better to follow that old piece of advice that says: Stay outta them places!

I saw a hilarious clip of video the Every year as the fearsome and other day that almost put me on the floor with laughter. Of course, I knew no one was seriously injured or killed in this situation, so I could afford to

> This video was taken from inside the SUV of a team of storm chasers outside Amarillo, Texas, during a tornado. Initially it records images of a storm slashing the trees as these

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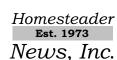
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Por la Gente By State Rep. Chente Quintanilla

Financing Texas schools a tough row to hoe

we are facing at this point in our efforts to revamp public school finance and change the tax code is this: Even our fearless leaders don't know what to do next. "I don't know where we go from here," House Speaker Tom Craddick has admitted.

The problem, as I see it, is that too many people who are not educators, but are lawmakers, are trying to come up with a solution to school funding. They might know numbers, facts, and figures, but they don't know about the operation of a school district on a day-to-day basis. Still, one would think that someone could come up with a bill that would place everybody on the same table.

As it is, however, both House Bill 2 and House Bill 3 have been soundly defeated. This means that we must go back to the drawing board, dissect both bills, then put them together in a way that will benefit school dis-

Hola, mi tricts and taxpayers throughout schools are funded equitably. gente. What Texas. The worst part of this debacle is that if we don't come up with an acceptable plan, the Texas Supreme Court might step in to do it for us.

I believe we can come to an agreement, unless you count politics as the culprit behind our inability to agree and to cooperate on something as important and vital as education and property taxes. We are all looking for property tax relief, and increased funding for our schools. However, we haven't found a way to do it.

To this end, Gov. Rick Perry ordered us back into yet another 30-day session that might run until Aug. 19. However, we can quit the session at any time — if we can come up with an equitable plan. Frankly, we're all sick and tired of the political agenda being promoted by the House Majority Leaders. How many special sessions must the Governor call before he gets it right? The gist of the matter is that we must ensure that our

At this time, however, it doesn't seem as if a majority of House members will support any tax bill, and we Democrats have mustered enough votes to override the Republican plan for education, because we support our own plan.

So, what's next? In order to revive the school finance plan before this special session ends, two things must

1) The Senate must pass its own education bill and send it to the House for approval. Any differences between two chambers' versions would have to be worked out in conference committee; and

2) Because tax legislation cannot originate in the Senate, House members must file and approve a new tax swap proposal to send to the Senate. That plan would have to be different from the one that died Tuesday

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"SAY, YOU'RE JUDITH MILLER, THE NEW YORK TIMES REPORTER THEY THREW IN JAIL"
TOO BAD YOU'RE NOT A HOMICIDAL CHILD MOLESTER, YOU'D BE BACK ON THE STREET IN NO TIME"

Reyes Reports By U.S. Rep. Silvestre Reyes

Water projects and vet's health care are funded

million for critical water projects and the Southwest border region gained \$1.5 million for environmental research last week, thanks to the fiscal year 2006 Interior spending bill. Veterans in El Paso and across the country also gained \$1.5 billion to address the fiscal year 2005 funding shortfall at the Department of Veterans' Affairs (VA).

• \$4 million for the El Paso Water Utilities

El Paso County's water and wastewater infrastructure is extremely important to the future of our community. The El Paso Water Utilities (EPWU) has initiated critical projects to improve our water supply, and I have been working with and have been a strong supporter of their efforts since I was first elected to Congress in 1996. For example, the soonto-be constructed desalination plant at Fort Bliss will allow us to utilize mental Research and Policy

gained \$4.5 Bolson, and we are also working to and four Mexican universities that extend municipal water service to the

> The \$4 million in federal funds secured in the 2006 Interior spending bill will allow EPWU to expand the Haskell Street Wastewater Reclamation Project, known as the "Purple Pipe Project," which provides reclaimed water to parks, schools, cemeteries, and industrial users in El Paso. With this funding, EPWU will design expanded "purple pipes" to Fort Bliss. Especially since Fort Bliss might double in size due to the recent BRAC (Base Realignment and Closure) decision, it is critical that El Paso utilize our water resources in the most efficient manner

• \$1.5 million for the Southwest Center for Environmental Research and Policy

The Southwest Center for Environ-

El Paso the brackish water of the Hueco (SCERP) is a consortium of five U.S. work to address environmental problems affecting the border region. SCERP has made it possible for thousands of border colonias residents to have cleaner drinking water, helped brick-makers in Mexico to use less polluting processes, created strategies to reduce childhood toxic lead exposure, and planned future water supply strategies. This \$1.5 million federal appropriation will allow SCERP to continue its efforts to improve the environment along the 2,000-mile U.S.-Mexico border.

• \$1.5 billion to address the fiscal year 2005 funding shortfall at the Department of Veterans' Affairs

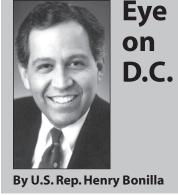
It is about time that we provided this funding for the Department of Veterans' Affairs (VA). They've known about this shortfall since early 2004, when former VA Secretary Anthony Principi testified before the

Congratulations, Lance

Lance Armstrong is a seven-time this month. Tour de France victor, world-renowned cyclist, founder of a multimillion dollar cancer charity and practically a super hero. Who would have thought that a man of such success could also find time to be a loving father, grateful son, and a humble Armstrong Foundation. The organi-

Many fans already know Lance's through donations, fundraisers and

story. Born in Plano, Texas and raised by his single mother, Lance was soon the best cyclist in the world. Many people thought Lance to be invincible. However, after shrugging off some agonizing and painful symptoms, Lance



was diagnosed in 1996 with testicular cancer that had spread to his lungs

Going from one of the strongest bodies in the world to a body weak with cancer and chemotherapy, Lance tried to keep riding until he literally fell over from pain or exhaustion. As we all know, the story does not end here.

Less than three years later, after defeating his cancer, Lance returned to the cycling. In 1999, Lance won the Tour de France for the first time and continued to win the race each year afterward until his retirement

So many words come to mind when I think about Lance Armstrong: survivor, victor and role model are just a few. But perhaps the most important word is "giver."

In 1997, Lance founded the Lance zation has raised millions of dollars

> the sales of vel-"live strong" bracelets. All profits from the Foundation go toward cancer research. Who knows how many lives this funding have saved so far and will likely save in the future.

> > "Odd as it

sounds, I would rather have the title of cancer survivor than winner of the Tour, because of what it has done for me as a human being, a man... a son, and a father," says Lance.

Lance is an inspiration to all of us. He has taught the world that with determination and faith you can accomplish most anything.

I had the honor this week of cosponsoring a bill in commemoration of Lance Armstrong. As a fellow Texan, I am proud to have Lance Armstrong represent our state, our country, and serve as an inspiration

Chente

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because the House is not permitted to take up a proposal it has already rejected.

If we don't reach a deal, the Governor can call us back for a third special session. Keep in mind that each special session costs Texas taxpayers \$1.2 million.

preme Court to rule on whether the this is your friend and public servant, school finance system is constitu- Chente for la gente.

tional. The ruling, which we expect will come this year, could also force us to overhaul the current system, or tweak it narrowly. We could also leave it largely intact.

So, there you have it. Yes, we are all working very hard to reach consensus. However, it looks more bleak every day. Should we then wait for the Texas Supreme Court to do our job for us? I don't think that's the right answer either. How can we allow the court to fix what we should Or we can wait for the Texas Sube able to fix? Stay tuned. Until then,



True Texas by Roger T. Moore, in the desert near Monahans , 40,000 acres of mature Harvard oaks thrive. The LARGEST is under 3 feet tail.

House Veterans' Affairs Committee. community. The water funding will After working for almost a year and a half to secure this funding for our veterans, with many proposals including my amendment to the fiscal year 2005 Emergency Supplemental bill — failing on a party-line vote, we have finally done the right thing.

Both the federal funding for water initiatives and for our veterans will have a positive impact on the El Paso and deserve.

help prepare our community to welcome the expected increase of about 19,000 - 20,000 soldiers due to BRAC and the military transformation. Equally importantly, we provide funding for our nation's veterans – those who have sacrificed so much for this country — so they will receive the health care they have earned

Canutillo ISD's Folklorico Cuauhtli group selected to compete in New York

By Kim Guzman Special to the Courier

UPPER VALLEY — Canutillo Valenzuela, Independent School District's from CISD, has Grupo Folklorico Cuauhtli per- been working formed in front of a packed theater with recently at the Chamizal National Canutillo group Memorial to help raise funds for a for four years. New York City trip, where they This year was will perform in an international the first year for competition Sept. 1-4.

The folklorico dance group, consisting of community members and made up elementary, middle, and high school students from the Canutillo and El Paso area, is the only folklorico group special needs from Texas selected to participate in students that the New York competition.

The group's musical production, the public per-Fiesta Mexicana, included the history, music, and dances of the various regions of Mexico, including the group of 30 dancstates of Chihuahua, Guerrero, Jalisco, Sinaloa, Sonora, and working together Tamaulipas. More than 65 students for the past four and participants from four to 43 years old provided the audience with colorful costumes and extravagant hoping to raise dance steps throughout the two-night performance.

"The group's accomplishments and tremendous efforts are recognized and applauded in the community of Canutillo," said Dr. Pam competition and represent this area Padilla, Assistant Superintendent for

CISD.

Coordinator dancer, J o r g e the younger group, which is more than 30 elementary and participated in formance.

The advanced ers has been years, Valenzuela is enough funds so

that they all will be able to attend the from local businesses or individuals competition in New York.

"Since we are the only group from the region to attend this international proudly, we are asking for donations



Photos courtesy Canutillo ISD

NEW YORK BOUND - Grupo Folklorico Cuauhtli at the Chamizal National Memorial Theater.



ANCIENT FOOTWORK — Canutillo's youngest group of the Folklorico Cuauhtli at the Chamizal National Memorial Theater.

who would like to help in this endeavor," said Valenzuela.

For more information, contact Jorge Valenzuela, at Canutillo ISD,

Dancers

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Abraham Chavez Theatre stage, bringing history to life as dancers in the latest installment of Viva! El

Chavez is in her second season with Viva! El Paso, which made her comfortable taking the stage for the ensemble's first performance of the season, Friday, July 29. But that didn't mean she wasn't nervous.

"It's going to be our first year indoors, but I'm excited about it," Chavez said during a break from a very important dress rehearsal last week. "We have different directors from last year so it's a bit of a different show."

The 17-year-old began dancing when she was four and is still coached by her mother, Norma Chavez. Norma, who normally instructs the San Elizario High School Folklorico group, is the Mexican dance sequence choreographer for they are used to practicing at the Viva! El Paso this season.

In order for Chavez and Portillo

to participate on this season's Viva! dance cast, the two had to audition against over 100 other talented hopefuls in early June. In fact, Chavez was on vacation at the time and had to audition by submitting a tape. Portillo was surprised he made the cast. Unlike Chavez, who has many years of dancing experience under the tutelage of her mother, Portillo didn't have high hopes going into the audition.

"I didn't think I had a chance because I've only been dancing for a few months," he said. Although he's just a rookie, Portillo has taken a lot of solace in the fact that Elsa is there to give him pointers and show him the ropes.

"She's introduced me to different people and has helped me with the show's sequence," he said. Portillo can also look to 2004 SEHS graduate Cruz Rincon.

Out of the show's four main sequences, Portillo and Chavez like the Mexican sequence the best, simply because of the folklorico style

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Historical

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at the Community Learning Center at 313 S. Rio Vista from 1 to 2:45, Monday through Thursday. Pre-registration will be held from Aug. 3 to Aug. 8 at 313 S. Rio Vista or by calling 937-1704 or 937-1700. Classes will follow the SISD District calendar.

- Free English as a Second Language classes are being offered to community residents by the Socorro ISD Community Services at H.D. Hilley Elementary, 693 N. Rio Vista Rd. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 8-11 a.m. and Tuesdays and Thursdays 8 a.m. to 2:25 p.m. Social Security Card or picture identification required for registration at the school. Information: 937-1700.
- The Texas Historical Commission (THC) invites Texans from across the state to attend the commemoration ceremony of the 60th anniversary of the end of World War II on Friday, Sept. 2 on the South Lawn of the State Capitol in Austin. Gov. Rick Perry will deliver the keynote address. Festivities open at 8:30 a.m. with a performance of World War II-era music by the 323rd United States Army Medical Command Band from Fort Sam Houston. The program will feature World War II veterans Deanie Bishop Parrish of the Women Airforce Service Pilots (WASP) and Loel Dene "L.D." Cox, survivor of the USS Indianapolis. Two historical marker unveilings and a flyover performed by a squadron from the Commemorative Air Force including a B-17, known then as the "Flying Fortress" from the Lone Star Flight Museum in Galveston will highlight the event. The event launches a three-year Texas in World War II initiative by the THC, in association with Texas Parks and Wildlife, the Texas Veterans Land Board, the Texas Veterans Commission, the Texas

State Historical Association and Preservation Texas. The project will cost approximately \$800,000 over three years, with one quarter of the funding committed by the THC. The remaining funds will come from private sector partnerships. The event is free and open to the public.

Commission's (THC) History

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Programs Division is accepting applications for Texas History Museum Grants, dedicated to preservation and conservation projects. There are new guidelines and a new application form. A printable copy of the application online is at the THC web site, www.thc.state.tx.us. Grant funds will be available for projects started after Feb. 1, 2006 and completed by July 1, 2006. The maximum grant amount per museum is \$1,000 for conservation projects and/or supplies such as: acid free storage materials, archival storage units, collections management software, Lux meters, artifact conservation, thermohygrometers, photo duplication and digitization, museum conservation reference materials, mold abatement and specialized conservation equipment. Applications deadline is 5 p.m. on Oct. 12. For more information contact Carlyn Hammons at 512/463carlyn.hammons@thc.state.tx.us. Additionally, the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) awards matching grants to aid museums in identifying conservation priorities and ensuring proper collections care. Grant funds up to \$150,000 are awarded on a one-to-one matching basis and staff salaries are eligible to match the conservation funds. Museums must be a private nonprofit or a unit of state or local government. Grant application deadline is Oct. 1, 2005. Visit www.imls.gov for guidelines and view successful applications. Contact Steve Shwartzman, program officer at 202/653-4641, or sshwartzman@imls.gov, for more information.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Town of Anthony, Texas

TEXAS CAPITAL FUND DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION PROJECT TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, 2005

The Town of Anthony, Texas, will hold a public hearing concerning the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Agriculture for grant funding from the Texas Capital Fund (TCF) of the Texas Community Development Program (TCDP). The purpose of these hearings is to discuss: (1) the development of housing and community development needs, (2) the amount of funding available, (3) all activities eligible under TCDP, (4) the town's use of past TCDP funds, (5) the estimated amount of funds proposed for activities to benefit persons of Low and Moderate Income, and (6) the plans of the locality to minimize the displacement of persons and provide assistance to persons who may be displaced. Residents who are of Low and Moderate Income are encouraged to submit their views and proposals regarding community development and housing needs. The Town of Anthony encourages its residents to participate in the development of the application and to make their views known at this public hearing; those unable to attend the meeting may submit their views and proposals to the Mayor at the Anthony Town Hall. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact the municipal offices at least two days before the hearing, so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Date / Fecha: Monday, August 8, 2005 / lunes, el 8 de agosto, 2005 Time / Hora: 5 p.m.

Anthony Town Hall

A notice will be published in the newspaper at a later date, and no later than five (5) days before the submission of the application, describing the proposed TCF project, locations of the proposed improvements, costs, and benefits to residents of Low and Moderate Income. At that time, a copy of the application will be available for review at the Anthony Town Hall during regular business hours.

La Ciudad de Anthony va a tener una audiencia para discutir una solicitud de asistencia para un proyecto de desarrollo de infrastructura financiado por el fondo Texas Capital Fund. El publico en general esta invitado a asistir a esta audiencia sobre el programa de Desarrollo de la Comunidad del Estado de Texas y participar en las discusiones sobre los diferentes fondos y proyectos que son eligibles en este programa. La presentacion y las discusiones sobre este programa se haran en espanol para aquellas personas que asi las deseen.

This public hearing has been rescheduled from its originally scheduled date of July 25, 2005, due to difficulties encountered in the timing of the notice for the public hearing. A public hearing was held on July 25, 2005, concerning this program; however, another public hearing is scheduled for August 8, 2005, in order to satisfy TCDP/TCF program guidelines.

Art Franco, Mayor Town of Anthony, Texas Date Published: August 4, 2005

Dancers

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their cultures. But the two are also is a funny sequence and there is a want to continue dancing, Portillo is appreciating the opportunity to express other cultures by dancing in it." *Viva! El Paso's* other sequences.

"They vary by step and culture," high school and, of course, it reflects Chavez said. "The Western sequence

flexibility you have to have to dance on his way to Scottsdale to become a

solid idea of what they would like to mistake about it — they'll always do after graduation. Although they

chef while Chavez would like to One thing both students have is a study physical therapy. But make no find time to dance!

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION **AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR** WATER **QUALITY TPDES PERMIT RENEWAL FOR** MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER

PERMIT NO. WQ0011561002

APPLICATION.

Canutillo Independent School District, P.O. Box 100, Canutillo, Texas. 79835, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCFQ) for a renewal of TPDES No. Permit WQ0011561002, which authorizes the discharge of treated domestic wastewater at a daily average flow not to exceed 45.000 gallons per day. This application was submitted to the TCEQ an March 7, 2005.

The facility is located on the east side of Bosque Road. approximately 4,100 feet north of the intersectionof Farm-to-Market Road 259 and Bosque Road and approximately 2 miles northwest of the intersection of State Highway Spur Road 375 and Interstate Highway 10 in El Paso County, Texas. The treated effluent is discharged to the Rio Grande above International Dam in Segment No. 2314 of the Rio Grande Basin, The designated uses for Segment No. 2314 are high aquatic life uses, public water supply, and contact recreation.

The TCEQ executive director has

mit, if approved. would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The executive director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, statement of basis/technical summary and executive director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at Canutillo Independent School District - Support Services, 7710 Cap Carter Road, Canutillo, Texas. PUBLIC COM-

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Written public comments and requests for a public meeting should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin. TX 78711-3087 within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of the notice.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CON-TESTED CASE **HEARING.** After the deadline for public comments, the executive direc-

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MAILING LIST.

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(2) the permanent

mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (3) the permanent mailing list for a specific county. Clearly specify which mailing list(s) to which you wish to be added and send your request to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address above. Unless you otherwise specify, you will be included only on the mailing list for this specific application.

INFORMATION. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, call the TCEQ Office of Public Assistance. Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.tceq.state.tx.us.

Further information may also be obtained from Canutillo Independent School District at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Yusuf E. Farran, P.E., R.S., at (915) 877-7712.

Issued: June 30, 2005

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Texas **Commission on**

Environmental



NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR WATER **QUALITY LAND PERMIT RENEWAL OF MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER**

PERMIT NO. WQ0011561003

APPLICATION. Canutillo Independent School District, P.O. Box 100, Canutillo, Texas. 79835, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a renewal of Permit No. WQ0011561-003, which authorizes the disposal of treated wastewater at a daily average flow not to exceed 9,000 gallons per day via soil nonpublic access sub-

surface drainfields

with a minimum area of 11,700 square feet. This application was submitted to the TCEQ an March 7, 2005.

The facility and disposal site are located between Hemley Road and Chicken Farm Road, and Doniphan Drive and Kiely Road, approximately 0.5 mile southeast of the City of Vinton and 2.0 miles north of the City of Canutillo in El Paso County, Texas. The facility and disposal site are located in the drainage basin of Rio Grande Above International Dam in Segment No. 2314 of the Rio Grande Basin.

The TCEQ executive director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit. if approved. would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The executive director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, statement of basis/technical summary and executive director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at Canutillo Independent School District - Support Services, 7710 Cap

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Sealed bids/proposals/CSP to furnish the District with the following products and/or services will be accepted at the following times:

> THURSDAY, **AUGUST 11, 2005**

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website: www.sisd.net WTCC-08/04/05

COUNSELING SERVICES

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Wie should win against the women before taking on the men

By Steve Escajeda Special to the Courier

The talk of the golf world is centered around two people at the moment — Tiger Woods and Michelle Wie.

Michelle Wie, and then Tiger Woods.

Now, there's no doubt that Wie hits the ball better than almost all 15 year olds, and better than a lot of professional women and just as good as some men.

Of course, I'm only assuming it, because I sure haven't seen it.

I'd like to see Michelle Wie pick up a trophy at the end of a tournament, just once. I think the talented youngster should take a

page out of Tiger's playbook. Woods dominated the amateurs, and then

dominated the collegians before he ventured to the pros — and is dominating there. Wie is a freak of golf ball-striking nature.

She hits the ball about as far as the guys — but golf is also a mental game.

And Wie, at her delicate age, has demon- Who's got the mike strated more than once that she is fragile in the nerves department.

She has already fired nine caddies in her short career, including her father. And I bet you thought Tiger was temperamental at times.

What Michelle Wie has to do is stop trying To be more accurate, the talk is all about to play with the boys and go back and play against others at her own skill level.

> It's obvious she can't compete with the men. What honor is there in trying to see if you can make the cut each week? Just make the cut! I thought the whole idea was to try and win.

> If she has absolutely no chance to win, and at most, an outside chance to make the cut and finish 20-something strokes behind the winner, Wie would be better served to prove her worth against the women.

> Dominate them, and then see what you can do against the guys.

> I've seen too many youngsters' careers get ruined because their parents drove them too far, too early or gave them terrible advice.

As for Tiger, the difference between he and Wie is the golf game he plays — between the ears. Pat Summerall,

Stay out

brave people made their intrepid

way into the heart of the disturbance.

But then it started to hail, first lightly,

then heavily. The video clearly shows

As most modern-day video cams do,

this one was also recording voices,

which can be a good or bad thing, de-

As the wind violently lashed at

the vehicle and the falling stones

made thunderous dents in the metal,

the quavering voice of one storm

chaser asked what were they going

to do? In an equally unsteady tone,

another replied that there was noth-

I've wondered since how many

times storm chasers or other folks of

equal derring-do have found them-

selves in similar circumstance, when

ing they could do.

pending on the size of your ego.

hail the size of soft balls!

From Page 2

A few more pieces of the NFL announcer's puzzle were put into place last week and it appears some of the pieces will be forced into place.

It all started when Monday Night Football's John Madden left to take on the Sunday Night Football helm at NBC.

It was speculated that Madden's current MNF partner, Al Michaels, would leave to join Madden on Sundays. But Michaels decided to stay put when ESPN takes over Monday Night Football in 2006.

So that brought up a few questions, like who is going to take over for Madden on Monday nights. The answer, Joe Theisman.

Now Theisman is a very good analyst and I have no doubt he'll do a wonderful job. But by moving him, ESPN breaks up what is, without a doubt, the best broadcast team in football.

Sunday Night Football on ESPN over the last few years, with Theisman, Mike Patrick and Paul Maguire, has easily been the most entertaining broadcast since the days of Madden and

the vocal chords.

a little stronger, the funnel cloud just

a little closer than they had anticipated

— when the adventure lost its luster

and the cold fist of reality tightened its grip on the stomach muscles and

My father had another game he

used to play with us. We called it

cyclone. Like it's namesake, the vic-

tims were usually unaware of the

gathering storm as they constructed

a farm of plastic fences and animals

or a town of tiny cardboard houses

and dolls in the floor of a well-trav-

The cyclone strangely resembled

The other day some of my par-

ents grand kids were playing a game

of dominoes on their kitchen table.

I think there's a cyclone brewing,

my father mused as he passed the

Startled, I looked at the sky out-

side, then I realized what he meant.

a long leg wearing boots and Levi's.

eled part of our house.

You get the picture.

table, a twinkle in his eye.

A lot of people don't like Theisman's arrogance, but then again, many didn't enjoy Howard Cosell either.

I'm sorry to see this Sunday night team broken up but as they say, nothing good lasts forever.

Maybe that's why most TV programming stinks.

Tour de Lance

A last tribute to the best athlete of our time. Lance Armstrong won his seventh straight Tour de France last week.

I once thought Wayne Gretzke dominated his sport more than any other athlete ever dominated theirs. That was until Armstrong came riding along.

The fact that Armstrong has won seven straight years is an amazing feat in itself, but accomplishing it after winning his toughest battle, against cancer, is simply awe inspiring.

Will we see another Lance Armstrong again? Of course we will. The human spirit gets stronger with each generation. But he will go down in history as one of the greatest champions of any sport the world has ever seen.

And if we were measured by our hearts, Lance Armstrong would be about ten feet tall.

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TOWN OF ANTHONY

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AVAILABILITY

TEXAS CAPITAL FUND DOWNTOWN

REVITALIZATION PROJECT

The Town of Anthony, Texas is giving notice of intent to

submit an application to the Texas Department of Agri-

culture for Downtown Revitalization Program grant fund-

ing in the amount of \$150,000 from the Texas Capital

Fund of the Texas Community Development Program.

The grant requested will finance the development of im-

provements in a blighted part of the downtown area of

the Town of Anthony. The grant application will be avail-

able for review at the Anthony Town Hall during regular

PUBLIC NOTICE

business hours.

Art Franco

Mayor

16000 Ashford Horizon City **852-9110**

Date Published

August 4, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE

A PUBLIC HEARING will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 9, 2005 during the Regular Town Council Meeting at Anthony Town Hall, 401 Oak Street, Anthony, Texas. Purpose of the public hearing is to allow any interested person to appear and testify at the hearing regarding the following proposed ordinance(s) (second reading):

1) Ordinance No. 429. An Ordinance Regulating The Sale Of Automobiles Within The Town Limits of Anthony, Texas. Any person violating this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and punished with a fine not to exceed \$500. Each day that the violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

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

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Town of Anthony

the water was a little deeper, the wind I couldn't bear to watch.

Myriam P. Uribe Town Clerk

First day

From Page 1

couldn't envision the day. It's a brand new campus, brand new teachers, we've never used the cafeteria and parents have never walked the halls. But we got through day one and now the sun is shining."

Meanwhile at John Drugan School, 383 students are housed at Sierra Vista Elementary, utilizing the "school within a school" concept that SISD employed before when Loma Verde Elementary opened two years ago. The school will operate as a separate school with its own principal and administration, located on the Sierra Vista campus. They will move to the Drugan School site at 15000 Pellicano in January after construction is completed.

"It was a phenomenal first page of the history book for John Drugan School," says principal Susan Cook. "All were excited to be opening a new school and we look forward to a great year of learning."

Both Pre-K through 8th grade campuses are the last to be built with 2000 Bond funds.

The excitement of the "first day of school" wasn't limited to SISD's new schools. At Campestre Elementary, hundreds of students are looking forward to a new year of learning.

"I want to come to school every day," says Arely Martinez, a kindergarten student. "I have seen all my friends, although I lost some of them already." Another kindergarten student was focused on eating lunch as quickly as possible. "This is really good," said kindergartener Luis Guzman as he ate his sandwich. "But I want to go outside and play on the swings."

At Socorro High School, it may be its 38th "first day" of school, but the back to school euphoria is just the

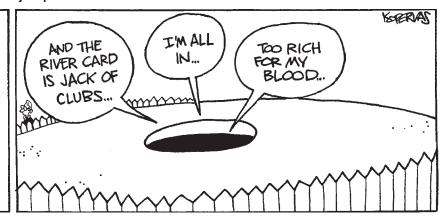
"These days really pump you up, motivate you and reinvigorate you," says principal Oscar Troncoso. "We have a little over 2,900 students and it was great to see all their faces ready to go."

"I thought I would be confused," said sophomore Omar Veloz, who just relocated from Austin, TX. "But it's going pretty well. I just got my locker and my schedule."

Comix

OUT ON A LIMB By Gary Kopervas





AMBER WAVES By Dave T. Phipps









THE SPATS By Jeff Pickering







R.F.D. By Mike Marland







Do you know where your records are?

By Don Flood

Are you concerned your personal financial information may be at risk?

Well, you needn't worry! That's right, I'm talking to you, Mortimer Snodgrip of 23 Loserpants Lane, with exactly \$9.07 in your checking account as of 10 a.m. this morning.

Your money is safe, as is your loan account information, Social Security number, etc., because, fortunately for you, no one is interested in stealing your identity. It's not worth the time.

The rest of you, though, you guys are in trouble, because you may have noticed that banks have turned losing personal financial information into a competitive sport:

"Slapdash Savings & Loan Loses 4 Million Records."

"Lackadaisical Lenders Claims 16 Million Records Lost."

"Slipshod Trust Announces Plans to Lose Way More Than

In fact, it's about time they cover these financial record losses like baseball games. The papers could include a box score showing the bank's batting average for losing records, with additional commentary as necessary:

"And in other banking news, Fast and Loose Trust has extended its streak to 24, successfully losing customer data for each of the last 24 banking days!"

Not that we *really* have to worry, the banks always tell us.

The following is an actual announcement from one of the banks that lost data (with a few clarifications added by myself): "There is no evidence whatsoever (and if we keep our eyes closed, maybe we won't find any) that this data has been compromised or mis-used (by (c) 2005 King Features Synd., Inc.

the pope), nor do we believe it will be. (We have a very diverse staff, who have been ordered to pray to their various deities, especially those with real pull concerning financial matters)."

But your question is, what can we do about it?

As is standard operating procedure when a financial crisis grips the nation, people expect me, as a Certified Columnist(r), to solve it. (That little "R" means I'm allowed to use the CC designation after my name, but I am too modest to do so.)

As but one example of my financial acumen, I was the one though others now claim it — to devise the now commonplace investment formula, "Buy low, sell high." (Try it. It works like magic!)

As I see it, many of the banks' recent problems stemmed from the delivery process, as can be seen in the following conversation that was not leaked by Karl Rove:

JOHN DILLINGER DELIV-ERY SERVICE: Where and when do you need this extremely sensitive financial data delivered?

FAST AND LOOSE TRUST VP: Beats the heck out of me, but if you do deliver it to the wrong address, please ask them not to misuse it in any way, as this data, in the wrong hands, could be worth millions of dollars.

Obviously, we need to find intelligent, competent and trustworthy banking officers and delivery people. I'm thinking carrier pigeons, properly trained and bonded, of course.

And if we can't find enough delivery pigeons, I'm sure Mortimer Snodgrip wouldn't mind making a few extra bucks.

King Super Crossword

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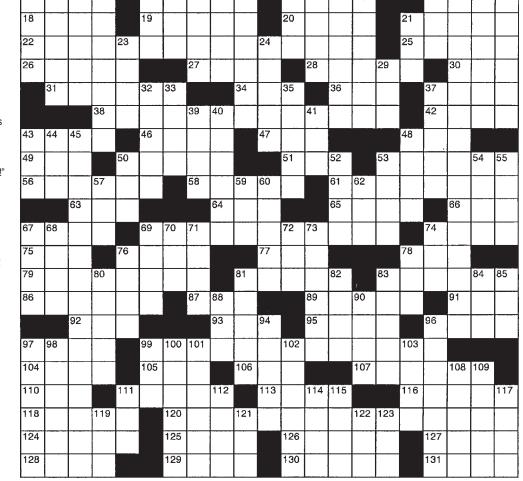
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Social Security Q&A By Ray Vigil

rity disability benefits since I was a tirement age, nothing will change, young adult and I'm now getting close to 50. Is there a time limit on disability benefits?

A: No. You will continue to receive ity benefits. disability benefits as long as you continue to have a severe disability that makes you unable to work. Your condition will be reviewed from time to time, but your benefits will not end because of how much you've received or how long you've been getting benefits. If you still receive dis-

Q: I've been receiving Social Secu- ability benefits when you reach reincluding your monthly benefit amount. But for Social Security purposes, your benefits will be called retirement benefits instead of disabil-

> Q: My daughter is a 23-year-old waitress who recently suffered a sudden stroke. We are trying to get her all of the help that we can. Since she has only worked for about five years, would she qualify for Social Security disability benefits?

A: When you work and pay Social DUI offense and sentenced to 18 Security taxes, you earn work credits. To qualify for Social Security disability benefits, you must have earned enough work credits by working long enough and recently enough to become insured. The amount needed to earn a credit is \$920 in 2005, and you can earn up to four credits in a year. Generally you need 20 credits earned in the past 10 years to qualify for disability benefits. But for younger workers, the number of credits needed may be lower — as low as six credits during a 3-year period for someone as young as 23.

Q: My husband was convicted of a many local jurisdictions. Under these

months in jail. The judge suspended all but 30 days of the sentence. Will his Social Security retirement benefits be stopped?

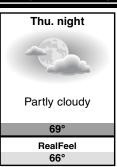
A: If a Social Security beneficiary is convicted of a crime and confined in a correctional institution for more than 30 continuous days, we will suspend his or her Social Security benefits. It is important that a beneficiary tell Social Security about such a confinement as soon as possible to avoid getting money that is not due. To help comply with the law, Social Security has agreements with each State and

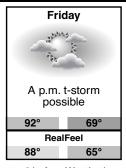
agreements, States and local jurisdictions provide the names and Social Security numbers of people in their correctional facilities. Once released, a person whose Social Security benefits have been suspended because of being in a correctional institution should contact the local Social Security office. Social Security will decide if benefits should start again.

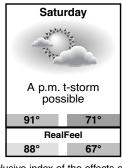
For more information visit your local Security office, www.ssa.gov or call us at 1-800-772-1213. If you have questions that you would like to have answered, please mail them to the Social Security Office, 11111 Gateway West, Attn: Ray Vigil, El Paso, Texas 79935.

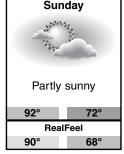
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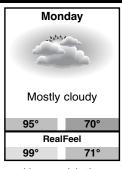


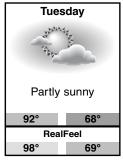












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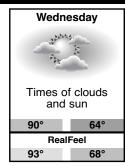
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| Albuquerque, NM | 88 | 68 | t | 88 | 65 | t | 90 | 66 | t | 88 | 67 | t | Boston | 84 | 66 | рс | 92 | 66 | t | 80 | 63 | t | 80 | 64 | s |
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| Austin, TX | 95 | 74 | рс | 99 | | рс | 99 | 73 | S | 98 | 74 | S | Denver | 75 | 54 | t | 82 | 58 | t | 86 | 62 | рс | 89 | 60 | s |
| Brownsville, TX | 95 | 76 | рс | 95 | | t | 96 | 76 | С | 95 | 76 | s | Detroit | 88 | 62 | t | 82 | 62 | рс | 84 | 64 | s | 86 | 66 | s |
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| Jackson, MS | 91 | 74 | t | 96 | 71 | t | 94 | 72 | t | 97 | 72 | t | Indianapolis | 88 | 65 | pc . | 83 | 63 | sh | 82 | 65 | s | 86 | 64 | sh |
| Laredo, TX | 98 | 76 | рс | 99 | 79 | S | 100 | 78 | С | 101 | 79 | S | Kansas City | 85 | 64 | t | 84 | 66 | рс | 90 | 68 | S | 93 | 70 | рс |
| Little Rock, AR | 96 | 74 | рс | 97 | 71 | Ţ. | 93 | /1 | pc | 94 | 73 | рс | Los Angeles | 84 | 64 | рс | 84 | 64 | рс | 84 | 64 | рс | 84 | 64 | s |
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| San Antonio, TX | 95 | 74 | pc | 98 | | pc | 99 | 76 | ρc | 97 | 75 | ρc | Phoenix | 104 | 85 | t t | 105 | 85 | ŧ | 105 | 86 | + | 105 | 88 | + |
| Texarkana, AR | 99 | 75 | рс | 98 | | pc | 96 | 73 | pc | 98 | 73 | DC | San Francisco | 74 | 59 | DC | 75 | 59 | pc | 75 | 59 | DC | 76 | 58 | pc |
| Waco, TX | 98 | 75 | pc | 10 | | pc | 101 | 75 | PC S | 101 | 76 | S | Seattle | 90 | 60 | ρc | 82 | 58 | ρc | 82 | 58 | ρc | 80 | 57 | ρC |
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