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#### **NEWSBRIEFS**

#### **Drought conditions**

Drought conditions continue to worsen in the Upper Rio Grande Basin in 2006 after a full water supply last year following several year's of drought. The snowpack in Northern New Mexico and Southern Colorado, which is the major source of water for the Rio Grande, ranges from 15 percent to 40 percent of the 30-year average for this time of year, and drought continues at lower elevations where there has been little or no measurable precipitation for over 100 days. Texas has a state-wide ban on outdoor burning because of wild fire danger. Unless these conditions change, the river water supply and reservoir storage outlook for this year is not bright and highlights the importance of wise water use and conservation.

#### Folk dance event

Performing a repertoire of dance and culture from around the world, the International/American Folk Dance Ensemble will present a concert on Wednesday, March 1, at 7 p.m. at Socorro High School, 10150 Alameda. Dances from the Ukraine, Ireland. China. Latin America and the U.S. will all be combined in one colorful event. Audiences in over 30 countries have enjoyed the performance by the internationally acclaimed BYU Folk Dance Ensemble, including a special performance during the 2002 Winter Olympics. Tickets are \$6 per person, available at the door or by calling Keith McClellan at 852-2156, or e-mail gametrail\_ranch@yahoo.com.

#### **Music competition**

Canutillo Independent School District will hold its annual Solo & Ensemble competition, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Saturday, March 4, at Bill Childress Elementary School, 7700 Cap Carter Road, About 450 students from the district's elementary, middle and high schools will compete for Division I medals in various categories including recorders, band, choir, and flag routine, according to district spokesman Alfredo Vasquez. The public is invited to attend. The competition is free. Students will be expected to learn a musical solo or ensemble arrangement and perform it before a judge during the Saturday morning event, according to Peter Main, CHS Band director. "The district contest gives our students the opportunity to play a solo and duet song in front of a judge, which helps improve their playing or singing because students will have to be able to read music and prepare on their own; they are actually competing against themselves," Main said. For more information, contact Peter Main, at 877-7812.

#### In other news

■ The Fabens Cotton Valley Lions Club

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When a man's knowledge is not in order, the more of it he has, the greater will be his confusion.

— Quips & Quotes

#### TDA taps Canutillo Elementary School for fresh food program

**By Alfredo Vasquez** Special to the Courier

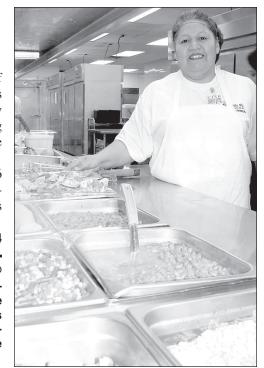
UPPER VALLEY — Texas Department of Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs has announced the selection of Canutillo Elementary School as one of only 25 schools from among 372 applicants statewide to participate in the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP).

Texas is among the six states to share \$6 million in a project to expand the U.S. Department of Agriculture's FFVP initiative. Texas

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- Photo courtesy Canutillo ISD

CRUNCH AND MUNCH — Canutillo Elementary School has been selected to participate in the state's Fresh Fruit and Vegetables program. Mary Melchor, CES cafeteria manager for the past 15 years, prepares to serve a variety of vegetable choices for lunch.



### Land deal sparks controversy during Socorro council meeting

Courier Staff Reports

SOCORRO — Plans underway by Socorro City Councilman Trini Lopez to acquire a parcel of land for the purpose of a establishing a park for the city were canceled during the regular council meeting on Feb. 16, following a majority vote to withdraw an offer to the City of El Paso Tax Office.

The property in question is located on the corner of Alameda and Vara and it was available for sale due to non-payment of taxes. Lopez said the City of Socorro had an agreement with the El Paso Tax Office to pay \$2,000 on the 4.7 acre parcel, which he said is valued on the tax roll for over \$100,000.

But before the deal could close, the city was informed that someone else had come in with an offer to the El Paso Tax Office in the amount of \$69,000 plus, outstripping the city's offer.

Socorro then upped the city's offer to \$70,000, which seemed to be final.

However, an agenda item to withdraw the offer for the land was placed on the agenda. City Councilman Jesse Gandara Jr. said rather than spend \$70,000 or more to purchase the land, he would like to spend \$70,000 on equipment for existing parks. He said buying more land and having to build it into a park would bring more expense to the city. City Councilman Gary Gandara and Mayor Willie Gandara, Jr. agreed with Jesse Gandara Jr.

However, Lopez said it was inappropriate for the three Gandara men on council to want to withdraw the offer, because it was alleged the offer of \$69,000 to buy that parcel was being made by Jesse Gandara Sr., father of Councilman Jesse Gandara, Jr.

During lengthy discussion on this controversial agenda item, Mayor Gandara leaned over

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#### Borrego Elementary teachers earn Governor's Educator Excellence Award

**By Phillip Cortez**Special to the Courier

SAN ELIZARIO — Alfonso Borrego Sr. Elementary was among only 100 out of 8000 schools in Texas to have qualified for grants between \$60,000 and \$180,000 for meeting high levels of student achievement or marked improvement in student performance under guidelines set out in the \$10-million Governor's Educator Excellence Awards.

Schools with high percentages of economically disadvantaged students and high levels

of performance in math and reading were eligible for the award and Borrego Elementary qualified for a \$60,000 grant and will be eligible for continued funding for three total years by applying for the funds by March 20.

"These teachers are very deserving of this award and I thank all of them for their dedication to the students of Borrego Elementary School and SEISD," said Dr. Mike Quatrini, superintendent of schools.

"The entire campus was excited to hear they were recipients of the Governor's Educator Excellence award," added Sylvia Hopp, Assistant Superintendent for Planning and Instruction. Hopp was principal at Borrego Elementary in 2004-2005. "The teachers and staff have always worked as a team to improve student achievement and their efforts are reflected in this recognition."

Seventy-five percent of the funds must be

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## Horizon City Council approves placing Charter amendments on ballot this spring

**By Arleen Beard** Special to the Courier

HORIZON CITY — During the regularly scheduled Horizon City Council meeting on Feb. 14, Council discussed placing five amendments to the City Charter on the ballot in the upcoming general election for qualified voters to approve or disapprove.

Proposals for the amendments were presented to council by City Attorney Robert Duran, who said the recommendations were a result of discussions with Mayor Raymond Morales.

The first amendment to be considered is a salary for the mayor. Mayor Morales recommended that the salary should be \$2,000 a month since the job has become more and more demanding in requiring more hours per week at City Hall. It has become a full time job, he said.

City Councilman Walter Miller brought up his concern that \$2,000 per month salary commits an annual amount of \$24,000 from the budget. Without knowing what the amount of the budget would be for the year the salary would begin, he said he found it difficult to approve that amendment to be placed on the ballot.

Lillard Thompson, a former mayor of Horizon City himself, expressed his opinion that Council should consider having a city manager instead of paying the mayor.

Duran replied that a city manager's salary would more than likely be much more than \$24,000 annually. After considerable discussion, council approved putting the amendment of a salary for the mayor on the ballot, with a stipulation to read that it would be up to council to decide on the amount of the salary, up to \$2,000 per month.

The second amendment was for the purpose of making the mayor's term a four-year term and the city councilmen's term two-year terms. The third amendment would make the position of chief of police an appointed position versus a contracted position.

The fourth amendment is to change how the Charter reads in regards to requiring four members of council to vote one way on an item and change it to have a majority of the vote on an item for it to become effective.

Some city council members had some difficulty approving this amendment due to the fact that some items considered involve an excessive amount of money and they would like to leave it to require a minimum of four votes to approve or disapprove the item being considered. The amendment was changed to require only a majority vote except for items involving \$25,000 or more and any agenda items considering contracts.

The fifth amendment would allow for an ordinance to become effective the date it is approved versus the date it is published. Council ultimately approved all the proposed amendments, with changes noted, to be placed on the ballots for the voters.



#### One perspective **By Francis Shrum**

#### What I heard about New Orleans

was the few months I spent in Memphis, Tennessee one time, back in 1983.

about New Orleans is that a beautiful lady I know was born, raised and still lives there — she now has three kids in various stages of growing up, a hard-working husband, and an unquestioning dedication to her hurricane-ravaged home town.

"The neighborhood still smells bad but we've got a community to rebuild," she told me on the phone recently, in that honey-toned drawl that brings to mind all the good things I ever heard about New Orleans.

There's all kinds of stories about what happened in that city during and after the historic beating it took at the hands of Mother Nature. Many of the sensationalized ones have been found untrue - there were not 200 murders or countless rapes in the Superdome. According to the *Times*-Picayune, a prominent daily New Orleans newspaper, only two people were found killed there and no rapes were reported. The murder rate in New Orleans the week after Katrina was unchanged.

Amid the endless flow of drivel and self-righteous diatribe in the wake of Katrina, you occasionally run across something so refreshing, and humorous, and human, that you can't help but laugh, cry and shake your head over the factors that will forever affect whatever logical response our government manages to mount in the face of a national disaster.

In a New York Times Magazine article, Oct. 9, 2005, entitled Wading Toward Home, a native son of New Orleans provided a rare peek inside

The closest the culture of his hometown and a I ever got to heart-breaking and hilarious account New Orleans of the aftermath of events that have changed it forever.

Michael Lewis hails from the right side of the tracks in New Orleans The only thing I know for sure society. The native lineage on his mother's side runs way back to before the mid-1850's but her family is still gently considered new arrival: the arriviste. His father's side, however, is old-New Orleanian — his great-great-grandfather Joshua Lewis being sent there shortly after the Louisiana Purchase to look after things for Thomas Jefferson.

> So he knows New Orleans, right? Three days after Katrina made landfall, this native son — now of California — flew to Dallas where he managed to get a flight as far as Baton Rouge.

> Until Katrina, his family had never left New Orleans to escape a hurricane. He explains that, in his neighborhood, Hurricane Betsy in 1965 and Camille in 1969 were considered "wildly entertaining" — they wiped out family property on the Mississippi Gulf Coast, "but that's what Mississippi was for: to get wiped out by hurricanes. A hurricane in Mississippi was not a natural disaster but an excuse for a real-estate boom."

> Returning to the historic, affluent neighborhood of his youth he expected to find it under water. Instead he was greeted by wind damage to trees and power lines but mostly pristine, undamaged old homes. The place had the surreal feel of a science fiction movie. He found a sweet old neighbor-lady who — unaware the city had been evacuated — tottered out to put payment for her electric bill in the mailbox. There was a shortage of reality in other homes as well.

"Pretty quickly, it became clear

that there were more than a few people left in the city and that they fell broadly into two categories: extremely well armed white men prepared to do battle and a rag-tag collection of irregulars, black and white, who had no idea that there was anyone to do battle with," he writes.

A few houses on high ground were organized into forts of armed civilians, fueled by fear and rumor. "(They) had another informational disadvantage," Lewis said. "Working TV sets."

The irregulars, he said, included lots of old people, who had no family outside New Orleans and so had nowhere else to go. "But there were also plenty of people, who, like the portly, topless, middle-aged gay couple in short shorts walking their dogs... seemed not to sense the slightest danger."

Two Uptown New Orleans property owners actually rented a Russian assault helicopter and hired a squad of Israeli commandos. They landed their military resources in a local park near a zoo, prepared to "secure the perimeter" against what one later told Lewis they thought might be an assault from "Zulu nation." All they found was a frightened zoo keeper who appeared with hands high.

Other encounters he made revealed that the less-affluent were equally polarized. "Two poor people told me the flood (was caused) by man: the government was trying to kill the poor people," Lewis said.

"On St. Claude Ave., just below the French Quarter, there was a scene of indigents, old people and gay men fleeing what they took to be bombs being dropped on them by Army helicopters. What were being dropped were, in fact, ready-to-eat meals and water in plastic jugs... when the jugs hit the concrete, they exploded.

"The people in the area had heard from the police that George W. Bush intended to visit the city that day, and they could not imagine he meant them any good.

"'Run! Run!' screamed a man among the hordes trying to outrun the chopper. 'It's the president!"







A DAY IN the LIFE OF a NEWLY-ELECTED HAMAS POLITICIAN

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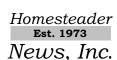
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#### Reyes Reports By U.S. Rep. Silvestre Reyes

#### Country prepares for pandemic

our country ties in humans.

by three influenza pandemics, and viruses from birds contributed to all of them. The first, which struck in 1918 and is known as the Spanish Flu, killed over half a million Americans, has said that "this is a very ominous but worldwide may have caused up to 100 million fatalities. The other two pandemics were the Asian Flu from 1957 to 1958 and the Hong Kong Flu from 1968 to 1969.

The Spanish Flu had quite an effect on the El Paso population of 75,000 at the time. By late October 1918, nearly 5.000 influenza cases had been reported. By the second week in November, some 600 people had been reported dead.

Today we are faced with a new influenza strain. H5N1, commonly known as the avian or bird flu, has not yet acquired the ability to spread from human to human. However, it has the potential to change and improve transmissibility every time it infects an animal or human. If the

Looking virus is able to infect humans easily to our community. back over the and quickly, it is likely to cause a

> ters for Disease Control and Prevention, which is the principal agency in the U.S. government for protecting the health of all citizens. Dr. Gerberding situation for the globe... the most important threat we are facing right now," and we discussed concerns regarding this issue and federal preparation. Dr. Gerberding will also join me again next month for the 10th Annual U.S.-Mexico Border Issues Conference in Washington, DC, which educates Members of Congress and the public about the U.S.-Mexico border. She will discuss recent developments with avian flu, and focus on areas such as the U.S.-Mexico border region.

> I was also invited to participate in a forum at the World Health Organization (WHO) headquarters to discuss world preparations for the avian flu. While there, I was able to familiarize myself with the plan prepared by the WHO, and how to apply those plans

In early February, the Secretary of last century, pandemic due to its record of fatali- the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Michael Leavitt, and the world I recently met with Dr. Julie said that preparation for a pandemic have been hit Gerberding, the Director of the Cen- "is not the sole responsibility of the federal government," but that states and local officials must also take charge in readying their communities. Even prior to his remarks, I had already brought together a group of city leaders to work on developing a preparedness plan for our region.

With the help of the El Paso City-County Health and Environmental District, Texas Tech Medical Center, William Beaumont Army Medical Center, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and other community leaders, I have led multiple sessions to outline a plan of action should an influenza pandemic strike our community.

The potential spread of any disease requires long-term, rational, commonsense preparation so if anything were to happen — though it is not certain that it will — we can respond in a systematic manner. You can also help by visiting www.pandemicflu.gov. Together, we can safeguard our health and quality of life.

#### County loses 'barbershop icon' with death of Eddie La Foe

By Don Woodyard Courier Staff Writer

unique era in Fabens.

An institution passed from the

Foe. He was 81. Once a mecca for many, his shop, located inside the S&S Fabens Grande food store, is now closed.

It no longer echoes to the hum of the clipper or the click of the scissors.

No longer is heard the gentle banter about people and politics and whatever else as Eddie would happily clip away as he had been doing for more than half a century.

It is silent.

However, people are not silent about La Foe.

He is well remembered.

gentleman; he always had a story to tell," recalls Jim Pendell, owner whose building La Foe had his barber shop since around 1993. He to correct mistakes when he no-

And, if you hadn't been in for a

likely call to see how you were.

"He loved his country. He was proud to have served his country," FABENS — It is the end of a Pendell adds. "He was a fine man, a fine gentleman."

He goes on to say he was equally Lower Valley scene on Tuesday, Jan. proud of his two sons Larry and



Photo courtesy the La Foe family

TWO FACES OF EDDIE LA FOE — At left, a photo of Eddie La Foe taken in 2005. The other was taken in 1946 when was La Foe in the Army. He was still operating his Faben's barbershop when he died and was thought to be the oldest active licensed barber in Texas.

who died in 1995.

"He was really a fine man, a fine Bisbee, AZ, to Edward and Mary La

He graduated from high school of the S&S Fabens Grande in in Morenci, AZ, in 1942 and worked in the Morenci mines for a while before enlisting in the U.S. remembers Eddie jokingly saying Army in 1944. He served in the he would have to charge you extra China-Burma-India theater recalls his son Gerry, former manager and ticed you'd gone to another barber a salesman now with South Plains Implement.

Gerry remembers his father work- he told you something, it was true."

while, Pendell says La Foe would ing in the cavalry, handling pack mules in moving supplies during military operations.

military service in 1946 at Fort Bliss. In that same year he got married. For a time he worked as a steam shovel operator in the Morenci copper 24 with the death of barber Eddie La Gerald and his late wife Dorothy Jo mines. Gerry said it didn't really suit

> his father's style. "He liked people; he loved people - they loved talking to him," his son recalls.

So he went to barber college in San Antonio in late 1947 and early 1948 where he earned license. his Based on what other area barbers have said, Gerry believes that his father was the oldest licensed barber in the state of Texas at the time of his death.

Gerry says he worked in his

father's shops. He had one on Fort La Foe was born July 13, 1924, in Boulevard in Northeast El Paso and in the Coronado area on the Westside. He enjoyed listening to people talking as he shined shoes and swept out the stores.

> Asked about his father, the first thing he speaks of is his faith. "He was most definitely a Christian man; he was active in his church." He was a member of the Church of

> "He was an honest son of a gun; if

Fabens area, also remembers La Foe Gerry's father was discharged from as a "good-natured man. There was never any animosity; everybody liked him.

"He was a people person. He was a barbershop icon." In Harshberger's opinion that is why La Foe never retired. He enjoyed the fellowship and

Dick Harshberger, who delivers friendship of others too much to rethe West Texas County Courier in the tire. In fact, his last day of work was Saturday, Jan. 21 before his sudden death on Tuesday, Jan. 24.

Gerry concludes, "We are going to miss him; the community will miss him; he was a good man."

Pendell says he's trying to find another barber to reopen the shop. Until then, it remains silent.

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#### **Town of Horizon City Public Meeting and Public Hearing**

A PUBLIC MEETING will be held by the Planning and Zoning Commission of the Town of Horizon City during its regular meeting, Monday, February 27, 2006 beginning at 6:30 p.m., during which time the Commission will review and make its recommendations regarding a proposed replat of the following property:

All of Lot 13, Block 1, Horizon Golf Homesites (corrected plat), El Paso County, Texas, consisting of approximately 2.137 acres. This replat is part of a larger, 137.976 acre proposed subdivision titled Emerald Springs as submitted by Roe Engineering, L.C. on behalf of Bank of America.

A PUBLIC HEARING will be held during a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the Town of Horizon City on Tuesday, March 14, 2006 beginning at 6:30 **p.m.** during which time the Council will receive the commission's recommendation and will consider and take action on the aforementioned proposed replat.

Both the Public Meeting and the Public Hearing will be conducted in the Horizon City Council chambers of the Town of Horizon City, located at 14999 Darrington Road, Horizon City, Texas 79928. Interested persons are welcome to appear and comment on the proposed replat at either the Public Meeting or Public Hearing. Those who are unable to attend may submit their views in writing to the City Planner Ed Hamlyn of Horizon City at the address above or call 915-852-1046.

> Sandra Sierra Town Clerk

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#### Washington, D.C. study group comes to Fabens High School

By Vivian Manzano Special to the Courier

FABENS — Two representatives from Policy Studies Associates, Inc., an education research and evaluation organization in Washington, D.C. visited Fabens High School on Feb. 2 -3 to review Fabens' effectiveness in math and science.

Department, Science Department and School is a partner.

Administrators Robert Sepulveda and Rosa Garcia on Feb. 2. The following day they visited with Math Department chairperson Vic Payne and Science Department chairperson Manuel Moreno.

The purpose of the visit was to research effective efforts in improving teaching and learning. The study is being conducted by Policy Studies Associates (PSA), in conjunction support MSP was providing and Jennifer Johnson and Mark A. Wil- with the El Paso Math/Science Part- were those strategies successful on visited with members of the Math nership (MSP) in which Fabens High

The results of the study will be kept confidential and a report will be submitted to MSP with names withheld.

PSA wanted to know what Fabens High School Math and Science teachers were doing in the classroom, what strategies they were implementing and how was MSP helping them. With administration, they wanted to know what when implemented by Fabens High School math and science teachers.

#### Dominguez files for Justice of the Peace Pct. 6-B seat

EAST EL PASO COUNTY — Rosalie "Rosie" Dominguez, a lifelong resident of East El Paso County, has filed as a candidate for Justice of the Peace Pct. 6-B.

Born and raised in Fabens, now a resident of Horizon City for the past 12 years, Dominguez has worked with the public for over 16 years in numerous aspects of the law.

She recounts beginning her career with the El Paso County Attorney in the trial team section, later working as a facilitator for the Justice of the Peace Pct. 6 court, coordinating civil and small claims, truancies and criminal documents.

Paso City-County Health District as an Environmental Health Inspector and Code Enforcement Officer, enforcing local, state an federal laws to "protect the community from health nuisances and public diseases."

"I have personally revised city ordinances in order to better serve the constituents of El Paso County... I have worked directly with developers, contractors and local businesses in assuring that all aspects of the law are met and that we come to a general consensus that benefits both them and the community I represent."

She lists other accomplishments as For the past eight years she said "having obtained several licenses in

she has been employed with the El on-site sewage facility-designated representative and a code enforcement officer; successfully ran my own business as an independent inspector for Hudspeth County; currently running a business in pre-paid legal; certified in data processing at El Paso Job Corps; majored in psychology at Community College.

She is the mother of three children, ages five to 16 who attend Clint ISD schools, and is a member of the San Lorenzo Catholic Church in Clint.

"Growing up in the county, I personally know and can relate to the obstacles we face each day... I genuinely look forward in working for you."



Moore Texas by Roger T. Moore The World Championship Frijole Cookoff is in Balmorhea in August ...another "Uniquely Texas" event!

#### Socorro COSMOS students paint house of neighbor in need

By Carlos A. Briano Special to the Courier

EAST EL PASO COUNTY — The fact that a winter front was passing through that Saturday morning did not deter the will of the Socorro High COSMOS (Careers Opportunities for Science and Math Oriented Students). The group had planned to begin painting the house of one of their neighbors at 7 a.m., and that's exactly what they did.

Sophomore Joseph Redfearn proposed the idea after noticing many homes in need of upkeep on his way to school.

"I know a lot of people are not financially or physically able to upkeep their homes," he says. "So I asked Principal Troncoso if there was

Data

any way we could help paint or something."

Troncoso provided him with an address and Redfearn told his COSMOS teacher Raymond Bonilla about the idea. Bonilla then invited other students to participate. Brenda Castro, Luis A. Dominguez, Adriana Dominguez, Elizabeth Dominguez, Mayra Leyva and Amy Serna quickly signed up.

"It was not hard at all to recruit these students," Bonilla says. "They were quick to jump at the opportunity. This is very typical of pretty much all students at Socorro High."

Besides providing the manpower for the paint job, the students also obtained the paint by asking for donations from the community. Irene Chacon, beneficiary of the mini home makeover, says she was pleasantly surprised by the students' visit.

"Whoever organized this, I'm so grateful to them," she says. "I was so surprised when I got the call. And they're really fast. This is so wonderful. I appreciate it a lot. You don't know how thankful I am."

Senior Adriana Dominguez, who admits to not having any formal painting experience, says more groups should give back to the community.

"I thought this was a good way of thanking the community for the school and the type of education they provide for us," she says. "If we get another opportunity, we'd like to do this again."

- Photo courtesy Socorro ISD

COLD OUTSIDE, WARM INSIDE - The Socorro High COSMOS group painted the house of neighbor in need on a cold Saturday morning





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#### **FFVP**

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Department of Agriculture (TDA) selected 25 public schools based on percentage of students eligible for free or reduced price meals under the school lunch or school breakfast programs and on partnerships estab-

Total

lished by a school with non-federal entities such as fruit or vegetable associations. TDA also considered school enrollment and geographic location to ensure a diversity of Texas school children.

Canutillo Elementary School (CES) is scheduled to receive \$59,927 as determined by USDA. CES will be reimbursed for providing fresh fruits and vegetables to students any time during the school day, before school or after the end of the last class period. The produce provided is in addition to any items served by the National School Lunch Program or School Breakfast Program.

"Fruits and vegetables are essential for a healthy, well-balanced diet, and increasing consumption in all schools will go a long way in efforts to curb obesity in Texas," said Combs.

USDA allocated the funds to each school on a per student basis at a rate based on the total enrollment of all schools selected in the six participating states including Connecticut, Idaho, New Mexico, Texas, Utah and Wisconsin. The selected schools agreed to participate through June 30, 2007.

"I am pleased that USDA recognizes our efforts to promote healthy nutrition in our schools and has included Texas in this project," said Adele Balesh, Canutillo ISD Food Services director.

CES Cafeteria Manager Mary Melchor said that they will initiate the program by incorporating fresh fruit and vegetable snacks into the school's Wellness Walks on Wednesdays, a program designed to invite parents and community residents to walk with students during physical education classes.

#### San Elizario Independent School District

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Governmental Funds For the Year Ended August 31, 2005

**SEISD** 

Contro Codes		General Fund	Facility Corporation	Other Funds	Governmental Funds
	REVENUES:				
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0091	Contracted InstructionalServices Between Schools	4,400	_	36,550	40,950
6030	Total Expenditures	27,666,578	1,079,184	5,892,970	34,638,732
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#### **Borrego**

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awarded to classroom teachers who have demonstrated success in improving student performance. The money, recommended to be \$3000 to \$10,000 per individual, is to be distributed no later than Sept. 15. The remaining 25 percent of the grant may be spent on additional incentives for other school personnel, except those working in athletics, who also have contributed to student success.

Debbie Cortez, a fifth grade monolingual teacher at Borrego, noted the dedication that her counterparts put into their craft as well as hard work from the students that helped garner this honor.

"We credit our success to the positive environment, strong dedication of our faculty and staff, and the high expectations we set for our students," Cortez said.

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and said something to Lopez, who Perez and Lopez voted against the immediately alleged that Mayor Gandara had just threatened him.

Details of the threat were not disclosed, but Lopez announced to the audience he had just been threatened. Gandara immediately denied threatening him.

Lopez said whether he was threatened or not, he would still speak his mind. Mayor Gandara reminded Lopez that the meeting was being recorded. Lopez said that he did not care whether it was being recorded and he implied he was glad it was being recorded.

Rodriguez addressed council on could cost as much as \$50,000, and this agenda item and also said the \$69,000 offer was made by Jesse Gandara Sr. The Courier has confirmed that Jesse Gandara Sr. did make the offer but was unable to tures in support of a skate park in find out if the purchase had been Socorro. completed.

After further discussion, the agenda item to withdraw the offer location of early voting from Socorro

of 3 to 2. The votes in favor of the withdrawal came from Councilmen Gary Gandara, Jesse Gandara Jr. and Luis Varela. Councilmen Mary withdrawal.

In another parks-related issue, the Council voted unanimously to have City Manager Carol Garcia research the costs relating to a proposal to establish a skate park in Socorro, preferably in the Rio Vista area. No funding measures were approved.

The issue was brought to council by several students from Salvador Sanchez Middle School who are seeking to establish a safe place to skate board rather than parking lots and streets.

Councilman Gary Gandara esti-Former Councilman Gloria mated that establishing the park a proposal by a previous council was eventually discontinued due to cost of liability insurance. However, the students have begun gathering signa-

In other business:

• Council approved moving the

#### **Briefs**

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will hold registration for Little League Baseball and Girls Softball every Saturday from noon to 4 p.m. until the end of March at the Fabens Swig Fields on North Loop. Ages start at five years old up to 14 years old for baseball and nine years old to 14 years old for girls softball. For more information on registration cost call Smiley Avelar at 474-4821. A birth certificate is required.

- Faith-Based Groups in Action will host a motorcycle run on Sunday, March 5 to benefit the El Paso County elderly home-bound meal participants in the City-County Nutrition Program. Beginning at 11 a.m. registration will be at the El Paso Community College Northwest Campus, and ending at Santa Lucia Church, 518 Gallagher where a cookout, prizes, gift certificates and other special events will be provided. Price is \$7 per person, \$10 per couple. For more information and registration, contact Willie Padilla at 533-0998 or 252-9365.
- The 2006 852-prefix telephone directory is currently under production. The telephone listings that appear in this directory are purchased from a professional listing service registered with the Federal Trade Commission, and therefore may not contain some numbers with the 852 prefix which are unlisted or are registered on a Do Not Call list. If your 852 prefix number has been registered on a Do Not Call List but you would like to have your number appear in this community directory, you must provide Homesteader News, Inc. with written authorization. If we receive your written authorization by Feb. 28, 2006 your number will be included. Please send authorizations to: Homesteader News, Inc., 15344 Werling Court, Horizon City, TX 79928.

- On Jan. 20-21, Fabens students attended the San Elizario UIL Academic Tournament, a "Practice District Meet" to prepare students for the District Meet in March, which will be hosted by Fabens High School this year. Fabens showing was excellent with first place medals awarded to Jacob Martinez, Brittney Olivas, Jonathan Reyes, Adrian Hernandez, Niki Lettinich, Jesus Ortega, Dyana Garcia, Sarah Sepulveda, Lucero Gonzalez, Jacob Quinn, and Marissa Flores. Fabens also received 1st place Science Team. Second place medals went to nine other Fabens students and eight won third place medals. Many more Fabens students placed in the top six in their respective competitions.
- Navy Seaman Recruit Isabel Herrera, daughter of Isabel S. and Daniel Herrera of El Paso County recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill. This young woman completed an arduous eight-week training program which included emphasis on physical fitness, classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, firefighting, water safety and survival, and shipboard and aircraft safety. Herrera is a 2003 graduate of Socorro High School.
- A seminar to educate young people on careers in forestry, gardening and horticulture will be held Feb. 25, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Texas A&M Research Center, 1380 A&M Circle. Fee is \$3, includes lunch, and parents are welcome. Call 859-7725, ext. 237 for more information.
- The inaugural "Excellence in Technology" awards event for Socorro ISD will be held Tuesday, Feb. 28 at 6 p.m. at the Socorro High School auditorium to honor students who show leadership ability in utilizing technology in the classroom, including animation, desktop publishing, graphics, video and web design.

for the land was approved by a vote High School to the Rio Vista Community Center.

> • Councilman Lopez reported that City of Socorro will soon host two new T-Mobile cellular telephone towers, which will improve reception for customers and bring further revenue to the city, he said.

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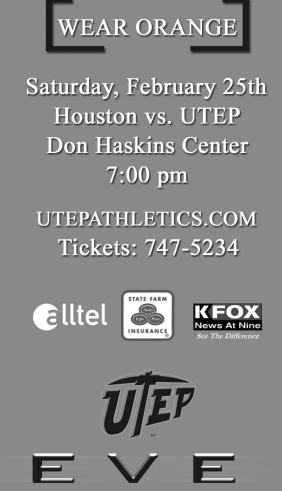


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### UTEP BASKETBALL





#### Foot-mouth-disease spreads to commentator Bryant Gumbo

By Steve Escajeda Special to the Courier

It was a real shame, a real shame.

I found myself checking out the latest ediran a segment featuring the Texas Western Miners.

Glory Road, and how Real Sports had done a and I haven't gotten tired of any of it.

piece on Don Haskins and the team 10 years ago during the 30th anniversary of the Miners' 72-65 NCAA championship win over Kentucky.

So Gumball decided to air the piece again. I watched it with obvious pride.

Yes, it's true I've watched countless TV spetion of HBO's Real Sports last week when it cials and documentaries on the 1966 Miners and the all-white Kentucky Wildcats and the colorblind Don Haskins and the racial implications Bryant Gumball was talking about the movie and the unlikely championship game victory —

So I watched the piece. There was commen- many whites?" tary by Don Haskins and Orsten Artis and Nevil Shed and David Lattin and Bobby Joe Hill and scenes from the game.

There was even commentary by the great sportswriter Frank Deford, who said he was in the Kentucky locker room at half-time of the championship game and said Kentucky coach Adolph Rupp called the Miners a bunch of

When you hear about ignorant, hateful behavior like that it makes you more proud of what the Miners accomplished and how they did their part, along with people like Martin Luther King Jr., Rosa Parks and Jackie triumphant Texas Western story of inclusion Robinson, to change people's minds.

It took the heroic actions of many special people to help make this country so much more equal and accessible than it once was.

And though no one can be blind enough to think that things today are perfect, no one should rule out the truth about how far this nation has come.

And that comes to why I opened this column with the sentence, "It was a real shame."

The "shame" after watching a piece on how seven black players and an open-minded coach helped change the face of college athletics, came after the segment on the Miners.

Regrettably, this fine segment about defeating bigotry, was immediately followed by a bigoted comment by Gumball himself.

He gave his little show-ending commentary on how he hated the Winter Olympics.

Understandably, I haven't exactly rushed home to catch the latest luge competition or the ice dancing finals or even that combination sweeping-the-kitchen-floor-while-playing-frozen-shuffleboard kind of sport.

But my reason for not watching is very different from Gumball's.

Olympics for one reason and one reason only not enough black people to cheer for.

Isn't saying, "I'm not watching something because there are no blacks," the same as saying "I'm not watching because there are too some of us longer than others.

Could you imagine what would happen to a commentator if he said he hated the NBA because there were too many black players?

Chances are he'd be fired in a second!

Gumball's direct quote was, "So try not to laugh when someone says these are the world's greatest athletes, despite a paucity of Blacks that makes the Winter Games look like a GOP convention."

For Gumball to say that the lack of blacks resembled a Republican convention just showed how unbelievably misinformed he is.

What a shame it was for Gumball to smear a with his ignorantly divisive comments.

Where does he think he lives? What time does he think he lives in?

To say that the Republican Party is still the party it was 30 or 40 years ago proves how sadly caught in the grips of blind bigotry Gumball still is.

And besides that, to not engage in something solely for the reason of skin color is bigotry at its very worst.

Bryant Gumball offended me deeply last week and spoiled what I thought was a great piece celebrating the exact opposite of what he eventually displayed.

Do I think Gumball should be fired? Well, based on the Rush Limbaugh's of the world, I'd have to say yes. I know if I said something stupid like that, I'd be fired in an instant.

It's a shame. A shame that people in this day and age still harbor feelings of hatred based purely on the dislike of a different skin tone.

And it's also a shame because Gumball probably missed seeing history being made at the 2006 Winter Games. Shani Davis became the first African-American — in fact the first black — to ever win an individual gold medal in the Seems Bryant Gumball hates the Winter Olympic Winter Games. Davis, a speedskater out of Chicago, struck gold in the men's 1,000meter speedskating race. He added a silver in the men's 1,500.

I guess we still have a long way to go —

#### Clint High School senior named All-Star Rodeo Team Co-Captain

By Laura Cade Special to the Courier

DENVER — The National High School Rodeo Association (NHRSA), the oldest and largest rodeo organization in North America, has named Jarett Rogers, a senior at Clint High School as a co-captain of the prestigious Wrangler High School All-Star Rodeo Team.

Jarett was selected to the team by a vote of his fellow Wrangler All-Star team members.

The NHRSA and Wrangler created the Wrangler High School All-Star Team in 1998 to recognize over 1,200 high school student athletes across the United States, Canada, and Australia for

named co-captain of the prestigious Wrangler High School All-Star Rodeo Team.

their leadership qualities, academic performance and athletic achievements. Of this group, a select few have been chosen as co-captains to serve in a team leadership capacity.

"We are extremely proud to have this fine group of young athletes lead the Wrangler High School rodeo team," said Karl Stressman, Wrangler special events manager. "Their impressive accomplishments will no doubt serve them well as representatives of the sport of rodeo in the coming year."

with over 10,000 members in 39 states and five Canadian Provinces and Australia. The NHRSA originated more than 50 years ago to promote education, North America's great western heritage, and the sport of rodeo.



The National High School Rodeo Association is the world's largest rodeo organization

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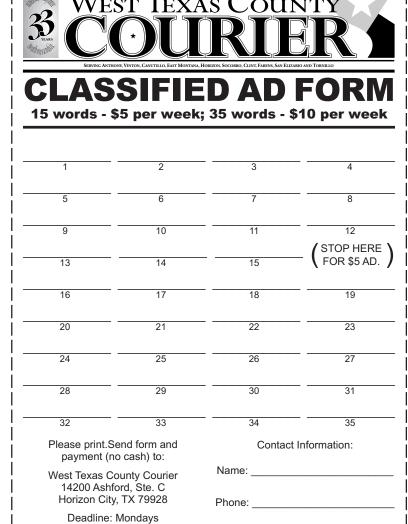
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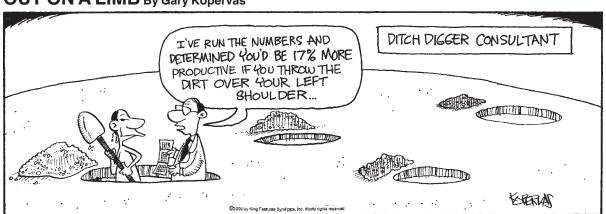
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#### Men may fish for a new hobby

#### By Don Flood

"Brokeback Mountain," the breakout mainstream movie with the gay cowboy theme, is sure to spark all kinds of conversations about fishing.

married, both stereotypically "straight," who steal away a few times each year to go "fishing" together.

In one scene the wife confronts her husband about his unused fishing tackle.

You'd think she'd found his tackle box filled with makeup and Judy Garland records.

In fact, unused fishing tackle is no big deal. For many fishermen, the key piece of equipment is a cooler stocked with cold beer.

It's true that fishermen often bring hooks, sinkers, rods and reels, etc., but if you're not careful they can get in the way of a good time.

After all, if you bait your hook and drop it in the water, there's the chance a fish might bite, obliging you to reel it in and possibly make room for it in your cooler.

But for years fishing trips have been the quintessential "guy" activity, which is why they've been the theme of countless SUV commercials, the kind where manly men search out boulders — or guardrails, if necessary — to run into on their way to the mountain stream.

(These streams often feature severely depressed, possibly suicidal fish that practically jump into the guys' hands - perhaps another reason they don't have to use their fishing tackle.)

But, I wonder, will men remain secure enough in their masculinity - in post-"Brokeback" America — to continue going on fishing trips?

Fishing may be viewed in a whole new light:

GUY: Huh, I never took you for the fishing type — not that there's anything wrong with that.

FRIEND: Oh no, when I say fishing, I mean fishing.

FRIEND: No, I mean, we go to our favorite fishing spots and camp out and have a grand old time.

GUY: I'm sure.

FRIEND: Look, I'm a real fish-The movie involves two men, erman. Last year I brought home a beauty.

GUY: Hmmmm, I see.

HUSBAND: Next Saturday I'm going fishing with some of my buddies.

WIFE: You mean all these years we've been living a lie?

HUSBAND: What are you talking about?

WIFE: You know doggone well what I'm talking about. Have you been fishing behind my back all this time? My father always suspected you of fishing.

HUSBAND: You're out of your

WIFE: Just tell me one thing. **HUSBAND:** What?

WIFE: Will Heath Ledger be there?

WIFE: If it was another woman I could compete. But I can't compete with his "fishing" buddies.

FRIEND: Oh, don't worry, he's probably not fishing. He's probably chasing women and hanging around strip clubs.

WIFE: You're just saying that to make me feel better. But you're husband's going too. Aren't you worried?

FRIEND: WHAT?!

Or:

WIFE: You're going fishing with your friend, aren't you?

HUSBAND: No, I'm not. I'm not even interested in fishing.

WIFE: You're not?

HUSBAND: No. WIFE: Promise?

HUSBAND: Yes.

WIFE: Thank goodness. So what are you doing?

HUSBAND: I'm helping him pick out some window treatments.

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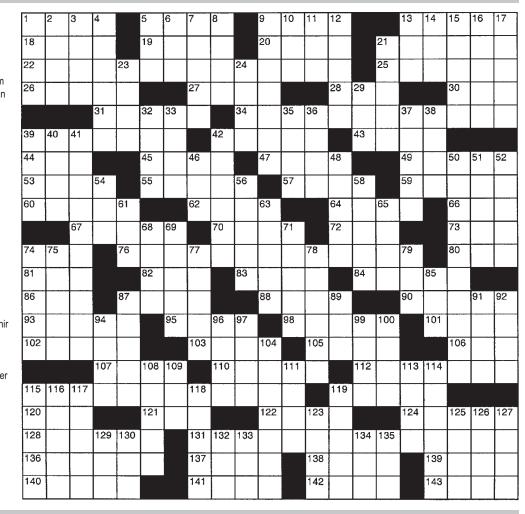
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#### Horizon High's JROTC receives highest rating

#### By Anabel Dominguez **HHS JROTC P.A. Officer**

High School JROTC stood its first formal inspection. The HHS JROTC received 983 of 1000 possible points making the class an "Honor Unit with Distinction".

placing our battalion in the top 10 percent of the over 1600 JROTC schools nationally. All of this was strictly an effort by the cadets," says ceived a perfect score in their area.

Every HHS cadet, 179 in total, is HORIZON — On Feb. 7, Horizon inspected in uniform, questioned, and observed in a very rigorous drill routine with the class. The cadet class must give a detailed briefing using the latest technology. The cadets presented an 84 slide PowerPoint pre-"This is the highest rating possible, sentation which included music and photographs. Ten cadets were selected to answer an hour's worth of curriculum questions. Every aspect of the units supply, administration, LTC Ken Osmond, HHS JROTC in-training, cadet records, website, structor. Each staff member also re- newsletter, scrapbook, and cadet

portfolio was closely scrutinized. The HHS Color Guard was also required to perform a 31-step routine.

The inspection team consisted of two Department of the Army civilians from the 12th Brigade headquarters in San Antonio and four soldiers from the El Paso area. This inspection occurs every three years and determines the unit's national standing.

Ricardo Estrada, Clint ISD superintendent, was in attendance during the inspection and presentation along with 1SG Kelly and 1SG Danner, both HHS JROTC instructors.

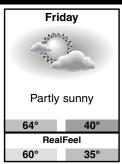


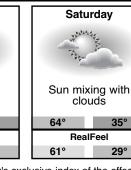
SPIT-SHINE AND POLISH - This JROTC unit makes the grade with splendid performance. From left, David Martinez, Joel Isias, Jo Ann Pineda, Jose Ramirez, Anabel Dominguez, Karen Castillo, Albert Soliz.

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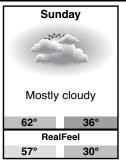


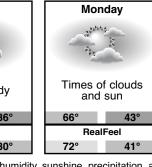


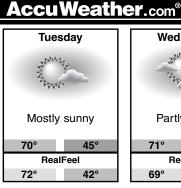


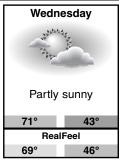
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#### WEATHER TRENDS THIS WEEK





In The Sky Sun Moon Rise Set Thu. 6:40 a.m. 5:59 p.m. Thu. 6:39 a.m. 5:59 p.m. 6:00 p.m. Sat. 6:38 a.m. Sun. 6:36 a.m. 6:01 p.m. Sun. Mon. 6:35 a.m. 6:02 p.m. Mon. 6:34 a.m. 6:03 p.m. Tues. Tues. 6:03 p.m. 6:33 a.m Forecasts and graphics provided by AccuWeather, Inc. ©2006

Rise 3:19 a.m. 1:04 p.m. 4:18 a.m. 2:14 p.m. 3:29 p.m. 5:10 a.m. 5:55 a.m. 4:44 p.m. 6:33 a.m. 5:58 p.m. 7:07 a.m. 7:10 p.m. 7:39 a.m. 8:20 p.m.



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REGIONAL CITIES											U.S. CITIES																
	Thursday			Friday			Saturday			Sunday		у		Thursday				Friday		S	Saturday			Sunday			
Сіту	HI	LO	W	H	ii 💮	LO	W	HI	LC	o w	/	HI	LO	W	Сіту	HI	LO	W	HI	LO	W	HI	LO	W	HI	LO	W
Abilene, TX	62	49	r	6	3	42	r	51	33	3 sh	h	58	35	рс	Atlanta	56	40	r	56	38	r	52	36	sh	52	24	S
Albuquerque, NM	55	29	рс	5	8	28	S	53	20	3 s	;	58	32	s	Boston	42	28	sf	38	26	рс	34	26	sf	32	19	рс
Amarillo, TX	59	33	·c	6	0	27	S	38	20	5 pc	С	52	27	С	Chicago	40	22	рс	38	22	sf	32	10	sf	24	8	рс
Austin, TX	62	49	sh	7	1	51	sh	56	48	3 r		58	38	С	Denver	48	22	pc	50	18	рс	37	21	рс	54	27	C
Brownsville, TX	78	66	sh	8	1	66	рс	78	60	) t		67	55	r	Detroit	40	21	DC	34	24	C	32	16	sf	27	15	sf
Dodge City, KS	54	28	рс	5	0	22	рс	35	18	3 pc	С	51	24	С	Houston	64	54	sh	68	52	sh	60	44	sh	60	38	рс
Jackson, MS	60	44	r	5	7	47	r	56	39	9 sh	h	56	29	S	Indianapolis	46	27	DC	45	31	011	39	17	sf	28	18	
Laredo, TX	72	60	sh	7	8	61	рс	68	53			60	47	r	Kansas City	52	35	s S	52	26	рс	40	18	pc	38	16	
Little Rock, AR	58	39	рс		2	34	sh	51	33		С	50	30	S	•	69		-	76	50	ρC	75	52		75		рс
Lubbock, TX	62	38	r		5	34	S	46	28		h	56	32	рс	Los Angeles		48	S		71	5			S		53	5
Memphis, TN	58	38	рс		4	41	sh	56	32		С	48	31	s	Miami	83	68	pc	82	/ 1	pc	83	65	рс	76	56	l .
Midland, TX	63	47	r	7	1	40	рс	57	34	4 r		57	35	С	Minneapolis	26	10	sf	28	11	sf	24	4	рс	22	6	рс
Pueblo, CO	54	16	рс	5	2	18	рс	42	16		С	58	18	рс	New Orleans	70	54	sh	67	58	r	69	47	sh	57	39	S
Roswell, NM	65	36	sh		0	34	S	48	32			59	33	рс	New York City	47	34	рс	42	29	рс	38	27	sf	33	23	рс
St. Louis, MO	53	33	s	5	4	33	рс	39	19	9 sf	f	46	26	s	Omaha	41	24	рс	44	20	рс	40	15	S	37	17	рс
San Antonio, TX	66	54	sh	7	0	55	sh	65	46			59	41	r	Phoenix	68	45	S	73	47	S	79	49	s	78	52	S
Texarkana, AR	58	44	r		4	37	r	54	3	5 pc	С	55	35	S	San Francisco	61	46	S	60	47	s	62	48	s	63	49	r
Waco, TX	62	49	r	6	5	48	r	53	4	1 sh	h	54	36	рс	Seattle	46	32	r	42	32	рс	46	36	рс	50	40	r
Wichita, KS	58	35	S	4	9	30	рс	35	19	9 s	;	45	27	рс	Washington	54	32	pc	50	30	pc	46	30	sh	38	21	рс
							We	eather ( <b>W</b> ):	-sunny	, <b>pc</b> -pa	artly clou	ıdy, <b>c</b> -clo	oudy, <b>s</b>	<b>h</b> -shov	vers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, st												

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