



NEWSBRIEFS

State appointments

Gov. Rick Perry has named El Pasoans to serve in different capacities for the State of Texas over the next few years. They are:

Investment council

Carmen Olivas Graham is one of four reappointments to the Texas Workforce Investment Council. The council promotes the development of an educated and skilled workforce and advocates for an integrated workforce development system to address the needs of businesses and workers in Texas. She is the assistant principal at Desert Wind Middle School. She is certified in bilingual and early childhood education, and is a board member of Youth Advisory and Community Partnership. Graham received a bachelor's degree from the University of Texas at El Paso, a master's degree in education from Stephen F. Austin State University, and a doctorate degree in bilingual education from New Mexico State University. Her term expires Sept. 1, 2017.

Plumbing examiners

Enrique Castro, president of E.C. Plumbing, has been reappointed to the Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners. The board enforces plumbing regulations and oversees examinations and the licensing of plumbers and plumbing inspectors in the state. He is vice president of the El Paso Chapter of United Plumbers of Texas and a member of the National and El Paso Builder associations. Castro received an associate degree from El Paso Community College. His term expires Sept. 5, 2017.

Finance Commission

Susan Burton of Addison and Larry Patton of El Paso have been appointed to the Finance Commission of Texas, pursuant to Senate Bill 249 of the 82nd Legislative Session. The commission ensures banks, savings institutions, consumer credit grantors and other state-regulated financial entities operate responsibly to enhance the financial well-being of Texans.

Burton is a consultant and owner of Susan Burton Consulting. She is an associate sponsor of the Financial Services Institute, and a board member of the Northwood Woman's Club and DMC Group Business Advisory Board. She is also a past member of the Financial Planners Association and United Shareholders Association. Burton received a bachelor's degree from Texas State University, and holds a Certified Financial Planner designation from the College for Financial Planning, and a Certified Fund Specialist designation from the Institute for Business and Finance. Her

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San Elizario Chapel

— Photo by Alfredo Vasquez

Indian, Spanish design exemplified by missions

By Alfredo Vasquez
Special to the Courier

EL PASO COUNTY – The Ysleta Mission, Socorro Mission and San Elizario Chapel are El Paso County's hidden treasures. These three churches are excellent examples of early Indian and Spanish architecture.

Mission Ysleta was built for Spanish and Tigua Indian refugees from the 1680 Pueblo Revolt. Mission Socorro was built in 1682 for the Spanish and Piro Indians. San Elizario was a Spanish presidio, or fort, built in 1882 to protect the Camino Real travelers from Indian attacks.

The history that the three sites hold is second to none in North America. Today, a stroll through these hallowed grounds stirs up images of the area's idyllic past, one that goes back nearly 400 years.

The following are narratives that depict the missions' rich heritage. The narratives

are based on information found on El Paso County's website.

Ysleta Mission is the oldest continuously active parish in the state of Texas, and the community of Ysleta is the oldest town in Texas. The town was one of several agricultural communities started along the Rio Grande by Spaniards and Indians after the 1680 Pueblo Revolt. The Tigua Indians, who were forced to flee their pueblo at Isleta, New Mexico, have since occupied the area continuously.

On October 12, 1660, the first Mass was held in Ysleta, and a temporary mission church was built. In attendance were New Mexico Governor Don Antonio de Otermín, 150 soldiers, Spanish colonists and 317 Indians, including more than 100 Tiguas.

In 1692, the Tiguas founded Ysleta del Sur Pueblo, and by 1692, the tribe built a larger mission, Corpus Cristi de los Tiguas de Ysleta. The Spanish term, del sur (of the south) differentiates the southern pueblo from the northern mother pueblo of Isleta, New Mexico.

The church was also called the San Antonio Mission after the patron saint of the Tiguas. This building, dedicated to Our Lady of Mount Carmel, lasted until the disastrous flood of 1740, and was rebuilt in 1744. The mission was later washed away by the flood of 1829.

In late 1851 the present Ysleta mission was completed and reopened for services. The mission appeared as a simple, rectangular stack of blocks. The facade was later changed to a pitched, gable shape. In 1897, the gable was enlarged and a beehive-shaped dome bell tower was added.

In 1907, most of the church was destroyed by fire. Only the sacristy remained unscathed. The church was rebuilt using the original sacristy and the remaining adobe walls. The massive bell tower was also altered, adding the silver dome, capping three centuries of natural disasters.

Socorro Mission took its name from

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Clint ISD FFA does well at county fair

By Laura Cade
Special to the Courier

CLINT – The Clint Future Farmers of America (FFA) participated in the El Paso County Fair held at the El Paso County Coliseum in September. The Clint FFA had numerous entries in all age groups, elementary to high school. Events included lamb and goat show, a poultry contest, agriculture mechanics, pig show, and the popular Pee Wee Goat Showmanship competition.

Students did well in all divisions including the Poultry Show. Sophomore Skyler Paul won first and second in her class with special market chickens. First grader Jackson Godwin won Grand Champion of Breed and Reserve Grand Champion of Breed with his silky chickens. Second



— Photo courtesy Clint ISD

Hailey Black, third grade student at Surratt Elementary, placed third with her pig at the El Paso County Fair and Grand Champion at the Southern New Mexico State Fair. Her pig sold at auction for \$1,490.

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– Photo courtesy San Elizario ISD

ONE BIG FAMILY – The children of Alfonso Borrego, Sr., their spouses, a few other relatives gathered with San Elizario ISD Board Trustee Vicente Delgadillo, Jr. (with cane) to mark the 10th anniversary of Alfonso Borrego, Sr. Elementary School on September 30.

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Borrego Elementary marks 10 years

By Cynthia P. Marentes
Special to the Courier

SAN ELIZARIO – It was ten years ago in the month of September that the San Elizario Independent School District observed the dedication ceremony of its newest campus, Alfonso Borrego, Sr. Elementary School, amidst a somber mood after the national tragedy of the 9/11 terrorist attacks. This year, however, the scene was more festive as students, staff, faculty, and honored guests gathered to celebrate the school’s 10th anniversary on September 30.

The campus that began its first school year in the fall of 2001 was named after Alfonso Borrego, Sr. a local farmer, World War I veteran, and active community member who

served as a San Elizario ISD board trustee for many years. Together with his wife Cornelia Sanchez Borrego raised a large family of eleven children some of whom attended the anniversary celebration.

“Ten years ago we came to see the opening of this beautiful school and it still looks beautiful today,” Ray Borrego said as he addressed the entire student body that had gathered inside the cafeteria. Borrego stated that he looks forward to returning in the future and expects to hear about the many accomplishments of all the students.

Throughout the schools short decade of existence it has earned an impressive record of academic success. Borrego Elementary School has received a designation by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) of

“Recognized” campus for six years and an “Exemplary” rating one year. It has also earned other honors such as being named a TEA Title I, Part A Distinguished School and a National Center for Educational Achievement Higher Performing School on several occasions. The first principal at the campus was Sylvia Hopp, who was recently appointed to serve as Interim Superintendent, and current principal is Elizabeth Prangner who is beginning her second year as the school’s administrator.

Activities for the anniversary celebration included the student assembly, creation of a time capsule to be opened at the school’s 25th silver anniversary, a student poem contest, video presentations, release of balloons, and a reception for the Borrego family and invited guests.



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Clint FFA

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grader Gavin Francis won first in the young trio with his bantam and game chickens. Fourth grader Shyann Francis won second with her market fryer pen, and second and third in market fryer as well.

To view more categories and results, visit www.clintweb.net.

Alex Eveler, a Clint High School student, won Grand Champion with her handcrafted coffee table. The metal table brought \$950.00 at auction. The consumer science competition and auction takes baked goods and crafts which the students make and allows them to sell all

first place entries. This puts money back in their pockets and helps start most students’ livestock accounts. In all, Clint High School consumer science entries brought home a total of 26 first place entries and just over \$1,600 earned at auction.

The weekend wrapped up with a BBQ, a scholarship presentation and the livestock auction.

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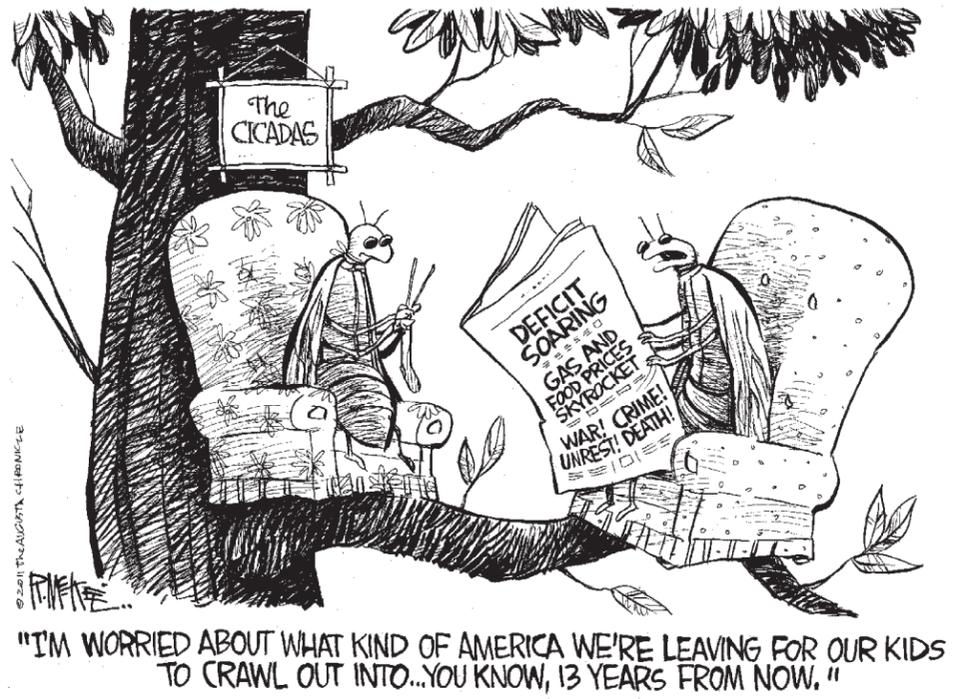
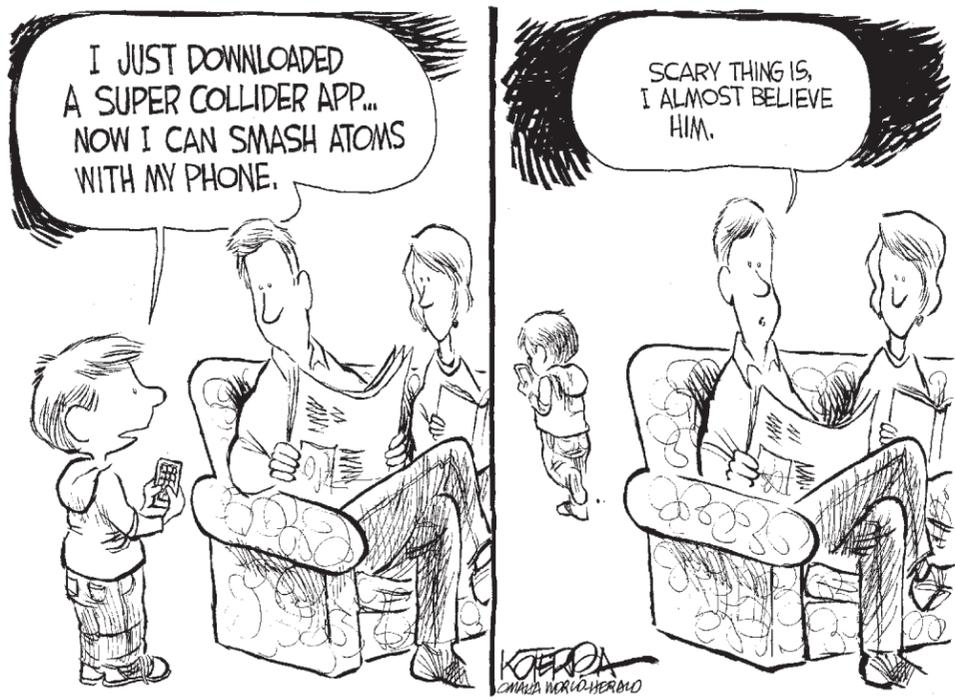
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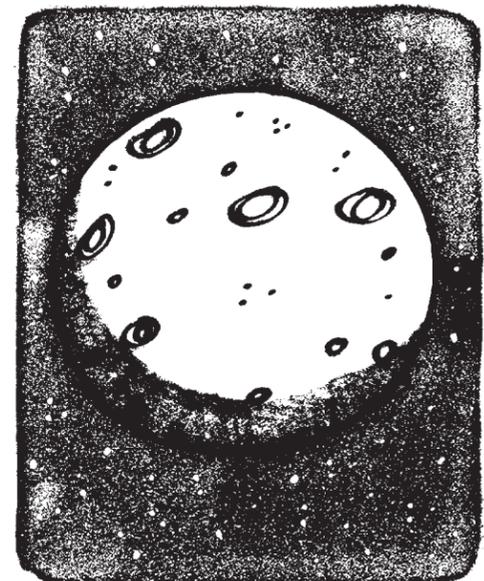
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Por la Gente By State Rep. Chente Quintanilla

Student loans, TIRZs and consolidation on ballot

Hola, mi gente. Every November that follows a legislative session, this year being the 82nd in the history of Texas, we have a limited election to approve or disapprove changes to the constitution. This year there are ten amendments.

Proposition number three would allow the Texas Higher Education Board, current and any subsequent board, to issue bonds intended to provide loans to students for a college education. There is a ceiling that would cap the bonds at a certain level.

Today, as federal monies are drying up, it is important for the state to make it as easy as possible for Texans to get a higher education. The future of the state economy depends on a well-educated workforce.

Texas has the Hinson-Hazelwood program which presents the best alternative for our students. The program has an excellent history as far as solvency is concerned. The state has never had to use general revenue monies to account for any defaulted loans.

While committee hearings produced no negative aspects of the loans, the point was brought forth that student loans are now greater than average credit card debt. The point being that perhaps an alternative to loans should be on the table.

Proposition number four would allow counties to issue bonds for the purpose of minimizing blighted areas. Cities currently have that option for designated areas known as Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones (TIRZ).

These zones do not create new taxing entities. Once the zone is authorized, any property valuation increases produce taxes for the TIRZ; the base tax continues to be collected by the political entity.

The county of El Paso worked hard in support of this proposition and will probably have some public pleas for El Pasoans to support it. While the general tone for the bonds was positive during the session, many raised concerns about this being an incentive to artificially increase property appraisals annually.

Proposition number five would facilitate some cities and counties to consolidate services. Currently, state law requires local governments to collect a tax for debt service. For the specific purpose of consolidation, if approved, this change to the constitution would waive the debt service requirement.

Recently there has been an aggressive effort by county and city leaders to target a variety of duplicated services. Some have already been negotiated and some consolidation has occurred. With the passage of this amendment, our local governments can experiment with consolidating more and perhaps, in the long run, save taxpayers significant amounts of money.

The date for this election is November 8, a Tuesday. This election is just as important as are the elections for public office. Please don't shrug it off. Vote!

Gracias, mi gente, and I remain your friend and public servant, Chente por la gente.

Free flu mist times, locations

Free flu mist immunizations will be available to underserved school children in El Paso County through Nov. 19. Immunize El Paso, The Caring for Children Foundation and Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas are working together to provide this service. In addition to children's flu vaccinations, the group is also offering flu vaccines to adults. To help offset the cost of vaccination for adults, Medicare and many major insurance plans are accepted. The *Courier* will continue run the schedules on a regular basis.

Wednesday, Oct. 26

- 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m., Burgess High School, 7800 Edgemere, 79925
- 2:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m., Franklin High School, 900 North Resler, 79912

Thursday, Oct. 27

- 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m., Address High School, 5399 Sun Valley, 79924
- 1:00p.m.-3:00p.m., Nolan Richardson Middle School, 11350 Loma Franklin, 79934
- 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m., Hut Brown Middle School, 7820 Helen of Troy, 79912

Friday, Oct. 28

- 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m., Hart Elementary, 1110 South Park, 79901

Saturday, Oct. 29

- 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Oz Glaze Senior Center, 13969 Veny Webb, 79928
- 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Eastside Family Care Center, 1742 North Zaragoza Bldg. A, 79907

Monday, Oct. 31

- 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m., Hanks High School, 2001 Lee Trevino, 79936

Tuesday, Nov. 1

- 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m., Ysleta High School, 8600 Alameda, 79907

Wednesday, Nov. 2

- 7:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m., El Dorado 9th Grade Academy, 14400 Pebble Hills Blvd, 79938
- 3:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m., Mesa Vista Elementary Health Fair, 8032 Alamo, 79907
- 3:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m., Pebble Hills Elementary, 11145 Edgemere Blvd, 79936
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'Sweetness' sours memory of Walter Payton

By Steve Escajeda
Special to the Courier

Let me make one thing perfectly clear, when it comes to journalism – I believe in the truth and nothing but the truth.

I don't believe in omitting facts or stretching them.

But I must admit that there are some things that are better left alone. There are certain stories that I wish would stay behind closed doors no matter how truthful they are.

What I'm talking about is the book that was recently released by Jeff Pearlman concerning one of sports' most glorified heroes.

The book is an unflattering biography on the life of former Chicago Bears running back Walter Payton.

Pearlman goes out of his way to point out that "Sweetness," as everyone called him, didn't live as sweet a life as we all believed.

The book, "Sweetness: The Enigmatic Life of Walter Payton," describes how the beloved superstar had a dark side none of us knew about.

Whenever I hear about one of these sleazy

books, I immediately have doubts about the author, who is probably only trying to make a ton of money selling tabloid-style drivel.

But it appears that the information in this book is corroborated by several sources very close to the Hall of Fame runner, who died of a rare liver disease and bile duct cancer in 1999.

In the book, it is revealed that Payton was suicidal, abused pain medication and was dealing with a crumbling family situation.

It also revealed that Payton, who retired as the then-all-time leading rusher in NFL history after the 1987 season, was depressed and suicidal in the mid-1990s. Pearlman cites a letter to a friend in which Payton said he imagined himself killing those around him and then turning a gun on himself.

Payton's longtime agent Bud Holmes was a source for the book and claimed that Payton had some deep-seeded problems.

"Walter would call me all the time saying he was about to kill himself, he was tired," said Holmes. "He was angry. Nobody loved him. He wanted to be dead."

Payton's executive assistant, Ginny Quirk,

verified those sentiments.

She said Payton would call her and say that she wouldn't see him when she got into the office the next day and then he would add, "Enjoy life without me."

The book goes on to claim that Payton used pain pills and liquids to deal with injuries during his playing days and the practice continued after he retired. Sources told Pearlman that Payton took a cocktail of Tylenol and vicodin and kept tanks of nitrous oxide in his garage.

If all this is true, and unfortunately stories like this one usually are, it will taint Payton's legacy which was one of the cleanest and most respected in the world of sports.

Sure to tarnish his image even further is the fact that Payton had been separated from his wife and was with another woman for five years. Confusing the situation even more, both women were present when Payton was inducted in the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

His former wife, Connie, has released a statement about the book, stating that like anyone else, Walter wasn't perfect and that there many truths and lies in the book.

So who knows that is factual and what is not.

It doesn't matter; everyone knows that once you are accused of doing something negative, the doubt will always be there no matter how innocent you are.

The biggest question I have is why? Why did a book like this have to be written in the first place?

I know, I know, because of the money. Mr. Pearlman is going to make a fortune with this book.

How do I know people will buy it – have you seen how many stupid salacious reality TV shows there are out there? Millions watch those every night.

Like I said at the beginning, I'm not against the truth or the facts. But sometimes things that go on in our private lives should remain private.

Payton did so much for charity and was a glowing ambassador for the game of football.

But soon, every time his name comes up, people, especially young people, are going to say, "oh yeah, that weirdo from the book."

And that is not how Sweetness deserves to be remembered.

Briefs

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term expires Feb. 1, 2016.

Patton is president and CEO of Bank of the West. He is a board member of the El Paso Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, a member of the Risk Management Association, and a past board member of the Texas Bankers Association. He is a member and past board chair of the United Way of El Paso, an advisory board member of the El Paso Hispanic Chamber Educational Foundation, and a

member of the University of Texas at El Paso 2014 Commission. He is also a past board member of the Texas Banker's Association, El Paso Hospice and El Paso Hospice Foundation, and a past board member and past chair of the El Paso Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and Child Crisis Center of El Paso. Patton received a bachelor's degree from Eastern New Mexico University. His term expires Feb. 1, 2014.

Courts

Ann McClure has been named chief justice, and Christopher Antcliff has been appointed as

a justice for the Eighth Court of Appeals effective Oct. 12, 2011, for terms to expire at the next general election.

McClure is a current justice of the Eighth Court of Appeals. She is a member of the American Bar Association, State Bar of Texas, El Paso Mexican-American Bar Association, El Paso Women's Bar Association, and El Paso Family Law Bar Association, a fellow of the American Bar Foundation, and a life fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation. She is a member and past chair of the State Bar of Texas Judicial, Appellate and Family Law sections, a member and past

director of the Texas Academy of Family Law Specialists, and a member, past director and past president of the El Paso Bar Association. She is also chair of the Texas Center for the Judiciary Judicial Education Committee, and a member of the U.S. Judicial Advisory Council of International Family Abduction. McClure received a bachelor's degree from Texas Christian University and a law degree from the University of Houston Law Center.

Antcliff is former judge of the 448th and 168th Judicial District courts in El Paso County. He is admitted to practice law before the

U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, and U.S. Supreme Court. He is also a member of the American Bar Association, State Bar of Texas, and Bar Association of the Fifth Circuit, and a fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation. He is a member and past board member of the El Paso Bar Association, and a member, founder and past president of the El Paso Chapter of the Federal Bar Association. Antcliff received a bachelor's degree and a law degree from Texas Tech University.

— Lucy Nashed

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Clint ISD students picked for Mayor's 100 Teens

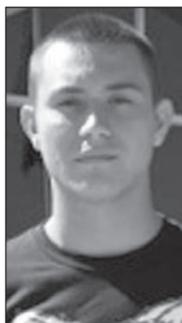
By Laura Cade
Special to the Courier

Three outstanding Clint ISD students are serving on the 6th generation of the Mayor's 100 Teens for the year 2011-2012. Rodolfo Sanchez and Nadia Velazquez of Horizon High School and Caleb Shay of Mountain View High School will participate in various community projects and celebrations such as the First Lady's Monthly Program to Feed the Homeless and Annual Thanksgiving Dinner, and Global Youth Service Day.

El Paso Mayor John Cook says that The Mayor's 100 Teens is a program to recognize and commend our youth for their important contributions to the community around them. "Many of these kids achieve significant goals by overcoming obstacles in their lives which often go unnoticed. This program provides a forum to recognize our youth and allows them to become a positive role model to others. " Teens completing 9th, 10th or 11th grades may be nominated between the months of February and April of each year by teachers, counselors, friends, clergy or family with the exception of their parents. Typically the program seeks nominees who overcame a significant obstacle in their lives, perform community service, demonstrate scholastic achievement, set a good example and are positive role models.



Rodolfo Sanchez



Caleb Shay



Nadia Velazquez

Cook hosted a banquet on Oct. 17 to honor this year's 100 teens.

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DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My mother is 69 and has, during the past few years, shown signs of memory problems. In the span of 20 minutes, she might ask the same question several times. She has trouble following the flow of conversation. I am concerned she might be forgetting her medicines. I called her physician and was told that until she forgets what things like toasters are used for, there is no real concern. Isn't early intervention a key to treating Alzheimer's? - M.K.

its progression. Dozens of new medicines are currently under investigation.

The booklet on Alzheimer's describes this illness and its treatment in understandable terms. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue - No. 903W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

With age, it takes more time to retrieve information from the memory than it does in youth. That's normal. It's also normal for older people, given a sufficient amount of time, to recall the events of the preceding day or of special occasions. They might, on occasion, find it difficult to come up with a particular word, but they should be able to continue to perform tasks like balancing a checkbook. They might misplace things, as we all do. However, they can institute a search in an orderly and methodical way.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I haven't seen anything in your column about fungus foot infection. We have several family members who have it on their toes. How does it start, and what can be done for it? - Anon.

It's not normal to forget an entire event even when they are given promptings of what has happened. Misplacing things because the things have been put in strange places isn't normal. An example is putting the car keys in the refrigerator.

I have to believe you're referring to athlete's foot, the most common kind of fungal foot infection. Few people pass through life without an encounter with the fungi of athlete's foot. The infection spreads through contact with shed skin that contains the fungus.

Neurologists, geriatricians (doctors who specialize in the treatment of the elderly), psychiatrists and psychologists administer tests that more precisely reflect a person's memory and thinking capabilities. Having your mother tested isn't a bad idea, and she should not take offense at the suggestion.

Fungi thrive in warm, moist environments. A change of socks twice a day and wearing an alternate pair of shoes on successive days keep the feet dry. Antifungal foot medicines abound and come as ointments, creams or lotions. It can take a month or more for results. After the skin has healed, continue to apply the medicine for another two weeks. If over-the-counter medicines - Micatin, Lotrimin AF and Tinactin are a few names - don't put an end to the infection, prescription medicines can.

Four medicines constitute the bulk of prescriptions written for Alzheimer's disease. They are Aricept, Razadyne, Exelon and Namenda. The first three are usually prescribed for the early stages of this illness. None is a cure. They can slow

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. (c) 2010 North America Synd., Inc. All Rights Reserved.

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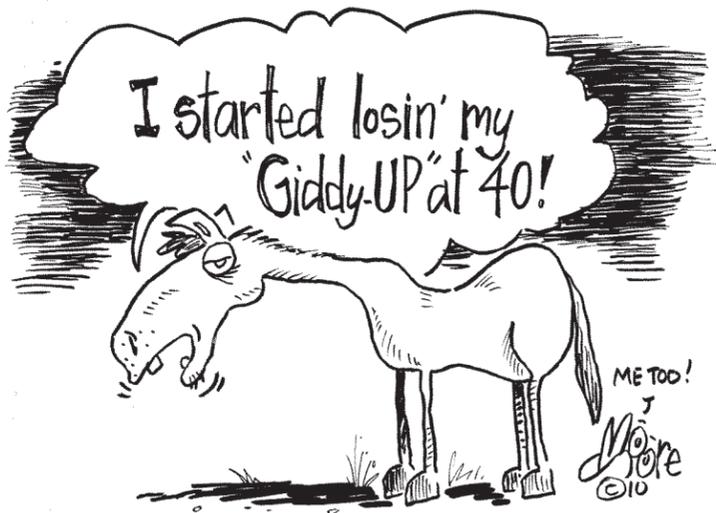
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 - 35 Libyan baseball maneuver?

- 36 Most confident
- 38 Nullify
- 39 Like some sheep
- 40 Prospector's prize
- 41 Loser to Truman
- 42 Cinderella's soiree
- 43 Nautical adverb
- 44 Cuban game-show figure?
- 46 Jai _
- 47 Lean
- 49 PDQ, politely
- 53 Overlay material
- 54 Massenet opera
- 55 Aachen article
- 56 Darling dog
- 59 Carve a canyon
- 63 "Boleró" composer
- 65 Jewel
- 66 Impetuous
- 68 Prior to, to Prior
- 70 Semester
- 71 Encourage a culprit
- 73 Iron clothes
- 74 Paris, to Helen
- 75 Tropical tubers
- 77 Ellipse
- 78 Chad or George
- 80 Othello's inducer
- 81 Detective Charlie
- 84 Linguist Chomsky
- 85 Redact
- 86 Torch's crime
- 89 _ and yang
- 90 Hair part
- 91 Composer
- Thomas

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Moore Texas by Roger Moore A horse born in Jacksboro lived 47 years...that's 143 in human terms. Pony Boy died in 1957.



GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

	X		-		21
+		÷		-	
	-		X		8
÷		X		X	
	+		+		15
2		21		4	

DIFFICULTY: ★★★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult
★★★ GO FIGURE!

2 3 4 4 5 6 7 8 9

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

6			7				9	
	3				5			7
		5		8		1		
		1	4		3			5
9				7			6	
	8		2			9		
		4	1					2
8					2	3		
3	1			6				5

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging

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★★★ HOO BOY!

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Social Security Q&A By Ray Vigil

The SSI safety net

There's a safety net out there for those who might otherwise slip through the cracks. It's called Supplemental Security Income (SSI). Administered by Social Security, SSI makes payments to people with limited income and few resources who are age 65 or older, blind, or have a disability.

Funding for the SSI program comes from the general revenues of the U.S. Treasury, not from Social Security payroll taxes.

When we consider people's income, we count things such as wages, Social Security benefits and pensions. However, Social Security does not count all of your income when it decides whether you qualify for SSI. For example, we don't count food stamps or most home energy assistance.

Resources we count in deciding whether you qualify for SSI include real estate (other than the home you live in), bank accounts, cash, stocks, and bonds. A person with resources worth no more than \$2,000 may be able to get SSI. That resource limit is \$3,000 for couples.

To qualify for SSI, you must live in the United States or the Northern Mariana Islands and be a U.S. citizen or national. In

rare cases, noncitizen residents can qualify for SSI. If you live in certain types of institutions or live in a shelter for the homeless, you may qualify for SSI.

People with blindness or disability who apply for SSI may be able to get free special services to help them work. These services may include counseling, job training, and help finding work.

The monthly maximum Federal SSI payment is the same nationwide and amounts to \$674 for a person and \$1,011 for a married couple. However, the amount you receive depends on factors such as where you live, your living arrangements, and income. Some states also supplement or add money to the Federal payment.

To learn more about SSI, read the online publication, You May Be Able To Get Supplemental Security Income (SSI) at www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs/11069.html or visit the SSI page at www.socialsecurity.gov/ssi. Or call us toll-free at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY, 1-800-325-0778).

If you're too disabled to work but haven't paid enough into Social Security to qualify for benefits on your record, SSI may be the program to help you.

CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: V equals F

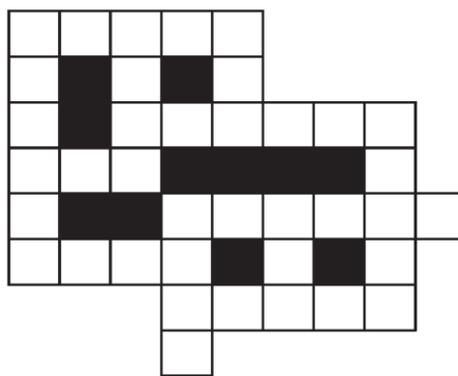
DV M HXWRKT HMWOMSXR
KV M ENDESXT YDTTXW, D
ICXRR NX EKCJY LX LDODTI
ONX HCJJXO.

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- EPI
- ROGHEP
- REDOG
- ♥RPSA
- SPOGLE
- URO
- ♥ERGA
- ♥GEREA
- PDI
- DOSLIT
- ♥SERIA
- ♥ELPA



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Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.

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STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

• It was American author and futurist Alvin Toffler who made the following sage observation: "Profits, like sausages, are esteemed most by those who know least about what goes into them."

• In honor of October being National Pizza month, here are a few statistics: Approximately 3 billion pizzas are sold every year in the United States. Seventeen percent of all the restaurants in the country are pizzerias. If you're like 93 percent of Americans, you eat at least one pizza every month. Pepperoni is the most popular topping, followed by sausage, mushrooms, onions and olives. And a Gallup poll found that kids between the ages of 3 and 11 would choose pizza over any other food for lunch or dinner.

• Are you a dipsomaniac? The root of the word is from the Greek "dipso," meaning "thirst" – and we're all familiar with the "mania" part. "Dipsomaniac" is just a fancy name for a drunk.

• You may be surprised to learn that 43 percent of 6- to 9-year-old girls use lip gloss. Of course, if you're a parent of a young girl, you may not be surprised at all.

• A newly married couple sued the upscale resort in Chile where they spent their honeymoon when a swim in the pool turned the bride's waist-length blond hair green.

• The oldest known skis were found, perhaps unsurprisingly, in Scandinavia. The experts say the skis were made about 4,000 years ago.

• If you live in the state of Minnesota, you might want to keep in mind that it's against the law to sleep with no clothes on.

Thought for the Day: "Man is least himself when he talks in his own person. Give him a mask, and he will tell you the truth."

– Oscar Wilde

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