



## NEWSBRIEFS

### Hueco Tanks art

A free tour of the exhibit *Watercolor Paintings of Rock Art at Hueco Tanks* will be presented by Alex Mares at 2 p.m., May 12, at the El Paso Museum of Archeology, 4301 Transmountain Road. Mares will discuss the Apache and other Native American images on the rocks at Hueco Tanks and share his insights and interpretations of the rock art images found at the local state park. Mares was a Hueco Tanks Lead Park Ranger for 15 years and is currently the vice president of Chihuahuan Desert Education Coalition. The watercolor images are provided courtesy of Texas Archaeological Research Laboratory, University of Texas at Austin. For more information, call 915-755-4332, send email to [guidamr@elpasotexas.gov](mailto:guidamr@elpasotexas.gov), or visit webpage at [www.elpasotexas.gov/arch\\_museum/](http://www.elpasotexas.gov/arch_museum/).

— Alfredo Vasquez

### Tree booklet

The Arbor Day Foundation is offering a handy tree-care booklet designed to help people plant and care for trees. Anyone can receive the Conservation Trees booklet simply by making a \$3 donation to the Foundation. Conservation Trees is a user-friendly booklet that features illustrations, colorful photos and easily understood descriptions. The booklet provides details about the right way to plant and prune trees. It also includes tips on using shade trees and windbreaks to save on energy costs, attracting songbirds and creating a living snow fence. To receive the Conservation Trees booklet, send a \$3 check along with your name and address to: Conservation Trees, Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410, or order online at [arborday.org/conservationtrees](http://arborday.org/conservationtrees).

— Sean Barry

### Wanted

On November 5, 2011 a man was riding his motorcycle, a 2004 Yamaha V-Star on the 10400 block of North Loop in Socorro.



Corona

Evidence shows that Corona was behind the wheel of a white 2000 Hyundai four door car, with Texas tags BR9X580. Inside the car he had three juvenile passengers. When Corona pulled out of the parking lot at 10755 North Loop, he failed to yield the right of way and hit the victim broadside. The victim flew off the bike and landed in the middle of the street. Corona then took off and did not stop to render aid. Corona drove off

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— Photo courtesy Town of Horizon City

## Taking care of trash

**HORIZON CITY** – Over 180 volunteers participated in the 12th Annual Keep Horizon Beautiful Clean Up Day. On Saturday, April 21, 2012 people donated time and energy to scour the Town of Horizon City and pick up over seven tons of trash and debris from roadways and the desert. Local residents and groups from Boy Scout Troop # 137, Horizon City High School, Mission Early College High School, Ricardo Estrada Jr. High School, Eastlake High School, El Paso Chamber of Commerce and JP #6 Place 2 all pitched in to make the day a success. Many local businesses contributed to the event. They include, Horizon City Wine & Spirits, Subway, Ornelas Tire, Pot Belly Pizza, Walgreens, Dynamix, Tax Service, Lowes, Home Depot, Jan-Car, G&R Turf, Benny & Janet Davis, Dollar General, Jaime Alvarado, Horizon Star Bakery, Pizza Hut, Big Mike's Deli, Little Cesar's Pizza, Valero "The Station", Horizon Vista, Huntington Group, B& C Turf, Gerardo's Jewelry, Allstate Insurance, Domino's Pizza, Fred Loya Insurance and Green Earth Landscaping.

## 3M company gives Sierra Vista Elementary math grant

By Christy Flores-Jones  
*Special to the Courier*

**SOCORRO ISD** – Sierra Vista Elementary was awarded the 3M Ingenuity Grant and presented an oversized check in honor of the award on April 23 at the school's STAAR rally. Sierra Vista parent and 3M employee, Laura Acevedo, presented the check in the amount of \$3,289, which will go toward math software called "Math Is Not Just A Game. It's Real Life."

Sierra Vista's fifth-grade teachers wrote the grant and were surprised to win the award because it was their first time writing such a proposal, said principal Christine De La Cruz.

"We are excited about the grant," De La Cruz said. "The teachers were in shock when they learned they received it. They are looking forward to writing another one next year."

The 3M Ingenuity Grant is a by-invitation-only grant to public upper elementary or middle schools located in communities with 3M facilities. The grant is to help math and science teachers bring new teaching methods and learning activities to the classroom.

"I hope this will help students grow to love math," Acevedo said. "I know teachers here are very talented, but I really believe this is a really good tool. As an engineer, I realize math can be difficult for students and this tool will help."

The math software will help students in all



— Photo by Christy Flores-Jones / Socorro ISD

**FLOWER POWER FOR MATH** – Sierra Vista Elementary fifth-grade teachers pose with 3M employee Laura Acevedo, second from left, as they are presented a check for a grant to be used for math instruction.

grade levels at the school from first to fifth grade, Acevedo said.

Schools in 20 states have earned a 3M grant in 2012. The grants total \$395,800 and will serve 22,309 students across the nation, according to the 3M company.

## Guaderrama is confirmed as U.S. District Judge

By Alfredo Vasquez  
*Special to the Courier*

Campos Guaderrama as U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Texas was

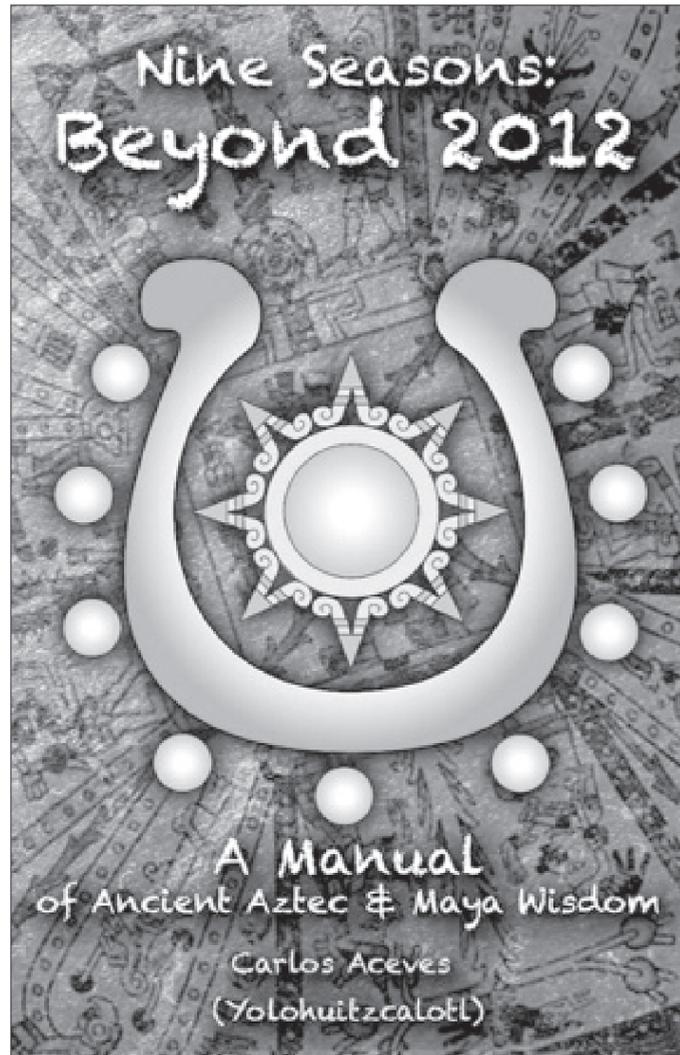
finalized last week, as Senate Democrats and Republicans announced recently an agreement to allow the Senate to vote on 14 federal judicial nominations by May 7. The agreement broke a parliamentary deadlock that has kept some of the nominations bottled up for the past year. On September 14, 2011, Barack Obama nominated Guaderrama to be District Judge on the United States District Court for the

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— Quips & Quotes

# Carlos Aceves presents Mexicayotl: Living a Natural Reality



Cover design of Carlos Aceves's latest book, *Nine Seasons: Beyond 2012 A Manual of Ancient Aztec and Maya Wisdom*. The book presents some of the wisdom that Mesoamerican civilizations acquired a long time ago. The Mesoamerican pedagogy starts with a cuenta or metaphorical count in which numbers are assigned to natural phenomenon as a very simple means of storing knowledge.

By Alfredo Vasquez  
Special to the Courier

"We are part of nature, but we have lost our way," asserts Carlos Aceves, a local educator and author.

To support his assertion, Aceves will show how to re-establish one's connection to a more natural reality, "one that promotes health, longevity, and spiritual well-being" during his presentation, entitled *Mexicayotl: Living a Natural Reality*, at 2 p.m., Saturday, May 5, at the El Paso Museum of History, 501 N. Santa Fe.

"The nature-based civilizations known as Aztecs and Mayans left for us practical concepts we can integrate into our daily lives. As the saying goes, 'there are no secrets, only ignored realities,'" Aceves stated.

Aceves' presentation is in conjunction with the museum's current exhibit, *Healing Hands and Healing Ways: Traditional Medicine in the Borderlands*, which is co-sponsored by the El Paso Museum of History and the Museo Urbano, a project of the Department of History at UTEP.

Aceves is an elementary bilingual teacher in Canutillo, Texas and director of the Xinachtli Project for the Indigenous Cultures Institute (San Marcos, TX). He has been published in educational journals and has lectured around the country about Xinachtli (Sheen-achtli-tee), an indigenous form of education.

Aceves will be available after the presentation to sign copies of his most recent book, *Nine Seasons: Beyond 2012 A Manual of Ancient Aztec and Maya Wisdom*. It is a manual about an indigenous method of combining several disciplines in one activity in order to teach a lesson.

For more information and to reserve a seat, contact Sue Taylor at 915-351-3588 or email at [taylorst@elpasotexas.gov](mailto:taylorst@elpasotexas.gov).



Carlos Aceves, born in 1954, has a Bachelor of Arts degree in journalism and a Master of Education in educational psychology. He is a bilingual teacher in Canutillo, Texas and coordinates the Xinachtli Project for the Indigenous Cultures Institute, in San Marcos, Texas. The Xinachtli Project utilizes Mesoamerican pedagogy to teach young children. Aceves has presented at national conferences and various universities and institutions across the country.

## AG's Opinion clarifies exemption for disabled veterans' survivors

By Alfredo Vasquez  
Special to the Courier

The AG's opinion stated that "so long as the surviving spouse is on January 1, 2012 a surviving spouse that satisfies the other requirements of subsection 11.131(c), the surviving spouse is eligible for the exemption".

If your husband or wife was qualified by the Veterans Administration as a 100 percent disabled veteran and the disabled veteran qualified for the homestead exemption under Section 11.131 of the Texas Tax Code, the surviving spouse will also be eligible for the Homestead exemption, according to local State Representative Joe C. Pickett.

Pickett reported last week that the Attorney

"This is great news for the survivor of a 100 percent disabled veteran who was receiving this exemption and passed away prior to January 2012," stated Pickett, chairman of the House of Representatives Defense and Veterans' Affairs Committee.

For more information, call Representative Pickett's district office at 915-590-4349.

General's recent opinion (No. G A - 0 9 1 8 ) clarified justly the new language in Section 11.131 of the Texas Tax Code by stipulating that surviving spouses of 100 percent disabled veterans receive the full homestead tax exemption.

The new amendment approved by Texas voters on November 5, 2011 stated that those survivors who lost their veteran as of January 1, 2012 and later qualified for the full exemption.

However, it did not clarify the status of survivors who qualified between 1-1-2009 and 12-31-11.



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## Por la Gente By State Rep. Chente Quintanilla

# Dumping is dumping

Hola, mi gente. An April 28 article in the New York Times brought back some memories of similar occurrences here in El Paso during the mid 1990s. All of the pros and cons are identical to those 14 years ago.

You may recall that there was a very big push by big money to open a nuclear waste dump in Sierra Blanca Texas, a short 88 miles from El Paso. Even though the site was rather distant, people in El Paso knew that there would be trucks loaded with nuclear waste driving through the county. There was a very strong effort to stop the dump from being certified and licensed.

One interesting part of the drama that played out in far west Texas was the re-election campaign of then Governor George Bush. Because Texas still had reasonable statewide office holders, Bush had to campaign from the middle. He had to appear sympathetic to the objections of El Pasoans and those who lived in Sierra Blanca.

If the same scenario had played today, you can be sure the conservative leadership would have ignored El Paso and opened the dump in favor of one of their biggest financial contributors.

By 1996/97, it was becoming obvious that Governor Bush had his eyes set on President Bush. He successfully lured many Hispanic Democrats in El Paso to support his candidacy. Because he was running as a "compassionate conservative," Bush could not appear to favor a big business (and big contributor) over poorer Hispanic communities.

The fight against Sierra Blanca was waged during the 1998 re-election campaign where Bush was challenged by Garry Mauro.

In El Paso, Democrats, and others against the dump, would stage protests at any event the governor held in El Paso. There was

even a symbolic march by a couple of dozen activists from El Paso to Sierra Blanca. The El Paso Times was even on the right page on that issue.

My chief of staff personally shipped four big boxes filled with protest petitions and delivered them to the offices of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (then known as the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission). He came out on the evening TV news leaving the boxes that turned out to be a rather powerful symbol.

After all was said and done, Bush denied the permit to the company wanting to open the dump. The decision was made before election-day guaranteeing Bush his re-election, wide ranging support from Hispanics and the eventual inauguration to the White House. After this, the target became Andrews, TX.

The article in the New York Times announced the opening of the dump in Andrews. All of the same arguments that were voiced against the Sierra Blanca Dump eventually proved meaningless in this case. A massive water aquifer lies underneath the dump and no matter how careful one might be, there is always the possibility of contamination.

There were no presidential campaigns getting in the way of this one. It was the best illustration of big money and contributions getting the intended outcome.

The dump will soon be accepting waste from 38 other states. Even though there is water seepage into the storage area, the huge payola from accepting the waste is more important.

There are dangers to the public associated with the Andrews dump. As a protest sign in 1998 read, "Beware, the glow you see at night might be your grandchildren."

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



"I'M INSTITUTING MY OWN BUFFETT RULE...WHICH CALLS ON YOU TO GET REGULAR PROSTATE EXAMS..."



## Briefs

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South on Horizon Blvd. and then turned right on Homan St. That's where Corona ditched the car and the three juveniles and made a run for it on foot. The victim had an injured right leg, injured right rib cage, and several lacerations when he was transported to Del Sol Medical Center. Corona was positively identified by the three juveniles in the car through a six-man photo line up. Since then he's been hiding out. If he continues to evade arrest he could face higher bonds and anyone caught hiding him could face charges too. The number for the City of Socorro Police Department is 858-6986.

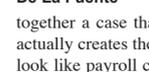
— David Garcia

## Wanted II

On December 8, 2011 De La Fuente walked into the Party Time store at 10197 Alameda and proceeded to cash a fake payroll check. This is the latest forged check he's cashed and, in fact, he has a long history of cashing bad checks all over El Paso County. City of Socorro Police Department

Detectives have put together a case that shows De La Fuente actually creates the fake checks that really look like payroll checks from different El

De La Fuente



Paso companies and then cashes them at different locations each time. De La Fuente is also hiding from the law, and faces more charges if he doesn't turn himself in. And anyone hiding De La Fuente lay also face additional charges for abetting. The number for the City of Socorro Police Department is 858-6986.

— David Garcia

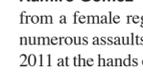
## Wanted III

Ramiro Gomez, 28, is this week's Manhunt Monday Most Wanted Fugitive. He also uses Ramiro Peimbert. He is 5'5" tall, weighs 140 pounds and has brown hair and eyes. Gomez has multiple tattoos on his upper body on his front, back, both arms, neck and on the top of his head. In April, Sheriff's Officials received an outcry

from a female regarding being a victim of numerous assaults dating back to December 2011 at the hands of Gomez, her then live-in boyfriend. Charges were filed a short time later. Detectives have worked up 3 warrants for the apprehension of Gomez. He knows he is wanted and is very violent. If anyone has seen or has any information on the whereabouts of Gomez they can contact Crime Stoppers at 566-TIPS (8477). Callers will remain anonymous and may be eligible for a reward if the information provided leads to the apprehension Gomez.

— Deputy Jesse Tovar

Ramiro Gomez



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124 S. HORIZON BLVD, SOCORRO, TEXAS 79927

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firm selected will also represent the City team during the development phase as well as the project leader during the construction phase.

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WISE GUYS - Senior Abraham Galindo and sophomore Yunfei Liu from Americas High School qualified and will compete in the International Science and Engineering Fair May 13-18 in Pittsburg, PA.

SISD students excel at state science fair; two advance to international fair

Algorithm." The team of Carlos Mejia, Guillermo Lopez and Alberto Nunez also of Americas, placed second in the earth science category and Vidal Castañeda of Americas placed fifth in environmental management.

"It was a big surprise," said Carlos Mejia about placing at state. "We were hoping to be in top five, but after winning second it feels different. It was new experience."

In addition, the team of Abraham Galindo and Yunfei Liu from Americas qualified and will compete in the International Science and Engineering Fair to be held in Pittsburg, PA in May.

"It was a great experience for me because I'm an exchange student," said Liu, a sophomore student from Wuhan, China. "It was a good time for me to work with Abraham and to present with him."

Those who are unable to attend may submit their views in writing to the City Clerk of Horizon City.

Firms submitting proposals must provide one (1) loose original and four (4) bound copies of the complete Request for Qualifications and must be received no later than 2:00 P.M., Tuesday, June 5th, 2012.

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Judge David Campos Guaderrama's legal career spans more than three decades. He served as a magistrate judge for the Western District of Texas prior to his recent appointment.

Judge Guaderrama to fill a vacancy on the federal bench in El Paso.

Judge Guaderrama has shown an outstanding commitment to public service throughout his career, and I know once confirmed he will serve the bench well - with jurisprudence, fairness, rule of law - and give all who come before him equal protections afforded to them by the U.S. Constitution.

Currently there are 81 openings, and 22 judicial nominations are pending in the Senate after having been approved by the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Another Texas nominee moving forward is Gregg Jeffrey Costa for the Southern District of Texas.

Both Texas's southern and western districts, along with the Eastern District, have been declared a judicial emergency because of the length of vacancies and the workload the courts have received.

The spot Guaderrama will fill has been vacant since February 2009. Costa's has been vacant since June 2010.

The Texas Democratic Delegation, with my vote of confidence and support, unanimously recommended

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# Two fights for one: Chavez vs. Lee and El Paso vs. Cigarroa

By Steve Escajeda  
Special to the Courier

What a roller coaster ride of a sports week we've had in El Paso.

The last time I saw this many El Pasoans come together is when Shakira was in town.

Barring any unforeseen last-second changes, it appears as if the boxing match between Julio Cesar Chavez Jr. and Andy Lee will actually take place in the Sun Bowl after all.

But I just have to think that El Paso has received yet another black eye from those holier-than-thou big-brother-types in Austin.

It was about 10 days ago that the University of Texas Chancellor Francisco Cigarroa took it upon himself to make a ruling that affected someone else.

Like Barack Obama and Mayor John Cook, Cigarroa is of the opinion that it's okay to circumvent the will of different community.

The most hilarious thing of all is the reason

Cigarroa claimed he was taking the fight from El Paso.

He said he cancelled the June 16 fight because of a "higher than normal" security risk. A law enforcement official said that a federal risk assessment had warned that leaders of warring Mexican drug cartels would attend the fight.

Wow, bad dudes attending a fight! Doesn't this guy know that mafia types attended boxing matches in New York for decades.

It may shock him to learn that some fights and fighters were actually controlled by the mob. That wasn't good – but it's hardly a surprise.

And another thing – since when is anything in America cancelled because of a threat, or because of the chance of something unsavory happening?

We don't do that in the United States. We meet things head on.

We may heighten security but we never give terrorists or threat-makers what they want – a cowardly reaction – which is exactly what the

Cigarroa gave them until he

was forced to reconsider.

And you've got to adore the Cigarroa's love letter to El Paso.

"This is a region that I grew up in, that I truly love, and that I admire," Cigarroa said. "The process of my decision-making process resulted in angst and at times anger by the El Paso community, and I accept that."

I've got a hanky here if you need one.

Cigarroa let the fight go on, but he still set several conditions.

State, local and federal law enforcement must promise they can handle any security measures, the contract with the promoter and the security plan must be approved by system officials in advance, and no alcohol can be served.

Right, like state, local and federal law enforcement going to say, "No thanks, you handle it."

And what does the cancellation of beer sales have to do with warring drug cartels?

Does one side like Tecate and the other favor Dos Equis?

On the positive side, I have to say that I am proud of the way the citizens of El Paso

responded to this knee-jerk reaction from someone who is paid to be a little more sensible.

El Pasoans bombarded the Chancellor with emails and phone calls demanding that he do the right thing.

Maybe this will prove to Austin that El Paso is tired of being the state's seldom checked-on stepchild.

Maybe the rest of the state will look at El Paso through a new set of eyes. Maybe they will start to realize that the million or so people here are beginning to find their voice.

In the past El Paso would have taken this decision and said, "what can we do, they're in charge."

But this time the city stood up and said, "you had better give this back to us or there will be an investigation."

I guess what I've heard all my life is true, if you stand up to a bully – the bully will always retreat.

Now what El Paso has to do is go out and support this event by putting at least 35,000

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## A sporting view By Mark Vasto

### A tale of two wizards

Last week, I pointed out that a rather scary if not large portion of the general tweeting public did not know that there really was a ship named Titanic that really did hit an iceberg and subsequently sink.

For whatever reason, that got me thinking about two historical figures – Thomas Edison, "the Wizard of Menlo Park," and John Wooden, "the Wizard of Westwood." When Edison died, he had 1,093 patented inventions. Wooden, including his playing days, had 1,207 wins to his credit. Both had come to their successes by dramatically different styles.

And while Edison's words of wisdom fill many anthologies, Wooden's famous "12 principles" are legendary. They are as follows:

- Lesson No. 1: Good Values Attract Good People
- Wooden surrounded himself with good assistants who respected him, and he listened to their advice, making changes in the offense when needed, for instance. Edison screwed his protege Nikolai Tesla over a few bucks, and the two battled each other over the electric standard for the rest of their lives.
- Lesson No. 2: Love Is the Most Powerful Four-Letter Word
- Edison cursed a lot; Wooden was a notorious gentleman. Edison did marry three times and had six kids, so at least he had a lot of love to give. But then, he also electrocuted 60 animals (including an elephant) to prove that Tesla's electric current was dangerous.
- Lesson No. 3: Call Yourself a Teacher
- Before a Wooden-coached team even hit the floor, Wooden lectured students on these 12 principles. At practices, instead of berating or embarrassing a player, he used the mistake as a jumping off point for improvement.
- Lesson No. 4: Emotion Is Your Enemy
- Wooden won 10 NCAA championships in 12 seasons at UCLA and stood courtside with an almost regal air. Edison was said to have temper tantrums resembling

"small riots."

Lesson No. 5: It Takes 10 Hands to Make a Basket

Teamwork. The value of working together... a team working in unison will beat a larger or equal-sized force that has no concept of shared responsibilities. Edison notoriously took credit for everything and had refused requests for even the smallest living wage.

The final seven lessons speak for themselves.

No. 6: Little Things Make Big Things Happen

No. 7: Make Each Day Your Masterpiece

No. 8: The Carrot Is Mightier Than a Stick

No. 9: Make Greatness Attainable By All

No. 10: Seek Significant Change

No. 11: Don't Look At the Scoreboard

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## Social Security Q&A By Ray Vigil

based on documentation issued by the Department of Homeland Security upon the child's arrival in the United States. When you do receive documentation of your child's citizenship, you can bring it to us, and we will update your child's record. We will mail your child's number and card as soon as we have verified your documents with the issuing offices.

Q: I found out that my son submitted incorrect information about my resources when he completed my Application for Help with Medicare Prescription Drug Plan Costs. How can I get my application changed now to show the correct amount?

A: You can call 1-800-772-1213 and let us know. Or you can visit your local Social Security office (find it by using our office locator at www.socialsecurity.gov/locator). Information on your application will be matched with data from other Federal agencies. If there is a discrepancy that requires verification, we will contact you.

For more information on any of the questions listed above, visit our website at www.socialsecurity.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.

## 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



## Super Crossword

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# 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: K equals T

EWSY U DHE KWS IHXXHBVD  
 AUGGSQ EUKW DKHBVSQ ISQD, U  
 DWFMKSQ "KWHK'D H GFK FA

MYV!"

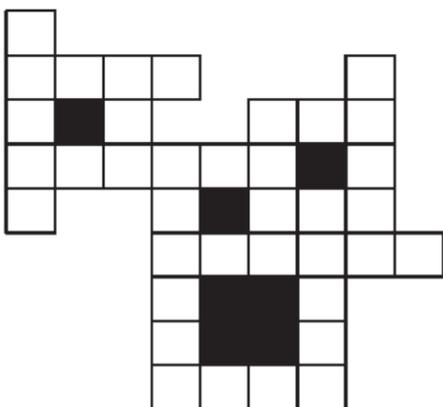
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**FEAR KNIGHT**  
 By: rj johnson  
 CONQUER THE WHIRLED



- AYD
- FUTPIL
- ♥DEMAN
- WYDE
- MALANY
- ♥PLA
- ♥LTDO
- ♥TWASE
- ♥NWA
- LAUDEL
- HEANY
- EWPI



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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.

## Moore Texas by Roger Moore April 28, 1900: The Southwest Sacred Harp Singing Convention is founded...it was appreciated by a "higher-up".



## 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.

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DIFFICULTY: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult  
 ★★★ GO FIGURE!

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# Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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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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## STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

• It was 17th-century French author Francois de la Rochefoucauld who made the following sage observation: "It is more often from pride than from ignorance that we are so obstinately opposed to current opinions; we find the first places taken, and we do not want to be the last."

• You probably know that Robert E. Lee was a general in the Confederate Army during the Civil War, and that he ultimately surrendered the war to Union General Ulysses S. Grant at the courthouse at Appomattox, Va. You might not know, though, that Lee had a pet hen that traveled with him everywhere. It's said that the chicken laid an egg under Lee's cot every morning.

• The National Restaurant Association, which tracks dining statistics, says that the most popular day for eating out is Mother's Day.

• In 1954, Swanson pioneered the frozen dinner when, after Thanksgiving sales had been lower than expected, the company found itself stuck with 10 railroad cars of unsold turkey.

• It's a timeless truth that many kids go through an awkward, gawky period during adolescence. In the 16th century, a boy experiencing this phase was known as a hobbleddehoy.

• On the morning of a traditional Vietnamese wedding, the bride's mother visits the groom's family and presents them with a special plant, representing respect, and chalk that is pink, the color of happiness.

• The 1935 Nobel Peace Prize was awarded to Carl von Ossietzky, a German writer who spoke out about Nazism in general and Adolf Hitler in particular. Hitler was so offended by the actions of the Nobel Committee in honoring his critic that he issued a decree forbidding any Germans to accept a Nobel Prize in the future.

Thought for the Day: "History is a vast early warning system."

— Norman Cousins

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## Fights

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boxing fans in the Sun Bowl.

This city has to show the rest of the country that it can compete with any other big city in the running for a major entertainment happening.

And regardless of who comes out on top in the fight, El Paso is already the real winner by showing everyone it can take a punch and still come back and be victorious.