



## NEWSBRIEFS

### San Eli physicals

San Elizario ISD students attending grades 7th-12th this fall and planning to participate in sports can get their annual physicals on July 24 for only \$15. Exams will take place from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Garcia-Enriquez Middle School located at 12280 Socorro Rd. Parents can pick up permission forms at Garcia-Enriquez Middle School, San Elizario High School and central office. All students must have a form signed by parents in order to get a physical. For more information contact (915) 872-3960.

— Cynthia P. Marentes

### Water workshop

El Pasoans of all ages are working together to conserve water as the region's years-long drought continues, even despite recent rainfall. To help ensure that our youngest water users don't become water wasters, El Paso Water Utilities will host a free, interactive workshop Saturday, July 21, at 10:30 a.m. at the Tech2O Water Resources Learning Center, 10751 Montana Ave. Parents, kids, aunts and uncles who attend the "Kids Can Conserve" workshop will get to hold a cloud in the palm of their hand, drill a mini-well into a mini-aquifer and learn how plants and animals adapt to dry conditions in the Chihuahuan Desert. For more information, contact the Tech2O Center at (915) 621-2000. Updates on drought conditions, water conservation and ways we can all reduce our water use can be found at [LessIsMoreEP.org](http://LessIsMoreEP.org).

— Norma Guzman

### Business boot camp

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) has joined with the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and the Department of Defense (DoD) to launch a training program for transitioning service members and veterans to help them become entrepreneurs and create jobs. *Operation Boots to Business: From Service to Startup* is a national initiative that will be piloted with the U.S. Marine Corps. SBA partners will coordinate training and services at military bases around the country, delivering a face-to-face introductory entrepreneurship course. In addition, an intensive eight-week online business planning training will be provided by Syracuse University and its affiliated university partners for those service members who choose to continue to pursue entrepreneurship after the face-to-face introductory course. Then service members and veterans will be referred to SBDCs, WBCs, SCORE chapters and VBOCs for counseling and training throughout the lifetime of their business. The program will pilot in four locations: Quantico, Va., Cherry Point, N.C., Camp

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— Photo courtesy El Paso Museum of History

**SHOOT 'EM UP** – During the Third Annual National Day of the Cowboy, four different living-history performing groups – Six Guns and Shady Ladies, Old West Thunder, Paso del Norte Pistoleros, and the Wild Bunch – will stage re-enactments of famous gunfights that happened in Old El Paso in the 1880s.

## Cowboys, girls headed for downtown El Paso

By Alfredo Vasquez  
Special to the Courier

Put on your boots and spurs and be a cowboy, or cowgirl, for a day at the Third Annual National Day of the Cowboy, a day set aside to celebrate the contributions of the Cowboy and Cowgirl to America's culture and heritage.

The annual event will be held from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday, July 28, at the El Paso Museum of History, 510 N. Santa Fe Street.

The program will feature a variety of western cowboy contributions, paraphernalia, and activities. The special event is open and free to the public.

According to museum representative Katherine Vandertulip, guests will have the opportunity to witness four different groups re-enact famous gunfights that happened in old El Paso including Six Guns and Shady Ladies, Old West Thunder, Paso del Norte Pistoleros, and the Wild Bunch.

Visitors will be able to participate in a Wild West Medicine Show complete with Little

Sheba the dancing Gypsy and a magic show, like the ones that traveled throughout the Old West, Vandertulip stated.

They will also be able to learn dances that were popular during the western frontier days, and view a fashion show of attire worn during the nineteenth century. And, guests will be able to stroll through a petting zoo with calves, ponies, sheep, and camels, the museum representative explained.

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## Texas voter ID law in hands of three-judge panel

By Alfredo Vasquez  
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Texans should know by this fall the fate of the new Texas voter ID law, as lawyers for both sides gave their closing statements recently before a federal court in Washington D.C.

The decision is now in the hands of a three-judge panel, whose members have indicated that they would like to rule on the matter before the presidential election in November. The panel includes Rosemary Collyer, who was appointed to a federal judgeship by President George W. Bush in 2002; David Tatel, appointed by President Bill Clinton in 1994, and Robert Wilkins, appointed by President Barack Obama in 2010.

The Justice Department set up the court fight when it blocked implementation of the new Texas voter ID law in March. It blocked the law under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act, which requires states with a history of discrimination to seek federal approval for



— Photo by Alfredo Vasquez

**CARDED** – Texas currently requires only that voters show their voter registration cards (like the one in the photo), which do not have photos, or another acceptable alternative form of ID, such as a driver's license or a utility bill. Texas' new voter ID law, passed by the state's Republican-controlled Legislature last year, requires voters heading to the polls to present a valid, government-issued photo ID.

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*Don't pray for rain if you're going to complain about the mud.*

— Quips & Quotes

### El Paso County Water Control and Improvements District No. 4 Public Notice of Availability

The USDA, Rural Utilities Service has received an application for financial assistance from the El Paso County Water Control and Improvements District No. 4 (District). As required by the National Environmental Policy Act and agency regulations, the Rural Utilities Service has prepared an Environmental Assessment that evaluated the potential environmental effects and consequences of the proposal. This notice announces the availability of the Environmental Assessment for public review and comment.

The proposal consists of water and wastewater improvements within the town of Fabens, El Paso County, TX and is summarized below.

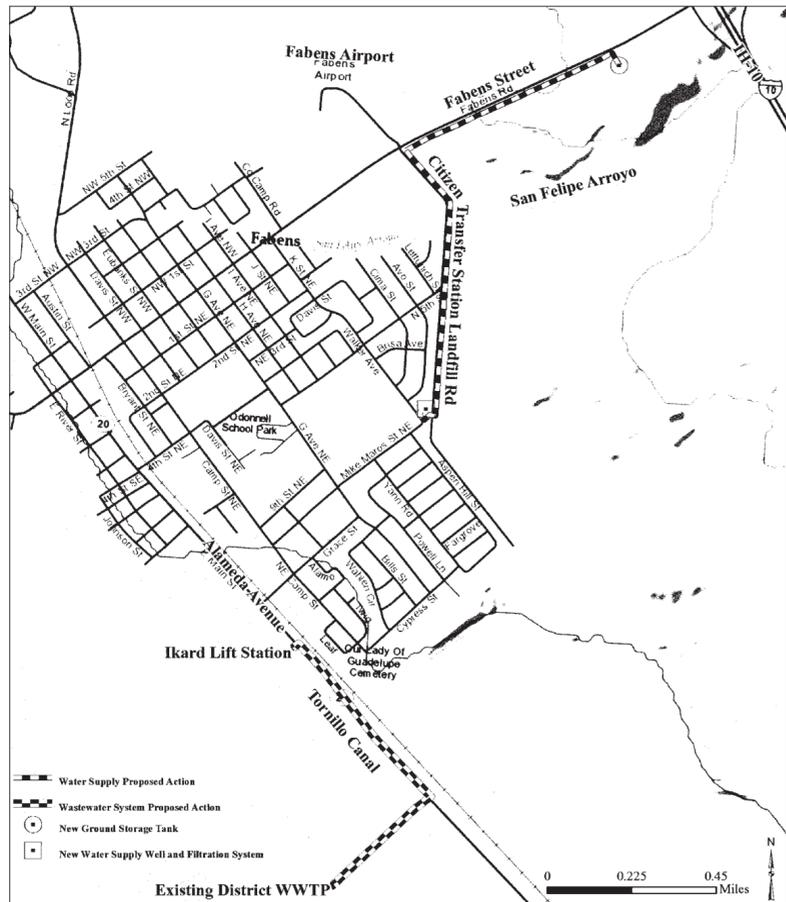
- A new 500,000-gallon ground storage tank (I-10 site) would be constructed adjacent to 1770 N. Fabens Street.
- A new 450-foot deep water supply well (10th Street site) would be drilled within the existing Booster Station at 991 Walker Street.
- A new 700 gallon per minute nano-filtration system (10th St. site) would be installed within the existing Booster Station at 991 Walker Street.
- 8,100 feet of 16" water main pipeline would be constructed between the 10th Street Booster Station site at 991 Walker Street and the proposed 500,000-gallon ground storage tank (I-10 site) adjacent to 1770 N. Fabens Street.
- 5,025 feet of 12" force main would be constructed between the Ikard Lift Station at 1212 E. Main Street and the District's wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) at 17270 Alameda Street.

Proposed mitigation and best management measures to minimize any adverse environmental effects of the proposal include: ceasing all work in the immediate area of discover if cultural materials are encountered during construction and notifying the appropriate authorities; implementing standard dust and noise minimization measures with construction activities occurring between 7:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. restoring disturbed areas to pre-construction condition or better, and accessibility to all residential, commercial, and institutional facilities would be ensured during construction; implementing erosion control measures including boring under San Felipe Arroyo and installing the wastewater line along the existing bridge across Tornillo Canal; and protect state and federally listed species by following state and federal guidance.

The alternatives considered to the proposal include: doing nothing; installing the water line along Walker Ave.; and installing the wastewater line along either the entire south side of Alameda Ave. from the Ikard Lift Station to the District's WWTP access road or along the south side of Alameda and a portion of the Tornillo Canal right-of-way from the Ikard Lift Station before intersecting the District's WWTP access road.

Copies of the Environmental Assessment are available for review at the USDA, Rural Development Office at 2306 W. Dickinson Blvd., Ste 2, Fort Stockton, TX 79735; and at the District office at 117 E Main, Fabens, TX 79838. For further information contact Mr. John Perkins at (432) 336-7585 ext. 4. Any person interested in commenting on this proposal should submit comments to the address above by August 11, 2012.

A general location map of the proposal is shown below.



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### Veterans Post By Freddy Groves

## High Court sides with phony heroes

I imagine the phonies and wannabes are chuckling up their sleeves right now. No longer do they have to worry (if they ever did) about getting caught lying about their alleged military service or medals earned. The Supreme Court has deemed that it's just hunky-dory to lie about those things, and they struck down the Stolen Valor Act.

The Stolen Valor Act made it a crime for people to say they'd earned a medal in the military or that they'd served when they hadn't. Didn't matter whether the lie was put in writing or just stated to one or more people – it was a crime under the Act.

The Supremes bent over backward, it appears, to find reasons to overturn the Act. They chose to lean heavily on the "free speech" aspect, deciding that it was an infringement, and that it's just fine to lie and claim earned medals and service.

There is one clause in the court decision that leaves some slightly open doors: that it's possible "to achieve the Government's objective in less burdensome ways."

The way I read this, if a bill can be drafted that couches the problem in a slightly different way, perhaps the same objective can be reached: nailing those who lie about medals or service.

If you agree, pick up the phone and call your congressional representatives. With enough pressure, someone somewhere will draft another version of the Act.

If you need incentive, Google the images of "Xavier Alvarez" and take a look at him wearing a chest full of medals he didn't earn. Read about his claims to a room full of people that he was a 25-year Marine Corps veteran, a helicopter pilot who rescued POWs in Vietnam and earned the Congressional Medal of Honor.

He never even served.

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### Cowboys

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Photo courtesy El Paso Museum of History

**TALKING OVER A DRINK – A little nip or two at the saloon probably led to more than one or two gunfights in El Paso.**

antique firearms and learn their history. They will have a chance to visit a cowboy camp and learn how life was on the open range. Interact with living history characters as they tell 'yarns' about the Old West. And, meet the Harvey Girls, who married many a cowboy and helped civilize the Wild West," Vandertulip stated.

Hands on activities will also be a part of the cowboy event. Activities will include such things as making a cowboy puppet, hearing about different ranch brands, learning to make a rope, seeing how cowboys cooked on the range, trying out different types of saddles, putting on reproduction clothes of a century ago, grinding coffee, participating in a flour sack race, and making your own bandana, among other interesting offerings.

An added attraction will be the Castro Family Charros and their horses. These Mexican horsemen will be on hand to demonstrate their riding skills and horsemanship techniques.

Also participating in the activities will be Jaime "Jimmy" Portillo, who is the writer/creator of the new local comic book series

Hell Paso: The story of Dallas Stoudenmire. He will give a presentation regarding his series and will be available after the presentation to autograph copies of his books. Portillo's writings are based on the history of an El Paso marshal who served from 1881 to 1882 and whose handgun is currently on display in the downtown museum.

For more information contact Sue Taylor at 915-351-3588 or email her at taylors@elpasotexas.gov.

### Voter ID

From Page 1

any changes to elections procedures.

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott immediately filed a lawsuit in federal court and now must prove that its new requirements weren't meant to discriminate and don't have that effect.

Texas' new voter ID law, passed by the state's Republican-controlled Legislature last year, requires voters heading to the polls to present a valid, government-issued photo ID. The state currently requires only that voters show their voter registration cards, which do not have photos, or another acceptable alternative form of ID, such as a driver's license or a utility bill.

In federal court, Texas lawyers argued that its law is a simple safeguard against voter fraud. In a recent news report, Abbot stated that the new Texas voter ID law is similar to those in Georgia and Indiana that have withstood legal scrutiny and that the law was in line with Supreme Court precedent.

Justice Department lawyers, however, disputed that the law disproportionately affects Hispanic voters and addresses a problem that doesn't really exist. They contend that ID laws could suppress votes among people who may not typically have a driver's license, and disproportionately affect the elderly, poor and minorities. They also pointed out that in 2008 and 2010, there were 13 million votes cast

across the state and out of those votes there has been only one indictment for voter fraud.

A recently released Associated Press (AP) review of temporary ballots from Indiana and Georgia, that first adopted the most stringent standards, found that more than 1,200 such votes were tossed during the 2008 general election. During primaries this year in Georgia, Indiana and Tennessee – the states implementing the toughest laws – hundreds more ballots were blocked.

Indiana, Georgia, and Tennessee require that voters provide a photo ID at the polls. Failing that, voters can use a temporary ballot that can be verified later, when they must meet with local elections administrators to sort out the issue.

According to the AP review, the numbers suggest that the legitimate votes rejected by the laws are far more numerous than cases of fraud that advocates of the rules say they are trying to prevent. Thousands more votes could be in jeopardy for this November, when more states with larger populations are looking to have similar rules in place.

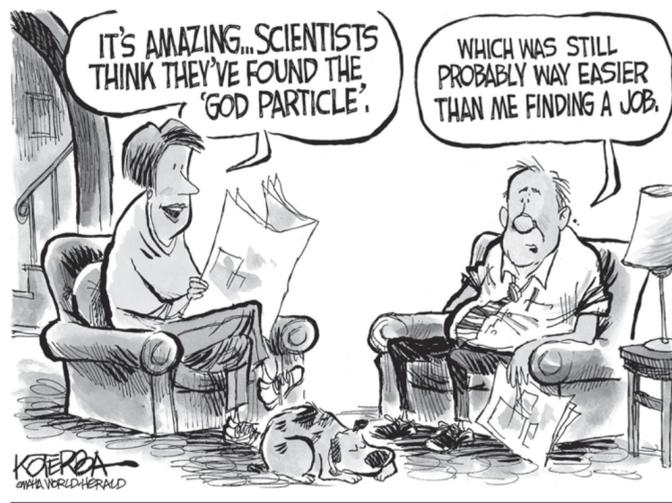
More than two-dozen states have some form of ID requirement, and 11 of those passed new rules in the past two years largely at the urging of Republicans who say they want to prevent fraud.

The federal court decision is of interest nationwide because it is viewed as a test of restrictive voting laws and, potentially, federal scrutiny of election rules in Texas and other states that began in the 1960s.

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##### Date Issued: July 12, 2012

##### Bid Close Date: August 3, 2012

##### Bid Opening Date: August 10, 2012

The Town of Horizon City is soliciting bids for the following drainage pond projects within the City Limits. The project consists of clearing of nuisances (weeds, vegetation, trash, litter, and dumped material) for 26 separate drainage pond facilities in the city as listed in

the bid specifications. Bids will be received at Horizon City Town Hall, 14999 Darrington Rd., Horizon City, TX 79928 until 5 p.m., Friday, August 3, 2012. Envelopes should be marked in the lower left hand corner with the bid number. Bids will be opened on August 10, 2012 at 2 p.m. Only the names of the proposers will be read out loud at the Horizon City Town Hall. A contract is anticipated to be completed between the city and successful bidders and City Council approval on September 11, 2012.

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above office between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday or by calling Administration office (915) 852-1046.

**General Job Description**  
This individual reports to the ESD Board, District Administrator, Fire Marshal and is responsible for providing administrative support to staff and assuming bookkeeping, reservation, and reception. These duties include but are not limited to: database system maintenance and training, office supply purchasing, typing, filing, reception and telephone duties.

**Pay Starts at 12.00 per hour. Resumes must be received by 5:00 P.M., Monday, July 30, 2012.**

**Public Notice**

#### JOBS

##### El Paso County Emergency Services District No. 2

##### Public Notice

The El Paso County Emergency Services District No. 2, is currently taking applications for a part time **ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**. There will be a 3 MONTH PROBATIONARY PERIOD for any new hire.

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**Required Qualifications**  
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### Briefs

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Pendleton, Calif., and Twenty-Nine Palms, Calif. It will be expanded across the nation during fiscal year 2013 with the goal of providing entrepreneurial training and awareness to transitioning service members from all branches of the military. For more information on *Boots to Business* training program, and on how to take part as a transitioning service member, please visit <http://www.sba.gov/bootstobusiness>.

### JAG grant

El Paso County will receive a grant of \$237,364 from the Department of Justice to help prevent crime based on local needs and conditions. The funding comes through the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG). "These funds will equip local law enforcement with the necessary resources to crack down on crime in the area," U.S. Sen. John Cornyn. "Having the proper tools to fight crime is critical to keeping our communities safe, and I applaud the local leaders for working to secure this funding." Cornyn is a member of the Senate Judiciary Committee. El Paso County will use the funds to purchase law enforcement equipment and supplies and fund overtime for police officers. The JAG

Program allows states and units of local government, including tribes, to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime based on their own state and local needs and conditions.  
- Megan Mitchell

### Crime Stoppers

Officers respond to an aggravated assault call and upon arrival find a man critically injured by stab wounds, who died a short time later, making this the Crime Stoppers "Crime of the Week." Just before 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 16, 2012, officers from the Police Department's Northeast Regional Command were called to the 11000 block of Rockdale in reference to an aggravated assault that had just occurred. When they arrived, a witness told them that the victim had asked for help and then walked into a garage and closed the door. When officers entered the home they found the victim face down with stab wounds. He was rushed to a hospital but died a short time later. The victim was 30-year-old Lucostal Leon Holley. Investigators from the Crimes Against Persons unit determined that the victim was seen talking to two men in front of a nearby home. All three were later seen near the home where the victim was found, with the two suspects holding the victim against a fence. They are described only as heavyset black men. If you have any information at all about the identity of the suspects in this case, please contact Crime Stoppers of El Paso

## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Answer Page 4 ★★★★★ HOO BOY!  
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# Penn State-Sandusky fiasco continues in board room

By Steve Escajeda  
Special to the Courier

Some people never learn. I remember writing in the very first days of the Penn State-Jerry Sandusky investigation about how appalled I was at the cavalier attitude coming out of the school's administration.

Without any investigation whatsoever, they were saying that the football program and those close to it were 100 percent innocent.

My initial thought was, how can anyone defend something without any facts in their hands?

Now we all know that they already had all the facts in their hands and were trying to cover them up. And we all know who "they" are – the Penn State president, the vice president, the athletic director and the legendary head football coach. They all not only allowed Sandusky to have sexual reign over young boys, but covered it up in the name of the almighty football program.

And speaking of the legendary head football coach, Joe Paterno (And don't get me wrong,

I wouldn't wish death on anyone.) maybe got off easy by not having to face the media and the authorities about his role in the ugly goings on at Happy Valley.

While the other men involved will probably face prison time, the only real slap in the face to Paterno at this point would be to take down his statue that stands in front of Beaver Stadium.

The statue is of Paterno leading young men onto the football field to battle another opponent.

And let's be honest, a statue is just a hunk of metal that is sculpted into some form. But it is also a symbol, and the words accompanying the statue of Paterno read, "Educator, Coach, Humanitarian."

If anyone believes he was being humane to all those boys who were sexually molested for over a decade – then by all means, the statue should stay up.

But because he played a vital role in allowing Sandusky's sick actions to go on and on, the statue should come down.

How can it be allowed to stand?

It will be the first thing people see on the way to Penn State football games and because

the innocence of many young boys was sacrificed for the sake of football, it should be removed.

And if kept up, the words accompanying the statue should be changes to "Greedy, Shame, Corruption."

I began all this by saying that some people never learn. Like the Penn State Board of Trustees, who have decided to keep the statue up – for now.

The trustees met last week and decided to keep it up, in part, by a desire not to offend alumni and students who adore the late coach despite the damning findings of his role in the Jerry Sandusky case.

It turns out that some trustees said in interviews that they want to resist being pressured by the media into a sudden decision about such an emotionally charged issue.

One of the trustees was quoted as saying, "you can't let people stampede you into making a rash decision. The statue represents the good that Joe did. It doesn't represent the bad that he did."

"It has to stay up," said another trustee. "We have to let a number of months pass, and we'll address it again. But there is no way, no way.

It's just not coming down." Remember the Penn State administration when all of this first broke? How they failed to act because they were trying to protect their program at all costs.

Here we go again. Again, the Board isn't interested about doing the right thing; the members are worried about their own reputations and being made to look weak by caving in to pressure.

According to the investigative report, the big four at Penn State, "failed to protect against a child sexual predator harming children for over a decade. That the four "concealed Sandusky's activities from the Board of Trustees, the University community and authorities."

In addition, the four men "exhibited a striking lack of empathy for Sandusky's victims by failing to inquire as to their safety and well-being" and that they "empowered Sandusky to attract potential victims..." I can certainly see why they want the statue to represent their college.

## A sporting view By Mark Vasto

### KC karma for Cano

If you were tasked with picking three players from the American League to participate in the annual All Star Home Run Derby, the Kansas City Royals' designated hitter Billy Butler's name wouldn't even cross your mind.

No, if you were Yankees' second baseman Robinson Cano, the winner of last year's Derby who was charged with choosing the squad, you'd probably pick Prince Fielder, Jose Bautista and Mark Trumbo...

possibly Adam Dunn. Which is exactly what he did. And while the American League won the contest, Cano turned out to be the big loser that night.

Last season, Cano won the Derby in truly grand yet heartwarming style. His father on the mound, he set a record by blasting home runs at will during the final round. The emotion between father and son resonated with players and fans alike.

Presumably due to that episode, the powers that be in Major League Baseball decided to let the previous year's winner choose the team of his choice. While that may seem benevolent to some, in most circles that's also – and more accurately – referred to as being "thrown to the wolves."

Cano is a great baseball player. Who knows? He may become a Hall of Famer, but he certainly will win no awards in the public-relations department. He might perform at a high level 162 games a year, but he proved to have no clue how to play to his audience, and in the fiercely proud Kansas City of all places.

Simply put, Cano didn't select the

hometown player for the contest, the aforementioned Butler. Frankly, as any knowledgeable fan of the game will agree, he didn't deserve to be named to the team. And while Major League Baseball did the right thing for the best interests of the game by requiring a player be named from every team in the league, like an infield fly (baseball's only intrinsic flaw), they didn't see this controversy coming. Neither did the Yankee's PR flacks.

Beleagured Kansas City Royal fans made sure they got the message. While Royals' owner David Glass, a Walmart executive, is content to put "break even" teams on the field, Royal's fans are completely fed up. They took the snub as a slap to the face. And Cano's remarks before the Derby insinuating the Yankee's have more fans in the stands when they come to town, didn't sit well with the Boulevard beer-and-barbecue set.

Rabid fans listen to the two sports-talk stations in town like hungry raccoons in an apple orchard, feeding off each word. Reigning radio champion Kevin Keitzman fanned their flames, encouraging them to boo Cano – and boo they did. It was more a statement of pride, that you can't just come into someone's house and disrespect the host, than it was of love for Butler (who is, don't get me wrong, a very good and very classy ballplayer).

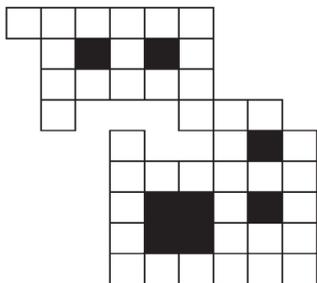
The boo birds rattled Cano, who ended up hitting as many home runs in the contest as Butler did (zero). More than anything, however, they proved that there's a reason why coaches fill out lineup cards and why fans control the All Star game. Call it Kansas City karma.

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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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## Comix

### OUT ON A LIMB By Gary Kopervas



### AMBER WAVES By Dave T. Phipps



### THE SPATS By Jeff Pickering

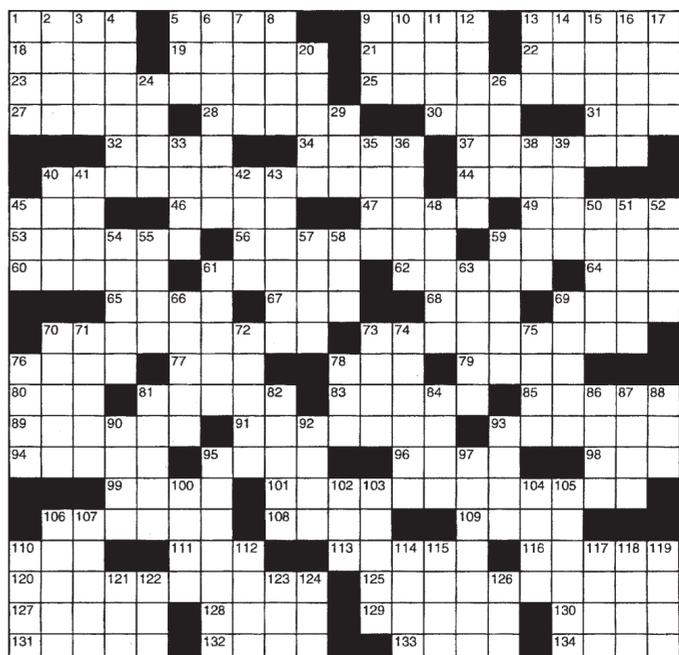


### R.F.D. By Mike Marland



## Super Crossword

- SIX-FOOTERS ACROSS**
- 1 Kite or coot
  - 5 Chihuahua snack
  - 9 "Goodbye, Columbus" author
  - 13 Egyptian Nobelist
  - 18 Sore
  - 19 Addis \_
  - 21 Merrill melody
  - 22 Menander's marketplace
  - 23 6' actress
  - 25 6' comedian
  - 27 Cook clams
  - 28 Trickles
  - 30 Clean-air org.
  - 31 Cartoon cry
  - 32 Wool gatherer?
  - 34 Not \_ many words
  - 37 "Animal Farm" author
  - 40 6' actor
  - 44 Garfield's pal
  - 45 Tie the knot
  - 46 38 Down, for one
  - 47 \_ impasse
  - 49 Sour sort
  - 53 Swallow up
  - 56 Undergoes
  - 59 Make a pile?
  - 60 Pool person
  - 61 Puzzling problem
  - 62 Scarlett's sweetheart
  - 64 Actress Hagen
  - 65 Potter's need
  - 67 Browning's
- DOWN**
- 1 Supermarket supplies
  - 2 "New Jack City" actor
  - 3 Korean statesman
  - 4 Go-getter
  - 5 Lincoln son
  - 6 Disconcerts
  - 7 Spelunker's spot
  - 8 Tony's cousin
  - 9 Scott's "The \_ Quartet"
  - 10 Mispickel, e.g.
  - 11 Become winded
  - 12 Queequeg's weapon
  - 13 Mr. Mineo
  - 14 Season firewood
  - 15 Peg
  - 16 Shakespearean sprite
  - 17 Chore
  - 20 Clear jelly
  - 24 Love, to Livy
  - 26 Grounds
  - 29 \_Cat (winter transport)
  - 129 County in 128
  - Across
  - 130 Scorch
  - 131 Pass on
  - 132 Crowdburst?
  - 133 Part of a threat
  - 134 Connecticut campus
  - 135 Constellation component
  - 36 Furry fisherman
  - 38 Cowes' locale
  - 39 First name in architecture
  - 40 Fellow
  - 41 Brink
  - 42 Role for Liz
  - 43 Has a hunch
  - 45 Craven or Unsel
  - 48 Peter of Peter and Gordon
  - 50 It's down in the mouth
  - 51 Copper or cobalt
  - 52 Mastermind
  - 54 Quilter's cry
  - 55 Vegetate
  - 57 "Disco Duck" singer
  - 58 Kaatsian crook
  - 59 Barrel part
  - 61 Tower
  - 63 Each's partner
  - 66 Head monk
  - 69 See 70 Down
  - 70 With 69 Down, "Heaven" singer
  - 71 Stuff
  - 72 Dumbstruck
  - 73 "True \_" ('69 film)
  - 74 Army-y types?
  - 75 Wading bird
  - 76 Therefore
  - 78 Canine grp.
  - 81 "Same here!"
  - 82 Lock
  - 84 "Lemon \_" ('65 hit)
  - 86 Immaculate
  - 87 Kuwaiti kingpin
  - 88 Turkey serving
  - 90 "I've \_ had!"
  - 92 Conductor
  - 93 vera
  - 95 Roaring Twenties figure
  - 97 Canvas shades
  - 100 Inland sea
  - 102 Superlative suffix
  - 103 Nullifies
  - 104 "Nautilus" captain
  - 105 Formal
  - 106 Kid stuff?
  - 107 Comic Leon
  - 110 Canterbury cleaner
  - 112 Austin or Copley
  - 114 Velvet feature
  - 115 Bucket
  - 117 On the briny
  - 118 Distribute the deck
  - 119 Rochester's missus
  - 121 It may be strapless
  - 122 Whichever
  - 123 Carnival site
  - 124 Big bang letters
  - 126 Adversary



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## Your good health By Paul G. Donohue, M.D.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My 12-year-old son is something of a phenomenon when it comes to baseball, and he loves playing the game. I haven't pushed him into it. He's a particularly awesome pitcher, and his coaches are amazed at what he can do. I practice with him every day. He now has a sore elbow in his Little League elbow. My wife blames me, because, she says, I overwork him. I need some guidelines on how much throwing is too much. Thanks. – R.C.

three days of rest are required; 30 to 50 pitches, two rest days; 21 to 35 pitches, one rest day. In practice, he should be limited to 20 pitches if he throws daily. If he throws more, he should follow the schedule for the number of pitches thrown in a game.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: Will you kindly tell me what is the appropriate time interval for a repeat colonoscopy? I have different information from doctors. I had my first colonoscopy when I was 51. The doctor who performed it said I didn't need another until I was 61. A different doctor says I need a repeat at 56. Which is it? – E.P.

If no polyps were found on your first exam and if you have no close relatives who have had colon cancer, then the usual time for the next exam is 10 years. Otherwise, it is five years.

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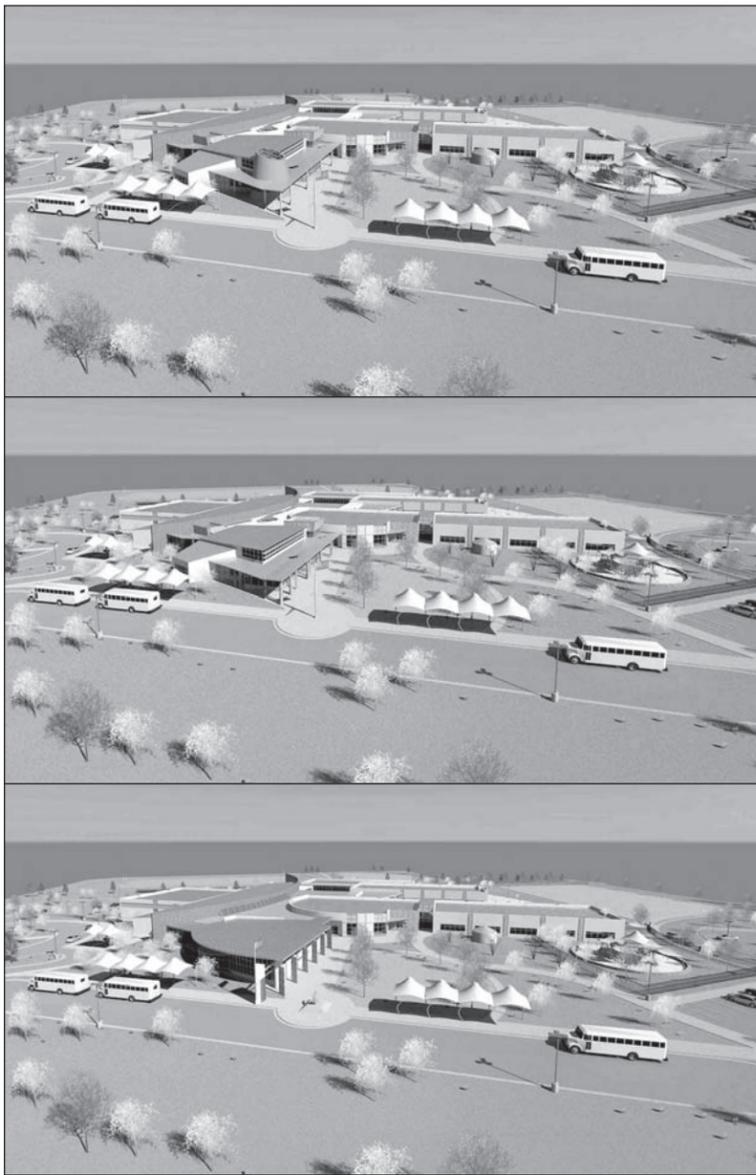
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— Renderings courtesy Carl Daniel Architects

**PICK ONE**—Carl Daniels Architects presented the Canutillo Independent School District with three treatments for their new elementary/middle school. The difference in design is the library located at the left hand, front side of the school.

## Public helps pick new school design

By Gustavo Reveles Acosta  
Special to the Courier

CANUTILLO – The Canutillo Independent School District is building a new elementary/middle combination school and asked the public to help architects finalize the design of the campus.

Carl Daniel Architects, the firm hired by the District to design the school, presented three potential designs for the campus during a community meeting on Wednesday. The artist renderings of each design are shown above.

School officials asked parents, students, employees and taxpayers to select their favorite option for recommendation to the Board of

Trustees as the final look of the new school. The Board will adopt the final drawings later this summer.

“We are excited to be getting closer and closer to the actual construction of the school,” said Jennifer Matthews, CISD’s Executive Director of Facilities and Transportation. “It is very important to present our constituents with opportunities to give input on every aspect of school construction.”

The \$21-million school will be located at the intersection of Paseo del Norte and Northern Pass drives, and be funded through bonds that were approved by voters in 2006 and 2011. The campus will serve grades pre-kindergarten through eighth and accommodate fast growth in the eastern part of the District.

## Social Security Q&A By Ray Vigil

**Q:** How do I apply for Social Security disability benefits?

**A:** There are two ways that you can apply for disability benefits. You can:

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Kit will be mailed to you.

**Q:** I just started my first job and my paycheck is less than I expected. Why am I paying for retirement benefits when I have a lifetime to live before retirement?

**A:** Besides being required by law, you are securing your own financial future through the payment of Social Security and Medicare taxes. The taxes you pay now translate to a lifetime of protection, whether you retire or become disabled. And when you die, your family (or future family) may be able to receive survivors benefits based on your work as well. Aside from all the benefits in your own future, your Social Security and Medicare payments also help today’s retirees. To learn

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## STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

- It was German-American painter and lithographer Herm Albright who made the following sage observation: “A positive attitude may not solve all your problems, but it will annoy enough people to make it worth the effort.”

- It’s well-known that there were shortages of many items during World War II – and caffeine was one. It was such a problem, in fact, that the chemists at Coca-Cola tried to find a substitute, even experimenting with a derivative of bat guano. The idea was nixed by an executive who was afraid of the public backlash if the truth ever came out.

- Just as a group of birds is called a flock, a group of frogs is called an army.

- Ever wonder why a barber pole has red and white stripes? It’s a rather grisly tale. At one time barbers did more than cut hair; they sometimes performed marriages and baptisms, served as dentists and even performed surgery. When engaged in the medical work, any excess blood was soaked up by white towels, which were often hung up on a pole outside to dry. As the wind wrapped the towel around the pole, it created a design of red and white stripes.

- The 1982 film “Gandhi,” which was awarded eight Oscars, including the one for best picture, used a whopping 300,000 extras.

- Toilet paper was first introduced in the United States in 1857, but the idea didn’t take off – the paper being offered was evidently too much like the paper in the Sears catalog, which is what most people used at the time.

- The most popular perfume in the world is Chanel No. 5.

Thought for the Day: “Always forgive your enemies, but never forget their names.”  
– Robert Kennedy

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## Moore Texas by Roger Moore Texan “WICK”

Fowler concocted his famous 2 Alarm Chili “kit” after winning the Terlingua chili cook off in 1970.



## 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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## Maybe It Wasn't That Heavy Shopping Bag.

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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: Y equals N

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RZMHZG UZMWPY RPVRPUZ. FJV  
XJVEG RPF LCZ NVMRL BR FZL  
LJ XJWZ.

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