



## NEWSBRIEFS

### Health fair

The San Elizario, Fabens and Tornillo Independent School Districts have joined together in collaboration with the University of Texas at El Paso Allied Health Science to host a Community Health and Wellness Fair. The event will run on from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Saturday Nov. 14, 2015 at San Elizario High School at 13981 Socorro Road in San Elizario.

— Laura H. Rodriguez

### Funky?

He hasn't showered in 15 years, but he still has friends, reports the Association of Mature American Citizens. David Whitlock, an MIT trained engineer, says he uses a solution containing live germs to keep clean. He's so confident in his discovery that he is selling his bacterial spray, AO+ Mist, to a growing group of "young urban professionals who are experimenting with nontraditional approaches to staying healthy and clean," according to the Boston Globe.

— John Grimaldi

### Wanted

An east El Paso restaurant is broken into and money is stolen. Investigators from the El Paso Police Department are asking for your help finding the burglar through the Crime Stoppers. Early on the morning of Sunday, October 4, 2015 a man was seen on surveillance video, pacing outside of the restaurant, Hong Kong Buffet, located at 1861 Joe Battle. At about 2:40 a.m., the man took a large rock, and broke one of the windows to the business. The man then made his way inside of the restaurant and within seconds he managed to locate money and make his way out of the restaurant. The suspect is described as a White or Hispanic male, with a large build and possibly with a goatee. Anyone with information on the identity of this burglar is asked to call Crime Stoppers of El Paso immediately at 566-8477

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Some people remember a lie for ten years but forget the truth in ten minutes.

— Quips & Quotes



— Photo by Alfredo Vasquez

**ROOM FOR GROWTH** – This view from Sun Bowl Drive of the former Asarco site along Interstate 10 is the land that the University of Texas at El Paso officials have asked the UT System Board of Regents to consider purchasing for the university's future expansion.

## UTEP eyes former Asarco land

By Alfredo Vasquez  
Special to the Courier

EL PASO COUNTY – The possibilities are endless when speculating about the future of the former Asarco land that lies across the Interstate 10 freeway from the University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP) campus and is wedged-in between the American and Mexican border.

The site's location is actually in the

heart of the terrain – *El Paso del Norte* – that inspired the City of El Paso's name. It is the main reason travelers and eventual residents came through this region, for the valley is the most accessible path through the mountains between the south and north plains.

Thus, the Asarco land, currently a huge vacant lot on the Rio Grande, beckons for an extraordinary use that encompasses the location's natural traits- the flowing river, the mountain's peaking foothills, and the

merging point of two countries and two states. Some possibilities mentioned are a shopping and dining center, soccer arena, and amusement park.

One obvious possibility is having UTEP purchase the land. An idea that has already been brought to the UT System Board of Regents attention during its members' recent visit to El Paso for a scheduled board meeting. UTEP's future growth

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## Immunize El Paso begins flu campaign

By Dusty Warden  
Special to the Courier

ELPASOCOUNTY-During the 2014-2015 flu season, 146 pediatric influenza-associated deaths were reported across the United States equating to a 31% overall increase in flu-related child death. Of those, 17 were right here in Texas. Immunize El Paso is taking the lead to help stop vaccine preventable death by teaming up with El Paso-area school districts, the City of El Paso Recreation Department and the El Paso County Nutrition Program.

While how well the flu vaccine works can vary, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends a yearly flu

vaccination as the first and most important step in protecting against flu and its potentially serious complications. Millions of people have safely received flu vaccines for decades. Flu vaccination can reduce flu illnesses, doctors' visits, and missed work and school due to flu, as well as prevent flu-related hospitalizations.

"Persons at the greatest risk of developing flu related complications include children younger than 5, but especially younger than 2 years old" said Danny Acosta, Director of Immunize El Paso. "Adults 65 years of age and older, pregnant woman as well as suffers of asthma, heart disease, diabetes and those with a weakened immune system

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## Vinton hosts health fair, farmer's market

By Marina Ramirez  
Special to the Courier

VINTON – The Village of Vinton will host its 10th Annual Health Fair and Wellness Walk on October 24, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the West Valley Fire Station, located on 510 E. Vinton Rd. Vinton is also introducing its Fall Farmer's Market on the same day at Dr. Applegate Park next to Vinton City Hall located at 436 E. Vinton Rd. from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The 10th Annual Health Fair, is co-sponsored by El Paso First Health Plans, will bring more than 30 health vendors to the fair to provide services and educational materials on important health issues that affect the community. Services include free blood pressure and health screening for the entire family,

information on diabetes, WIC and dental health, free flu shots, giveaways and more.

Community members are invited to participate in the Wellness Walk at Dr. Applegate Park where EP Fitness will have Yoga at the Park and stretch sessions throughout the walk. The walk begins at 8:00 a.m. and the first 200 participants will receive a free t-shirt and wellness kit.

The Vinton Fall Farmer's Market is a community event where growers gather to sell affordable, fresh, and locally grown fresh fruits and vegetables foods directly to consumers. The market will also host art and craft vendors. The Fall Farmer's Market will only be held October 24, November 21 and December 12 in conjunction with Christmas in the Village. Vendors that would like to participate should call 886-5104.

## Finances By Nathaniel Sillin

# Planning that affordable holiday trip

Are you an advance planner or an improviser? Your travel planning style might save you money during the busy winter holiday travel season.

Generally, families with children and a need for specific seating and direct flights may need to plan earlier to secure such reservations. More flexible travelers can roll the dice on last-minute deals.

Here are some ideas to explore:

**Be open-minded about scheduling.** Most people know red-eye and dawn flights are typically cheaper. However, holiday travel presents its own set of opportunities for pricing and availability if you don't follow the crowd. For example, with Thanksgiving always on a Thursday, most travelers choose Tuesday or Wednesday for arrival and Sunday for departure. Choosing a different scheduling window, including travel on the actual holiday, may not only save money but considerable stress getting to and from clogged airport, train and bus stations.

**Drive smart or leave the keys at home.** If you're using your own automobile, make sure your collision and liability coverage are adequate to cover potential medical and repair costs for other motorists if you're in an accident out of town. If you're planning to rent a vehicle, speak with your auto insurance agent before you go. Many personal policies do extend domestic collision and liability coverage to rentals, but it's particularly important to confirm coverage if you're traveling outside the United States. Of course, if you're visiting a place with excellent public transportation or safe bike routes, check pricing.

An affordable bike rental (pack a helmet) or multi-day city or regional bus-and-rail pass might eliminate the need for a car altogether.

**Sleep cheap.** Saving money on accommodations is another area where you can save significant dollars by either planning significantly ahead or trolling for last-minute bargains. Top family destinations generally require reservations months in advance, but see how full they are closest to the actual holiday dates. Many family members may travel a week before or a week after the actual holiday but won't stay over the holiday. That leaves more rooms and activities available. The same goes for stays in other popular tourist locations around the world. Check destination hotels closer to the date to see if they're offering special rates or packages.

**Put your membership dollars to work.** If you belong to an auto club or have credit cards with particular travel benefits, see whether any of those benefits – from actual mileage points to coupon discounts – can be used to save money.

**Check your home, health and business insurance.** If you are traveling domestically or globally, see if your personal health insurance extends to your destination. The same goes for home/rental and business insurance. Many people don't realize that some or all of their

personal insurance coverage may cover medical, theft, liability, injury and other risks at their destination. Read your policy and confirm your assumptions with your agent.

**Consider travel insurance to fill any gaps.** Once you've confirmed the limits of your personal coverage, research travel insurance policy sites (<http://www.insuremytrip.com>) and recent articles on travel insurance so you can make sure common risks like trip cancellation and lost luggage are covered as well as specialized risks like advanced medical care and medical transportation at your destination.

**Watch those bags.** Many airlines charge ascending fees for every checked bag, so packing light has never made more sense. However, major air and ground shipping companies are now offering luggage-shipping services for domestic and overseas travelers with pickup options at their ground facilities. Make a call and see if this option makes sense, particularly if you take extra clothes or gifts with you at the holidays.

**Bottom line:** Holiday travel bargains can be found months in advance and sometimes at the last minute. Your flexibility will determine the deals you can get.

*Nathaniel Sillin directs Visa's financial education programs.*

## Veterans Post By Freddy Groves

# Homeless funding

The Department of Veterans Affairs has just agreed to spend \$12.8 million to benefit homeless veterans. Twenty community agencies will receive the money under the Homeless Providers Grant and Per Diem Program to supply transitional housing and support services.

The Transition in Place program helps to move homeless veterans into permanent housing as quickly as possible.

The "per diem" part of the program means that the agencies are paid a daily rate for housing veterans, \$43 per day, and it's only to defray the actual costs. However, they are allowed to charge the veterans rent, up to 30 percent of adjusted income, plus reasonable fees for services.

At the same time, the VA announced that it is awarding \$4 million in funding through the GPD program for 21 agencies that work with homeless veterans who have special needs. Those include the terminally ill, frail elderly, chronically mentally ill,

women and those who take care of minor children.

The program has a specific list of allowable and unallowable costs, and rules each agency needs to follow.

Allowable costs associated with the program include advertising for personnel, salaries, insurance, maintenance, meetings and conferences (including speaker fees), employee business travel – and bus tokens and education supplies for veterans.

Unallowable costs include things like alcoholic beverages, entertainment (unless it's part of a program and is limited to \$20 per veteran per year), bad debt and lobbying.

Let's do the math: If the per diem rate is \$43, multiplied by 30 days in a month, that's \$1,290. Depending on the part of the country, that amount could rent a nice apartment or even a house... until you start deducting for agency staff salaries, conferences and business travel.

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## Land

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could branch out to the former Asarco copper smelter site and on former Asarco-owned land near the Sun Bowl Stadium.

The former Asarco property sits on a plateau that stretches 458 acres along the Rio Grande, the river that carved this majestic valley where now millions of inhabitants call home.

About 210 acres of the property are between Interstate 10 and the Rio Grande where Asarco, which closed in 1999, operated a copper smelter for 126 years. The other 248 acres are next to the UTEP campus, but only about 50 to 70 acres of that mostly rugged, hilly landscape are developable, stated Asarco site trustee Roberto Puga in a recent news report.

The land has undergone soil cleaning work for the past five years and most recently it has undergone evaluations for certification to meet state and federal environmental regulations. Now, plans are to sell the site.

Puga stated that UTEP officials have been talking to him since 2010 about the property. He stated that UTEP officials told him they needed to do their

homework and have internal discussions before they could decide to buy it.

For the time being, UT regents have not taken any action on this proposal, and UTEP officials said that they will not comment about their interest in the land for future campus growth until they have thoroughly reviewed all of the information.

Puga stated that UTEP's interest makes sense. "It's a huge amount of land next to them, and UTEP is landlocked everywhere else," Puga stated.

However, UTEP is just one of about a dozen entities that have shown interest in the land, but UTEP officials are the only ones who expressed interest in buying the entire acreage, Puga stated. "I am resistant to chopping up the property into pieces. I want a buyer to buy all the acres. UTEP fits the bill nicely," said Puga, who is in charge of the property's cleanup and sale.

The cleanup, which is scheduled to be completed in November, is estimated to cost about \$80 million. Asarco paid \$52 million, and the rest of the money came from the sale of copper and equipment left at the site, Puga said.

The Asarco trustee stated that the property has restrictions and

obligations that the buyer will have to meet and that UTEP has the wherewithal to comply with the restrictions, and has future needs that could use the entire property. One of the biggest obligations is for the buyer to preserve and monitor a 5-acre landfill where hazardous waste is buried, he added.

Residences cannot be built on the former plant site; but commercial buildings, classrooms, and even stadiums could be built there, Puga said. The acreage adjacent to UTEP has no restrictions on its use, he stated.

Although no price has been set yet, the ultimate sale, nonetheless, has to be approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Puga said. Money from the sale would go toward monitoring the landfill and other long-term environmental costs for the property, he said.

Should UTEP decide to pursue the land acquisition it would take all parties involved about a year to approve such a purchase, officials indicated.

If the UT System doesn't buy the land, then an aggressive national marketing campaign would be done to sell it, Puga asserted.



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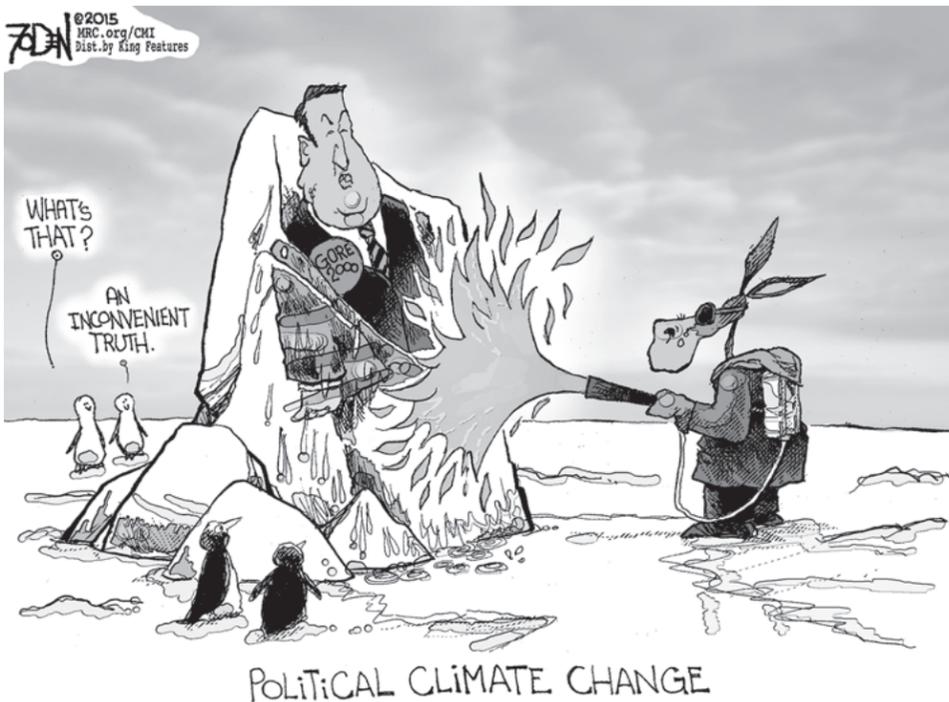


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View from here By John Grimaldi

# AMAC to Congress: 'Get real and start dismantling Obamacare'

"Americans are already paying through the nose for the ideological ambitions of Washington liberals. The price tag will continue to go up. Obamacare is steadily forcing new, higher premiums. At the same time, Democratic lawmakers are hatching schemes such as the one that would have taxpayers footing the bill for health insurance for millions of individuals who are in this country illegally. It just doesn't make sense." according to Dan Weber, president of the Association of Mature American Citizens.

At least four independent consulting firms, Oliver Wyman, PriceWaterhouseCoopers, Hay Group, and Milliman, are reporting that Obamacare premiums will soar next year. Some reports say they will go up in some cases by as much as 60%.

In fact, Weber revealed, "the federal government confirms that, in general, health care costs associated with Obamacare are predicted to bend the cost curve up by 14 percent to 49 percent for most Americans. Hardest hit by the rising costs are those that can least afford it, America's older citizens. Meanwhile, the Democratic leadership in Congress has come forth with a bill to provide illegal aliens nationwide with access to Obamacare – compliments of your tax dollars and mine."

It's time for our lawmakers to "get real" and create solutions for America's problems, Weber said. In an Op-Ed article posted at townhall.com this week, he called on Congress to start writing and passing sensible laws that address the top-of-mind concerns of Americans – particularly those that impact their day-to-day lives.

One of the key reasons for Obamacare, in the first place, was to cover the over 38 million Americans without health insurance. Six years later 38 million are still without insurance.

Weber called for a thoughtful, common sense approach to issues of concern to taxpayers – including senior citizens. "They are paying higher taxes (or penalties) for Obamacare, while now also paying shockingly higher premiums, and getting less before the benefits kick in, due to higher deductibles. In short, let's dismantle the house of cards that is Obamacare.

"Let us trumpet a return home for those who are illegally in the United States, not continue to belabor the issue, not provide them with sanctuary from our laws in cities facing rising crime rates, not add health care benefits – compliments of a generous but broke American worker and pensioner, and certainly not offer benefits that will now create new waves of illegal immigration. In short, let us tell Congress to represent those who work legally, vote legally, and have done so all their long lives."

## Write stuff

### Editor:

Friends of Horizon City, my name is Mark "Feller" Weidenfeller and I want to be your Mayor. I have been living in Horizon City for approximately two years and I know how much the City has grown both in terms of commercial business and residences. The need for continued planning and development is critical in order to keep and increase the quality of life in our community.

My wife and I are fortunate to have a solid background in business. My wife currently works as an H.R. Manager in the maquilador and I have 35 years experience in insurance and construction. We are aware of what it is to work with business, encourage entrepreneurial growth and develop an infrastructure

that will promote commercial growth. Our town is growing fast and businesses are posturing to bring new and more innovative services to our constituents. Let me help the community by providing leadership that will do all this and much more. Working with a common vision we can make our community a better place for families to live and raise their children.

There are many issues to address as we make our way toward early voting and the November 3, 2015 elections. We will come to know each other in the coming weeks and hopefully I can learn from you and address as many of your concerns as possible. I will be walking throughout our community to meet you.

– Mark Weidenfeller  
Horizon City

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 – Javier Sambrano

**Flu**

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should immediately consider vaccination," Acosta continued. Each year thousands of people in the United States die from flu, and many more are hospitalized. Flu vaccine is the best protection we have from flu and its complications. Vaccination also helps prevent spreading flu from person to person.  
 "Last year, flu activity increased through November and December before peaking in

late December - meaning now is the best time to get vaccinated" Acosta further explained. About two weeks after vaccination, antibodies develop that protect against influenza virus infection. Vaccines are available by injection and the mist form for adults and children. Patients 18 and younger who do not have insurance may also qualify for free vaccination thanks to a grant issued by the Caring for Children Foundation of Texas.  
 Vaccination site information: Visit [www.immunizeelpaso.org](http://www.immunizeelpaso.org) or call 857-2474.

**STRANGE BUT TRUE**  
 By Samantha Weaver

- It was Pulitzer Prize-winning American journalist, author and historian Garry Wills who made the following sage observation: "Politicians make good company for a while just as children do – their self-enjoyment is contagious. But they soon exhaust their favorite subject – themselves."

- According to ancient Egyptian mythology, humans were created from the tears of the sun.

- The Pizza Hut restaurant chain got started when two brothers borrowed \$600 from their mom.

- You might be surprised to learn that, just as there is a market for used cars, there is a market for used roller coasters. With the skyrocketing costs of construction, it can be cheaper to disassemble, move and reassemble a coaster than to build one from scratch.

- In the early 1900s, if you called someone a "geek" it didn't mean that person was nerdy. A geek back then was a carnival wild man.

- Iconic songstress Madonna once worked as a coat-check girl at the Russian Tea Room.

- If all the salt in the world's oceans were removed and spread out, it would cover all the world's land in a layer 40 feet deep.

- Researchers using standard statistical methods have determined that it takes an average of 142 licks to get to the center of a Tootsie Pop.

- Those who study such things say that half the residents of Spain have never read a book.

Thought for the Day: "Nothing sways the stupid more than arguments they can't understand."  
 – Cardinal de Retz

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## Village of Vinton, Texas Notice of Election / Aviso de Elección

**TO THE REGISTERED VOTERS OF VINTON, TEXAS  
A LOS VOTANTES REGISTRADOS DE VINTON, TEXAS**

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on November 3, 2015, for voting in a general election to elect Alderman Place 3, Alderman Place 4, and Alderman Place 5. for full two (2) year terms; and Alderman Place 1 for an unexpired term for one (1) year.

*Notifíquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales citadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 4 de noviembre de 2014 para votar en la Elección General para Lugar 3 de Consejo, Lugar 4 de Consejo, y Lugar 5 de Consejo cada puesto es por un período de dos (2) años; y del Lugar 1 de Consejo para un mandato de un (1) año.*

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**DIRECCION DE LA CASILLA ELECTORAL PARA EL DIA DE ELECCIONES**

**El Paso County  
Northwest Annex  
435 E. Vinton Rd.  
Vinton, Texas 79821**

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**DIRECCION DE LA CASILLA ELECTORAL PARA VOTACION ANTICIPADA**

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at:

*La votación en adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en:*

**El Paso County  
Northwest Annex  
435 E. Vinton Rd.  
Vinton, Texas 79821**

between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on Monday, October 19, 2015 and ending Friday, October 23, 2015.

*entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el Lunes, 19 de octubre 2015 y terminando el Viernes, 23 de octubre 2015.*

Saturday, October 24, 2015 between the hours of 12:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

*Sabado, 24 de octubre 2015 entre las 12:00 de la tarde y las 5:00 de la tarde.*

Sunday, October 25, 2015  
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Monday, October 26, 2015

– Friday, October 30, 2015 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

*Lunes, 26 de octubre 2015 y terminando el Viernes, 30 de octubre 2015 entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 5:00 de la tarde.*

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted at all locations including mobile voting locations within El Paso County at which Early Voting is conducted by the County Elections Department beginning on Monday, October 19, 2015 and ending on Friday, October 30, 2015. **(EXHIBIT A)**

*Para votar anticipadamente puede acudir en persona de Lunes 19 de octubre 2015 al viernes, 30 de octubre 2015, a cualquier centro de votaciones inclusive las casillas móviles del Condado de El Paso donde el Departamento de Elecciones del Condado realice votaciones anticipadas. (ANEXO A)*

Applications for ballot by mail should be mailed to:

*Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a:*

**The County of El Paso  
Elections Department  
500 E. San Antonio Room # L115  
El Paso, Texas 79901**

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on October 23, 2015.

*Las solicitudes para votar por correo deberán recibirse antes del término de horas hábiles el día 23 de octubre de 2015.*

Jessica Garza  
Village Administrator

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**EXHIBIT A  
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**November 3, 2015  
Early Voting Locations  
Locaciones para  
Votacion Anticipada  
October 19, 2015-  
October 30, 2015**

**Ann M. Garcia-Enriquez  
Middle School**  
12280 Socorro Rod.  
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Bassett Place**  
6101 Gateway West  
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

**Bowling Family YMCA**  
5509 Will Ruth Ave.  
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

**Canutillo Nutrition Center**  
7351 Bosque Rd.  
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

**Carolina Rec. Center**  
563 N. Carolina Drive  
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

**Clint ISD Early  
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13100 Alameda Avenue  
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Dorris Van Doren Library**  
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**El Paso Community College  
Northwest Campus**  
6701 S. Desert Blvd.  
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

**El Paso County Courthouse**  
500 E. San Antonio Ave.  
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**El Paso County  
Eastside Annex**  
2350 George Dieter Dr.  
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

**El Paso County  
Northwest Annex**  
435 E. Vinton Rd.  
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**El Paso County  
Sheriff's Department**  
3850 Justice Dr.  
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

**El Paso County  
Sheriff's Office Community**  
12899 Sparks Dr.  
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Esparanza Acosta  
Moreno Library**  
12480 Pebble Hills Blvd.  
10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

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Recreation Center**  
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10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

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**Regency of El Paso**  
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**Rogelio Sanchez Center**  
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**Monday, Oct. 19, 2015  
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**Bel Air High School**  
731 N. Yarbrough Dr., Rm. 400

**El Paso County Ascarate  
Annex Second Fl., Rm. 211**  
301 Manny Martinez Dr.

**Tuesday, Oct. 20, 2015  
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**Hanks High School Library**  
2001 Lee Trevino Dr.

**Zach White Elementary  
School Multipurpose Room**  
4256 Roxbury Dr.

**Wednesday,  
Oct. 21, 2015  
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**Ysleta High School  
Wafer Gym**  
8600 Alameda Ave.

**Anthony City Hall  
Council Room**  
401 Wildcat Dr.

**Thursday, Oct. 22, 2015  
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Library  
Center  
Computer Lab**  
11100 Santos Sanchez St.

**ESC Region 19 Head Start  
Clint Room**  
11670 Chito Samaniego Dr.

**Friday, Oct. 23, 2015  
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**Health and Human Services  
Juanchido Elders' Center**  
9314 Juanchido Ln.

**Parkland High School  
Event Center**  
5932 Quail Ave.

**Saturday, Oct. 24, 2015  
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**Clint ISD Central  
Administration Building  
Board Room #700**  
14521 Horizon Blvd.

**Hilos de Plata Senior Center  
Arts & Crafts Room**  
4451 Delta Dr.

**Sunday, Oct. 25, 2015  
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**Monday, Oct. 26, 2015  
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**Del Valle High School Library**  
950 Bordeaux Dr.

**Lincoln Middle School  
Front Foyer**  
500 Mulberry Ave.

**Tuesday, Oct. 27, 2015  
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**Riverside High School  
Theatre Lobby**  
301 Midway Dr.

**El Paso City Hall  
Breeze Way**  
300 N. Campbell St.

**Wednesday,  
Oct. 28, 2015  
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**La Fe Montana Vista  
Community Center  
Auditorium**  
14618 Greg Dr.

**Grandview Senior Center TV/  
Lounge Room**  
3134 Jefferson Ave.

**Thursday, Oct. 29, 2015  
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**YISD Central Office  
Franklin Guadalupe Room**  
9600 Sims Dr.

**Nolan Richardson Middle  
School Office Hallway**  
11350 Loma Franklin Dr.

**Friday, Oct. 30, 2015  
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**Eastwood High School  
Theatre Foyer**  
2430 McRae Blvd.

**Gary del Palacio Recreation  
Center Multipurpose Room**  
3001 Parkwood St.

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# Stadium shooting fueled by beer, spurred on by idiots

By Steve Escajeda  
Special to the Courier

To say the Dallas Cowboys have had a tough season in putting it rather mildly.

For a team that was on track to contend for this year's Super Bowl, injuries have rattled the franchise and turned into a mediocre squad, at best.

Last weekend the Cowboys looked total helpless against the defending champion New England Patriots.

It's funny, all the talk coming into the season was if the Cowboys were going to play the Patriots without Tom Brady because of the famed deflate gate saga.

As it turned out, it was the Cowboys who were without Tony Romo and countless other skill players against a totally healthy Brady-led New England team.

The Cowboys have now lost three in a row after winning their first two and the horizon doesn't look too promising.

Romo will be out at least another month, the status of Dez Bryant is still up in the air and there are many more who will be out a bit longer, if not the rest of

the season.

With the Cowboys off to a 2-3 start, there's no doubt that fans are upset about their team. And the vast majority of fans get upset and yell at the TV or boo in the stadium but that's about it.

For most fans it ends there.

But as has been the case since the beginning of the merger between football and alcohol, some fans have absolutely no clue as to where the line is.

When most fans get together and tailgate before the game it's a relaxing affair. Everybody is away from work, good food is being prepared on the grill and cold beverages are all around.

Then there are the guys, and girls, who mistake the family atmosphere for an impromptu beer-drinking contest. And they go on and on and on until they can barely function as rational human beings.

Case in point, about an hour after Dallas' 30-6 loss to the Patriots last Sunday, two idiots, who witnesses said had been drinking since the early afternoon, got into a fistfight in the parking lot area.

Of course, instead of trying to play peacemaker, fans got into their little

infantile circle and enjoyed the brawl.

When one of the guys had beaten the other senseless and he lied there unable to protect himself, the guy on top pulled out a gun and threatened to shoot him in the head.

And what did the crowd do? Like a guy on a ledge and everyone below yelling at him to jump, the witnesses yelled at the guy to shoot.

He did pull the trigger.

But his aim was as bad as his condition. It appears he shot the one caring person in the vicinity - a man that stepped in to break up the fight.

I'm not sure what it is that makes the human animal act the way he does sometimes. We can create the most beautiful technological breakthroughs and works of art that are so mesmerizing they defy description.

We can go out of our way to help another human or another animal at great personal risk.

And then we have the lowest common denominator, a crowd of people who egg a guy to shoot another helpless guy in the head.

And instead of knowing that the fight is over, the guy is too pumped up by the crowd and he has to show his true manhood by pulling the trigger.

And how did he come up with a gun in the first place? Did he have it with him in the stadium?

Of course I'm writing this just a day after the event so some details will come out after this article, but it defies logic how some people's thought processes work.

Unfortunately, this kind of thing happens all the time. Maybe a guy isn't shot in the head, but drunken fights occur at sporting events all the time and the culprit is always a small brain with a large glass of beer, or two, or three, or four.

And I'm certain there were some kids at the scene that also witnessed the shooting.

I suppose there will be some day when fans out there will all realize that this is just a game that really has no impact on their lives whatsoever.

Until then, these kinds of incidents will continue and more and more people will be hurt, or worse.

And in front of cheering fans no doubt.

## A sporting view By Mark Vasto

### The Buckeyes have it

It's the fifth week of the season, and the Ohio State Buckeyes find themselves in a situation they're not familiar with: They're in danger of losing.

To the Hoosiers, no less.

Ezekiel Elliott, running back for the scarlet and gray, has the answer. He runs for 274

yards on 23 carries, including touchdown runs of 55, 65 and 75 yards, before watching from the sideline as Indiana tries in vain to answer back.

Moments later, the Buckeyes run off the field, fingers pointing to the sky. They came onto the field ranked No. 1 in the nation

and they ran off the field in the same position. It's nothing new to the Buckeyes. In fact, they've run off the field No. 1 as often as any team in the nation, and by the time you read this, more times than any other program in history.

This week finds the Buckeyes on top of The Associated Press Top 25 Poll for the 101st time, tied with Oklahoma for the best ever.

Yes, there are other polls.

There's the Coaches Poll. The Coaches Poll is nothing but a council of sanctimonious former bench riders who call in plays until they don't. CNN somehow matters in their equation, so I'm already thinking it's suspect. Like I really care if Wolf Blitzer thinks Ball State is displaying game control and might crack the top 20 this week if they try.

But I'd take the Coaches Poll over the alternative, that BCS Computer Robot Poll. Computer polls are the definite worst. It's not that I'm against technology. I am, but it's not that... it's just that I have scars. It seems like yesterday... the Nut Swamp Elementary Science Fair. There

I was, a can of baking soda in hand, about to drop it into a glass of orange food-colored 7Up strategically hidden within a mound of clay made up to look like a volcano. It was to be a volcano, a glorious volcano. The teachers came over. It was to be my moment of triumph... but no.

They stop next to my table and start to study Brad Mascott's display instead. Brad had a shoebox laid on its side, with the top converted into a keyboard. There was a slot cut on top of the box. "It's a computer," he announced. "Ohhhh!" said the

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# Comix

# Your good health

By Keith Roach, M.D.

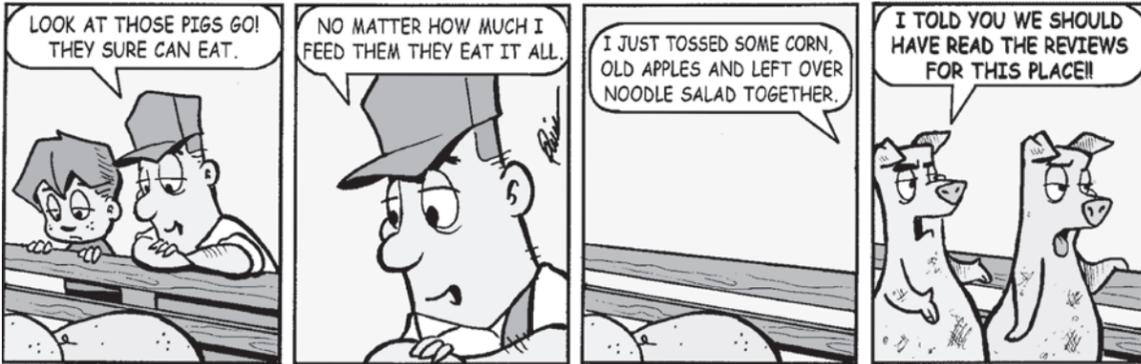
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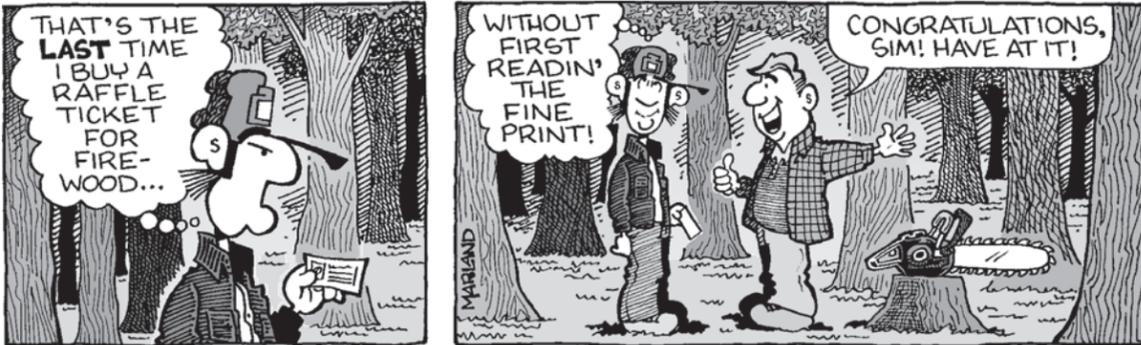
## THE SPATS

By Jeff Pickering



## R.F.D.

By Mike Marland



DEAR DR. ROACH: I have many things, including GERD. I was diagnosed 16 years ago and was put on many medications, but I either got side effects or they didn't work. I made up my mind to watch my diet carefully. That has worked well most of the time, but about six weeks ago I started experiencing burning and pain again. I tried eliminating different foods in my diet, but it wasn't working. I visited my primary care doctor and he prescribed sucralfate, four times a day, along with omeprazole twice a day. I've been this treatment a short time, and see a hint of improvement. I don't understand why I went all these years with little pain and all of a sudden I feel like I'm back to square one. The nurse practitioner in the same office said they are thinking GERD is seasonal, just like allergies, and that it should go away. I am very frustrated. I really don't want to have surgery. - A.

many things, including GERD. Finally, sometimes serious conditions can look like GERD. If symptoms persist, your primary care doctor may send you to a gastroenterologist for an endoscopy. The booklet on acid reflux explains GERD. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Roach - No. 501W, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803. 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.

DEAR DR. ROACH: I am 70 years old, and three and a half months ago, my ENT found a malignant sarcoma at the base of my tongue on the right side. They also found a hint of cancer in the lymph node near the tumor. On Friday I finish up an eight-week treatment of radiation and chemotherapy. My question is what my risk might be for developing other cancers in the future, assuming that this tumor has been eradicated? - J.K.

I can't tell you why, but I do see people getting exacerbations that last for a few days or weeks, and then they go back to being fine. The nurse practitioner knew something I didn't, because I found evidence that GERD symptoms are statistically worse from October to December. Maybe it has to do with the foods eaten more commonly at that time of the year.

That being said, look at any new medications (many can worsen GERD); consider weight loss if yours has gone up; and make sure you are eating a good three hours before bed. Alcohol and tobacco are bad for

Congratulations to you and your doctor for his diligence, and I hope your recovery goes well.

In general, cancers are more common in people who have had cancer before. The rate of developing second cancers depends on the specific type. There's not a lot written about second cancer after head and neck sarcoma, but what I found suggests that the risk is not terribly high. In general, the younger you are when you

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# Super Crossword

- NABBING YEARLY AWARDS ACROSS**
- 1 A hiker may commune with it
  - 7 Chop
  - 12 Gets entry to
  - 20 Worked hard for
  - 21 The "veni" of "veni, vidi, vici"
  - 22 Slope at the base of a mountain
  - 23 Start of a riddle
  - 25 Funny actress
  - 26 By way of
  - 27 Big vase
  - 28 Western U.S. gas brand
  - 30 Police attack
  - 31 Riddle, part 2
  - 37 Geller of the paranormal
  - 38 Naval acad. grad's rank
  - 39 Gender-altering suffix
  - 40 Punk music subgenre
  - 41 Fawn bearer
  - 42 Steady pay
  - 44 Learning ctr.
  - 46 Mimicking mockingly
  - 48 Gender-altering suffix
  - 49 Riddle, part 3
  - 54 TV's Foxx
  - 55 "Bali\_" ("South Pacific" tune)
  - 56 \_ Rock (Australian landmark)
  - 57 Colorful duck
  - 60 Mix with alternate layers of fat
  - 64 Priests, bishops, etc.
  - 66 Polar worker
  - 69 Riddle, part 4
  - 73 Ball holder
  - 74 Sword or rifle
  - 76 Art of public speaking
  - 78 Falco of "Nurse Jackie"
  - 79 German's "love"
  - 82 Prefix with lingual
  - 83 Church area
  - 87 Riddle, part 5
  - 93 German's "I"
  - 95 Oven-dry
  - 96 Lines to Penn Sta.
  - 97 Placed paper in incorrectly, as a printer
  - 98 Slangy denial
  - 99 TV title alien
  - 100 "\_ only known!"
  - 103 ROY G.\_
  - 104 OR staffers
  - 105 End of the riddle
  - 111 Israeli diplomat
  - 112 Pressing appliance
  - 113 \_ Canals (Superior-Huron linkup)
  - 114 Time gone by
  - 115 Appeals for
  - 119 Riddle's answer
  - 124 Competing directly
  - 125 Ring shape
  - 126 City near San Diego
  - 127 Those going off course
  - 128 Binge at a mall, say
  - 129 Hawk variety
  - DOWN**
  - 1 With 58-Down, Enya's music genre
  - 2 Hot tub user's sigh
  - 3 Worked hard
  - 4 \_ the cows come home
  - 5 Crisis signal
  - 6 Old Tokyo
  - 7 Oldsmobile
  - 8 The Huskies of the NCAA
  - 9 Light touch
  - 10 Mark in "Fr Elise"
  - 11 View closely
  - 12 Frizzy dos
  - 13 Pigeon noise
  - 14 NYSE listings
  - 15 Summer, in Saint-L
  - 16 Biting
  - 17 Arid stretch in Egypt
  - 18 Weather-affecting currents
  - 19 Large hammers
  - 24 Wordplays
  - 29 Split along the grain
  - 31 Hunger for
  - 32 Novelist Seton
  - 33 Longtime pop brand
  - 34 Princes, e.g.
  - 35 Present opener?
  - 36 Springy stick
  - 37 Tech's client
  - 43 "You \_ both know..."
  - 44 Body of bees
  - 45 Santiago site
  - 47 Even, in golf
  - 50 Opponents of "us"
  - 51 Noel singer
  - 52 Water: Prefix
  - 53 Sport-\_ (rugged ride)
  - 58 See 1-Down
  - 59 Caustic alkali
  - 61 Cpl. or SFC
  - 62 Heavy weight
  - 63 One-celled creature
  - 64 106, to Cato
  - 65 Zodiac beast
  - 66 Sheep that's a she
  - 67 Was in front
  - 68 Divine cure deliverer
  - 70 Role filler
  - 71 Layers of matted earth
  - 72 The Rolling Stones' "You Can Make \_ You Try"
  - 75 Stew tidbit
  - 77 Scottish denials
  - 79 Like lettuce and spinach
  - 80 "\_ all true!"
  - 81 Swimmer Williams
  - 84 Adobe Acrobat, e.g.
  - 85 Composer
  - 86 Pre-takeoff guesses, for short
  - 88 Impish kid
  - 89 Lie about
  - 90 Blore or Idle
  - 91 Islamic VIP
  - 92 Coastal resort areas
  - 93 Eats
  - 94 Disabling wheel clamp
  - 101 Takes in
  - 102 Tire brand
  - 103 Org. with fraternal lodges
  - 106 Soulful Baker
  - 107 Stops lying
  - 108 In the style of: Suffix
  - 109 Extinguish
  - 110 Press into small folds
  - 116 Playfully shy
  - 117 Ending for Denver
  - 118 Bare crag
  - 120 LGA landing
  - 121 "Alice" spin-off
  - 122 Enzyme name ender
  - 123 "Wahoo!"

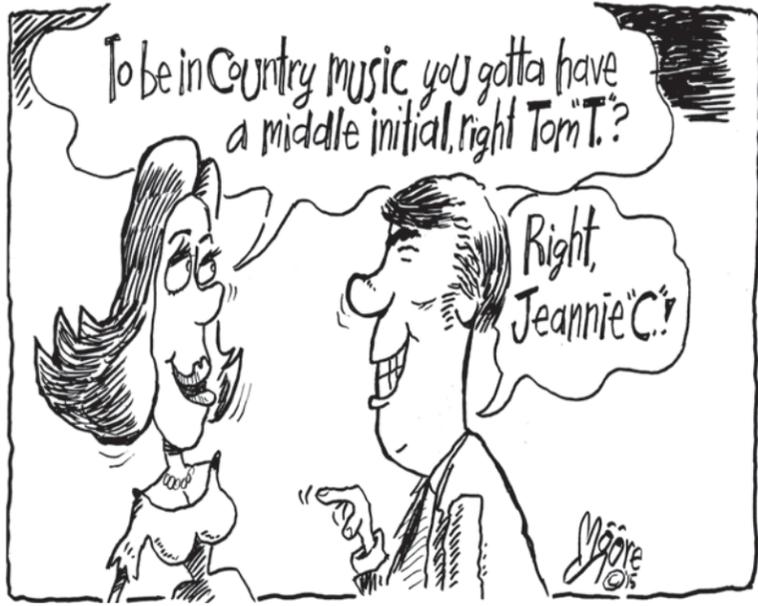
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# MOORE TEXAS

by Roger Todd Moore

Anson's Jeannie C. Riley made a huge hit out of a Tom T. Hall song called "Harper Valley PTA".



## Social Security Q&A By Ray Vigil

**Q:** I have an appointment to apply for Supplemental Security Income (SSI). What kind of information will I need to take with me?

**A:** To help make the application process go quickly and smoothly, you should bring

- Your Social Security card or Social Security Number;
- Your birth certificate or other proof of your age;
- The name, Social Security number and date of birth or age of your current spouse and any former spouse. You should also know the dates and places of marriage and dates of divorce or death (if appropriate);
- Information about the home where you live, such as your mortgage or your lease and landlord's name;
- Payroll slips, bank books, insurance policies, burial fund records, and other information about your income and the things you own;
- Proof of U.S. citizenship or eligible noncitizen status; and

• If you are applying for SSI because you are disabled or blind, we will need to know detailed information about your medical illnesses, injuries or conditions:

- Names, addresses, phone numbers, patient ID numbers and dates of treatment for all doctors, hospitals and clinics;
- Names of medicines you are taking and who prescribed them; and
- Names and dates of medical tests you have had and who sent you for them.

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you retire at age 70 in 2015, your maximum monthly benefit would be \$3,501. To get a better idea of what your benefit might be, visit our online *Retirement Estimator* at [www.socialsecurity.gov/retire/estimator.html](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/retire/estimator.html).

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## Sports

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teachers. They gave him the Best in Show. I cried foul. "He doesn't even have FOOD COLORING! OR BAKING SODA!" But it was no use. Times had changed at Nut Swamp. Technology – in this case, an empty Reebok box – was here to stay. The volcano era was over.

Anyway, those polls are jokes. If you want a poll you can argue over, you need to leave it to the expert non-experts. Leave it to the AP Poll. An old-fashioned poll, comprised of 65 full-time sportswriters and broadcasters who drove to the game in a forest-green GMC truck while smoking Swisher Sweets. Those are the guys you want picking a champion, believe me.

And that's the poll that says Ohio State has been the best, for the longest... or at least since the FDR administration. Say what you want about THE Ohio State University... just make sure you talk about them like the winners they most often are. Who can argue the facts?

Mark Vasto is a veteran sportswriter who lives in New Jersey. (c) 2015 King Features Synd., Inc.

## Health

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develop the first cancer, the higher the risk of a second.

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to [ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu](mailto:ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu). To view and order health pamphlets, visit [www.rbmamall.com](http://www.rbmamall.com), or write to Good Health, 628 Virginia Drive Orlando, FL 32803. (c) 2015 North America Synd., Inc. All Rights Reserved.

## 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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## 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 L

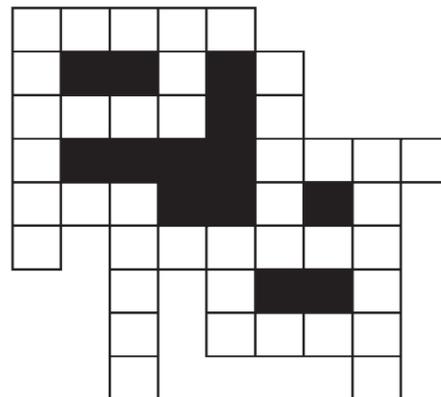
LE O XOWGXOKK APNHFGN  
 BHZKR WANLVG HZA OKK APG  
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 PLC TLABPGN-TGNEGBA?

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- MUH
- TRYWHO
- ♥ SHAWT
- ♥ ELDA
- HUCNIR
- TRU
- ♥ EMCA
- ♥ DRIWE
- UDC
- ♥ TEMPLAN
- CUTLM
- ♥ NATR



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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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