



## NEWSBRIEFS

### San Elizario ISD changes bell times

The San Elizario Independent School District has new start and end times for the 2017-2018 school year. The new times are as follows:

- Loya Primary School (Grades PPK, PK, Kindergarten)

Students:

Full Day: 7:30 AM - 2:40 PM

Half Day AM: 7:30 AM - 11:15 AM

Half Day PM: 10:45 AM - 2:40 PM

Faculty: 7:25 AM - 3:25 PM

- Alarcon, Borrego, Sambrano Elementary Schools (Grades 1-6)

Students: 7:30 AM - 3:20 PM

Faculty: 7:25 AM - 3:25 PM

- Ann M. Garcia Enriquez Middle School (Grades 7-8)

Students: 8:50 AM - 4:10 PM

Faculty: 8:10 AM - 4:10 PM

- San Elizario High School (Grades 9-12)

Students: 8:50 AM - 4:10 PM

Faculty: 8:10 AM - 4:10 PM

— Hector Gonzalez

### New way to take your medicine

Scientists at Georgia Tech and Emory University in Georgia have come up with a painless and convenient way to get your flu shot via a patch you simply apply to your arm, according to the Association of Mature American Citizens. The adhesive side of the patch features a hundred tiny needles that deliver the vaccine via your epidermis in just about 20 minutes. Patients would be able to safely self-medicate with this innovation that will be available in the not too distant future, after human studies required by the FDA. No more muscle-piercing needles. You could get your patch directly from your doctor or pharmacist via the mail.

— John Grimaldi

### Husband pod

Husbands who take their wives shopping in Shanghai don't find it as an onerous task. Many of them look forward to spending some quality time in the local mall's "husband storage pod," reports the Association of Mature American Citizens. After all, it gives them a chance to play their favorite video games without that nagging feeling of guilt.

— John Grimaldi

*There was a time when \$3,000 would buy a new car. Now it's the sales tax.*

— Quips & Quotes

## Village Vibes Music Festival coming soon

By Josh Luna  
*Special to the Courier*

VINTON – The 2nd Annual Village Vibes Music Festival (VVMF) is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 30, 2017 from 2:00 p.m. to midnight. The festival will take place at Dr. Applegate Park located at 7966 Quejette Road in Vinton. Keep Vinton Beautiful, in collaboration with the Village of Vinton, and other great community partners are hosting the event.

VVMF aims to support local live music, promote healthy lifestyle choices and provide awareness for locally grown produce and farmer's markets. It is a fundraising event to build and provide future support of Vinton's Community Garden and Learning Center that will sit on 4 acres of land located in the heart of Vinton. The Village of Vinton's Community Garden and Learning Center will address the lack of access to fresh, locally sourced produce and provide economic development for local farmers as well as educational resources for local residents and elementary students.

Vinton Mayor Manuel Leos is encouraging the surrounding communities to attend the full day of good vibes. "Here's to Village Vibes, there's nothing like a music festival to share with friends and family, especially when it is for a great cause for the community, so forget everything just for one night, join us and let's have a good time," said Leos.

VVMF is a great way for guests of all ages to enjoy live music, food trucks and vendors with a family entertainment area. VVMF presale tickets are available now and can be purchased online at [www.villagevibesmusicfestival.com](http://www.villagevibesmusicfestival.com) or in person at Vinton City Hall. Presale tickets are \$10 for adults through August 31st.



— Photo by Josh Luna

**BELTIN' IT OUT – Kiko Rodriguez, front man for Frontera Bugalu, performed at the first Village Vibes Music Festival in 2016. VVMF continues to work and raise funds to support Vinton's first Community Garden and Learning Center.**

Tickets are \$5 for children 12-5 years of age, and children 4 and under are free. Adult tickets will be \$15 after the presale period and at the gate.

If you have any questions or if you are interested in being a part of this year's festival contact the Village of Vinton at [info@vintontx.us](mailto:info@vintontx.us) or (915) 886-5104.

## Socorro ISD rewarded for strong financial accountability

By Christy Flores-Jones  
*Special to the Courier*

EL PASO COUNTY – The Socorro Independent School District has earned three Transparency Stars from the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts program, which recognizes local governments for going above and beyond in their financial transparency efforts.

The stars earned are for traditional finance, debt obligations and contracts and procurement. SISD is one of two school districts in the state that earned the three stars.

"We are proud of this recognition because it shows we are committed to maintaining a fiscally responsible budget, investing in our students and employees,

while remaining transparent with our community," said Tony Reza, SISD Chief Financial Officer.

Team SISD is committed to maintaining financial integrity, full disclosure and responsibly managing taxpayer funds, and has earned other various other recognitions in this realm.

For seven consecutive years, Socorro ISD has earned an A in the School Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas. SISD scored 98 points out of 100 possible points on the ratings, the highest among school districts in the region. The rating cites the district as accountable in financial management practices and providing the maximum allocation for instructional purposes.

The district also earned the 2016 Texas Association of School Business Officials

Award of Merit for Purchasing & Operations for maintaining professional standards in the acquisition of goods and services.

In addition, the Fitch Rating Agency reaffirmed strong bond ratings for SISD maintaining its underlying financial rating of AA. Factors that support the AA rating include the District's above average revenue growth, revenue raising capacity, strong gap-closing capacity and low fixed costs. Moody's Investors Service assigned SISD an Aa2 underlying bond rating based on a stable financial outlook and an Aaa enhanced rating based on a guarantee from the Texas Permanent School Fund. Moody's cited the district's robust financial position, large and growing tax base, and manageable pension burden.

# Canutillo ISD fills three key positions

By Andrew Reynoso  
Special to the Courier

CANUTILLO – The Canutillo

Independent School District has filled three new key leadership appointments. The District recently named Dr. Oscar Rico as Principal of Jose J. Alderete Middle School. He is entering his 14th year as a professional educator. Rico began his career as an educator and high school football coach in 2003 at Clint

High School followed by a seven-year tenure at Parkland High School in Ysleta ISD. During his time as a high school Science teacher, Rico taught Biology and was inspired to become an instructional leader. He served as an administrator for the past four years in El Paso ISD, most recently as an assistant principal at Franklin High School.

“It is an honor to be the new principal of Alderete Middle School,” Rico said. “In its 11-year history, the campus has built a tradition of academic excellence that is supported by its amazing faculty and staff. This year will be a paramount year at the campus and I look forward to working with all the staff, students, parents and the community as we continue to make AMS the best!”

Rico holds several degrees and most recently completed a Doctorate in Educational Leadership from the University



Principal Oscar Rico

of Texas at El Paso. He defended his dissertation, titled “Mexican American High School Dropouts: A look at nine personal attributes that place students at risk”,

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## Public Notice Tornillo Independent School District SECTION 504 SERVICES

The Tornillo Independent School District provides the following educational services/options to identified students with disabilities who reside within the district.

- ◆ Child find activities to notify students with disabilities and their parents of their rights and the district’s obligation to provide a free, appropriate public education.
- ◆ Referrals to Sections 504 when it is believed the students have a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities and the students are in need of educational accommodations.
- ◆ Procedural safeguards under Section 504.
- ◆ Evaluations of students to determine eligibility for the Section 504 program.
- ◆ Placement into the Section 504 program, which means the student may receive:
  - ✓ individually planned modifications in the regular classroom,
  - ✓ transportation services to and from school,
  - ✓ health services from the school nurse,
  - ✓ accommodations regarding access to any part of the campus, or
  - ✓ assistance in reading for students with dyslexia in a reading program which meets the state’s standards for a dyslexia reading program.
- ◆ Special education services are available to Section 504 students, if the students qualify for one of the specific disabilities under special education.

If you would like more information or know of a disabled child who is not receiving educational services, please contact Norma Castillo, Section 504 Coordinator, P.O. Box 170 19200 Cobb Avenue, Tornillo, TX 79853, (915) 765-3040.

### SERVICIOS DE LA SECCION 504

El distrito escolar independiente de Tornillo provee los siguientes servicios/ opciones educacionales a los estudiantes con discapacidades identificados que residen dentro del distrito.

- ◆ Actividades para encontrar a niños para notificar a los estudiantes con discapacidades y a sus padres de sus derechos y de las obligaciones del distrito a proporcionar una educación publica que sea gratuita y apropiada.
- ◆ Referimientos a la Sección 504 cuando se cree que el estudiante tiene una discapacidad mental o fisica que limita substancialmente una o mas actividades vitales importantes y los estudiantes necesitan modificaciones en su educación.
- ◆ Derechos legales garantizados bajo Sección 504.
- ◆ Evaluaciones de estudiantes para determinar si califican para el programa de la Sección 504.
- ◆ Colocación dentro del programa de la Sección 504, lo que significa que el estudiante puede recibir:
  - ✓ modificaciones en el salon de educación regular planeadas individualmente,
  - ✓ servicios de transporte para la escuela y para atras,
  - ✓ servicios de salud por la enfermera de la escuela,
  - ✓ cambios que garanticen el acceso a cualquier parte de la escuela,
  - ✓ ayuda en lectura para estudiantes con dislexia en un programa de lectura que cumpla con los requisitos que pide el estado a un programa de lectura de dislexia.
- ◆ Se ofrecen servicios de educación especial a los estudiantes Sección 504, si los estudiantes califican para una de las discapacidades especificas bajo educación especial.

Si usted desea más información o conoce a niños con discapacidades que no estan recibiendo servicios educativos, por favor comuniquese con Norma Castillo, Coordinador de la Sección 504, P.O. Box 170 19200 Cobb Avenue, Tornillo, TX 79853, (915) 765-3040.

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## CryptoQuip Answer

Much-watched sitcom about a man who favored certain kinds of notebooks: “I Love Loose-Leaf.”

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**EVERYBODY'S HAPPY** – Bryan Saucedo, left, and Alan Sanchez – with their moms wrapped around their necks – officially received scholarships to attend Western Technical College.

# Saucedo, Sanchez awarded first scholarships from new group

By Jose Luis Silva-Smith  
*Special to the Courier*

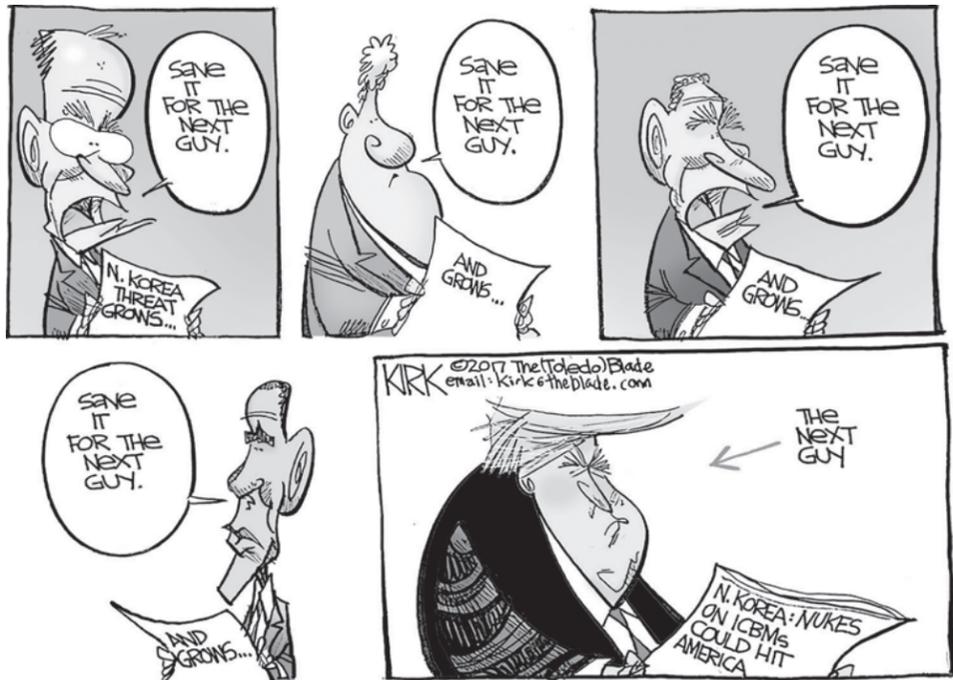
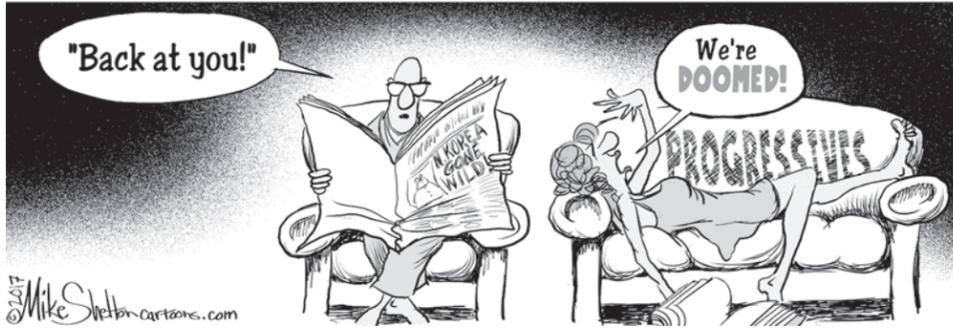
FABENS – Bryan Saucedo and Alan Sanchez, Fabens High School grads, were awarded scholarships to attend Western Technical College at a ceremony held on August 16. They are the first scholarship recipients from the Cotton Valley Scholars of the Rural Schools Education Program and Scholarship Foundation.

The scholarships were donated by Western Technical College and they will cover half of their tuition, laptops, books, tools, Commercial Driver's Licenses and all other materials required to complete the diesel technology program.

These were the first scholarships the

newly created non-profit organization has awarded. It is an initiative of Representative Georgina C. Perez, District 1, of the Texas School Board of Education. The organization currently serves the students, school districts and communities of Fabens, Ft. Hancock, San Elizario, and Tornillo.

The awards ceremony, held at Western Technical College, was followed by a reception for the scholarship recipients and their families. The Bowie HS Mariachi band performed for the event. Students, parents, and community members from these schools are encouraged to seek information about the various programs and scholarship opportunities provided by this organization by visiting its website at <http://www.ruralschoolseducation.org>.



## Veterans Post By Freddy Groves

### Hard to fire bad VA employees

The Department of Veterans Affairs doesn't typically air its dirty laundry in public, but a recent press release included the headline "MSPB forces VA to take back fired official" – just when we thought they were able to unload bad employees.

In April 2017, the director of a VA medical center was demoted. The center kept running out of critical supplies because it had no inventory system, and the surgical supplies they did have were frequently kept in dirty storage areas. The VA Office of the Inspector General report used the phrase "the highest level of chaos." In three years there had been over 190 reports of compromised patient safety. Multiple serious surgeries had to be canceled due to lack of equipment. In short, the place was a mess. The VA demoted the medical director within hours.

In June, President Donald Trump signed the VA Accountability Act, which speeds the process of getting rid of rotten employees.

Enter the VAOIG, which found another reason to fire the guy: As part of yet another investigation of this employee, it discovered he had been sending VA emails to his personal accounts as well as to his wife, emails that contained sensitive personnel info as far back as 2012. He refused to give her email address, claiming spousal privilege (which didn't stop the VAOIG from finding it, of course). The guy was fired.

One day later, the Merit Systems Protection Board issued a stay order: The VA couldn't fire the guy until the MSPB waded through his claim of a wrongful termination. The former director is back at work, on the payroll, but in a role that keeps him away from patient care. The Office of Special Counsel will assess the information in light of the act the president signed in June.

# Canutillo HS class observes 50th anniversary

in 1964. Prior to CHS's opening, students living in the upper valley community had to travel the approximately 25 miles (one way) to El Paso High School if they wanted to continue their education after eighth grade.

**By Alfredo Vasquez**  
*Special to the Courier*

CANUTILLO – Over 200 exes and friends showed up for the fiftieth Class Reunion and Fundraiser for Canutillo High School's (CHS) Class of 1967. CHS alumni and the Canutillo Sun-Up Optimist Club hosted the event. Musical entertainment was provided by the popular Little Mike and the Blue Kings Band.

The special celebration was held at the Sunland Park Casino Signature Show Room. Attendees included alumni from the many CHS graduation classes, Sun-Up

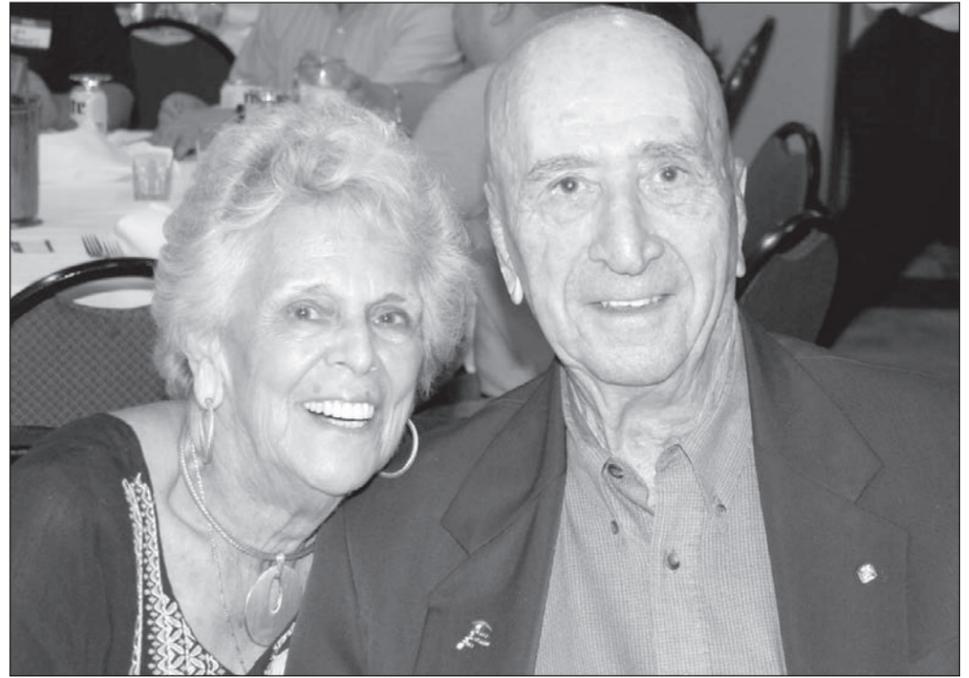
Optimist Club members, and a contingent of Little Mike's fan club followers. The celebration included dinner and a dance.

During the evening event, a silent auction was held and netted \$1,100, which will go for a scholarship to a deserving senior from the Class of 2018 who is enrolled at Canutillo High School or the Northwest Early College High School.

"We had a great time during the reunion, and the members of the Class of '67 are now planning to participate in this year's homecoming activities this fall, as well as sponsor other fundraisers for scholarships in the near future," stated Teddy Martinez, a CHS Class of '67 graduate and one of

the reunion event coordinator.

CHS was opened for the 1959-60 school year. Its first graduating class was



– Photo courtesy of Teddy Martinez

**TAKE A LAP** – Coach Julius Lowenberg was Canutillo High School's all-around coach in the early years. He and his wife, Irene, were among the special guests attending the 50th anniversary reunion for the Class of 1967. Lowenberg got together with former student-athletes for a photo on Page 5

## El Paso County Tornillo Water Improvement District Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Rate

The EL PASO COUNTY TORNILLO WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2016 on Thursday, August 31, 2017, at 6:00 p.m., at the Tornillo ISD High School Cafeteria, 430 Old Mill, Tornillo, TX 79853. Your individual taxes may increase or decrease, depending on the change in taxable value of your property in relation to the change in the taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

- FOR** the proposal: **Jose Luis Soria, Eliberto Nuñez, Nancy Tarin, Alonzo Flores, and Aide Rivera**
- AGAINST** the proposal: **NONE**
- PRESENT** and not voting: **NONE**
- ABSENT:** **Loretta G. Aguilar and Eusebio Villa, Jr.**

The following table compares taxes on an average residence homestead in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average residence homestead this year.

	Last Year	This Year
	Adopted	Proposed
Total tax rate (per \$100 value)	0.105000/\$100	0.112000/\$100
Difference in rates per \$100 of value	\$ 0.007000/\$100	
Percentage increase / decrease in rates (+/-)	+ 6.67%	
Average appraised value	\$ 57,678	\$ 57,678
General exemptions available (excluding senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	\$ 0	\$ 0
Average taxable value	\$ 57,678	\$ 57,678
Tax on average residence homestead	\$ 60.56	\$ 64.60
Annual increase / decrease in taxes if proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-)	+ \$ 4.04	
and percentage of increase (+/-)	+ 6.67%	

### NOTICE OF TAXPAYERS' RIGHT TO ROLLBACK ELECTION

If taxes on the average residence homestead increase by more than eight percent, the qualified voters of the district by petition may require that an election be held to determine whether to reduce the operation and maintenance tax rate to the rollback tax rate under Section 49.236(d), Water Code.

## Notice of Tax Revenue Increase

The **EL PASO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #1** conducted public hearings on August 17, 2017 and August 23, 2017 on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of the **EL PASO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #1** from the properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 0.006697 percent.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised last year at last year's tax rate of \$0.097353 for each \$100 of taxable value was \$1,982,613.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised this year at the proposed tax rate of \$0.099468 for each \$100 of taxable value, excluding tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year, is \$2,126,954.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised this year at the proposed tax rate of \$0.099468 for each \$100 of taxable value, including tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax toll this year, is \$2,281,219.

The **EL PASO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #1** is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on August 31, 2017 at 14151 Nunda Ave., Horizon City, TX 79928 at 6:00 PM.

The **EL PASO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #1** proposes to use the increase in total tax revenue for the purpose of Maintenance, Operations, and Capital Improvements for the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year.

## Moments in Time

The History Channel

- On Sept. 4, 1972, U.S. swimmer Mark Spitz wins his record seventh gold medal at the 1972 Summer Olympics in Munich. The record would stand until Michael Phelps took home eight gold medals at the Beijing Games in 2012.

- On Sept. 5, 1666, firefighters in London begin blowing up homes in a desperate attempt to halt the spread of a great fire through the city. By the time the fire was finally extinguished the following day, more than 100,000 people had been left homeless.

- On Sept. 6, 1915, a prototype tank nicknamed Little Willie rolls off the assembly line in England. Little Willie was far from a success. It weighed 14 tons, overheated, got stuck in trenches and crawled over rough terrain at only 2 mph.

- On Sept. 7, 1950, Julie Kavner, perhaps best known as the voice of Marge Simpson on "The Simpsons," is born in Los Angeles. Before taking on the role of the famously blue-haired housewife, Kavner played Brenda Morgenstern on "Rhoda."

- On Sept. 8, 1986, "The Oprah Winfrey Show" is broadcast nationally for the first time. Her daytime television talk show turned Winfrey into one of the most powerful, wealthiest people in show business.

- On Sept. 9, 1893, President Grover Cleveland's wife, Frances, gives birth in the White House to the couple's daughter Esther. She remains the only child of a president to be born in the White House.

- On Sept. 10, 1940, in light of the destruction and terror inflicted on Londoners by German bombing raids, called "the Blitz," the British War Cabinet instructs British bombers over Germany to drop their bombs "anywhere" if unable to reach their targets. One of them even landed in the garden of Joseph Goebbels, the Nazi Party's minister of propaganda.

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– Photo courtesy of Teddy Martinez

**FIFTEEN EAGLES AND THEIR COACH** – Reunion attendees that were CHS athletes in their heyday gather together with their former Coach Julius Lowenberg (back row, second from right) for this photo. See story on Page 4.

# Horizon City's new neighborhood hospital opens this summer.



We believe compassionate emergency care begins with community, which is why The Hospitals of Providence is bringing you a new, fully-licensed hospital that's right in your neighborhood.

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# Super teams keep getting stronger across the board

By Steve Escajeda  
Special to the Courier

Football season is upon us and although every team, both college and the NFL, is currently enjoying an 0-0 record, definite favorites have emerged.

In the NFL, the consensus is that the New England Patriots are far and away the best team in the league.

All the experts feel that only an injury to Tom Brady can cost them the Super Bowl.

And even though they were upset in the championship game a year ago, Alabama is the clear-cut favorite to rule college football again.

The Patriots and the Crimson Tide have been at the top of their respective football worlds for many years now. And that's the way things have been in sports lately, the best get better by stacking the deck.

In the NFL it's great front office decisions and coaching. In college it's great recruiting and coaching.

Look what happened to the Golden State Warriors; already NBA champions and coming off the best regular season in

league history, they go out and sign one of the top three players in the league.

When Kevin Durant made his "if you can't beat them, join them" decision, every expert and fan said that was it, the championship had been decided – and they were right.

Super teams take on the persona of super villains. Everybody loves a villain they can root against.

I mean where would Luke Skywalker be without Darth Vader? Where would Batman be without the Joker? Where would Dorothy be without the Wicked Witch, I know, I know – Kansas, but I think you get my drift.

But for every fan that loves a villain, another fan would like more competitive balance.

Well, the competitive balance thing may have taken another hit with the news last week of the Duke Blue Devils landing 6-11 center Marvin Bagley.

The truth is that Bagley is trying to qualify academically to become eligible for this season. But if he's successful, he'll be playing for Duke.

This will give Coach K a total of four of the top 10 recruits in the nation.

And naturally all the pundits are predicting that Duke will win it all when March Madness comes around... um... in March.

How good is Bagley? Picture Kevin Durant with more speed and a much better game around the basket. Also, picture Kevin Durant playing great defense. I know it's difficult because Durant doesn't play defense, but if he did – he'd be Marvin Bagley.

If Bagley becomes eligible, it will make the season so much more interesting with the Darth Vader of basketball – Duke – being even Darthier and Vadier.

On the villain-o-meter, c'mon it's already Duke. Throw in the return of Grayson "the tripper" Allen and fans will really have a team to root against.

But will anybody be able to stop Coach K from recording his sixth national championship?

The UTEP Miners make news if they land a three-star recruit, Duke has landed four five-star athletes in one recruiting class. Talk about the rich just continuing to get richer.

In the old days it was the New York Yankees and the Boston Celtics and

the Los Angeles Lakers and the Dallas Cowboys who always seemed to stack the deck.

That's why they have as many haters as they do fans who love them.

The UCLA Bruins did it year after year under John Wooden and players like Kareem Abdul-Jabbar and Bill Walton.

Now it's UConn in women's basketball, though like Alabama football, they got upset on their way toward another championship last season.

Now just because they are odds-on favorites to win it all doesn't mean we can prematurely hand New England and Alabama their championship trophies.

And Duke will still have to earn its way to a national title.

But the fact that every year there are 80-90 percent of teams who know they have absolutely no chance of winning anything, could lessen interest in the sport.

In college sports, the best athletes narrow their choices to the best schools and now many pro free agents are getting together to form their own super teams.

Something should be done to limit teams from stacking the deck. Even Goliath gave David a fighting chance.

## A sporting view By Mark Vasto

### It's a big fight

Floyd Mayweather and Conor McGregor's world press tour was a brilliant marketing scheme that now has the entire world talking about the fight.

Mayweather, at 49-0, is putting it all on the line to go 50-0, eclipsing Rocky Marciano's record of 49 straight wins. He is a master showman and knows how to push people's buttons better than anyone since Muhammad Ali. For at least his past 20 fights, Mayweather has played the villain, and he plays it with such sincerity that it's really

hard for a lot of people to root for him... but you'll watch, and he'll keep cashing those \$100 million checks.

But Conor McGregor also is undefeated as a boxer. And he is a WORLD CHAMPION fighter. He is not a novice by any means. In terms of the pre-fight smack talk, there is little doubt that McGregor had the bigger mouth (and funnier lines) but that being said, the incessant profanities and racial allegations have unfortunately ruined much of that tour for posterity. Mayweather,

knowing how to manipulate, has tried to frame this fight in racial terms. He claims that McGregor slurred him, he wants to go that way and give himself enough motivation to win and win BIG. McGregor, in turn, rightfully accused Mayweather of being a wife-beater.

That's certainly not what this country needs right now. Mayweather needs to ditch that angle or else they should just call off the fight. First of all, it was already implied: We know that McGregor is white and Mayweather is black. To frame this fight as yet another "great white hope" misses the mark entirely, and it needs to stop.

So, we know McGregor talks a big game. But this fight is

something special, I can tell. It's literally the biggest fight since Ali-Foreman in terms of hype. I've studied McGregor's tapes, and this guy really has a shot at winning. He's a FIGHTER; dismissing that is ridiculous. He beat the brakes off of Pauli Malignaggi, according to the leaked tapes of his second sparring match with McGregor. And while the clip of the fight shows a definite push and not a knockdown, the 20 seconds before that showed sweat spraying off Malignaggi's head and him bailing into the ropes. It was an unfair fight because Paulie is older and out of shape, but I'm certain Paulie very much got the better of him in the early rounds.

But the films – and his highlight reels from the UFC – show that McGregor has stunning accuracy and is a killer counterpuncher. He's going to come out with savage fury and try to score the biggest upset in boxing history. McGregor is in serious shape and really believes he can do it. Self-actualization in action. He says he can break Mayweather's guard, and I believe him. His biggest worry is being disqualified for an illegal strike.

My money's on McGregor. We soon shall see.

*Mark Vasto is a veteran sportswriter who lives in New Jersey. (c) 2017 King Features Synd., Inc.*

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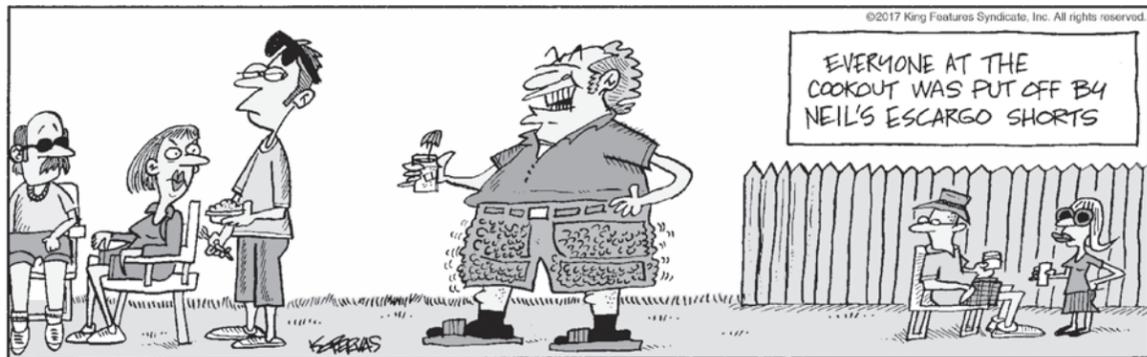
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# Comix

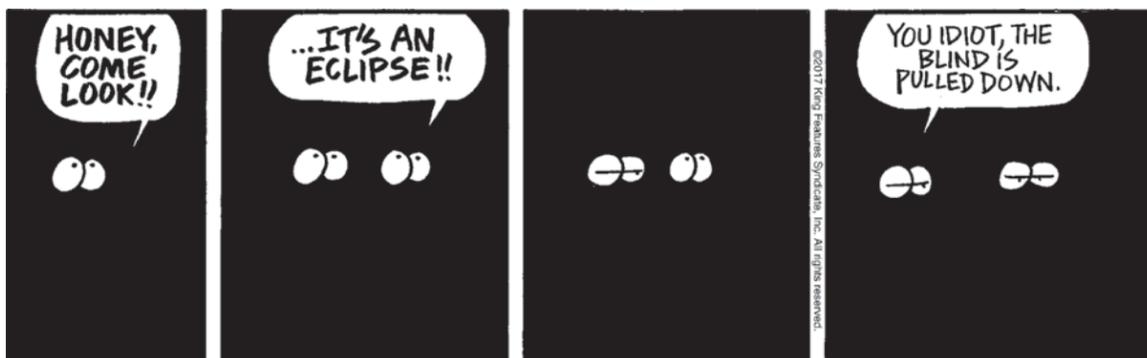
## OUT ON A LIMB By Gary Kopervas



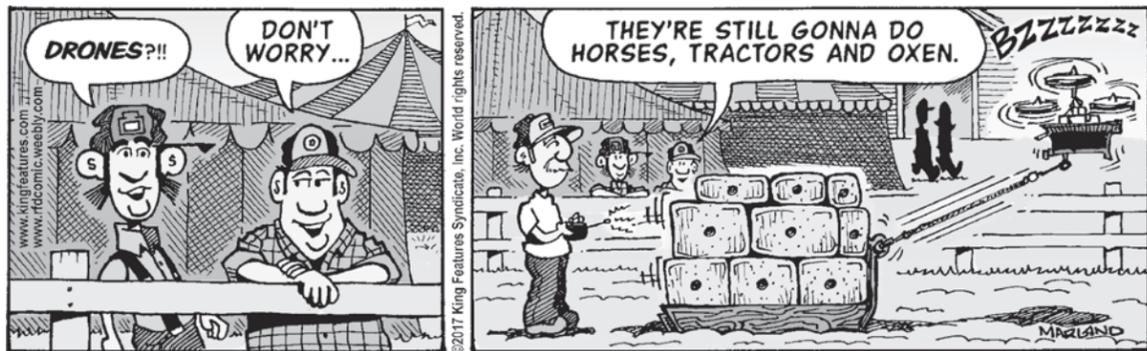
## AMBER WAVES By Dave T. Phipps



## THE SPATS By Jeff Pickering



## R.F.D. By Mike Marland



# Your good health By Keith Roach, M.D.

**DEAR DR. ROACH:** I am my experience with a prostate plagued with canker sores. I get treatment not covered in your article. I had no symptoms. A routine annual test revealed that my PSA had risen rapidly to 5.1. At the recommendation of my urologist, I had a biopsy (actually, 13 individual biopsies). My Gleason score of 7/8 predicted a painful death from prostate cancer if left untreated. My options were surgery or radiation therapy. I chose radiation, which consisted of nine weeks (45 treatments) of one or two minutes of actual radiation. Extreme caution was taken to avoid damage to other organs. I had no side effects during or after treatment. Two years later, my PSA is 0.04, and I expect to continue an active lifestyle at 82 years of age. – J.A.G.

Canker sores, also called aphthous ulcers, are painful sores that are located in the mouth. When they keep coming back, as in your case, it is called recurrent aphthous stomatitis (“stoma” is the Greek word for “mouth,” and is sometimes used for surgically created openings). While it isn’t clear why they occur, there have been studies that show there may be a defect in immune function in people with RAS, making it similar to Behcet’s syndrome. It may be associated with celiac disease and inflammatory bowel disease, and it can be triggered by many things, including stress, food and drug hypersensitivity and trauma.

The most common effective treatment I know of is a medium- or high-potency topical steroid. It can be prepared specifically for use on aphthous ulcers, such as Kenalog in Orabase, and this can speed up healing, especially when applied early. Some people swear by vitamins, but they were not found to be effective in a study.

Thalidomide, a potentially dangerous medication that has extremely high risk for birth defects, can be used in severe cases.

I appreciate you writing in to share your story. Most men I hear from have accepted surgery in your situation; however, many experts feel that radiation treatment offers a better balance of effectiveness and side effects than surgery. I did know an oncologist in a situation almost exactly like yours who also decided on radiation and had excellent results.

I do want to caution that a perfect outcome like yours is not guaranteed. I occasionally see men who, despite abundant caution, have developed radiation damage to the rectum or bladder. However, the risks with modern radiation therapy are low.

**READERS:** The new booklet on the prostate gland discusses cancer, enlargement, infections

**DEAR DR. ROACH:** I offer

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# Super Crossword

- CHOW TIME**
- ACROSS
  - 1 Last letter, to Brits
  - 4 Peeve
  - 8 Family car
  - 13 Scenic views, as of sea or land
  - 19 Schooner fill
  - 20 State boldly
  - 21 Put forth, as energy
  - 22 Nook
  - 23 All-points bulletin, e.g.
  - 26 Little laugh
  - 27 Bits
  - 28 Pulitzer Prize category
  - 29 “Great” title film role for Robert Duvall
  - 30 Politico Kefauver
  - 31 Pellets of precipitation
  - 32 Raising false alarms
  - 35 Low grade
  - 36 Barnyard feed
  - 37 CEO’s “C”
  - 38 Broadway honors
  - 39 Candid
  - 41 Mer liquid
  - 43 San \_ (California county or city)
  - 45 Distinctive barnyard sound
  - 50 Stephen of “Angie”
  - 51 Cat’s gripper
  - 55 28-Across set to
- music
- 56 Actress Maryam or Olivia
  - 57 Makes whole
  - 59 Facts and figures
  - 60 Snail as food
  - 62 \_ Bator, Mongolia
  - 64 Dangler on a grad’s cap
  - 66 201, to Ovid
  - 67 Storm flash
  - 71 Antique
  - 72 Soapsuds
  - 74 Brain flash
  - 75 “The Creation” by Haydn, e.g.
  - 77 Spots in la Seine
  - 78 Boogie, e.g.
  - 81 Warty animal
  - 83 Rear\_ (car crash)
  - 84 Irksome sort
  - 85 Adam’s madam
  - 86 Decorative cloth laid atop a bureau
  - 89 Wide-ranging
  - 91 Lyrical verse
  - 92 Per-unit cost
  - 93 Big foil maker
  - 97 See 89-Down
  - 99 Sneaking
  - 100 Needlefish
  - 103 A team often punts on it
  - 105 Really slow
  - 107 Berry of “X-Men” films
  - 109 Emu and ostrich
  - 110 Hopping mad
- 112 Indemnified
- 113 Sneaker part
- 114 Richard Belzer’s “Homicide: Life on the Street” role
- 117 Lined the roof of
- 118 15% taker
- 119 1492 ship
- 120 AFL partner
- 121 Actor James of “Gunsmoke”
- 122 Sapheads
- 123 Not hidden
- 124 What the ends of 23-, 32-, 45-, 67-, 86-, 103- and 114-Across are synonyms of
- DOWN**
- 1 Gave an electric jolt
  - 2 “The River” actress Mumford
  - 3 Backspace over, say
  - 4 Spiked clubs
  - 5 Currier’s art partner
  - 6 Grazed, e.g.
  - 7 TGIF’s “F”
  - 8 Neighbor of a petal
  - 9 Quiz’s cousin
  - 10 Cut off, e.g.
  - 11 Bow shape
  - 12 Indefinitely large
  - 13 The enemy below?
  - 14 Hold firmly
  - 15 Second play
- section
- 16 Magical drink
  - 17 Fair way to divy things
  - 18 Small letter flourishes
  - 24 Drink cubes
  - 25 Lanka lead-in
  - 29 Strained
  - 31 Shamefaced
  - 33 Top of a cup
  - 34 Pine (for)
  - 36 “You there!”
  - 37 \_-de-sac
  - 39 Gumbo soup vegetable
  - 40 Big name in eye care
  - 41 Die away
  - 42 Was plentiful
  - 44 Neighbor of Boyle Hts., California
  - 45 Bicycle pedal add-on
  - 46 Affluent
  - 47 Lists orally
  - 48 Cussword
  - 49 Arose (from)
  - 51 They made vinyl passe
  - 52 Former Dodgers manager Tommy
  - 53 Artist’s workplace
  - 54 Statler’s Muppet sidekick
  - 58 Leeds loc.
  - 61 Building beam
  - 63 Big fish story
- 65 Verify
  - 68 Habitual idiosyncrasy
  - 69 Snake types
  - 70 Tidy
  - 73 33rd U.S. prez
  - 76 In time past
  - 79 Eschews
  - 80 “Groovy!”
  - 82 Sugar suffix
  - 87 Turn bad
  - 88 Sunshine bit
  - 89 With 97-Across, has a huge fight
  - 90 \_ Jones Industrials
  - 93 Benin locale
  - 94 Auto shop courtesy
  - 95 Interrupts rudely
  - 96 Blue Jay rival
  - 98 As one
  - 99 Flying flocks
  - 100 Look quickly
  - 101 Keys of song
  - 102 Fiery
  - 104 Is mindful of
  - 105 Alliances
  - 106 Homer hitter Mel
  - 107 Macho type
  - 108 “The Simpsons” storekeeper
  - 111 City with lots of slots
  - 112 Painter Magritte
  - 114 Pops
  - 115 Self-esteem
  - 116 “C’est la \_!”

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# True Texas Facts by Roger T. Moore

Aug. 18, 1983 - Alicia, the most expensive hurricane in U.S. history hits Houston & Galveston.



## 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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# Canutillo

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in 2011. His work on at-risk students has been showcased at national conferences in 2011 and 2012.

Earlier this summer, Canutillo ISD named Tracy Andrews Director of Career and Technical Education (CTE). Andrews has more than 20 years' experience in public education. She began teaching CTE courses in Ysleta ISD at Bel Air High School in 2006 and also taught at Valle Verde Early College High School where she earned the distinction of 2012-2013 Teacher of the Year. Most recently, she served as the Dean of Students at Northwest Early College High School in Canutillo ISD from 2014 to 2017.

"It is my pleasure to be working with the students, parents, faculty and community of Canutillo," Andrews said. The CTE Department is dedicated to improving and expanding opportunities through rigorous, relevant courses and developing academic, technical and employment skills for high-wage, high-skill, high-demand positions. CTE plays a vital role in developing a well-

educated workforce that supports productivity and innovation with an emphasis on college and career readiness," she added.

Andrews holds a Bachelor of Science in Human Resources Management from Park University and a Masters of Education in Academic Administration with Mid-Management Certification from Sul Ross State University. She also has served as the Area Advisor and State Board Member of the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), a national student organization.

The District also recently selected Marco Macias as Food Service Director. He previously served as food service warehouse assistant in Canutillo from 2013 to 2016 and more recently Child Nutrition Manager in Anthony ISD. Macias earned a Master in Business Administration with Emphasis in Management and Leadership from Webster University in 2015.

"I am dedicated to meeting the nutritional needs of our students by providing quality meals with exceptional customer service," Macias said. "I am very diligent in maintaining food safety and sanitation standards and I will ensure that every child receives tasty, nutritious meals."

# 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: W equals O

LRSZ-UKPSZIT JMPSWL KGWRP

K LKX UZW DKNWCIT SICPKMX

BMXTJ WD XWPIGWBJ:

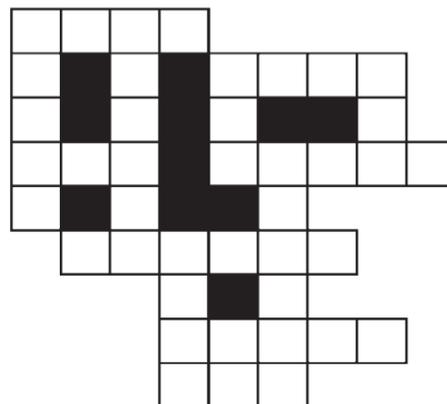
"M QWNI QWWJI-QIKD."

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- IPK
- SAGNIK
- EKLYA
- ♥EGPA
- ♥LENTAR
- ♥ATB
- OKRP
- REPOG
- GPU
- SARGIT
- ♥ELBEP
- IKTL



Answer Page 2

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

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# Strange But True

By Samantha Weaver

- It was pioneering Mexican-American musician Carlos Santana who made the following sage observation: "The most valuable possession you can own is an open heart. The most powerful weapon you can be is an instrument of peace."

- Those who study such things say that men who tend to be womanizers when they're single are more likely to be jealous husbands once they're married.

- Standing desks, stand ready: There's a new trend in workspaces. It seems that standing up while working isn't enough to counteract the detrimental health effects of sitting in an office chair all day. Enter Fluidstance, a company that wants to help you surf your way through the workday. Their balance boards, designed to be used with standing desks, reportedly increase heart rate and improve range of motion, allowing users to burn calories while burning their way through the mundane tasks of office life.

- Rats tend to be right-handed, too. Or, rather, "right-pawed."

- Driving isn't the only activity that is dangerous to mix with alcohol. Statistics show that 40 percent of skiers who get injured in the French Alps are legally drunk.

Thought for the Day: "Many people consider the things government does for them to be social progress but they regard the things government does for others as socialism."

— Earl Warren

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# Health

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and erectile dysfunction in detail. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Roach – No. 1001W, 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 up to four weeks for delivery.

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