



NEWSBRIEFS

Board meeting

The San Elizario ISD Board of Trustees will hold their November meeting on Wednesday, the 14th, at 5 p.m. The location is the District's Administration Offices at 1050 Chicken Ranch Rd. in San Elizario.

— Hector Gonzalez

Veterans Day

This Sunday El Paso veterans at the Ambrosio Guillen Texas State Veterans Home will hold a private ceremony for its residents and their guests. The event will feature a keynote address from Lt. Col. Richelle L. Goodin and remarks from retired CSM Hank Green. The reception will feature patriotic music from the First Armored Division Band, followed by special performances by the Amy Miller String Quartet, Rich Chorne Band, and Austin High School String Quartet. The formal ceremony will begin at 10 a.m. and is closed to the public but will welcome as many as 400 residents and invited guests. In addition, performances by Xavier Gonzalez and magic by Stephen L. Jackson will be featured.

— Karina Erikson

Veterans Day II

Veterans Day will take on a special meaning this November as the nation commemorates the 100th anniversary of the armistice that ended the world's first global conflict. To celebrate the anniversary, the U.S. World War I Centennial Commission is sponsoring a national *Bells of Peace* initiative on November 11. In a recent message, Governor Greg Abbott encouraged Texans to join the national effort honoring the 116,516 American lives lost and 200,000 wounded during the Great War. Schools, churches, organizations, and individuals can participate by tolling their bells 21 times, in five-second intervals, on Sunday, November 11, at 11 a.m. local time. The 21 bell tolls symbolize a 21-gun salute, one of the nation's highest honors. Visit worldwar1centennial.org for more information. Last year, in honor of the wider observance of the American World War I centennial that began on April 6, 1917, the Texas Historical Commission (THC) released its newest history guide and

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An excuse is a statement given to cover up for a task not done well or not done at all.

— Quips & Quotes



— Photo by Alfredo Vasquez

THE SIGN SAYS WELCOME – The Santa Fe port of entry in Downtown El Paso has hundreds of individuals crossing the bridge to and from Juarez, Mexico every day. U.S. Customs and Border Protection agency has seen recently a spike in migrants seeking asylum at the ports of entry.

Basic supplies needed to help immigrants

Catholic Diocese of El Paso offers shelter to travelers

By Alfredo Vasquez
Special to the Courier

EL PASO COUNTY – The United States federal government recently has been releasing migrants to the care of local churches and organizations across El Paso and Las Cruces. They have been arriving in El Paso on buses after being processed by U.S. Customs and Border Protection, which are releasing them because the agency does not have enough space to hold them.

According to Ruben Garcia, director of the Annunciation House, these indigent travelers have no connection to the caravan of thousands of migrants currently trying to make their way to the U.S. through Mexico.

Garcia stated that when more than the usual number of migrants arrive at the El Paso ports of entry seeking asylum, additional hospitality sites are open. “We will continue to open them as the need arises,” he said.

Consequently, the Catholic Diocese of El Paso has stepped up efforts to receive these migrants.

“We can do something,” Bishop Mark Seitz told reporters recently, “We have resources that they only dream of... and we can share.”

The bishop said that the El Paso diocese is offering temporary shelter to the migrants, to include food, a hot shower, and a telephone to get in touch with their families.

“If it’s a choice between a person spending the night in the cold on the street with nothing and coming here,

we’ll take them,” Seitz said. “When we serve someone in need, we firmly believe that God is going to provide.”

Seitz said that the number of immigrants crossing the border has spiked since a change in government policies, leaving the nonprofit shelters that help new immigrants, such as Annunciation House, beyond their capacity.

“We are really pleased that we, as a Catholic community, have the opportunity to encounter them and to help them in a really difficult situation,” Seitz added.

At the diocese shelters, the immigrants are given a place to drink water, eat dinner, take a warm shower and rest – many of them have gone without those basic things for days on their perilous journey- before they try to contact relatives already in this country.

Now, the diocese is reaching out to the El Paso community for volunteers and for several items to help the immigrants arriving in El Paso and seeking emergency shelter. Individuals and groups are needed to prepare meals (breakfast, lunch and dinner) at home and deliver to the hospitality centers.

Among the items needed for the hospitality centers are medicines: Acetaminophen liquid for children, tablets or capsules for adults; Ibuprofen liquid for children, tablets or capsules for adults; liquid cold medicine for children and adults; Pepto-Bismol for children and adults; Mylanta for children and adults; antacid chewables for children and adults; Pedialyte; antihistamines liquid for children, tablets or capsules for adults; cough medicine for children and adults; cough lozenges; Vaseline;

Vicks VapoRub; and a scale to weigh persons.

Also needed are food items, like bottled water, juice drinks that are easy to distribute, granola bars, fruit, cereal, milk, packaged snacks, bread, peanut butter and jelly, hot dogs and buns, cold cuts for sandwiches, ketchup, pickles, mayonnaise, mustard, canned chili beans, canned green beans, canned pinto beans, and canned corn.

Other items needed include plastic utensils (forks, knives, spoons), 8-ounce cups, 9-inch plates, small bowls, napkins, aluminum foil rolls, and Ziploc bags. Additionally, travel-size toiletry supplies are needed: shampoo, soap, deodorant, toothbrush, toothpaste, moisturizing cream, comb, and toilet paper.

Other miscellaneous items in need are: car seats, linen (twin sheets, pillows, pillow cases and towels); new underwear for men, women and children (mostly small and medium); tennis shoes (from 2-year-old to adults); socks and jeans for men, women, and children; and coats.

Sites that are currently offering temporary accommodations to the migrants are: in El Paso – Annunciation House, Blessed Sacrament Church, Loretto Academy, St. Charles Seminary Martyrs Hall, and Centro San Juan Diego Church; in Las Cruces – El Calvario Methodist Church, Holy Cross Retreat Center, and Peace Lutheran Church.

Individuals who want to volunteer should send their name, phone number, and times available, to refugees@annunciationhouse.org, and state that they want to volunteer at the shelter and/or donate items.

San Elizario High School opens library to the community

By Hector Gonzalez
Special to the Courier

SAN ELIZARIO – San Elizario High School’s (SEHS) library is officially open to the community of San Elizario and residents can check-out up to six books, use the computers, and print documents for a small fee of a quarter per page.

“The availability of libraries to San Elizario citizens is scarce, therefore, our library is a true treasure,” said Belinda Muñoz, SEHS librarian. “The library provides a variety of reading materials for community members, such as an assortment of fiction and nonfiction books, which range from early childhood to adult.”

In order to check-out books, visitors will need to present their ID with a current San Elizario address and a utility bill with a current San Elizario address as well. For the use of computers and printers, visitors will need to fill-out and sign an Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) form.

Georgina Diaz, Instructional Officer for San Elizario ISD, says the SEHS library is an integral component of the city of San Elizario.

“I encourage members of the San Eli community to take advantage of the community library. Literacy improves the future of everyone in society, and it is critical to individual and community well-being,” Diaz said.

The SEHS community library is located at 13981 Socorro Road and is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday thru Friday.



– Photo courtesy of San Elizario ISD

COME ON DOWN – San Eli residents can now use this library at San Elizario High School during the week from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

View from here By Jane M. Orient, M.D.

What to do about a caravan of rag-tag migrants

The narrative appears to be that thousands of oppressed peoples spontaneously decided, all at once, to flee a murderous, corrupt government in Central America, and walk to the U.S., in time for election day, to plead for asylum and begin to work hard for a better life in the U.S. (Take note: it is a “caravan” not an “army.”)

We see photos of a mass of walking people, including women, some carrying babies. There are photos of a resting

crowd, some tending to infants.

Some are waving flags of the purportedly evil regimes they are fleeing – such as Honduras. Some are receiving cash from men in white T-shirts. Some are reportedly receiving gifts of sandals or food from charitable Mexicans.

But there are some questions that surely have occurred to the Trump Administration, and even to the mainstream media.

The distance from Honduras to the U.S. border is about 2,000

miles, and from Mexico City to the border about 1,000 miles. How far can soldiers on a forced march travel in a day, day after day? How about an impoverished woman carrying a baby?

Where is the supply caravan? People are not carrying heavy back packs full of provisions. It is said that an army marches on its stomach. What about these people?

No sanitary facilities are visible. What does the trail look like after the crowd has passed?

What happens to people that faint or just can’t walk any farther? Are they being trampled and left on the ground? Are Doctors Without Frontiers on the scene?

Apparently Mexican police tried to stop the throng on the southern border, but the barrier was violently torn down and some police officers assaulted. The migrants got around a blockade on a bridge – some by swimming.

It is understandable that a

thousand federales could not stop a mass of several thousands, at least if not willing to fire on a multitude that puts women and children in front. So, what to do?

Obviously, the horde will not make it in a few weeks by walking. There are reports of flatbed trucks or other transportation vehicles.

How can law enforcement stop a truck? How about a roadblock? How hard is it to arrest the driver for transporting persons who entered Mexico illegally, and to impound the truck? It could be sold to pay for chartering a fleet of southward-bound buses. How about women and children first, with food and water available on board once the doors are closed and the bus is rolling? Violent persons or those who try to run away could be detained in Mexican jails.

Why wouldn’t the authorities do this? Were they threatened or bribed? By whom?

Are there not laws to freeze funds flowing to organizations that bribe officials or support persons evading the law?

Some people in the caravan are drug smugglers, terrorists, or human traffickers. Many are likely guilty of sexually abusing the women in the caravan. Some of the strong men of military age may just be looking for work, but some may be soldiers in an invading army. How do we know? The rest are probably hostages and human shields, likely duped by false promises, a front group



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Canutillo Independent School District Public Notice

Canutillo Independent School District will hold a public hearing to consider the results of the District’s Accelerated Instruction Program Evaluation – EHBC (Legal) as part of a regular School Board meeting which is scheduled for 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 13, 2018, at the Canutillo Administrative Offices Board Room, 7965 Artcraft, El Paso, TX 79932. The public is invited to attend.

For more information, call 915-877-7441.

Distrito Escolar Independiente de Canutillo Junta Pública

El Distrito Escolar Independiente de Canutillo tendrá una Reunión Pública para informar sobre la aplicación del distrito para el plan para para considerar los resultados de la Evaluación del Programa de Instrucción Acelerada del Distrito – EHBC (Legal). El reporte será parte de la reunión de la Mesa Directiva del distrito programada para el martes, 13 de noviembre del 2018 a las 6:00 p.m. en la sala de junta de las oficinas Administrativas de Canutillo ubicada en 7965 Artcraft, El Paso, TX 79932. Todos los interesados están invitados a asistir.

Para mas información, favor de llamar al 877-7441.

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America's loser problem

It's not any less awful for being so familiar.

The last three high-profile attacks that have convulsed the nation, two in recent weeks, have been carried out by fringe loners who fit the stereotype of the perpetrators of such crimes precisely – they didn't fit in, they were "off," they kept to themselves.

The word that comes up again and again in accounts of their lives is "alone," always alone.

The life of Cesar Sayoc, who mailed crude pipe bombs to Democrats ranging from George Soros to Hillary Clinton to Robert De Niro, was a pitiable wreck. His father abandoned his family as a child, and after dropping out of college, Sayoc lived with his grandmother. Then he went from place to place, performing as a male stripper. He compiled a record of petty crime, lost his home, declared bankruptcy. He was estranged from his family and resisted its pleas for him to get help. Sayoc lived out of his van, bizarrely festooned with pro-Trump stickers.

Not much is known about Robert Bowers – the Pittsburgh synagogue shooter – besides his vile social media postings. A childhood friend called him "pretty much a ghost." He may have dropped out of high school.

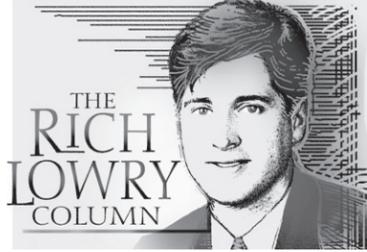
As an adult, he lived alone in an apartment, and no one ever came to see him. One neighbor said she couldn't remember Bowers ever talking to anyone."

The Parkland school shooter, Nikolas Cruz, was left with no parents after the death of his adoptive mother. He was expelled from Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School, where he was an outcast. He was reportedly depressed and had other behavioral problems. Police were called constantly to his home. A defense attorney called him "a broken child."

None of this, of course, is to excuse in the slightest the heinous crimes of these men, or to deny the existence of pure, unadulterated evil. Murderous haters and kooks have been with us forever, as has anti-Semitism. Yet the social pattern is clear.

The phrase "deaths of despair" has entered the nation's vocabulary to denote the rise of mortality among a subset of working-class whites from suicide, drugs and alcohol. Its declining longer life expectancy is one of the most stunning trends in American life. The at-risk population tends to be unmarried, disconnected from civil society, marginally employed and largely on their own.

One way to look at recent



mass killings (or attempted killings) is as the handiwork of a very small, violent fringe of the socially disconnected. Their destructiveness is directed outward, in cowardly acts of mindless malice, rather than inward. They marinate in hate and proudly share their lunatic obsessions online, in a twisted simulacrum of community. They seek their identity in political extremism, Jew-hatred or the hellish idolatry of school shootings.

Their crimes are, in their diseased view, feats of grandeur. They give them a chance at perverse consequence and notoriety otherwise not available to them in their marginal lives and social isolation.

It's evil and pathetic, infuriating and sad, and, by the looks of it, a persistent feature of 21st-century American life. What Emile Durkheim called anomie has been weaponized, and it's horrifying to behold.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review. (c) 2018 by King Features Synd., Inc.

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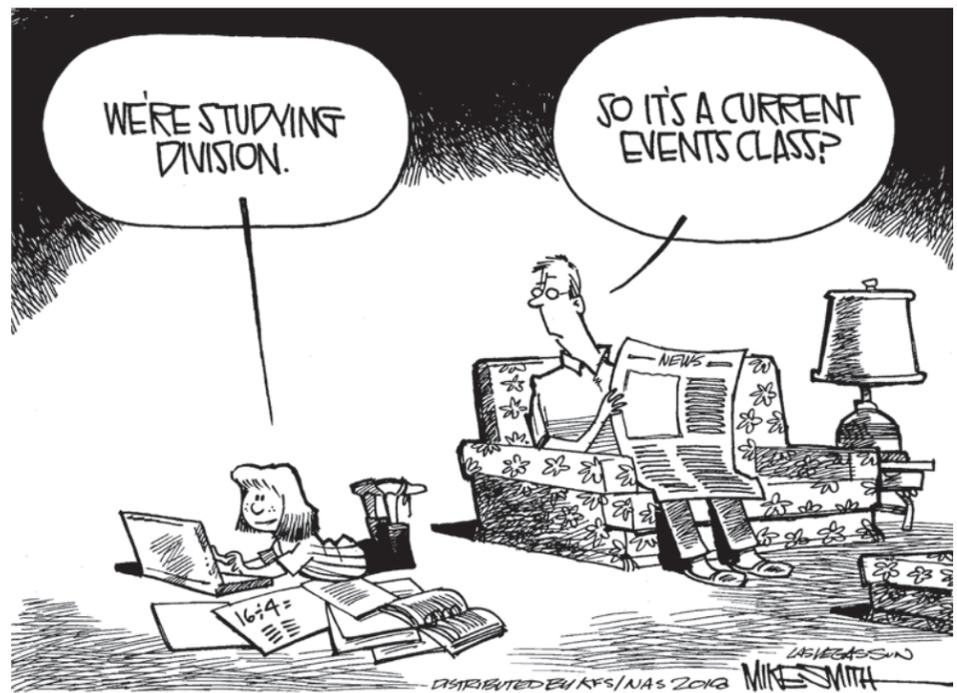
Notice of Public Hearing to Discuss Tornillo Independent School District's State Financial Accountability Rating

Tornillo Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 5:30 PM, Wednesday, November 28, 2018, in the boardroom of the W.E. Neill Service Center, at 19210 Cobb Ave., Tornillo, Texas 79853.

The purpose of this hearing is to discuss Tornillo Independent School District's rating on the state's financial accountability system.

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Caravan

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exploited to capture sympathy. If they really are legitimate asylum seekers, who cannot safely return to their country, how about a UN-run displaced persons (DP) camp, like the camps that sheltered millions after World War II until they could go back home or to a new, legal home?

A background check to identify criminals, public health screening and a period of quarantine to rule out incubating diseases, examination and

interviews to detect abuse, medical treatment, removal of ectoparasites such as lice and fleas, clean water, decent food, adequate sanitation, and a safe environment – all this would protect the migrants as well as the people of the country that ultimately receives them.

Why aren't the self-proclaimed advocates for the poor and downtrodden advocating a solution like this? Is their aim to help these people, or to destabilize the U.S. system of government and the rule of law? Why do they want to endanger Americans by releasing possibly violent criminals or persons

carrying deadly diseases? Incidentally, the incubation period for diseases like measles is longer than the 20-day limit for detaining children under the Flores doctrine.

How about redirecting foreign aid to DP camps – which are refuges, not detention facilities – rather than to governments that oppress their people or facilitate law-breaking?

Jane M. Orient, M.D. obtained her undergraduate degrees in chemistry and mathematics from the University of Arizona in Tucson, and her M.D. from Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons in 1974. She completed an internal medicine residency at Parkland Memorial Hospital and University of Arizona Affiliated Hospitals and then became an Instructor at the University of Arizona College of Medicine and a staff physician at the Tucson Veterans Administration Hospital. She has been in solo private practice since 1981 and has served as Executive Director of the Association of American Physicians and Surgeons (AAPS) since 1989. She is currently president of Doctors for Disaster Preparedness. Since 1988, she has been chairman of the Public Health Committee of the Pima County (Arizona) Medical Society.

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mobile app tour, *Texas and the Great War*. The travel guide shares the stories of notable Texans who served in World War I and outlines travel destinations for heritage tourists interested in discovering the real stories of Texas' home front contributions to the war effort and the places that preserve them. For more information about heritage travel opportunities in Texas, visit TexasTimeTravel.com, where you can download or order a free copy of the THC's *Texas and the Great War*.

– Leah Brown

Ride 'em cowboy!

Hawaiian cowboys apparently prefer jet skis rather than horses when they are on a roundup. A lasso wielding man on a jet ski was seen in the waters off the island of Kauai in the aftermath of recent torrential flooding chasing a bison that got loose during the storm. Observers said he successfully roped the buffalo saving its life.

– John Grimaldi

Strange BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

- It was British philosopher, logician, mathematician, historian, writer, social critic and political activist – and, not insignificantly, Nobel laureate – Bertrand Russell who made the following sage observation: “The fundamental cause of trouble in this world is that the stupid are cocksure while the intelligent are full of doubt.”

- In an odd coincidence, President Abraham Lincoln had a secretary named Kennedy, and President John F. Kennedy had a secretary named Lincoln. Kennedy the secretary told Lincoln the president that he shouldn't go to Ford's Theatre the night he was shot; Lincoln the secretary tried to convince Kennedy the president not to go on a trip to Dallas, where he was shot.

- If you're like the average man, your beard grows about half an inch every month.

- Those who study such things claim that an average bank robber in the United States nets about \$4,000 for every job. No info at hand on how the researches acquired their data.

- You might think that hot dogs are a relatively recent food offering, but you'd be wrong. The first sausages were created more than 3,500 years ago when ancient Babylonians began stuffing spiced meat into the intestines of animals.

- The fastest of all non-domesticated canines, the African wild dog can sprint faster than 40 mph.

- Many people make provisions in their wills for their pets; it's the compassionate thing to do. Singer Dusty Springfield went a bit further than most, though; she specified that her cat was to be fed only imported baby food.

Thought for the Day: “Every man possesses three characters: that which he exhibits, that which he really has, and that which he believes he has.”

–Jean-BaptisteAlphonseKarr

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• On Nov. 19, 1863, at the dedication of a military cemetery at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, President Abraham Lincoln delivers one of the most memorable speeches in American history. In just 272 words, Lincoln reminded a war-weary public why the Union had to fight, and win, the Civil War.

• On Nov. 20, 1967, San Jose State College students demonstrate against Dow Chemical, the maker of napalm. Napalm was an acronym derived from naphthetic and palmic acids, whose salts were used to make the jellied gasoline – napalm – used in flame-throwers and bombs.

• On Nov. 21, 1877, Thomas Edison announces his invention of the phonograph, a way to record and play back sound. He used a stylus on a tinfoil cylinder to play back a song he had recorded, “Mary Had a Little Lamb.”

• On Nov. 22, 2002, the James Bond movie “Die Another Day,” starring Pierce Brosnan as the fictional British secret-service agent 007, opens in theaters. Its debut came almost exactly 40 years after the first Bond movie, “Dr. No,” was released.

• On Nov. 23, 1972, secret peace talks resume in Paris between Henry Kissinger and Le Duc Tho, the North Vietnamese representative. The talks deadlocked weeks later, leading President Richard Nixon to order the massive “Christmas bombing” campaign to break the impasse.

• On Nov. 24, 1932, the FBI crime lab officially opens in Washington, D.C. The single room lab, chosen because it had a sink, had scant equipment and was used primarily as a public relations tool.

• On Nov. 25, 1986, Attorney General Edwin Meese reveals that proceeds from arms sales to Iran were illegally diverted to the anti-communist Contras in Nicaragua. President Ronald Reagan accepted the resignation of his national security adviser, Vice Admiral John Poindexter, and fired Lt. Col. Oliver North, a Poindexter aide.

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View from here *By John Grimaldi*

Elder abuse is a growing concern

Authorities need to act but friends and families are the first line of defense

As the population ages, incidents of elder abuse increase, according to the World Health Organization. WHO estimates that almost 17% of seniors 60 years of age and older have experienced some form of abuse over the past 12 months.

“Nearly 42 million residents of the U.S. are 60 years old. That means more than seven million seniors were ill-treated by caregivers, family members and even friends last year. But, the alarming fact is that segment of the population is growing exceptionally fast. In fact, each day 10,000 more citizens turn 65. The Census Bureau estimates that by the year 2035, 78 million citizens and immigrants living in America will be 65 years old and older. Does that mean 17% of them, 13 or 14 million seniors, will be in danger of being victimized,” asks Dan Weber, president of the Association of Mature American Citizens.

It is up to state and local governments to ensure that vulnerable senior citizens are protected, but it is also a responsibility for friends and family.

Most of the abuse takes place in institutional settings. Nearly two-thirds of abuse takes place in institutional settings such as nursing homes. The onus is on the public sector authorities that oversee those facilities to make sure those who are being cared for in those residences are safe.

Weber has called on government overseers to use their powers to ensure the safety of nursing home residents. “Family members need to get involved, too. They need to thoroughly check out facilities for loved ones who need them. They must find out if there is a past history of abuse. Once a family member takes up residency in a home, they should make regular, unscheduled visits to make sure they are not being mistreated.”

However, nearly 16% of abuse takes place in a victims’ own homes, whether they are living alone or with family members. “And, it is up to friends and family members to look in on them on a regular basis and deal with any threatening situations. An errant caregiver and even a frustrated son, daughter, niece or nephew may be engaging in physical, psychological or financial abuse. But it can’t be spotted and stopped if a responsible third party is not keeping tabs on an at-risk friend or relative.”

Weber suggests that when

engaging a professional caregiver, make sure you do a thorough background check. But, he says, it is important to provide the individual you hire with fair terms of employment – including ensuring that he or she has a manageable work schedule. “It’s a difficult, and sometimes thankless job. They must have

a routine that allows for breaks when needed.”

And, lest it is overlooked, the patient may also be a victim of self-neglect, a condition that is particularly prevalent among those suffering from dementia or Alzheimer’s disease.

The Association of Mature American Citizens (http://www.amac.us) is a senior advocacy organization that takes its marching orders from its members. We act and speak on their behalf, protecting their interests and offering a practical insight on how to best solve the problems they face today.

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Sudden Cross firing sends message to UTEP coaches

By Steve Escajeda
Special to the Courier

One of the realities of having the opportunity to coach at the college level is that if you don't produce, the chances are you won't last very long.

That's not only true for the big money-making sports like football and basketball; it's the same with lesser-followed sports like volleyball, soccer, swimming, wrestling, softball and all the others.

That harsh reality hit UTEP last week when long-time soccer coach Kevin Cross was fired after 18 seasons on the job.

It came as a bit of a shock for one main reason, UTEP women's soccer has been the most consistent sports program UTEP has had over the last 20 years.

The last two seasons haven't been as strong as the past, but when you compare the soccer program to the others at the campus, it makes you scratch your head.

Cross led the Miners to a record of 211-127-27 in his 18 years as the head coach.

But over the last two campaigns, the

Miners were 8-11 and 7-8-4.

But really – should a couple of hiccups over nearly 20 years cost you your job?

The sudden firing was especially puzzling when you compare the soccer team to other sports like softball and volleyball, who have been perennial losers for decades.

Maybe this is the new norm for UTEP athletics.

Maybe new athletic director Jim Senter is saying "no more" to mediocrity. Maybe he's sending a message to all the other coaches out there that the status quo is no longer acceptable.

It's no secret that the UTEP athletics program is one of the poorer and less successful programs in the country.

Even the revenue-generating sports like football and basketball have been non-competitive in a conference (Conference USA) that doesn't get much respect around the country.

The Sun Bowl has been about 80-percent empty in recent games. UTEP basketball's Don Haskins Center has been averaging at about 50-percent capacity in recent years.

Senter said he made the decision to let Cross go because he wanted the program to be more competitive. And that's obviously good. But for the most part, the soccer team has been competitive.

So it leads me to believe there was something more to this move. I have no idea but it doesn't make a whole lot of sense.

Of course a move of this kind, a shock to the system, could be exactly what the department needs.

It seems as if everyone has been put on notice. If a coach with a 60-percent winning percentage (second in school history behind only Don Haskins) can be let go, what are they going to do to a coach with a losing history?

How good was Cross and his soccer team? At one point they had compiled 15 straight winning seasons, and played in three conference title games.

Not bad for a coach who is now out of a job.

Let's face it, UTEP fans aren't used to this kind of behavior from an athletic director. We've seen UTEP sports teams struggle for years and the attitude has been

something like, "we're UTEP, it's okay to under produce, it's what we do here."

And that's why it's good to bring in a guy like Senter, who comes from places where losing is not accepted.

It appears that Senter is trying to create an entire paradigm shift at UTEP. It appears as if he's trying to create a new attitude, a new confidence, and a new acceptance level at the college.

For too many years it's been okay to lose at UTEP. For too many years the Miners have played the neglected stepchild.

Maybe it's time for the UTEP athletic department to be proactive and take matters into its own hands.

It's just too bad it had to start with a successful coach and such a nice guy.

There's little doubt Kevin Cross will find a coaching job elsewhere.

The big question is who will be the next coach to fall at UTEP?

I'll tell you one thing, if there are any coaches who were just mailing it in every week, they've just received a wakeup call.

Jim Senter is in town, and he will not accept losing – even from a winner.

El Paso Locomotive FC to hold open tryouts

By Taylor Hines
Special to the Courier

EL PASO COUNTY – El Paso Locomotive FC will be hosting open tryouts on December 1 and 2. Registration will go live online today on the EP Locomotive FC website and will close on November 28 or when all spaces are filled. The fee to tryout is \$90 per player.

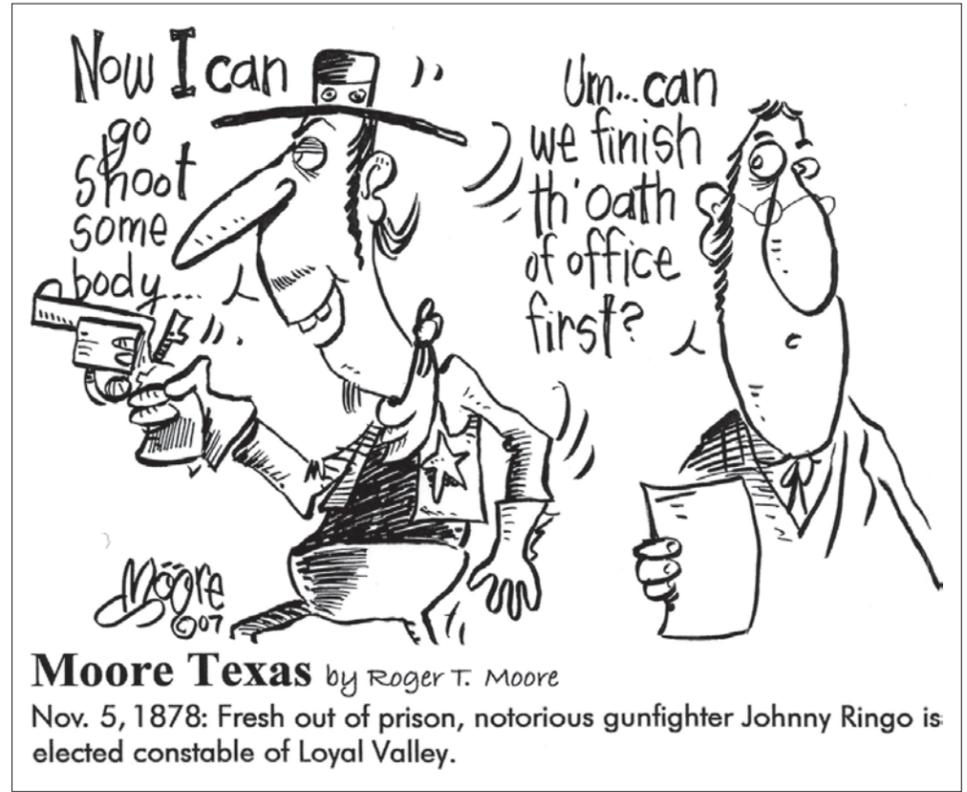
Participants must register online to attend the tryouts and are responsible for all travel, food and lodging. This is a chance for local El Pasoans and those in the region to gain visibility and showcase their skills and talents for a chance to play professional soccer. There will also be an Invitational Player Identification Event on December 8 and 9. Players selected from the Open Tryouts, along with players who have been identified

through scouting and recommendations may be asked to attend this event.

Head Coach Mark Lowry had this to say on the upcoming tryouts, "The coaching staff and I will be in attendance, looking for players. There are fantastic players in El Paso and we want to give them the chance to try out for the team. Between the December 1 and 2 weekend and the invitational event on December 8 and 9, there will be a good chance that some of these players will make the final squad. The open tryout gives all players a chance to be seen."

Bob Bigney, Director of Soccer Operations, added, "All participating players will get to play in small-sided and full-sided games with the EP Locomotive FC coaching staff watching them play. It will be an exciting time for our club."

For more information on tryouts, please visit eplocomotivefc.com/tryouts



Super Crossword

HAVING A FLING ACROSS

- 1 Not rough
- 7 Small digital images expressing ideas
- 13 Bus schedule abbr.
- 16 Bouquet-bringing co.
- 19 Oahu greetings
- 20 Extreme eccentricity
- 21 Ivy _ (Yalie, e.g.)
- 23 Diamond events
- 25 Any of 13 Catholic leaders
- 26 Experts at CPR
- 27 Prefix with gauge
- 28 On _ streak (winning big)
- 30 Was in need of restocking
- 31 Strong Italian cheese
- 34 They're over gables
- 36 Lakota's language family
- 38 Liting syllable
- 40 Parris Island mil. branch
- 41 Sticky, chewy candy
- 42 Shelters for backpackers
- 45 Sash for Cio-Cio-San
- 47 Texter's "As I see it..."

- 48 Election day, often: Abbr.
- 49 Hold fast (to)
- 52 "Pieces of Me" singer Simpson
- 57 They often include spiels
- 60 LuPone who played Evita
- 63 Bygone autocrat
- 64 Grimm bully
- 65 "Dash it all!"
- 66 The "A" of ACLU: Abbr.
- 67 Mu _ beef
- 69 Some NFL linemen
- 71 With 83-Down, like Rudolph
- 72 "Behold!" in Latin
- 73 Dirt-dishing Barrett
- 74 Dear old dad
- 76 " _ dog's life"
- 78 Super-angry
- 79 Orchestral array
- 84 Reply to "Am so!"
- 85 More chancy
- 86 Mauna _
- 87 Prefix with angle or fold
- 90 "Not impressed"
- 92 Thrown-away items
- 95 Tricky pool shot
- 99 Kosovo native
- 102 Norse god of battle
- 103 PC-sent holiday greetings
- 104 Some paved arteries

- 107 "Phooey!"
 - 109 Capital of Albania
 - 110 New attempt
 - 111 Palmtop device, for short
 - 112 " _ yellow ribbon..."
 - 115 Salon colorant
 - 117 Theme of this puzzle
 - 121 Whole number, e.g.
 - 122 Writer Waugh
 - 123 Tackled energetically
 - 124 Niger-to-Zambia dir.
 - 125 Tram rock
 - 126 Beat back
 - 127 Luanda's country
- DOWN**
- 1 Mr. Kotter
 - 2 Jack of old Westerns
 - 3 Spaceship in "Alien"
 - 4 2004-15 sarcastic recap series on E!
 - 5 R&D room
 - 6 Sofia's "that"
 - 7 "E.T." boy
 - 8 Steins, e.g.
 - 9 Bump _ log
 - 10 Actor Malcolm _ Warner
 - 11 Places to store frozen blocks
 - 12 B-board runners
 - 13 Skiing peak
 - 14 Co. shuffling

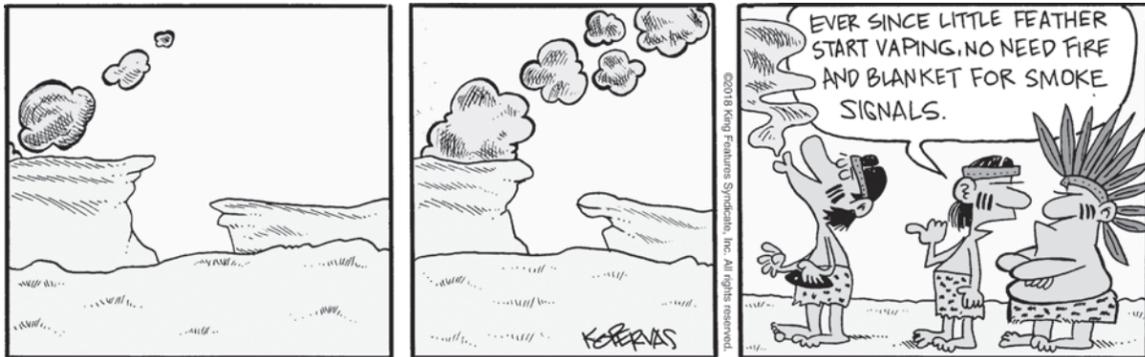
- 15 Hip-hop performer
- 16 Rife with
- 17 Drive, in golf
- 18 Half-asleep
- 22 Largest port in Italy
- 24 K-O middle
- 29 Cook with Apple
- 32 Luau cocktail
- 33 Make invalid
- 34 Desert rodent
- 35 Cpl. or sgt.
- 36 Ecol., e.g.
- 37 Sam- _
- 39 Gets, as profits
- 43 "No kiddin'!"
- 44 Declaration while pointing
- 46 Bleated
- 50 Car of the early 1900s
- 51 Memory trace
- 53 People in concealment
- 54 Poet Federico Garcia _
- 55 Sign into law
- 56 Lauder of perfume
- 57 Virus variety
- 58 Half-witted
- 59 Half of sei
- 60 City ENE of 22-Down
- 61 Love, to Luc
- 62 Wrought up
- 67 Sudden rush
- 68 Actor Sparks
- 70 Curb locales
- 75 "Shy" singer DiFranco

- 77 Ill-tempered
- 78 Lake _ (Mississippi River source)
- 80 Be sporadic
- 81 Explore a reef, maybe
- 82 High RRs
- 83 See 71-Across
- 87 Become
- 88 Rustic mail abbr.
- 89 What- _ (conjectures)
- 91 '48 electee
- 93 Tending to wear down
- 94 Adorning tawdrily, with "up"
- 95 Singer Johnny
- 96 Mongolians, e.g.
- 97 Elfish one
- 98 Allotment
- 100 Require a
- 110-Across, maybe
- 101 Movie critic Richard
- 105 Onion part
- 106 Is a little too fond
- 108 "I've _ it!"
- 111 _ ed (gym)
- 113 The same, in France
- 114 "The Thin Man" dog
- 116 Afore
- 118 151, to Nero
- 119 Old rival of Pan Am
- 120 She cackles

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R.F.D. By Mike Marland

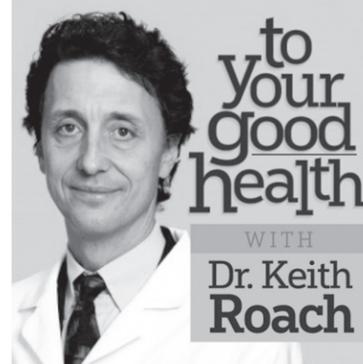


Risks, benefits of HPV vaccine for boys

DEAR DR. ROACH: What are your thoughts on the pros and cons of HPV vaccine for boys? – L.P.B.

There are risks and benefits to the individual, but also benefits to society.

The HPV vaccine should really be considered an anticancer vaccine, since its goal is to reduce infection from the kinds of human papilloma virus strains that can lead to cancer. Cervical cancer is the most common HPV-related cancer, but some throat, anal and genital cancers also are HPV-related. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates that there are about 30,000 HPV-related cancers in the U.S. annually. It is possible but unproven that the HPV vaccine will provide protection against some or all of these.



When given to girls or women who have not been infected with HPV, the HPV vaccine is nearly 100 percent effective at preventing persistent infection with the strains most likely to lead to cancer. In males age 16-26 years, the efficacy of the vaccine at preventing high-risk HPV-related warts was about 90 percent. However, the HPV vaccine is relatively new, and it is not clear how long immunity will last. It has been proven to last only eight to nine years, but studies looking at protection up to 15 years are ongoing. It is possible that additional boosters may be necessary.

The most serious risk of HPV vaccine is anaphylaxis, a possibly fatal allergic reaction. There have been 36 cases of anaphylaxis reported in the world literature and through the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting system, according to the Institute of Medicine's 2012 report on adverse effects of vaccines. There have been 67 million doses given, with a 0.003 percent rate of all adverse events, 90 percent of which were not considered serious. The most common nonserious adverse events in men were redness and soreness at the injection site, dizziness, headache and fainting. Among the adverse events considered serious, the most common were headache, nausea, vomiting and fever.

The societal benefit to vaccinating boys is that they are less likely to spread infection to others. Since essentially all cases of cervical cancer are HPV-related, males are the most common source of infection (although it can be transmitted female to female).

By vaccinating your boy, you are reducing his risk of

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EVEN WHEN IT'S JUST AROUND THE CORNER.

NEVER GIVE UP UNTIL THEY BUCKLE UP.



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developing HPV infection and might be decreasing his risk of several types of HPV-related cancer, at a small risk of an adverse event, which is usually minor. However, probably the most compelling reason is to protect your son's future sexual partners. Put in the starkest terms, you are reducing the risk that your future daughter-in-law will develop cervical cancer.

DR. ROACH WRITES:

Several people wrote to me about the symptom of burping. One physician recalled several cases where burping, not chest discomfort, was the major sign of a heart blockage. A

reader observed belching in a family member who was later diagnosed with stomach cancer, and another noted gastroparesis as the cause. I think these are all unlikely but possible causes to be considered when the cause can't be found and symptoms persist. Finally, one person wrote in that ginger solved her burping problem.

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible.

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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: X equals P

PZ FS USNBWNYH IKPVG-
HGPSSUA WFWWFT HXUFGH
BFHKTJ, VNYTA JNY HFJ PI
HKNNIH ZBNW IKU KPXXN?

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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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New boss for DC VA Medical Center



by Freddy Groves

Those of you who get care at the Washington DC Veterans Affairs Medical Center (over 120,000 of you) probably can breathe a sigh of relief. A new director has taken the helm.

Michael Heimall comes with loads of experience: former Army officer, served as director at Walter Reed, 30 years in various capacities, a degree from the War College and a lot more. But the Washington DC VA Medical Center might be his biggest challenge yet.

This was the facility that risked lives because of chronic shortages. Remember when surgery staff had to run to other hospitals to borrow equipment? Or the dirty storerooms for sterile supplies, expired material on the shelves, surgeries canceled for lack of equipment, half a million uninventoried items stored in unsecured areas, \$92 million in supplies ordered when there was no clue about

what they already had, and confidential patient info stored in an unsecured area and found in the dumpster? The VA's Office of the Inspector General had plenty to say about it in its report.

All that nonsense will hopefully come to a screeching halt. A to-do list for Heimall: Of the 40 fixes recommended by the OIG, how many have been implemented?

Recently the D.C. facility was downgraded from a ridiculously low two-star rating to only one star. It's just my opinion, but no VA medical facility should ever be allowed to fall below a three-star rating without major intervention swooping in. At this point, there are eight others with one-star ratings: Atlanta; Big Spring and El Paso, Texas; Loma Linda, California; Memphis; Montgomery, Alabama; and Phoenix and Tucson, Arizona.

One thing Heimall needs to keep an eye on: The sterile processing center was to be completed by March 2019. Let's hope it will be.

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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.

DIFFICULTY: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult
★★★ GO FIGURE!

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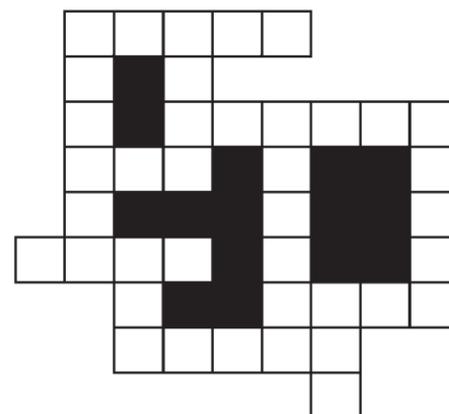
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- SNE
- SOLDRA
- ODAIR
- ♥LYID
- SANUTE
- ELD
- ♥ELSA
- YALID
- LYS
- RODULE
- ♥SELTA
- SLOA



Answer Page 4

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.



• Here's a great recipe substitution: "If you do not have cream, melted vanilla ice cream can be used for icings on cakes or pastries."
- P.B. in North Dakota

• "I have four brothers and sisters, and Thanksgiving is always a huge affair. We rotate homes for hosting, but we each take a responsibility for food. A few weeks ahead, we hold a 'food lottery' to decide impartially who gets to bring what: side dishes, desserts, etc. This way, we don't get stuck in ruts, like always having a certain person do desserts. The surprise factor makes it exciting. The host family is always responsible for the bird."
- K.M in Massachusetts

• "With two preschoolers, I have a rather large collection of artwork. I save papers that are decorated on only one side and use them to write letters to family members. I try to write which child drew the picture and the month and year, but even when I can't, the papers make very unusual and appreciated stationary."
- M.F. in Oregon

• A great way to keep the overindulgence from getting out of hand during the holidays: Keep a snug-fitting pair of jeans at the ready. Try them on every day or so, just to get a bead on whether you've been hitting the eggnog too hard or if you need to back away from the cookie plate. Jeans don't lie.

• Here's a wonderful tip received via e-mail: "If you have a panic button for your car alarm, keep your keys by the bedside. If you experience a problem during the night, trip the panic alarm. Let your trusted neighbors know about your intention, and they'll be able to assist you."

• Use the closure tab from your bread bag to keep your place on a roll of packing tape.

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