



## NEWSBRIEFS

### Teachers

With World Teachers’ Day this week (Oct. 5), but teachers making an average of \$2,150 less per year than they did 10 years ago when adjusted for inflation, the personal-finance website WalletHub has released its report on 2022’s *Best & Worst States for Teachers*, as well as accompanying videos and expert commentary. In order to help educators find the best opportunities and teaching environments in the U.S., WalletHub analyzed the 50 states and the District of Columbia across 24 key metrics, ranging from teachers’ income growth potential to the pupil-teacher ratio to whether the state has a digital learning plan. Texas was rated 23rd in the report, ranking (1-Best; 25-Avg.):

- 1st – Avg. Starting Salary for Teachers (Adjusted for Cost of Living);
- 15th – Avg. Salary for Teachers (Adjusted for Cost of Living);
- 27th – Quality of School System;
- 27th – Pupil-Teacher Ratio;
- 30th – Public-School Spending per Student;
- 39th – Teachers’ Income Growth Potential;
- 30th – Projected Competition in Year 2028;
- 14th – 10-Year Change in Teacher Salaries; and
- 1st – Existence of Digital Learning Plan.

### How can local officials attract and retain the best teachers?

“They should make sure they offer competitive salaries and focus on providing better working conditions with a supportive school environment. We also need to find ways to increase the respect and prestige of the teaching profession.”

**Gema Zamarro, Ph.D.** – Professor; Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Education Reform, University of Arkansas

“Leaders in the community and schools must work to create an environment of respect for teachers and support for their work. Salary is important as well, but we see teachers leaving high-paying districts when the working conditions are not supportive or safe. All stakeholders must participate in the work of attracting and retaining great teachers. If local officials disrespect them, parents and Boards challenge their professionalism, the environment

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*A philosopher always knows what to do until it happens to him.*  
— Quips & Quotes



– Photo by Alfredo Vasquez

Canutillo Independent School District was established in 1959. CISD’s first board of trustees included Robert Gilbert, who was elected president; Ruth Blount, T.J. Warren, Kenneth Bouma, Louise Seymour, Radford C. Pinckard, and Gonzalo (Chalo) Garcia. CISD board meetings are held at its administration facility, above, which is located on Artcraft Road.

## 10 candidates vie for three Canutillo ISD trustee positions

By Alfredo Vasquez  
Special to the Courier

CANUTILLO – Canutillo Independent School District (CISD) Board of Trustees recently approved the calling of an election for voters to select their choices to fill three at-large trustee positions during the Nov. 8 general election. A total of 10 candidates have filed an application to place their names on the ballot.

The candidates for the three open slots are for seats currently held by Salvador Payan, Laure Searls, and Tristan Hernandez. Payan, who was first election

in 2018, is seeking a second term. Searls was first elected in 1994 and is vying for an eighth term. CISD school board members are elected to serve for four years.

Hernandez chose not to run for a full term to the board. He served two years as he was appointed to the board of trustees in 2020 to fill an unexpired term that was vacated by former board member Mary Iglesias.

Challenging the incumbents for the three board positions in the November election are Breanne Barnes, Lucy Borrego, Andres Gomez, Salvador Gonzalez, Jesus Ramos, Tony Reza, Roberto Simental, and Cindy Zuñiga.

“On behalf of the students and staff of the Canutillo Independent School District, I want to thank Mr. Hernandez for stepping up to lead during one of the most difficult times in the history of our district,” CISD Superintendent Dr. Pedro Galaviz stated. “His commitment and dedication to our schools and students will have a lifelong impact in our community,” he added.

The top three vote-getters will assume their non-paying positions after the election results have been certified. According to Gustavo Reveles, CISD director of communications, elected members of the board are tasked by the state to oversee the governance of the school district and are given five main responsibilities: to adopt the tax rate, hire and evaluate the superintendent, adopt and review policies, set goals and priorities, and communicate with the public.



– Photo by Alfredo Vasquez

GROWTH – U.S. Department of Education chose the University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP) for this competitive program grant because of efforts by the university and its partners around the region to provide quality preparation and induction for new teachers, according to Dr. Erika Mein, UTEP’s associate dean of Undergraduate Studies and Educator Preparation at the College of Education. UTEP campus, above, has also been making great strides in recent years with its building expansion program.

## UTEP’s receives grant to build diverse teacher workforce

By Alfredo Vasquez  
Special to the Courier

EL PASO COUNTY – “Education is a profession that makes all other professions possible,” stated Dr. Erika

Mein, Associate Dean of Undergraduate Studies and Educator Preparation at the College of Education for the University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP).

Mein’s assertion came after announcing that UTEP was earmarked to receive more than a half million dollars from the U.S.

Department of Education for its efforts to develop and support a diverse teacher workforce.

“At the U.S. Department of Education, we recognize the value of supporting our

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Everyone should agree that it'd be much better if Biden reversed field and sought to control the border.

The truth of the matter is that prior to Texas and Arizona undertaking their programs – and DeSantis adding his attention-grabbing flights to Martha’s Vineyard – illegal immigrants were already getting moved around the country, with the assent of the Department of Homeland Security. The federal government gives migrants permission to travel within the country, and then private organizations get them on buses to go to their preferred destinations.

On CNN the other weekend, New York City Mayor Eric Adams called the migrant situation “a humanitarian crisis,” yet refused to call out the maestro of this

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# Silence of the sheep

American medicine has become unmoored from its scientific and ethical anchors, as I have previously discussed<sup>1</sup>. We abandoned real science for the pseudoscientific cult of evidence-based medicine<sup>2</sup>. This grave error paved the way for the medical tyranny we are currently enduring, with no apparent

It's no wonder the Oath has been revised, disrespected, or ignored by the unethical elites<sup>3</sup> who dominate Medicine. The

Abortion is the killing of a human being in utero. It is clearly unethical and immoral. Legalization of abortion should not have impacted the ethical prohibition against this horrific procedure. The silent acquiescence to abortion<sup>4</sup> by the American Medical Association, and others, created an indelible stain on the medical profession. Contrary to popular opinion, there are no legitimate “health

The latest affront to medical ethics, and science, is the transgender movement. The notion of “gender” independent of biological sex is a scientific absurdity, as is the toxic idea that puberty-blocking drugs and mutilating surgery can change gender. Gender dysphoria<sup>6</sup> is a most often a transient condition of adolescence or pre-adolescence. It should be addressed by psychotherapy, not highly toxic drugs or surgery. Removal of healthy organs by

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# TEA awards 39 Socorro ISD schools with Texas Purple Star Campus Designation

By Christy Flores-Jones  
Special to the Courier

EL PASO COUNTY – The Texas Education Agency has awarded 39 schools in the Socorro Independent School District (SISD) with the prestigious Texas Purple Star Campus Designation for their support of military-connected students and families.

The award recognizes the long-standing tradition that SISD has of assisting military-connected families and its continuous work and commitment in ensuring schools strive to meet the unique needs of military-connected students and their families.

The designation is awarded to campuses that demonstrate that they provide various resources and assistance, including a campus-based military liaison, a web page that includes information for military-connected students and their families, a campus transition program, participation in Month of the Military Child and a partnership with a school liaison officer to encourage and provide opportunities for active-duty military members.

“SISD goes the extra mile to support the families that are



– Photo courtesy Socorro ISD

**Dr. Carmen Olivas-Graham** serving our country and we have put into practice various things that welcome the children and military parents to our district,” said Carmen Olivas-Graham, SISD director of administrative services. “We are excited to receive these designations and we are proud to have a very strong commitment to our military families here in the Socorro Independent School District.”

Currently, SISD serves more than 6,000 military-connected students and each campus has a military-liaison responsible

Socorro ISD TEA Purple Star Campus Designations

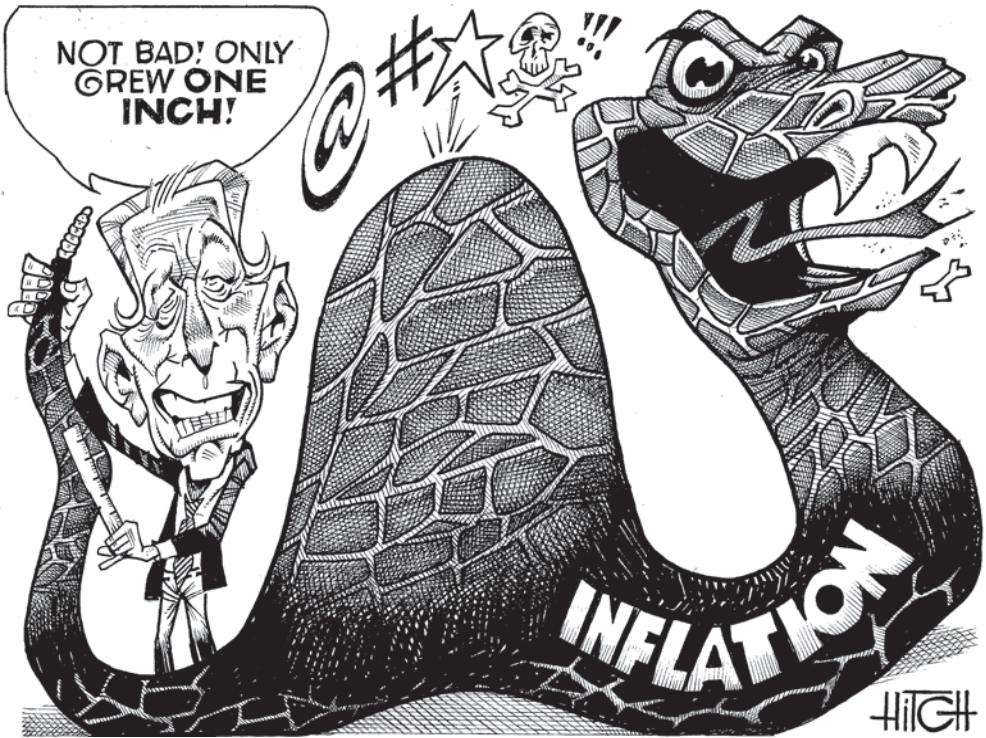
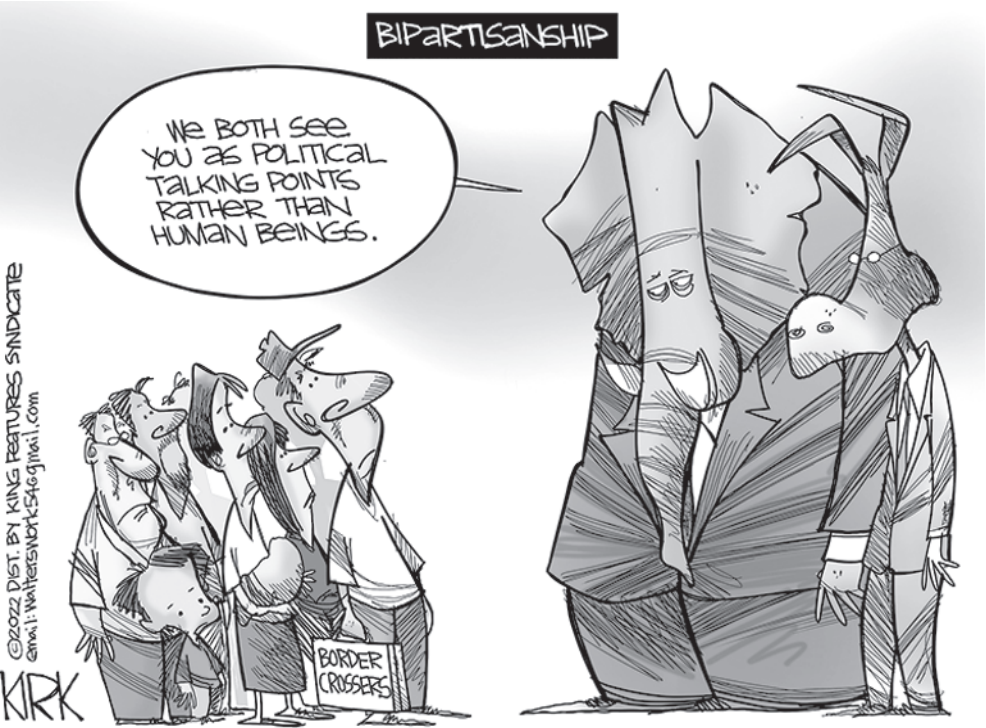
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- Paso Del Norte Elementary School
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- William D. Slider Middle School

for working with those families The campuses across the advisory groups, and military- to help connect them to other district have various programs connected meet and greets at the military families, settle into and assistance methods like schools to help assist students the community and inform student ambassadors who and families in overcoming the them about district-sponsored welcome incoming military- barriers that they may face when programs. connected students, military having to relocate.

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# UTEP

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nation’s educators, and we have a responsibility to providing resources and opportunities that promote a diverse educator workforce,” U.S. Secretary of Education Miguel Cardona said in a recent news release that highlighted UTEP’s selection for the grant.

The Department of Education officials stated that these funds are designed to build a diverse educator workforce in its efforts for addressing the current schools shortages in teachers and staffs.

UTEP is slated to receive \$547,366 for the first year. And in the following five years, the university is set receive an additional \$1.4 million. However, the annual awards are contingent upon year-to-year performance, the program’s progress, and the continued availability of these special funds, department of education officials noted.

The newly awarded funds will be allocated through UTEP’s College of Education Teacher Quality Partnership grant program. The partnership’s objective is to prepare college and university students in undergraduate and teaching residency programs to serve in high-need communities.

Mein stated that the money would go towards preparing students through their year-long residency programs as well as providing them with suitable mentors. She explained that during a UTEP student’s last year of school in the College of Education, he or she would go through the residency program whereby the student will co-teach alongside a trained mentor teacher for the entire year.

“Kids who are in classrooms right now, every kid deserves an excellent teacher,” stated Mein. “And, so by investing in teachers, we are really showing the kind of long term vision of what’s needed to build a next generation workforce in our society,” she said.

Mein stated that the grant will allow UTEP students to substitute teach or tutor during their residency, which should help ease staffing shortages in El Paso-area public school districts,



– Photo by Alfredo Vasquez

**STYLE – Nearly all of UTEP’s 97 buildings are characterized by classic Bhutanese design. It is the only university in the United States whose distinctive architecture is derived from Bhutan’s breathtaking craftsmanship, which serves as the foundation for the university’s special relationship with the small Himalayan kingdom and enables Bhutan’s culture and traditions to flourish in the Paso del Norte region.**

and it will provide support in ramping up recruitment efforts in the region.

“This grant is going to help

us meet some of these critical shortage needs, and it will really be focused on some of the high needs areas, like bilingual

education and special education,” Mein said.

Mein added that she believes the competitive U.S. Department of Education program chose UTEP for this grant award because of efforts by the university and its partners around the region to provide quality preparation and induction for new teachers.

## Strange BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne

• A town in Washington has a treetop bridge over a busy road that’s just big enough for squirrels, called the Nutty Narrows Bridge.

• Russian author Vladimir Nabokov came up with the idea for smiley emoticons in 1969.

• Now here’s a great way to “go green”: Residents of Surabaya, Indonesia, can pay their bus fare with plastic waste, which will earn them two hours of travel time. The dual aim is to reduce waste as well as the number of cars on the road by encouraging the use of public transportation.

• A U.S. constitutional amendment was proposed in 1893 suggesting that the country be renamed The United States of Earth.

• If you’ve ever questioned the idea that smartphone addiction is real, consider the case of computer programmer Maneesh Sethi, who hired a woman (at \$8 an hour) to slap him in the face every time he tried checking Facebook during working hours!

• The average MLB baseball lasts for just 5-7 pitches. In the beginning of a game, at least 90 balls are required on hand, with about 60-70 used per the average game.

• When Apple purchased rural land for a new data center in Maiden, North Carolina, an older couple refused to sell the one-acre plot they’d originally purchased for \$6,000 more than three decades earlier. After all offers were rejected, Apple finally asked them to name a price. Success at last! For just a cool \$1.7 million.

• The Spice Girls’ nicknames were created by Top of the Pops magazine in a 1996 article.

Thought for the Day: “Knowing trees, I understand the meaning of patience. Knowing grass, I can appreciate persistence.”

– Ralph Waldo Emerson

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# Moments in time

THE HISTORY CHANNEL

• On Oct. 3, 1995, Heisman Trophy winner O.J. Simpson is acquitted of the double murder of his estranged wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman, despite a DNA match, a wound on Simpson’s hand, the recent purchase of a Stiletto knife and matching shoeprints at the scene.

• On Oct. 4, 1927, sculpting begins on the granite images of presidents Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln and Roosevelt at Mount Rushmore. Jefferson’s image was originally fashioned to the right of Washington. Within two years, the face was badly cracked, and workers blasted the sculpture off the mountain. Sculpting began again with Jefferson on the left side of Washington.

• On Oct. 5, 1947, President Harry Truman makes the first televised presidential address, asking Americans to cut back on food to help starving Europeans. He requested that the public voluntarily forgo meat on Tuesdays, eggs and poultry on Thursdays and to save a slice of bread each day.

• On Oct. 6, 1866, the Reno gang carries out the first robbery of a moving train, making off with \$13,000 from a train in Indiana. This new method of sticking up moving trains in remote locations that were low on law enforcement, instead of trains sitting in depots, soon became popular in the American West.

• On Oct. 7, 1983, Sean Connery stars in “Never Say Never Again” as the British secret service agent James Bond, a role he last played in 1971. The film’s title referenced the fact that the Scottish-born actor had said that he would never play Agent 007 again.

• On Oct. 8, 1956, New York Yankees right-hander Don Larsen pitches the first no-hitter in the history of the World Series. It was a perfect game that no one matched until Philadelphia Phillies pitcher Roy Halladay in 2010.

• On Oct. 9, 1967, socialist revolutionary and guerrilla leader Che Guevara, age 39, is captured and executed by the Bolivian army. In 1997, Guevara’s remains were found and sent back to Cuba, where they were reburied in a ceremony attended by President Fidel Castro and thousands of Cubans.

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# Silence

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medical or surgical castration and mastectomy<sup>7</sup> is a gross violation of primum non nocere and clearly unethical.

Filmmaker and journalist Matt Walsh reports<sup>8</sup> on the gender transformation clinic at Nashville’s Vanderbilt University Hospital:

- In 2018, Dr. Shayne Taylor explained how she convinced Nashville to get into the gender transition game by emphasizing that it’s a “big money maker,” especially because the surgeries require a lot of “follow ups.” Dr. Ellen Clayton warned that “conscientious objections” are “problematic.” Anyone who decides not to be involved in transition surgeries due to “religious beliefs” will face “consequences.”
- After they have drugged and sterilized the kids, Vanderbilt will happily perform double mastectomies on adolescent girls.

Apparently in response to Walsh’s report<sup>9</sup>, Vanderbilt has deleted the entire transgender website.

Why are the sheep that now pose as physicians silent on this travesty? I am calling on all remaining ethical physicians to speak out loudly against the mutilation of our children.

Doctors must defend life<sup>10</sup>, and reject procedures that are entirely without benefit, and that inflict considerable harm.

Medical ethics has become an oxymoron. If we are to save the medical profession, we must restore real Hippocratic ethics as a first priority.

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# Notice of Public Meeting To Discuss Fabens Independent School District’s State Financial Accountability Rating (FIRST)

The Fabens Independent School District will hold a public hearing at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, October 19, 2022 in the boardroom of the Fabens ISD Administration Building, 821 NE “G” Avenue, Fabens, Texas.

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

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

A public hearing will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, October 17th, 2022, during the Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting at the Vinton Village Hall, 436 E. Vinton Rd., Vinton, Texas.

A second public hearing will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 20th, 2022, during the Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting at the Vinton Village Hall, 436 E. Vinton Rd. Vinton, Texas.

A third public hearing will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 25th, 2022, during a Special City Council Meeting at the Vinton Village Hall, 436 E. Vinton Rd. Vinton, Texas.

The purpose of the public hearings is to allow any interested persons to appear and testify regarding the following proposed item:

A request to Re-Zone existing Manufactured Home Parks (Vinton Mobile Home Park, Schneiders Mobile HomePark, Hillside Mobile Home Park and San Isidro Mobile Home Park) currently located in Zone Districts R-1 or R-2 to be rezoned to Manufactured Home (MH) Districts and the Official Zoning Map to be modified accordingly.

To modify Section 3.0504 of the UDC to allow single wide units

in Manufactured Home Districts.

Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to Andrea Nichole Carrillo, Village Administrator at the City Hall. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall at (915)886-5104 to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact City Hall at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

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# Even the craziest of sports fans can have big hearts

By Steve Escajeda  
*Special to the Courier*

Way too many times we hear stories about fans being way too fanatical. We see unruly fans throwing stuff at the players, running onto the field, cussing at the top of their lungs or even fighting with each other.

There are troubling videos showing parents of young kids fighting with game officials or other parents during youth sporting events.

On rare occasions there have even been stories about shootouts in parking lots after some professional sporting events.

So there’s no doubt that some fans shouldn’t be allowed anywhere near a sports venue.

But there are times when fans step up and show their human side. There are times when fans remind us of a time when people we more civil to each other by remembering that sports are not life and death... they are just games we love to watch.

One example of awesome behavior happened just last Thursday when the Cincinnati Bengals were hosting the Miami Dolphins.

Unfortunately, there was a play in which Miami quarterback Tua Tagovailoa was sacked and hit the back of his head

on the turf.

Though the play didn’t look as bad as some of the scarier hits I’ve seen, Tua’s response told a much different story. He appeared to suffer a reaction to the head trauma in which his fingers seemed to lock up and point in different directions.

The Dolphins quarterback lay motionless on the ground for about 10 minutes. Usually, the crowd will just there in silence until the injured player is carted off the field. Then they stand and give the respectful applause as the player and medical staff exit the stadium.

But on this occasion the opposing fans in Cincinnati started chanting “Tua, Tua,” for the quarterback of the opposing team.

That was such a class act by the Bengals’ fans. It’s something that I had never witnessed before, and will never forget.

Then there was a baseball game back in early May between the New York Yankees and the Toronto Blue Jays in Toronto.

A Blue Jays adult fan caught an Aaron Judge home run ball and promptly turned and gave it to 9-year-old Derek Rodriguez. Rodriguez was wearing a Yankees Aaron Judge jersey.

The video of this act went viral. The next night the Yankees invited the man who caught the ball, Mike Lanzillotta, and young Derek to the ballgame.

But, Derek and Mike didn’t just go to the game. They were both taken down to the Yankees dugout where the 9-year-old got to meet his favorite player, Aaron Judge.

You couldn’t blame Rodriguez, who burst into tears as he hugged the famous Yankee.

And this all started because one fan decided to do something wonderful for a

young kid at a baseball game.

The last example has to do with a sport that is notorious for fan ugliness – soccer.

In Europe especially, fans go absolutely crazy, and sometimes even a little deadly, for their soccer.

Anyway, professional soccer players swapping jerseys with opponents at the end of a game is part of the sport’s tradition.

I looked it up and I found out that the custom started after a match between France and England in 1931, when the French players asked the English to swap jerseys to mark their first-ever victory over the country that invented the game.

Since then, players have continued to swap jerseys, especially after big games

It’s turned into a show of sportsmanship and mutual respect.

Well, now it appears that players aren’t the only ones at a soccer matches who exchange jerseys.

At the recent game between England’s West Ham United and Viborg FF of Denmark, two opposing fans decided to swap club tee-shirts and shared a fist bump after the game.

They are shown struggling to squeeze their shirts through a fence at the stadium that separated them, but they managed.

Video of that exchange has gone viral. Fans are sharing their thoughts about starting a new tradition where instead of exchanging insults and punches, that they too will begin exchanging jerseys with one another.

Believe me, the thought of swapping soccer jerseys is way more of a positive gesture – and a lot less painful.

## Senior moment

By Matilda Charles

# Meals when the larder is empty

I learned of a neighborhood group, six seniors, who are trying to keep themselves fed against all odds. They’ve come up with a brilliant plan: At the end of each week they pool whatever foods they have left over and have dinner together. They split the leftovers to take home.

The woman who told me about this talked about a website she discovered where all manner of ingredients could be entered, with the machine scouting the internet for recipes that could be created using those ingredients.

Whoever created the SuperCook website ([www.supercook.com](http://www.supercook.com)) did a fantastic job. Meats, grains, fruits, vegetables, dozens of cheeses, nuts, spices, dairy substitutes... it’s all there, ready to be clicked. You only need to scroll down the left side and select the ingredients you have on hand.

I tried it out, clicking that I have butter, milk, onion, ground beef and rice. The result came back that I could make a potential 521 recipes. Some of them actually sounded pretty good. When I

swapped the ground beef for bacon, it was even better. A little suggestion note at the top of the screen said that if I had certain other ingredients on hand, I could find an additional 51 recipes.

Another website, My Fridge Food ([myfridgefood.com](http://myfridgefood.com)), offers the same thing, although on a more limited basis. There’s even a phone app, and when you click on a recipe it tells you the cooking time, calories and serving size of each recipe.

Once I found those two sites I went on a hunt for more and found a public library database titled “Finding Recipes for Ingredients You Already Have.” You can check it out at [www.penningtonlibrary.org/finding-recipes-for-ingredients-you-already-have](http://www.penningtonlibrary.org/finding-recipes-for-ingredients-you-already-have).

Maybe you don’t need another trip to the grocery store, at least not yet. Maybe you have on hand what you need to make a meal once you find a creative recipe.

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## Briefs

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around schools is unsafe and poorly maintained, and the local media promotes negativity, teachers will leave.”

**Rene S. Parmar** – Dean, School of Education, Lehman College, City University of New York

Visit <https://wallethub.com/edu/best-and-worst-states-for-teachers/7159> for the full report.

– Diana Polk

## Super Crossword

BEASTLY SNACK

ACROSS

1 Tea and ale

6 Brunch menu items

13 Difficult to pin down

20 Newswoman Shriver

21 Ancient Italian region

22 Like adoptees and swindle victims

23 Start of a riddle

25 French scholar Peter

26 Buddy

27 Sly-fox link

28 Passenger-screening org.

29 Shallowest Great Lake

30 Crocheted coverlet

33 Mess up

36 Retina spot that might degenerate

38 Chou En-\_\_

39 Riddle, part 2

42 Running herd

45 Marked with stripes

46 "Alfie" actress Long

47 Ghana's capital

51 Whiz

52 Printing proof, informally

56 Riddle, part 3

61 Jinx

62 Whim

63 A single time

64 Eastern "way"

65 Shirt tag information

66 Andre of tennis

67 Application to thinning hair

69 Give a job to

71 Zip

72 Abbr. on military mail

74 Lip

75 Almond confection

76 Food fish

77 Riddle, part 4

80 Very little, in recipes

82 \_\_-mo

83 Syrian president since 2000

84 Scottish seaport

85 Skin art

88 Carts away

92 End of the riddle

98 Prefix with lingual

99 Novelist or dramatist

100 Professors' privileges

101 Provo or Orem native

104 Doily material

105 Belly muscles

107 Old Russian space station

108 "Trinity" novelist Leon

109 Barge in

111 Riddle's answer

117 Cleaned thoroughly

118 Runs in

119 Gads about

120 Draft horse's gear

121 Person icing a cake

122 Fashion flair

DOWN

1 X6 carmaker

2 "Go, team!"

3 Distinctive time

4 Coven member

5 Comic \_\_ Baron Cohen

6 Female gamete

7 Gibson of "Gallipoli"

8 Ultimate goal

9 Eases

10 Natural gas component

11 Knotted neckwear

12 Declare

13 Approx. airport stats

14 Ritchie Valens hit

15 Small guitar, for short

16 One drafted for service

17 Trapped by habit

18 Manly

19 Win the affection of

24 Pound fraction

28 Shorten

30 Capone and Pacino

31 Pudgy

32 Big black-and-white mammal

33 "Yuck!"

34 Football's Cowboys, on scoreboards

35 Big 1940s computer

37 Crooning cowboy Gene

40 Set \_\_ (start wedding plans)

41 R&B singer \_\_ Marie

43 Operate wrongly

44 Ratchet wheel engagers

48 When doubled, tot's train

49 Versatile stoves

50 Peaceful, simple place

53 "Goodbye, Columbus" author

54 Divide into different districts

55 Some daisies

56 Activist Jagger

57 "No more for me, thanks"

58 NBA Hall of Famer Thomas

59 Stoops (to)

60 Go-getters

65 Spreads apart

67 Public unveilings

of products

68 Fishing tools

70 Agra's Taj \_\_

73 Basil-based green sauce

75 Propel a bike

77 Allowance

78 Unconfined

79 Big laughs

81 Like some lotteries and liquor stores

86 Diatribes

87 Part of SFPD

89 Take forcibly

90 Monkly title

91 Fish part

92 Like a wise bird

93 Lingua \_\_

94 One who triumphs

95 Uno or dos

96 Spring blooms

97 Most minimal

102 Wedding cake layers

103 Knotted neckwear

106 Mattresses' places

108 Pre-'91 superpower

110 Suffix with script

111 U.K. military fliers

112 Mess up

113 Beatified Fr. woman

114 Wall-climbing plant

115 Food fish

116 Dir. from Fresno to L.A.

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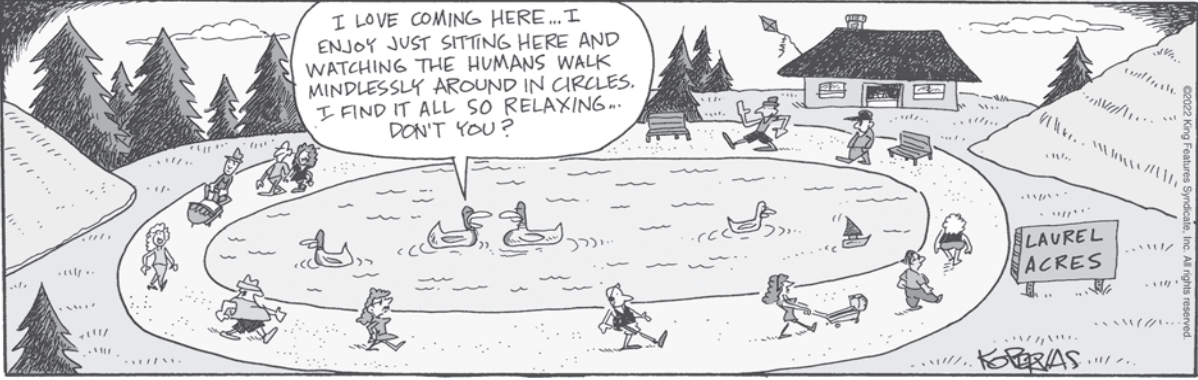
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Comix

OUT ON A LIMB

By Gary Kopervas



AMBER WAVES

By Dave T. Phipps



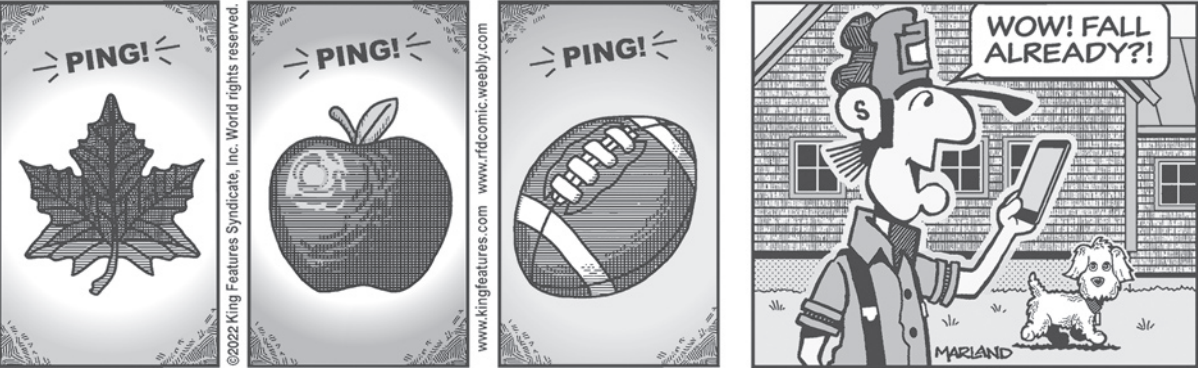
THE SPATS

By Jeff Pickering



R.F.D.

By Mike Marland



TIGER

By Bud Blake



Lowry

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debacle. Asked by Jake Tapper whether it’s a crisis that needs more attention from the Biden administration, Adams knew he couldn’t go there. “No,” he said. “I believe it’s a crisis that needs more coordination from our country.”

An estimated 1.35 million illegal immigrants have entered

the country since Biden’s inauguration, and they aren’t leaving any time soon.

Biden officials don’t want to stop the flow; they just want to manage it better. Asked by Bret Baier of Fox News earlier this year whether the administration seeks to reduce illegal immigration, DHS Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas said, “It is the objective of the Biden administration to make sure that we have safe, orderly, and legal

pathways for individuals to be able to access our legal system.”

In other words, the Biden administration may not want migrants showing up in Martha’s Vineyard, but there will be plenty of newcomers settling all over the United States, in a never-ending flow.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review. (c) 2022 by King Features Synd., Inc.

Incontinence caused by an enlarged prostate calls for medication

DEAR DR. ROACH: I am a 55-year-old male in good health and was diagnosed with a slightly enlarged prostate several years ago. My primary care doctor said he wasn’t concerned enough to prescribe any medications. I get an annual physical, and there haven’t been any changes. However, in the past couple of years, there have been times when, once I get the urge to urinate, I’ve got to get to a restroom posthaste. But, it’s comical at times! Once, I was halfway through a three-hour road trip and started thinking I should stop. I made it all the way home without a problem, but couldn’t make it from my driveway to the restroom. I read up on Flomax, which appears to work for those who have trouble urinating. Are you aware of any over-the-counter medications for my situation? – R.J.



I’m glad you can see the humor in the situation. With even one episode of incontinence, I would consider medication if the person wanted it after a discussion.

There are several herbal treatments (such as saw palmetto, South African star grass, stinging nettle and Africatn plum) for an enlarged prostate with recurring symptoms. Some of my patients take them and feel like they are effective, but the evidence is not definitive. Supplements are not subject to the same standards of purity that prescription medications are. Consequently, I do not recommend these treatments. Tamsulosin (Flomax) and similar drugs are safe and well-tolerated for most men.

One way to assess severity of prostate symptoms is using the AUA score, available at [tinyurl.com/BPHscore](http://tinyurl.com/BPHscore). Men who have a result of moderate or severe symptoms benefit from treatment.

DEAR DR. ROACH: Please tell the public about prolapses that women may experience and the fact that surgery may be totally successful. I was lucky to find my surgeon and, after surgery, have a dandy little old body. A majority of women do not know about the problems nor the solutions. – M.

Many women experience pelvic organ prolapse, especially older women who have had one or more children. The symptoms that alert a woman may be varied, but one screening question that identified most women with this issue was whether they had symptoms of “a bulge, or that something is falling out of the vagina.”

Other symptoms include urinary incontinence, difficulty voiding and problems with bowel movements, either constipation or incontinence.

Many women do not bring these symptoms up with their regular doctor, so I am glad you wrote. Unfortunately, some doctors are not experts at making the diagnosis of mild prolapse by examination, so consultation with a gynecologist is ideal. Women with mild prolapse and no symptoms do not need treatment. Many women with mild symptoms will do well with conservative treatment such as a vaginal pessary, a silicone device that supports the pelvic organ. Pelvic floor muscle exercises also may be tried before considering surgery. Surgery is indicated when conservative treatments have not been effective.

I am glad you had a good outcome with surgery, because not all women are so lucky – a third, or perhaps half, of women who get surgery for prolapse will require a second surgery for recurrence of symptoms.

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual questions, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to [ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu](mailto:ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu). (c) 2022 North America Synd., Inc. All Rights Reserved.

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**Moore Texas by Roger MOORE**  
October 5, 1899: Ned Green drives the first car in Texas from Dallas to Terrell. He averages 6 mph.

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: P equals W

QNQDOVC PXM CXGXCXRKX PNCZ  
GYOXXF PYLT VCLYKOW VMNDL  
LTX PNCOF'W SVCYNDW XSYOW:  
PYKZXF-QXFYV.

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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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The VA OIG strikes again



by Freddy Groves

I have the utmost respect for the VA Office of Inspector General and even more respect now. It appears they'll go after anyone breaking the law, bending the rules, doing wrong... even one of their own.

In this case it came to their attention that a senior OIG employee was still carrying an OIG-issued firearm and credentials after no longer being eligible to do so. Having been transferred out of one position into another one where carrying the firearm was not authorized, the individual should have turned the firearm in when he switched jobs. Didn't happen. Further, others knew of this and didn't speak up... for six months.

Enter the OIG investigators.

They unearthed a tangle of job classification language that revealed that nobody was reading the fine print nor

filling out the correct forms, even the ones who should have done so. And nobody stepped forward to take the firearm away from the employee, even the ones who knew he wasn't authorized to have it.

Eventually word reached two people in the organization who knew instantly that the employee was not authorized to carry an OIG-issued firearm and credentials, and acted pronto to retrieve both the firearm and the credentials.

The end result is a thing of beauty. The employee in question retired. Two senior executives are no longer employed by the OIG, having resigned during the investigation. Another employee received a letter of reprimand. And the two employees who were in charge of the firearms program are no longer in charge of the firearms program.

If you suspect something is wrong in either the VA programs or operation, contact the VA OIG hotline at 800-488-8244. You also can go online to [www.va.gov/oig/hotline](http://www.va.gov/oig/hotline). If you need to submit a complaint about violations,

abuse, fraud, mismanagement or other problems, that's where you do it. They don't take regular email submissions. To see the OIG's reports, go to [www.va.gov/oig](http://www.va.gov/oig).

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• "If you have a fish tank, you can use the fish tank water to fertilize your rose bushes. I do this, and it's rich in minerals that the bushes love!" – A.U. in Alabama

• Make your own bed buddy hot pad with a long sock and rice. Use a sock that's knee high, and fill it about two-thirds with plain, uncooked white rice. Knot it an inch or two from the top of the rice, so it's nice and loose. Once it's secure, you can stick the sock into the microwave for 1-2 minutes. The rice heats up and the heat is stored in the rice. It's wonderful for aches and pains – or just for keeping toes toasty!

• Shower caps can be placed over a planter and used to make a kind of greenhouse for planting cuttings. Just water and place it in a sun-filled window. Be sure to check it often, because even though it may be moderate or even cool out, your little greenhouse can get pretty hot with only a few hours of sun.

• "Loosen tight jeans with a cutting board! First, wash in cold water, then button them around something that's about an inch wider than the waist, say, a cookie sheet, chair top, cutting board, etc. Air dry. It's magical." – V.L. in New York

• "When I was a kid, the side of my yard was soft sand, but it's where my brother and I kept our bikes. I liked my bike to stand up, because it kept the sand out of my gears. The kick stand was sinking in the sand, and my dad gave me an old tennis ball that he had poked a hole into. I put it on the kick stand, and from then on, it stayed standing up. Thought I would share." – M.N. in Florida

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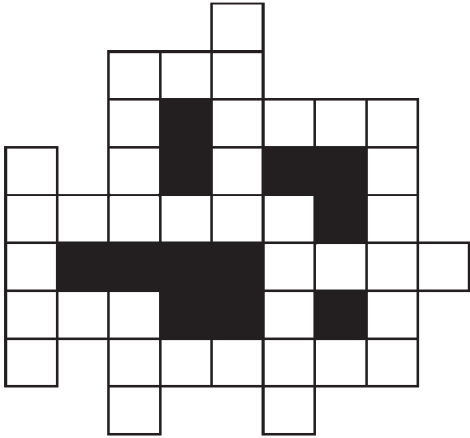
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Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or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

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