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## NEWSBRIEFS

### Excellent finances

The Socorro ISD has earned the state's highest financial accountability rating of "Superior Achievement" under the new accountability system FIRST (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas). "(It) demonstrates the quality of our stewardship over our taxpayers' money," said Dr. Robert J. Duron, SISD superintendent. "(We) are very fortunate to have the caliber of financial expertise exhibited by Mary Benham, our assistant superintendent for business services and her staff," he said. The district discussed the report in a public hearing Tuesday. Socorro's rating was the highest out of four possible designations.

### Reyes runs again

On Monday, Nov. 17, Congressman Silvestre Reyes will host a public reception to announce his candidacy for re-election, 10 a.m. in the lobby of the Cortez Office Building, 310 N. Mesa. Guest speaker will be Luis Caldera, former Secretary of the Army in the Clinton Administration. "We have a solid team in place to advocate for El Paso, Ft. Bliss and the host of challenges and opportunities in education, the environment and our economy," Reyes said. "We have many friends who know the value and potential of El Paso." The public is invited to the reception.

### Training completed

- Marine Corps Pvt. Miguel D. Hernandez, son of Rosemary and David Hernandez, recently completed basic training for the U.S. Marine Corps in San Diego. He is a 2003 graduate of Socorro High School.
- Navy Seaman Recruit Christian Duarte, son of Guadalupe and Baltazar Duarte, recently completed U.S. Navy Basic training in Great Lakes, Illinois. He is a 2003 graduate of Socorro High School.
- Navy Seaman Jason Varela, son of Irma and Juan Verela, also completed basic training in the U.S. Navy. He is a 2003 graduate of Fabens High School.

### In other news

■ An old-fashioned Christmas Fair at Clint Methodist Church will be held at the 93-year-old historic country church built in the time of Pancho Villa's raids along the border. Where long ago the sentries watched from the bell tower for dust on the horizon, visitors are invited to scout instead for holiday gifts. When long ago the bell was rung to warn the village of impending danger, bells of a less serious nature can be found among the arts and crafts, homemade baked goodies, candies, gifts and more. The Fair will be Friday-Saturday, Nov. 14-15, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., 201 McKinney in Clint, Texas. Follow the

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*When some folks yell for tolerance, what they really want is special privileges.*  
— Quips & Quotes



**NEWEST IMPROVEMENT** — The Clint school district has scrambled to keep up with highly accelerated growth. The newest addition to facilities needed to serve the district is this state-of-the-art central administration building.

## Clint ISD dedicates administration facility

EAST EL PASO COUNTY — The Clint school district took a historic step Friday, Nov. 7 with the dedication of a 33,000-foot state-of-the-art central administration facility on

Horizon Blvd. in Horizon City.

For the first time since the historic school

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## Socorro residents air their concerns over city operations

By Arleen Beard  
Special to the Courier

SOCORRO — Some Socorro residents came to speak their mind concerning city operations at the regularly scheduled city council meeting Nov. 6, exactly two years after the City Charter was approved by Socorro voters.

This outcry is partly due to the Oct. 30 *Courier* article regarding the legality issue of the Socorro Police Department, some of them said.

Lorenza Fraire, a concerned resident, reminded council of Section 405 of the City Charter, which states the Socorro City Council is to create a police department by ordinance.

Another concerned citizen, a Ms. Soltero, voiced her opposition to the manner in which council appointed Interim City Manager Reyes Fierro.

The Charter states the city manager should be a resident of Socorro, Texas within six months of hire, she said. Ms. Soltero alleged that Fierro is also holding employment outside the City of Socorro for El Paso Community College. She also said Fierro should not be filling the position of Director of Public Works and Director of Planning for Socorro while also holding the position of Interim City Manager.

Bernardo Frescas, a resident of Socorro, addressed council regarding the challenge to the legality of the Socorro Police Department. He

then addressed Fierro, saying that he wanted a reimbursement for a traffic violation that cost him \$150 to pay a ticket issued by a "so-called illegal police department." He said it is his understanding that reimbursements are being sent out.

Frescas also asked Fierro for the short and long term plans for the development of the city. Fierro replied the short term plans will address the infrastructure and the long term plans will address the economic development.

Laura Rizo, also a resident of Socorro, addressed council to applaud them for their hard work. She said she realizes there is a lot of work to be done, but understands it is a slow process, as long as there is progress being made.

In a later interview, Ricardo Ortiz, a citizen of Socorro, spoke with the *Courier* regarding his concerns about Socorro's current management. He affirmed the Charter states that the city manager must be a bonded position, and he believes Fierro is not bonded.

He went on to say the Charter states an interim appointment should not be made for a newly created position, such as the city manager. He is adamant council is violating the Charter in the terms of Fierro's employment.

Ortiz said he and other citizens are currently soliciting financial aid from businesses within Socorro for legal expenses to draft an

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## Record number of schools named to state honor roll, Damian one of best performers in Texas

AUSTIN — Just for the Kids (JFTK) and the Texas Business and Education Coalition (TBEC) will honor a record 118 Texas schools Nov. 20 at a reception and dinner at the Hyatt Regency Town Lake.

The Honor Roll schools are the most consistent performers in educating all student groups over a three-year period of time and rank highest in their individual peer groups, which are the

schools across the state that most closely approximate their size and student population makeup.

Of special note is Jose H. Damian Elementary, in the Canutillo School District, which is a repeat recipient.

Sixty-nine elementary schools, 36 middle schools and 13 high schools will send delegates to a "Share the Success" seminar and awards presentation.

## Opening of Wildcat Drive will be a major boon to Anthony, mayor says

By Don Woodyard  
Courier Staff Writer

ANTHONY — A decade of waiting is over for Art Franco.

Franco is in his 11th year as mayor of the town of Anthony. For 10 of those years, he says he's been wanting and waiting for a new route through town, a route that would bring a new prosperity to the Upper Valley community.

At 11 a.m. Friday a ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held at Anthony High School to mark the opening of a portion of a new state highway which runs west from I-10 to Doniphan Drive. To the Texas Department of Transportation it is Spur 6. To the residents of Anthony it is Wildcat Drive in honor of the high school mascot.

Built at a cost of \$8.1 million, the new four-lane state road will be open from 4th Street to Doniphan. The remaining section of the 1.5-mile road is scheduled to open by February of 2004, according to Jose Sierra, west area engineer for TXDOT. Franco believes the opening might be sooner, perhaps by the end of this year.

"This is unbelievable," the mayor says. "It is all coming together. It will have a far-reaching effect."

That effect, he believes, will be to open up a new section of town for commercial and residential development. "It will bring prosperity. Another important benefit will be to relieve traffic pressure on the present FM Road 1905/Franklin that presently connects the freeway with the center of town.

"This road will be a key to our future," the mayor affirms.

Franco praises State Rep. Joe Pickett for his efforts in bringing the road project to completion.

The new Anthony road isn't the only TXDOT project in the Upper Valley.

A new bridge is under construction at I-10 and Woodrow Bean Transmountain Drive in Canutillo. It now has a two-lane bridge, but that is changing, says Sierra. Like the other new structures in Anthony and Vinton, it will become a four-lane bridge. In addition to the four lanes, it will also have separate turnaround lanes that will allow traffic to exit the freeway, turn around and head in the opposite direction without using the main lanes of the bridge.

The \$13.3 million project by the C.F. Jordan Construction Co. began last August and is scheduled to be finished in September of 2004.

When it's finished, Sierra says the intersection will feature a diamond interchange similar to the one at Sunland Park Drive.

The bridge construction project calls for the building a new, two-lane bridge and diverting traffic to it while the old overpass is torn down and replaced with a second two-lane section.

As in other TXDOT construction projects in recent years, it will be more aesthetically pleasing to motorists, the highway engineer notes. The retaining walls in segmental blocks will rise from four to about 15 feet and will feature a mountain relief of peaks and valleys. They will be painted in earth tones of plum, copper and red.





# One perspective

By Francis Shrum

## Killing the golden goose

Driving off the slope on Artcraft Road into the Upper Valley abutting the Rio Grande River, the deep brown farmland is being covered with houses.

Granted, they are beautiful houses. Some of these properties have enough ground around the majestic homes to house a few horses and some big dogs. The assemblage creates a rural portrait into which most of us would like our likenesses painted.

Some of the subdivisions, however, are not nearly as forgiving on space and build the houses so near that an athletic person — myself not included — could literally jump from roof to roof.

Either way, it doesn't change the fact that the land will never again be used for farming, for production of food and fiber, to clothe and feed a nation. It has been irreparably cut into small pieces and sold to the highest bidders, to thousands of individual owners. The land will never be reassembled, the damage done so that greater numbers of people can attain the American Dream.

In the name of business they are suffocating the goose that laid the golden egg.

Texas Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson says he is only doing what is his duty. He's going to make deals with some fellows with really lots of money to suck the water out of already fragile aquifers in water-sparse West Texas so that it may be sold to the highest bidder.

The reasoning, he says, is that this is the latest, greatest way for the Land Office to finance public education for Texas school children. Never mind that draining the aquifers may also

empty rural Texas communities of children altogether, but that apparently isn't a concern.

In the name of business, the goose that laid the golden egg will slowly die of thirst.

The impact on the El Paso County economy overall won't be that great with the demise of milk-production, experts say. The U.S. Department of Agriculture has set aside \$59 million to buy out El Paso County's eight dairies because of "chronic" cattle TB infestations.

Of course, there have been very few cases; it poses no health danger to products consumed by humans; at least one of the dairies in question has never had a single case; and the "recurrent" cases are caused by letting in livestock from unregulated herds in nearby Mexico; but a single case can threaten the "TB-free" status — hence, the profit margin — of dairy herds in the whole state of Texas. Therefore, El Paso County's cows have to go.

That "minimal impact" on El Paso County's overall economy will be pretty devastating to the county's vanishing agriculture production. The dairies were buying most of the alfalfa and corn silage crops to feed the cows. Alfalfa and corn are "rotation" crops grown to enhance production of cotton crops grown on the same fields at different times — and cotton crops are the county's biggest cash crop.

Meanwhile, the highly productive dairy cows — the result of years, even decades of careful genetic breeding — will be slaughtered for meat. The "genetic pool" of each dairy's milk cows will be wiped out. It will take years for those which relocate to rebuild

their herds to the present levels of production.

In the name of business they are literally slaughtering the goose that laid the golden egg.

Don't get emotional. It's just plain, old, black-and-white business.

Except black-and-white seems to appear oddly dollar-bill green. When everything we do is done for the sake of the size of the profit, we are treading in a substance equally green and getting deeper all the time.

When the Great Depression ravaged America, many survived simply because most folks had a little something they could individually

produce — a milking cow and calf, a couple of laying chickens, a vegetable garden that produced a little barter for a doctor's visit.

America doesn't understand that if the trucks don't come, neither does the food, and the scant inches between one house and the next won't produce enough feed the proverbial grasshopper.

Once the golden goose, whose name is Agriculture, dies from a dreadful disease called business, there will be no golden eggs, let alone any of the edible sort.

We are as fragile as the breath she drew.

## SEISD board honors service of departing trustee, Rick Rednour

By Don Woodyard  
Courier Staff Writer

SAN ELIZARIO — Trustees of the San Elizario Independent School District faces a very difficult task at its Nov. 12 meeting — filling the position of its long-term board member Rick Rednour who resigned effective Oct. 31.

Rednour submitted his letter of resignation to the board at its Oct. 8 meeting. He and his family have relocated to Tennessee. The board praised the work of Rednour who had served on the board for 19 years, making him perhaps the second-longest serving school board member in El Paso County. He had served six three-year terms and was in the first year of his seventh term.

"We will miss him," said Antonio Araujo, president of the board, in recalling his service. "He was very committed to education. He was a mediator between opposing points of view on the board."

Echoing Araujo was Dr. Mike Quatrini, district superintendent. He praised Rednour as an individual who worked well in "solidifying the school board. He would stand back and look at the big picture," Quatrini added.

Margie Medina, administrative assistant to the superintendent, says she will remember Rednour as a "caring" person who "cared for the kids, and cared for the community. He was very involved with the community."

Rednour responded by thanking the board members for caring about the children of the school district.

Quatrini presented Rednour a plaque reflecting his service to the board and the community. He also received gifts from campus administrators.

The vacancy can be filled either by appointing a replacement or by an election next May.

In other developments:

- Robert Longoria, Support Services director, had good news for parents whose children attend Borrego Elementary and are concerned for their safety enroute. The district has received an additional \$229,500 to extend bike paths and sidewalks along Alarcon and Saltillo roadways. The El Paso Urban Transportation Policy Board approved the money.

The TPB funding picks up when the original \$201,000 runs out. The original money, Longoria said, provided for bike paths and sidewalks from Chicken Ranch Road to Petunia.

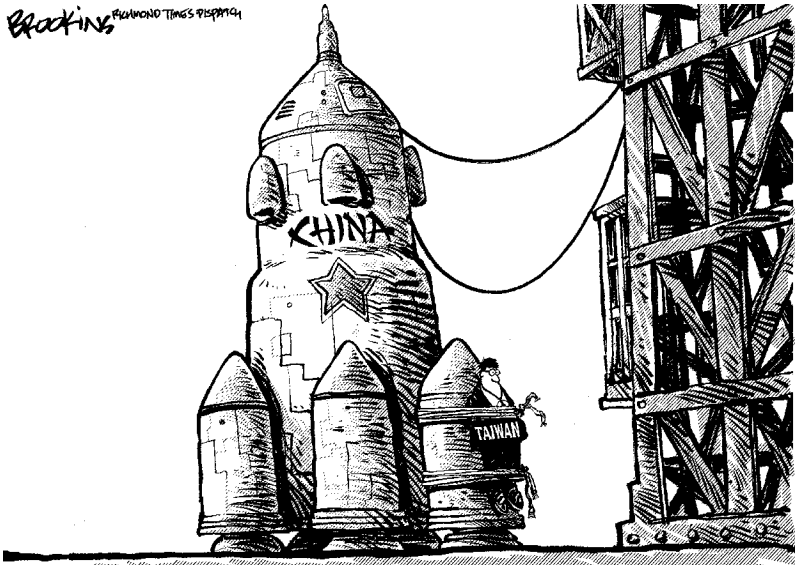
Work on the project, a joint effort of the TXDOT, SEISD and the El Paso County Planning Office, is expected to begin around mid-year of 2004.

- Gary Williams, with the County Historical Commission, asked the board to consider having Alarcon Elementary School designated as a Texas historic landmark. Alarcon has been on the national register of historic places in the San Elizario Historic District since 1997.

- Ernesto Seagal, a fifth-grade bilingual teacher at Borrego Elementary, was named Teacher of the Month. Rocio Cordero, from Loya Primary, was named Employee of the Month.



Rick Rednour



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# San Elizario HOSA students in the right place at the right time

By Phillip Cortez  
Special to the Courier

SAN ELIZARIO — Not every-  
day has mornings like the one Rocio  
Flores, 18, experienced a few weeks  
ago. The San Elizario High School  
senior found herself at the corner of  
Passmore and Socorro Roads, the  
ticking of her right-side blinker prob-  
ably in sync with the morning beats  
pouring from her car stereo as she  
waited for traffic to clear on her drive  
to school.

That’s when she noticed a truck  
approaching eastbound toward a  
school zone at a high rate of speed.

“He was veering off to the left to-  
wards the other lane,” Flores said.  
“That’s when it hit another car head-  
ing west, but the truck kept going.”

According to Flores, the struck car  
tried to avoid the oncoming truck and  
in doing so, hit a seven-year-old boy  
on his way to school.

That’s when Flores’ instincts took  
over.

With First-Aid Kit in hand —  
Flores says she always keeps one  
handy in the car — she raced towards  
the unconscious boy and immedi-  
ately provided aid until paramedics  
arrived.

“I noticed that he had a broken arm  
so I made a tourniquet for him,” she  
said.

Flores’ work was not finished,  
however. The two occupants of the  
stricken car, Socorro High School  
students, were also in need of seri-  
ous help, which Flores was able to



IN THE REAL WORLD — Imelda Lopez, left, and Rocio Flores have already learned the value of medical knowledge.

help provide until paramedics ap-  
proached the scene of the accident.

“One student was bleeding from  
the head and the other was com-  
pletely unconscious,” she said. “We  
helped get him out. I cleaned the  
blood from one victim’s head, trying  
to stop the bleeding, another woman  
gave CPR to the unconscious stu-  
dent.”

Days after Flores’ atypical drive to  
school, fellow classmate Imelda  
Lopez got an opportunity to apply  
what she has learned in the classroom  
out in the real world — and that  
means anywhere.

“I was at a club in Juarez when I  
saw a girl bleeding from her left  
ankle,” Lopez said. “She had cut it  
when a bottle broke in front of her.”

That’s when Lopez immediately  
helped treat the wound until more

help came.

Looking back on the experience,  
Flores is thankful that she chose to  
enroll in the Health Occupations Stu-  
dent Association (HOSA) Program at  
San Elizario High School. Although  
she is only in her first year of the pro-  
gram, Flores knows that she is enter-  
ing a very worthwhile and reward-  
ing career.

“If I had not been in HOSA, I  
might not have stopped,” she said. “I  
felt proud because the paramedics  
told me that I did a great job. I take  
HOSA a lot more seriously now.”

Mathilda Mirabal, HOSA instruc-  
tor at San Elizario High School, was  
happy to hear about her students’ ac-  
complishments.

“It makes me proud because these  
are skills they are going to be applied  
for the rest of their lives,” she said.



## Reyes Reports By U.S. Rep. Silvestre Reyes

### Proposed Medicare bill will hurt cancer treatment centers

As the El Paso Cancer Treatment Center helps over 3,000 patients battle cancer, the Center itself is battling for survival.

Congress is currently debating the Medicare Prescription Drug and Modernization Act. This bill includes provisions that would effectively cut billions of dollars from Medicare funding over the next 10 years for chemotherapy and other critical cancer care provided to Medicare beneficiaries.

These cuts would seriously jeopardize community-based outpatient clinics like the El Paso Cancer Treatment Center that rely on Medicare reimbursement for survival. Nationally, an estimated 80-percent of cancer treatment occurs in community-based settings, and 60-percent of all annual cancer diagnoses occur among Medicare beneficiaries.

The rationale behind these Medicare funding cuts is that it will remedy the longstanding problem of Medicare overpayment for chemotherapy drugs. Historically, Medicare has paid 95-percent of the average wholesale price of these drugs. At the same time, however, Medicare drastically underpays for essential cancer care services, such as oncology nurses who administer chemotherapy, extensive specialized equip-

ment, and counseling for patients and their families. The higher Medicare drug reimbursements are used to pay for the general expenses of community care centers.

To partially offset the proposed drug reimbursement cuts, the bill would increase reimbursement for general expenses by \$300-\$350 million over 10 years. However, the net result will still effectively reduce reimbursements for cancer care by between \$10 billion and \$14 billion over the next 10 years.

Reimbursement reform for cancer drugs and related practice expenses may be needed, but this bill is not the answer. By targeting community healthcare centers, the bill threatens out-patient cancer treatment access. Out-patient centers are more accessible and provide a more comfortable atmosphere for cancer patients. If reimbursement rates are slashed, these centers will be forced to cut oncology nurses and nutrition counselors, discontinue outreach programs and reduce participation in clinical trials that are desperately needed to make advances in the war on cancer — or even close altogether, forcing patients from a community-based setting to a hospital setting.

Along with many of my colleagues from both sides of the aisle, I have sent a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, express-

ing our concern about these cuts in cancer care. Changes need to be made in a manner that is balanced and fair.

I am also a co-sponsor of the Quality Cancer Care Preservation Act, which would increase reimbursement rates for covered drugs, drug administration services, and chemotherapy support services. Instead of simply addressing reimbursement rates of cancer drugs, the Quality Cancer Care Preservation Act takes a more holistic approach. It addresses cancer-related drugs, the administrative needs associated with medical and cancer care, and the emotional and support services needed when undergoing cancer treatment. In addition, I have personally contacted the Members of Congress in charge of crafting the final Medicare Prescription Drug and Modernization Act conference report urging them to provide full reimbursement rates for cancer care providers.

As a member of the House Cancer Caucus, ensuring federal support for cancer treatment and cancer patients and their families is a top priority of mine. Cancer is a long, hard, emotional battle that has touched my family directly. We are working so that the El Paso Cancer Treatment Center — and similar centers across the country — will be able to continue helping cancer patients survive their battle.

## For Sanity’s Sake By Taprina Milburn

### Adult conversation

I ran into an old friend the other day. She knew me back when my kids were 5 and under; I knew her back when she didn’t have children.

Today, mine are in grade school, and she has two under the age of 5. As we swapped telephone numbers and pacified our impatient offspring, we talked, and I recognized in her something I had felt in those days when diapers and purple dinosaurs were part of my routine.

She misses adult conversation. Not the kind we were having, quick exchanges of information slipped in between “Mom, can we leave,” and her kids’ attempts to scale store shelves.

But the kind of conversation I have more time for these days, where a friend and I can sit at lunch and finish complete sentences — where we can talk about ourselves. Oh, the luxury of talking about ourselves.

Remember those conversation-deprived days when the only adult voice you heard in your house was Mr. Rogers’, or your husband’s as you drifted off to sleep each night? Heck, we occasionally still have those days, don’t we?

- You know you are a conversation-deprived mother if:
- You ask telemarketers if they have any plans for the holidays.
  - You’ve spent more than three days this week singing the ABCs, chasing a naked toddler around the house with a diaper or cajoling a finicky eater with a spoonful of peas as you make airplane sounds.
  - Lunch out with a friend means eating a Wacky Meal with a person shorter than your bathroom counter.
  - Free time means perusing the aisles of Wal-mart as you pray your kids through potty-training and colic.
  - You developed a crush on White House Press Secretary Ari Fleisher and went into a deep depression after he resigned last summer.
  - You have dreams about sitting across from Oprah on her show and chatting as if you were best friends.
  - You feel rejected by the UPS guy because he rings the doorbell, drops the package on your step and leaves instead of waiting for you to open the door.
  - You think of women with children in grade school as exotic. If only you had that kind of time to be so slovenly, you think.
- Call a conversation-deprived mom, help her find a babysitter, and take her to lunch. Let her talk first... you’ll get your turn, don’t worry.

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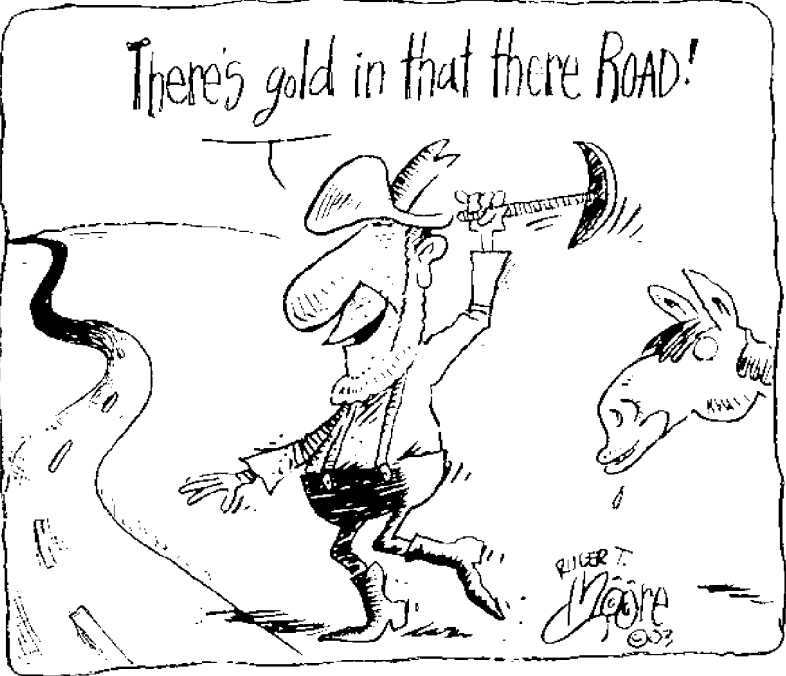
### Notice of Public Meeting to Discuss Clint Independent School District’s State Financial Accountability Rating

Clint Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 6:30 PM, Wednesday, November 19, 2003, in the Board Room located in the Clint Central Administration Office, 14521 Horizon Blvd., El Paso, Texas.

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

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**TRUE TEXAS FACTS** by Roger Moore. Highways 81-287 in Montague Co. has gold mixed in the asphalt.







**TOP NOTCH TEACHER** — Canutillo ISD's State Elementary Teacher of the Year was honored in special ceremonies by the State Board of Education. Shown in photo, from left, is Hector Giron, Canutillo Elementary School Principal; Rene Nuñez, State Board of Education member from El Paso; Kyann McMillie, Texas Teacher of the Year and Canutillo Elementary School teacher; and Charles Hart, Canutillo ISD Superintendent

## Clint ISD

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district was founded, the central office will no longer be located in the district's birthplace of the Town of Clint.

The idea for moving the administrative offices to a more central location in the school district first surfaced in 1993 when school officials and trustees began to realize the growth surges within the 480-square miles covered by Clint ISD were happening in the relatively young communities of Horizon and East Montana.

Then-Superintendent Carroll T. Welch proposed the idea, however, lack of money and public support delayed the move.

"Well, it has taken our district a long, long time to get to this position today," said Clint ISD Board of Trustees President Jim Pendell during dedication ceremonies. "It's still hard to believe that we really got it done."

He expressed appreciation to Welch, and to subsequent Clint Superintendents Ron Rowell and Sylvester Perez who were instrumental in gaining public support and financing to plan, relocate, expand and update the central administration offices which had long outgrown the building at 125 Brown Street in Clint. The district had already been forced to establish administrative substations in East Montana and Horizon and had begun installing portables around the Clint office to maintain the overflow.



**DEDICATING A FINE FACILITY** — From left, Robert Lara, Clint ISD Trustee, joined Board President Jim Pendell, Superintendent Dr. Donna Smith, and Trustee Alfred Gonzalez in the board room of the new Clint ISD administration facility on Nov. 7.

Designed by SMS Architects and constructed by Urban and Associates, the Horizon facility provides ample seating for well-attended board meetings, conference rooms, offices and more.

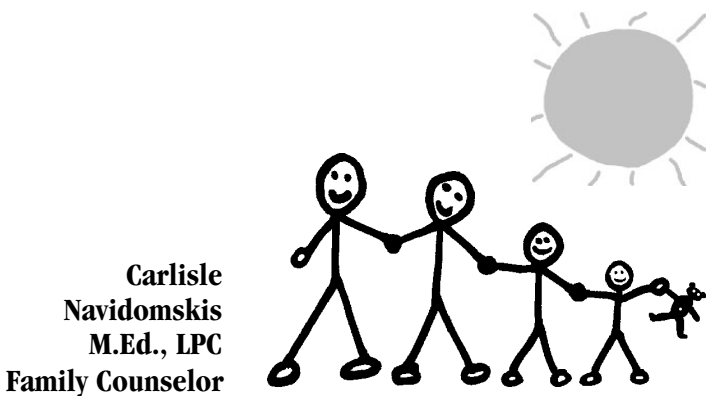
"I still remember seeing the train of district vehicles moving furniture from Clint to Horizon as they drove up the cut-off road," Pendell said. "I wish you all could have seen the big smiles of the faces of the men doing the moving as they drove toward Horizon. Attendance was 100 percent that week."

He thanked all the trustees, past and present, for their contribution to the project, to Ken George, who served as interim superintendent following the departure of Perez, and to

current superintendent, Dr. Donna Smith, who oversaw construction of the facility and organized the move from 125 Brown Street.

"This building needs to serve as a reminder...that we take our reputation as the fourth largest school district in West Texas very seriously," Pendell said. "This building was built with the students and teachers in mind in order to better serve their needs."

"Our small little school district from 125 Brown Street in Clint, Texas, is growing up and growing up fast. But with all of you here today helping to look out for the district, we can't help but remain the best school district in the state of Texas," Pendell concluded.



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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF ANTHONY, TEXAS

### PREPARATION OF A PARK MASTER PLAN T.R.P.A. PROGRAM OF THE TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPT.

The Town of Anthony will conduct a public hearing to solicit the input and participation of all of its residents in the preparation of a Park Master Plan. Please attend this meeting and voice your opinion concerning the proposed project.

**Date:** Tuesday, November 25, 2003

**Time:** 6:00 P.M.

**Location:** Council Room, Anthony Town Hall

There will be discussions of the purpose of the Park Master Plan and the process for the preparation of this community planning document. Other topics of discussion will include: (1) goals and objectives, (2) needs and problems, (3) facilities inventory, (4) planning process, (5) priorities, (6) recommendations and implementation, and (7) possible sources of funding. The Park Master Plan will follow the guidelines of the Texas Recreation and Parks Account Program of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

*Las presentaciones y discusiones sobre la preparacion de un Plan Maestro de Parques y Recreacion bajo las guias y direccion del departamento de Parques y Vida Natural del estado de Texas se haran en espanol para aquellas personas que asi lo deseen.*

Art Franco, Mayor  
Town of Anthony

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signs from I-10 to the church. Information: 851-2702 or 851-8144.

■ The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) will present the Community Express Loan Seminar on Nov. 20 from 5-6 p.m. at the One Stop Business Resource Center in the Cactus Room at 1359 Lomaland. The Express Loan program is designed to provide financing for veterans, women, minorities and in low to moderate income urban and rural areas to start or expand a business, with loans up to \$250,000. There is no charge for the seminar, however, reservations are recommended at 633-7001.

■ Seedlings of both evergreens and hardwood trees are now available from the El Paso County Office of Texas Cooperative Extension in cooperation with the Texas Forest Service in the annual windbreak tree sale. Trees offered are especially suited for the El Paso County climate and are sold in packets of 30 to 50 trees, ranging from \$28 to \$52. Deadline to order is Jan. 20 and trees will be available for pickup during the first week in February. Information: 859-7725.

■ Socorro's Student Activity Center will be the site of the season's Bi-District Division I football game featuring Socorro's Montwood Rams versus the San Angelo Central high school team. The Large School Division I contest will be played at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14. Pre-game tickets are being sold at Montwood High School during lunch at \$2 for students, \$4 for adults. Tickets bought at the gate are \$5 each for students and adults. SISD employee passes are not valid for this game. The winner of the Montwood-San Angelo contest will play Midland Lee or Duncanville in the Area Round.

■ The Texas Farm Service Agency has loans available for individual rural youths to produce projects of modest size in connection with participation in 4-H, FFA and similar organizations. The amount financed is based on the individual project and will include cost to purchase animals, equipment and supplies, buy, rent or repair needed tools equipment, and pay operating expenses. The FSA is located at 2306 West Dickinson, Ste. 1, Ft. Stockton, TX, (915) 336-5206, ext. 2, or applicants may contact the local FSA (USDA) office.

■ The Socorro High School Missionettes dance team will be having their annual dance camp on Saturday, Nov. 22 in the gyms at Socorro High School from 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Sign-in is 8:30-9:30 a.m. Performances for the audience is at 2:45 p.m. Ages six and up are welcome to attend. The fee for the camp is \$12 — registration by Nov. 13 gets a camp t-shirt and lunch. There

will not be late registration after Nov. 19. Registration forms are available from any Missionette Dancer, Ana Guerrero Moncada, or come by the dance office. Information: 937-2246.

■ Clint High School will be hosting a Community Meeting on Monday, November 17, 2003 in the school cafeteria. Doors will open at 6 p.m. and the meeting will be held from 6:30-7:30 p.m. During this time, Principal Morris Aldridge will share with the community his goals and expectations for Clint High School. The Campus Report Card will also be discussed. Babysitting will be available through the CHS National Honor Society to take care of young children while parents attend the meeting. Clint H.S. JROTC students will assist with serving snacks and beverages. If you have any questions you can call 851-2344.

■ The Native American Arts and Crafts Festival and Overnight Campout will be Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 22-23 at Cougar Park, 10664 Socorro Rd. in Socorro. Native American arts and crafts, dancers, jewelry, music, food and refreshments will all be on the menu. Free admission. Call Suky Ramos Eagle Feather for more information at 422-1700.

■ Socorro High School will present the Bulldog Christmas Fair from noon to 5 p.m. on Dec. 13 in the School Cafeteria. Vendors are invited to take part. Call Carmen Lucero at 937-2134 for more information.

■ Americas High School will host the 8th Annual Christmas Fair on Dec. 5, 5-9 p.m. A variety of live music, dance performances, food and games will be available as well as vendors offering a variety of arts, crafts, decorations, decor, clothing, pottery, toys, jewelry, makeup and snacks. Admission is free. Information: 937-2832.

■ Montwood High School is preparing its First Annual Holiday

Fair on Nov. 22, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Nov. 22. Proceeds will benefit the senior college grant fund. The Montwood Booster Association is sponsoring the event and is offering limited spaces to vendors and entertainers to perform during the event. Information: Rosa Cervantes, 857-1487; or Raquel Alvarado, 855-2853.

■ It's a little known fact — nearly half the U.S. population gets its drinking water from wells. Well owners who are seeking information on well maintenance and other information can get free advice and information at [W e l l o w n e r . o r g](http://W e l l o w n e r . o r g) ([www.wellowner.org](http://www.wellowner.org)). The web site, operated by the National Groundwater Association, allows well owners to email their questions to [wellowner@ngwa.org](mailto:wellowner@ngwa.org). It also includes practical information on well basics, maintenance, water quality, well-work contractors, financing and ground water information. For instance, the web site provides practical information on what's involved in a well checkup, causes and solutions to water pressure issues, contaminants, drilling and well contractors. If the Internet is unavailable for use at home, try the closest library, a NGA spokesman said.

New principal selected for Clint High School

By Laura Cade  
Special to the Courier

CLINT — A special school board meeting was held at Clint High School Oct. 30 for the Clint ISD Board of Trustees to name former CHS assistant principal, Morris Aldridge, as the new principal for the campus.

Faculty, students and staff of the Clint campus were involved in determining the minimum qualifications for the new principal, guided by Vernon Butler, the principal development administrator from Region 19 Education Service Center.

Aldridge, who is married with two children, has been an educator for 19 years, spending 15 of those years in Clint ISD. Except for a short time at Clint Junior High as assistant princi-

pal, he has spent his years with CISD at Clint High School. He received his undergraduate degree from Sam Houston in 1985 and has a Masters in Education Administration from Sul Ross State University. He holds a Principal's certification with the State of Texas and is also currently working towards a Superintendent's certification.

In an effort to keep the community involved, he plans to hold a Community Meeting Nov. 17 at 6 p.m. in the school cafeteria to share goals and expectations for Clint High School with the community. Mr.

Aldridge said he has many other plans for Clint High School including continued recognition from TEA, building improvements, instilling pride in the campus, keeping the community informed and parents involved, and aligning with the feeder campuses.

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# UTEP football needs to make some major changes

By Steve Escajeda  
*Special to the Courier*

If you’ve been a UTEP football fan over the last 30-something years you’ve seen decades of some of the worst football ever produced.

The Miners have stunk it up in so many different ways over the years, that — like the heat of El Paso’s summers, the mild winters and the winds of spring — you just expect it and eventually accept it.

But one thing was always true. UTEP’s absolute worst defeats have always come from a BYU team or one from Oklahoma, or Tennessee, Kentucky or maybe Utah.

But last Saturday’s complete collapse came at the hands of lowly San Jose State.

This was a game most members of the media felt the Miners would win, or at worst, drop a hard-fought close

decision.

After all, SJSU had only won two games all season and one of those was against winless SMU. So realistically, especially after UTEP coach Gary Nord’s tirade last week about how the media has been unfair to him and his team, the Miners should have handled the less-than-successful Spartans.

But, oh, how wrong we were.

San Jose St. quarterback Scott Rislov sat back in the pocket, and like a college kid at his favorite watering hole with a light beer in one hand and some darts in the other, calmly took aim at the Miner defense and fired bullseye after bullseye.

Rislov peppered the so-called UTEP defense with pass after pass after pass and the defense missed tackle after tackle after tackle en route to allowing 48 points — BY HALFTIME!

It gets worse.

The all-time record for most passing yards in a game is 716, set by Houston’s David Klingler in 1990. Rislov had 461 yards at halftime. Please don’t rub or try to refocus your eyes, you are reading correctly. He

had 461 yards (and six touchdown passes) at halftime.

That’s halfway to 922 yards, for goodness sake.

And it’s not that Rislov’s arm was that golden or that his receivers are already of NFL caliber.

The truth, plain and simple, is that Gary Nord’s Miners have called it a season. The team isn’t motivated, it has absolutely no fire, desire or heart.

In the last two home games, against teams the Miners had penciled in as probable victories, Tulsa and San Jose State combined for 125 points. That’s an average of 62.5 points — at the Sun Bowl, which is looking emptier and emptier every week.

Rislov set Sun Bowl records of most yards passing in a game and tied the record for most touchdown passes (7) in a game. Oh, and by the way, he had *no* interceptions.

San Jose State also set a Sun Bowl record for most points in a game with 69.

I asked UTEP media relations specialist Jeff Darby at that point whether the Miners held any more Sun Bowl records at all? He smiled

and didn’t answer.

The likable Nord has proven he can coach, taking Charlie Bailey’s team and winning in 2000. But Nord has also proven that he cannot recruit. And the players that he has brought to El Paso are a step slow, 15 pounds lighter, or lack the arm strength of their opponents.

Every year we hear how talented his players are but once they get on the field the differences in the talent level are stunning.

I think it’s time for a change at UTEP. I think the university has got to quit playing around with its football program and do some serious hiring.

In 35 years, UTEP has had three winning seasons. Let me repeat that in a different way — in 32 of the last 35 years, the Miners football team has been a loser.

In fact, the losing has gotten so bad that if the Miners had won four games in any season we kind of considered that a good year.

It’s amazing what people will settle for when things are so bad.

Programs like Oregon State, Northwestern and Kansas State were

even worse off than UTEP back in the 70s and 80s.

And just like the cities of Albuquerque, Phoenix, Tucson and San Antonio, those schools have since excelled and passed us by while we quietly accept the status quo.

It should be unacceptable. At some point, a city and a university should be embarrassed enough to go in a different direction and not be afraid to take a chance.

Not be afraid to build a river walk, or a 18,000-seat arena, or a beautiful golf course and resort. And not be afraid of dishing out the money to hire an established coach that will automatically bring better recruits here just by his reputation alone.

And, pardon me for saying so, but anyone who thinks that could never happen at UTEP, they are part of what is wrong with El Paso.

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## District 1-4A and 2-4A playoffs to begin at Sun Bowl Stadium

UPPER VALLEY — Canutillo High School Eagles will meet Mountain View High School Lobos to start the District 1-4A and 2-4A football playoffs, Saturday, Nov. 15, at the Sun Bowl Stadium.

Three District 4A playoff games are slated for this Saturday at the Sun Bowl. The game between Canutillo HS and Mountain View HS is scheduled to start at noon. Canutillo will be the visiting team and will have the eastside of the stadium, facing the press box, for its fans.

The second game is scheduled to start at 3:30 p.m. between Chapin High School and Parkland High School. The third game will be at 7 p.m. and will pit Irvin High School against Riverside High School.

Prices for advance tickets are \$4

for adults and \$3 for students.

Tickets at the gate will be \$5 for adults and \$5 for students. Canutillo HS fans may purchase advance tickets at the CHS front office.

“Fans may watch all three games for one price if they stay in the stadium,” said Manny Trevizo, Canutillo HS athletic director, “if they leave the stadium, they will have to pay again to enter.”

Parking for the noon game will be restricted to the south-end of the Sun Bowl because the north-end parking lots will be reserved for the UTEP Miners women and men basketball games that are scheduled also for this Saturday, at the Don Haskins Center.

The high school bands from their respective school will perform during each game at halftime only.

Your ATV may be the target during hunting season

The arrival of hunting season usually means more activity by thieves who target ATVs (All Terrain Vehicles) — thefts this year are running ahead of last year’s totals, according to Texas DPS. Four-wheelers were stolen at a rate of 153 a month through the first six months of this year.

“Awareness is important this time of year, both for ATV owners and law enforcement,” said DPS Motor Vehicle Theft Commander David Griffith. The DPS is urging law officers around the state to be alert for stolen four-wheelers. Special operations will take place in some parts of the state.

The DPS offers the following tips to keep ATVs safer:

- Chain the vehicle to a secure object or keep the vehicle in a secure location, such as a garage.
- Don’t leave the ATV unattended for long periods of time, especially in remote sites.
- Make sure you have the serial number and a good description of the vehicle in case of theft.
- Remove the key and lock the steering wheel, if the vehicle has such a device.

“We notice a jump in ATV thefts during hunting season,” said Griffith. “It’s a combination of opportunity and demand. Many end up being transported to deer leases where they are difficult to track.”

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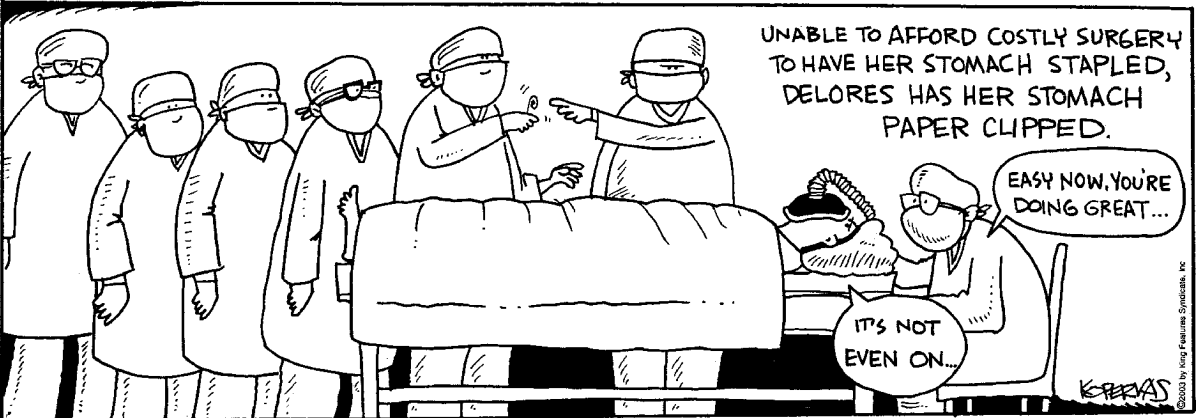
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By Gary Kopervas



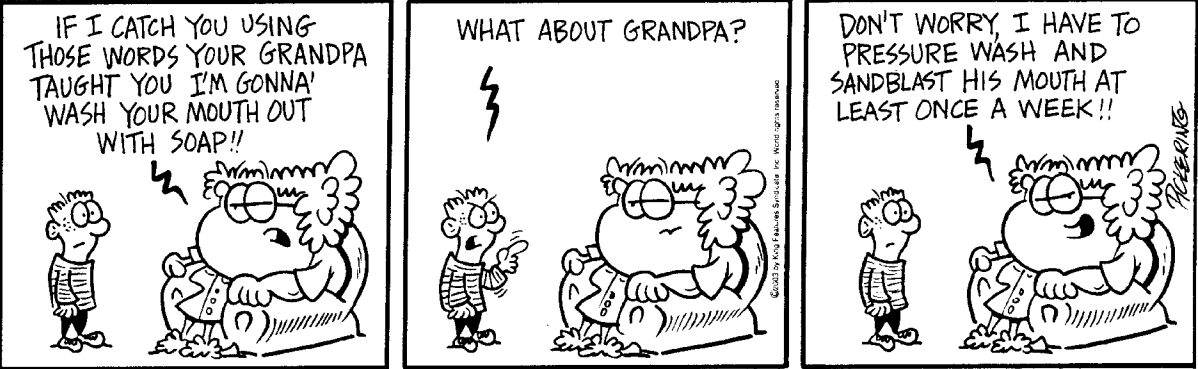
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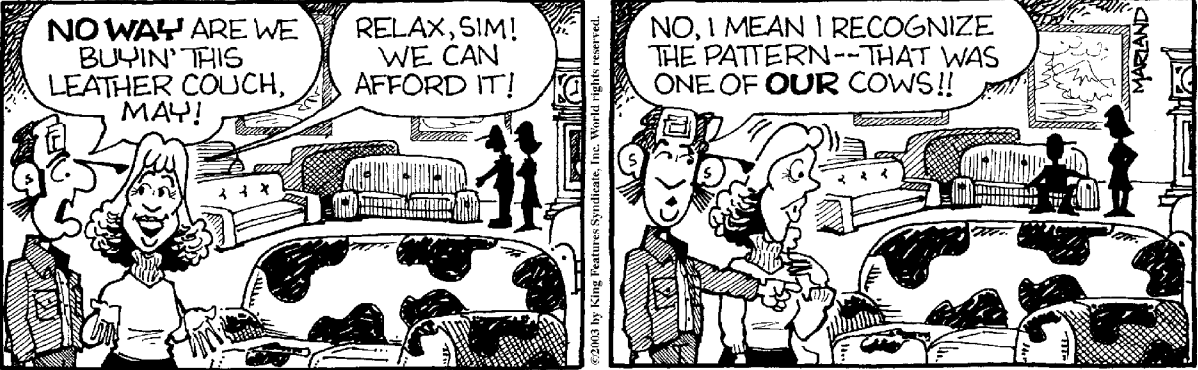
THE SPATS

By Jeff Pickering



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By Mike Marland



Candidate stakes out an issue

By Don Flood

As a public service to the citizens of this country, during the next year I will be making a serious examination of the major issues facing us.

If my mission succeeds, I would like to think that, next November, when it's time to go to the polls, people will have a better understanding of why they're staying home on the couch eating Cheez-Its and watching cartoons.

The first issue — and what many people consider the overriding issue of this campaign — is of course: time travel.

So far, surprisingly, only one major candidate has stated forthrightly his position on this issue — Wesley Clark.

He's all for it!

In the following quote that is not made up, Clark, Democratic candidate for president, said: "I still believe in E=mc2, but I can't believe in all of human history, we'll never ever be able to go beyond the speed of light to reach where we want to go. I happen to believe that mankind can do it."

Well said, Mr. Clark, and may I be so bold as to suggest a running mate who has traveled through time: Mr. Peabody, who with his assistant, Sherman, successfully operated the Wayback Machine on the "Rocky & His Friends" TV show.

Besides being an experienced time traveler, Peabody has the advantages of being extremely knowledgeable, widely respected and, most importantly, a cartoon dog (which may account for his success with time travel).

If an aging action-movie hero like Arnold Schwarzenegger can revitalize California's electorate, think what a cartoon dog could do

to bring our nation's youth back to politics.

(Legal note: Our Constitution includes no article forbidding a dog — even a cartoon dog — from running for president, unlike cats, ferrets and gerbils — though these critters are still allowed to serve in Congress, where several ferrets have, in fact, served with distinction.)

Some cynics speculate that Wesley Clark's interest in time travel may be related to his late arrival in the race.

With the aid of time travel, many fictional political observers point out, Clark could spend an eternity visiting bygone ages and civilizations to build support and raise money.

(Think about being the first candidate from the future to hit up King Midas for a campaign contribution!)

I am prepared, however, to accept Clark's statement as evidence of a sincere enthusiasm for an endeavor that would do much to help America move confidently into the future.

Right now, America faces a crossroads. We read, we debate, but we still wonder: Will Ben and J.Lo get married or not?

Recently, Ben referred to Jennifer as his "girlfriend," not as his fiancée. What does that mean?

Without a reliable time travel machine, we have no way of knowing.

Call me a cockeyed optimist, but I truly believe that if we are able to commit the resources of this great nation to the goal of time travel, then we will — and not that far in the future — be able to send a whole ton of money down the hopper.

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# Popular San Elizario student remembered with memorial

By Phillip Cortez  
Special to the Courier

Just a few weeks after mourning the loss of one student, Sambrano Elementary students, faculty and staff remembered Andrea Ortega, 11, who passed away Oct. 30, 2003 at her home.

A memorial was held at the school, according to Mayela Sanchez, Sambrano Elementary Counselor said.

Ortega was a member of the cheerleading squad, loved playing sports and made students laugh, according to excerpts from student essays.

The following are some of the comments a few of her friends wrote for a compilation given to her

parents:

“I will always remember you as the girl who made us laugh — the girl who liked to wear pretty hats.” - Crystal Lira

“Andrea you were the best, you were always funny. You were sometimes bad and that is what made you special.” - Brian Serrano

“I remembered when you turned off the lights and let Jeremy kiss Carolina.” - Manuel Martin Chavez

“If only you were here to hit Luis one more time.” - Damian R.

“Andrea, you’re free now like you should be.” - Anonymous

Andrea Ortega with a favorite stuffed bunny.



## Socorro

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ordinance-by-petition to remove certain city employees.

He states it is taking some time, but feels confident he will receive the needed support to accomplish his goal of proving to the residents of Socorro, Texas how City Council is in violation of the City Charter.

Socorro Mayor Irma Sanchez has expressed similar concerns since taking office, but was successful in obtaining permission from council only last month to petition the State Comptroller’s office for a complete outside audit of city operations.

## WEATHER

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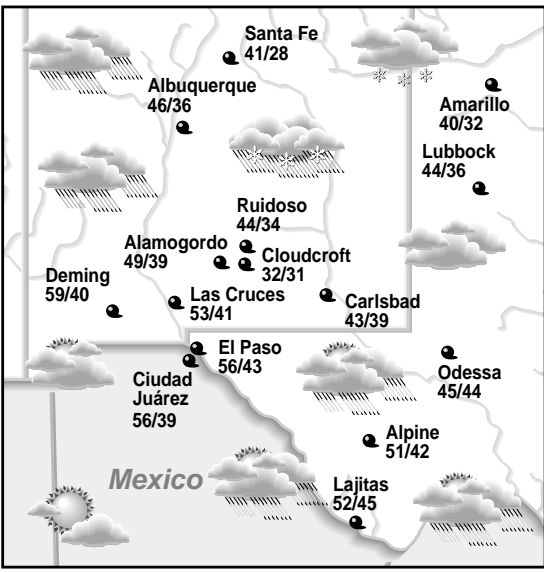
### SEVEN-DAY FORECAST FOR EL PASO

THURSDAY	THUR. NIGHT	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
A morning shower, otherwise, mostly cloudy, breezy.	Mostly cloudy.	Clouds and some sunshine.	Periods of clouds and sunshine.	Mostly sunny.	Partial sunshine.	Partly sunny.	A good deal of sun.
▲ 56°	▼ 43°	▲ 68° ▼ 42°	▲ 66° ▼ 40°	▲ 64° ▼ 40°	▲ 64° ▼ 40°	▲ 64° ▼ 40°	▲ 64° ▼ 42°

UV INDEX	Statistics for noon.
The higher the UV Index, the greater the need for eye and skin protection.	
Thursday	3 Low
Friday	5 Moderate
Saturday	4 Low
Sunday	5 Moderate
Monday	5 Moderate
Tuesday	5 Moderate
Wednesday	5 Moderate

### TEXAS WEATHER

Anthony	56	43
Canutillo	57	44
Clint	52	44
E. Montana	56	43
Fabens	52	44
Horizon	57	44
San Elizario	54	41
Socorro	55	42
Tornillo	52	44
Vinton	57	44



Shown is Thursday's weather. Temperatures are Thursday's highs and Thursday night's lows.

### TRAVELERS CITIES

City	Thur. Hi/Low/W	Fri. Hi/Low/W	Sat. Hi/Low/W	Sun. Hi/Low/W	Mon. Hi/Low/W
Albuquerque	46/36/sh	57/33/pc	55/35/pc	56/34/pc	54/30/s
Atlanta	58/38/pc	58/40/s	58/42/c	56/44/c	60/45/c
Atlantic City	54/34/pc	49/34/s	53/36/s	54/35/s	55/36/pc
Austin/San Antonio	56/48/c	64/52/c	70/54/c	66/48/c	70/47/c
Baltimore	54/34/pc	50/30/s	52/34/s	54/36/s	52/33/c
Boston	52/36/r	46/30/pc	46/34/s	50/38/s	50/37/pc
Chicago	38/28/pc	46/34/s	48/36/pc	48/38/c	50/33/c
Dallas/Ft. Worth	58/46/c	57/48/c	65/50/c	62/47/r	65/45/pc
Denver	40/28/c	50/31/pc	53/31/s	51/32/pc	55/29/pc
Flagstaff	44/23/pc	48/21/s	50/21/pc	52/23/s	50/21/s
Houston	66/48/c	64/54/c	68/58/c	72/64/c	70/47/c
Kansas City	47/36/s	47/36/c	54/38/pc	50/33/c	51/37/pc
Las Vegas	62/44/c	66/46/s	66/46/pc	63/43/s	65/43/s
Miami	84/70/pc	82/68/pc	82/71/s	83/70/pc	86/72/pc
Minneapolis	35/28/s	47/31/s	47/33/pc	43/32/c	43/30/c
New Orleans	69/51/pc	68/57/pc	70/55/pc	73/57/c	73/51/c
New York City	53/37/pc	48/38/pc	47/41/s	51/44/s	54/44/pc
Philadelphia	52/34/pc	48/32/s	50/36/s	52/40/s	53/41/pc
Phoenix	70/50/pc	72/51/s	71/51/s	74/51/s	73/49/s
Portland	55/44/s	52/42/r	54/44/r	54/44/r	53/42/c
San Francisco	63/48/pc	59/49/pc	61/49/pc	63/49/s	65/54/s
Seattle	54/44/s	50/42/r	50/42/r	50/43/r	52/46/c
Tucson	71/46/pc	69/46/s	72/46/s	74/46/s	74/44/s
Washington, DC	56/36/pc	50/34/s	52/38/s	56/40/s	53/39/pc

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

### AGRICULTURE

A shower may linger across the region tomorrow, but the rule will be for mostly cloudy and cool weather. Sunshine will return Friday and continue into the weekend. Temperatures will average close to seasonal normals with highs in the 60s and lows around 40. There will be five to eight hours of sunshine each day after Thursday.

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