



## NEWSBRIEFS

### Choral event

The El Dorado Choir will join choirs from Sun Ridge Middle, Paso Del Norte School, Jane A. Hambric School and Hurshel Antwine School for a Spring Choral Concert on Wednesday, April 26 at 6:30 p.m. The free concert will be the first choral performance in El Dorado's new theater. Each group will perform three choral pieces they are preparing for Socorro ISD and UIL Concert sight-reading contests. The El Dorado choir has been combining with feeder pattern schools for the past two years. "The directors meet monthly and I work as a guest director with one group per week," says El Dorado choir director Sara Long. "In turn, our middle school directors work with El Dorado's choir, one guest director per week."

### Bosque in Bloom

The Rio Bosque Wetland Park in the Mission Valley will host a "Bosque in Bloom" celebration on Sunday, April 23 from 1 to 5 p.m. for the community to have an opportunity to view the wonderful wildlife colors in the park. Hotdogs and hamburgers will be available, along with wildflower and wildlife-tracking tours for families. Call 545-5214 for information.

### State sci-champs

Americas High School senior Frederick Rojas and junior Gabriel Mendoza have just returned as State champions in science from the ExxonMobil Texas State Science and Engineering Fair in San Antonio March 30 and April 1. The Americas High students won the top prize with their mosquito research project titled, "Developing A Counter-Attack Stochastic/Deterministic Analysis Of Arboviral (West Nile, Western Equine Encephalitis) Transovarial Transmission In Culicidae." Rojas and Mendoza also received two special awards from the United States Army and the American Statistical Association. They qualified for the State Science Fair by winning the Gold Sweepstakes Award at the Sun Country Regional Science Fair held at UTEP where they also won several special awards to include the Mu Alpha Theta Mathematics Award, Rotary Club of El Paso Award, Yale Scholars Award, The Office of Naval Research Naval Science Award, and the Greater El Paso Section of American Society for Quality Savings Bond Award.

### In other news

■ Diana M. Garcia, Socorro High School senior basketball player, signed a letter of intent on March 31 to play for Sul Ross State University, and event she called "an opportunity of a lifetime." Garcia played basketball and volleyball at Socorro all four years, was a Flo Hyman Award

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*Nothing has done more to stimulate the writing of fiction than the itemized deduction on the income-tax form.*

— Quips & Quotes

## Clarke Middle student is a world-renowned BMX racer

By Carlos A. Briano  
Special to the Courier

EAST EL PASO COUNTY — Capt. Walter E. Clarke Middle School eighth grader Fernie Jacquez has broken his arm three times, separated his shoulder twice, broken his foot twice and has had two hematomas as a result of jumping 10 and 30-foot jumps on his BMX bike. But for Jacquez, his love of racing keeps him going back for more.

"It's the best thing in the world," he says. "BMX is a fun sport to get into if you're a person that likes to ride bikes, have fun, meet new people, travel the country and be dedicated to something for a long time."

Jacquez is dedicated to his sport. He's been racing for seven years after first being exposed to BMX by his older step-brother.

"He would always send me postcards of him racing so I thought it might be cool to try," Jacquez says. "I was six years old when I started. The first year I started racing I ended up winning the biggest race of the year, the ABA Grand."

His success didn't stop there. Jacquez has been ranked number one in the world in the 12X age group, finished second in the World Championships in Ontario, Calif. and has been ranked in the top five in the world in different age groups. But his ultimate goal is to eventually become a professional racer. And according to his trainers, that is a very real possibility.



— Photo courtesy Socorro ISD

**WORLD ACCLAIM — Capt. Walter E. Clarke Middle School eighth grader Fernie Jacquez is world-renowned BMX racer besides being an all-around good student.**

"Fernie can become a pro by the time he is 16; that's how much talent he has," says Jacquez' trainer Fernie Muñoz II. "He has been ranked number one in the nation in his class in 2004 and has always stayed in the top five."

Jacquez is already a sponsored racer. As a member of the California-based racing team Intense BMX Phantom Ontrac, Jacquez's airfare, hotel, race entry fees, bike and racing gear are paid for by companies like Intense BMX Frames, Phantom Race Components, On Trac Garage Door Company, THE Products, SINZ Racing Products, Intense BMX Tires, Fly Race Wear, Answer and APS. This allows him to race throughout the country.

"They sponsor fast riders so their stuff gets promoted," Jacquez says. "Fans see us wearing the stuff and they want to go out and buy it. So basically it's a bunch of promotion."

Even though Jacquez is quite intense about his riding, he is also a well-rounded student-athlete. He plays on the Clarke football and baseball teams and is an AB student in the National Junior Honor Society. He also represented Clarke at the state science fair with a project focusing on different gear ratios to examine the possibility of gaining revolutions in BMX racing.

"Fernie is one of our most popular, outgoing and well-rounded students," says Kirk Macon, Clarke library media technician. "It's amazing that he finds time to BMX. Fernie is a good example of the kind of student we like to help develop here at Clarke."

## SEHS Library Awarded National Book Grant

By Phillip Cortez  
Special to the Courier

SAN ELIZARIO — The San Elizario High School library was one of 2000 libraries across the nation to receive the "Becoming American" Bookshelf, a National Endowment for the Humanities and American Library Association collaborative that encourages young people to read classic books and explore themes in American history, culture, and ideas. School and public libraries were invited to apply for the 15 thematically related books, which embody the theme of "Becoming American."

"This is important for us because we do have so many new Americans in the community," said Gloria Fogerson, SEHS Librarian. "These people in our community can learn from these stories and teach by sharing their own experiences."

With titles such as *The Lotus Seed* by Sherry Garland, *Dragonwings* by Laurence Yep, *Immigrant Kids* by Russell Freedman, *Barrio Boy* by Ernesto Galarza, and *Giants in the Earth: A Saga of the Prairie* by Ole Edvart R'lvag, students will be able to read great stories of newfound American ideals through the words of writers from different cultural backgrounds.

Fogerson said that the books should arrive on campus during the first week of April and



— Photo courtesy San Elizario ISD

**GET IN TOUCH WITH HISTORY — Librarian Gloria Fogerson with, seated from left, Jasmine De Leon, James Ballentine and Sarah Montes shows off some of the books that will be included in the Becoming American Bookshelf.**

once the books are in, she plans to work with the instructors of core subject areas so that projects surrounding the bookshelf themes and ideas can be implemented in the classroom. One project that is open to high school juniors

right now is the annual *Ideas of America* essay contest. This year's topic covers the First Amendment.

For more information, log on to <http://www.wethepeople.gov/essay/index.html>.





# One perspective

By Francis Shrum

## Blame game

We've got a problem with our kids being too fat. It's a new problem. It's a big problem. So, being Americans, we have to find out who to blame.

There have been a couple of lawsuits lately against some fast food places, McDonald's for one, claiming that they are to blame for the expansion of our national waistline because they provide us with the garbage we love to hate.

Even the company that manufactures Oreos has been sued for serving up cookies that taste too good to resist but are loaded with things like trans-fats.

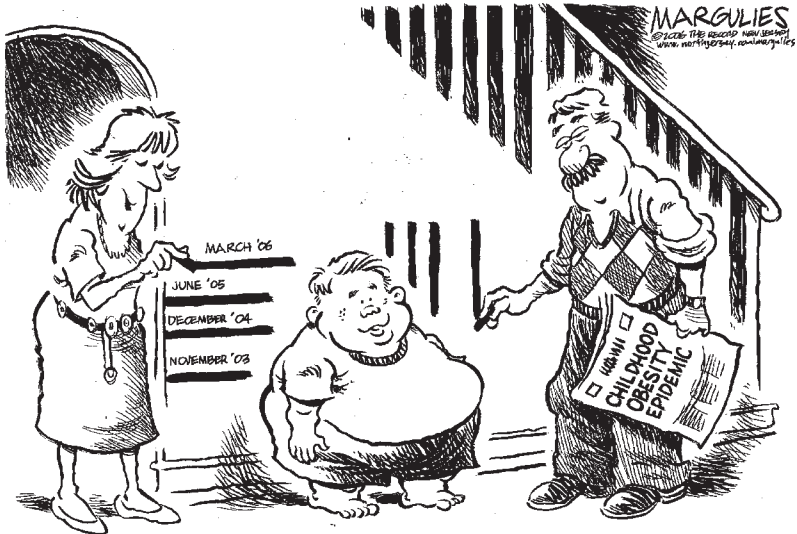
The realization that we are a nation with a huge and growing number of overweight children is so new and so frightening that we're just now beginning to come to grips with what it may mean to American society.

First off, let me qualify what I mean by an overweight kid. There is a wide natural difference in the way people look due to genetics. BMI (Body Mass Index) and other general measuring tools do not always allow

for these normal differences — a problem exacerbated by the commercial ideal of an artificially pencil-thin silhouette.

By overweight, *I do not* mean a nice round kid who eats normally, then runs and plays instead of spending hours in an inert position. Nor do I mean a child with an inherent health problem that is causing abnormal weight gain such as a thyroid related disorder.

The fat factor is so simple, but we like to make it sound complicated. Simply put, a person gains weight when energy intake exceeds energy output. Energy intake is food. According to research into childhood obesity, most obese children don't consume that many more calories than thinner kids. They just don't move as much.



health conditions we would never in the past have associated with childhood. They are the kind of problems people don't usually get until they've had years to abuse themselves. Now our kids are dealing with all-too-real monsters under the bed like diabetes, high blood pressure, cardiovascular

disease, weight-related orthopedic problems, skin disorders and potential psychiatric after-effects from these maladies not to mention peer abuse on the playground.

With these risk factors hovering in the background, huge numbers of kids also start using tobacco in their early teens, compounding the likelihood they may suffer an early death from "natural causes."

America is constantly distracted by more immediate disasters, like Hurricane Katrina and bird flu. But the problem of an unhealthy youth is eating away at our national foundation like termites in a wooden parlor floor. Our insurance companies are quaking in their boots as they consider that the health of the human bodies they are gambling on to keep them afloat is deteriorating earlier and earlier. Health-care costs associated with weight-related illnesses are astronomical because most people don't "recover" quickly nor do they just drop dead right away. They generally suffer long, painful years and about a million trips to the doctor to

treat the symptoms.

And it is proven that an overweight child will struggle with his or her weight for the rest of their lives, or, worse yet, give up the struggle altogether.

The National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES) has studied weight in kids for decades using measured heights and weights. Their research shows that from about 1960-80, there was little change in the statistics regarding overweight kids. Then something frightening happened. From 1980 to 2002, that statistic more than doubled — to an estimated 16 percent of our youth ages six to 19 being classified overweight — a statistic many health experts say under-represents the problem.

So what happened? Who is to blame? Well, we'd like to say it's the folks who provide us with fatty cookies and burgers and video games and vending machine snacks and sodas and cigarettes. And that's true. They shouldn't be doing that.

But remember — "they" is "us."

Even though we know better than to do it, we smoke. We know we shouldn't, but we eat way too much of all the wrong things. We know we should, but we don't exercise. Instead of finding healthy alternatives, we drown our miseries and discomforts in alcohol and drugs.

That apple still falls not far from the old tree.





## Reyes Reports

By U.S. Rep. Silvestre Reyes

# Get immigration reform right

Our nation's immigration policies, as well as federal proposals for immigration reform, such as HR 4437, have recently been the source of much outrage and concern here in El Paso.

I served for 26 and a half years in the U.S. Border Patrol, and saw firsthand the hypocrisy and failures of our nation's immigration policies, and have long advocated comprehensive immigration reform in Congress. As the only member of Congress with a background in border control, I have worked during my nearly ten years in Congress to educate my colleagues about the fact that our current policies not only do little to honor our legacy as a nation of immigrants, they also threaten our security.

Unfortunately, passage late last year in the House of Representatives of H.R. 4437, the so-called Border Protection, Antiterrorism, and Illegal Immigration Control Act of 2005, did not move us closer to the comprehensive overhaul this nation so desperately needs. It did, however, illustrate that the majority of members of the House of Representatives either have no idea what Congress really needs to do to help keep Americans safe, or are more interested in scoring political points with the voters back home.


For instance, I offered an alternative proposal to HR 4437 on behalf of House Democrats that, unlike H.R. 4437, would have fulfilled and even surpassed the requirements of the bipartisan 9/11 Commission with respect to increases in personnel and equipment necessary to apprehend, process, and deport illegal immigrants. However, none of the 219 Republicans voting supported my measure.

The realities of immigration reform and border enforcement demand far more than proposals for constructing impractical multi-billion dollar border fences, making criminals out of clergy or aid workers who render basic humanitarian assistance to the undocumented, or making the estimated 11 million undocumented immigrants felons.

We need a comprehensive immigration reform plan with three main components: strengthened border security; tough, strictly enforced sanctions against employers who hire undocumented immigrants; and a guestworker program that offers a path to earned legalization for those who are willing to work hard, pay taxes, and participate as productive members of our society.

The bill that was reported out of the Senate Judiciary Committee and is currently pending in the Senate is a good-faith effort at fulfilling those three imperatives. For instance, the bill includes a provision allowing immigrants who have been living, working, and raising families in the United States to become full members of our society. As a nation built by immigrants, we should welcome this next generation of immigrants who are seeking the American Dream. At the same time, by bringing the vast majority of the undocumented out of the shadows, law enforcement will be better able to identify the small handful of immigrants who are not here for legitimate reasons, but may instead pose a threat to our security.

Comprehensive, fair immigration reform is long overdue, and public outcry in El Paso and across the country has signaled that our patience is just about up. HR 4437 was unnecessarily mean-spirited and punitive, and did not address the fundamental failures of our immigration policies. I was proud to lead the Democratic opposition to the bill, and find it encouraging that the Senate so far has been moving in a different direction. Enacting legislation similar to the bill reported out of the Senate Judiciary Committee would be a step in the right direction toward real border security and immigration reform.



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## Write stuff

Dear Editor:

Everyone, paying taxes, are at the time of year to finish up paperwork to get a refund or to pay extra because of working long hours for a few extra bucks. We are also in the early stage of earning enough to pay next year's taxes (somewhere around May 21).

Do I feel I need to pay more? Do I

have a choice? I would like to think so. There are some out there who want to know what's in my wallet. Do I have a little to invest in my future? Can I take a vacation? Can I take my family out for a special dinner? Do my grown children need some help? If Elliott Shapleigh finds out — watch out.

He has promised to go for a state income tax, increase taxes on family-owned businesses, and to inves-

tigate ways to find even more money for the state and its various bureaucracies. He'll do this but will lower our property tax, yeah right!! I know the line — it will only be on the rich.

I, for one, am voting for Dee Margo in November and preserving some of my personal control.

What's in your wallet?

Donald J. Wooten  
Eastside El Paso



# Canutillo ISD school board approves new associate superintendent

By Alfredo Vasquez  
Special to the Courier

CANUTILLO — Canutillo ISD Board of Trustees approved recently the administration’s recommendation to name Pauline Dow to the newly created position of associate superintendent for the district.



In her new position, Dow will work directly under Dr. Pam Padilla, who was named CISD superintendent in January. The creation of the new associate superintendent position falls in line with the administrative reorganization plan that was proposed by the new superintendent and approved by the school board in February.

“Pauline has the knowledge and expertise to support the District’s mission and goals at all levels,” said Dr. Padilla. “She understands the nature of the changes that this district is experiencing and will be able to leverage resources in creative ways to consistently improve educational opportunities

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**El Paso County Tornillo Water Improvement District**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The El Paso County Tornillo Water Improvement District (EPCTWID) proposes to construct a wastewater collection system and treatment plant under the Environmental Distressed Areas Program (EDAP) for the Town of Tornillo. The cost for the EDAP portion of the project is estimated to be \$10.8M. The cost for the BEIF portion of the project is estimated to be \$5.75M. The total estimated cost of the project is \$16.55M. A public hearing on the project will be held at 6:00 p.m. on May 17, 2006, at the Tornillo High School Cafeteria, 300 Oil Mill, Tornillo, Texas. The major purpose of this hearing is to discuss project changes and estimated monthly sewer and water bills for the EPCTWID customers. The average estimated monthly residential sewer bill will be \$24.00 and the average estimated monthly water bill will be \$37.05.

The EDAP Phase I Study and the Environmental Information Document (EID) facility plan were completed and funded by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) EDAP Program. The EDAP portion of the project involves construction of approximately 33,700 linear feet wastewater collection piping, manholes, service connections, lift stations, and a 0.35 MGD wastewater treatment plant. Project construction locations include public right-of-ways and small parcels of private lands purchased within the Town of Tornillo. The areas to be served include all residential ratepayers within the EDAP eligible area of the town.

Additional financial assistance for the project is also being sought from EPA Border Environmental Infrastructure Fund (BEIF) administered by the NADBank for the areas that are ineligible under the EDAP program. The NADBank portion of the project involves the construction of approximately 22,000 linear feet wastewater collection piping, manholes, and service connections. Project construction locations will be in public right-of-ways. The areas to be served by the proposed facilities include residential ratepayers in Ranchitos subdivision and some portions of the Drake subdivision. The proposed plant under the EDAP project will be expanded to an additional 0.34 MGD for this phase. The total treatment capacity of the plant for both phases will be sized to 0.75 MGD.

Written comments on the proposed project may be sent to El Paso County Tornillo Water Improvement District, P.O. Box 136, Tornillo, TX 79853, or to the Texas Water Development Board, P.O. Box 13231 Capitol Station, Austin, TX 78711-3231.

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# SISD Athletic Director first in El Paso to receive national certification

By Carlos A. Briano  
Special to the Courier

EAST EL PASO COUNTY — Ron Leiman, Socorro ISD’s Athletic Director, has successfully completed the process to claim the title of “Certified Master Athletic Administrator” with the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association. “This certification has been 17

years in the making,” Leiman says. “And I am very pleased that SISD has afforded me the opportunity to serve athletic administration at various levels during the past eight years.” The certification process included a thorough evaluation of Leiman’s educational background, experience NIAAA Leadership Courses and professional contributions, culminating with a practical written project. Leiman is the first athletic director in El Paso and one of 10 in Texas to

attain this level of certification. Only about 220 athletic directors hold this certification nationwide. “As the chairperson of the NIAAA Certification Committee I am proud of Ron,” says Scott Lindgren. “I think he is an outstanding athletic administrator who is committed to SISD students and their education.” Many Socorro ISD coaches are not surprised about Leiman’s newest accomplishment, as they have been the beneficiaries of his leadership. “I have known Ron Leiman for many years and he provided the opportunity for me to change careers and become a coach,” says Socorro High cross country coach Jeff Barros. “His leadership skills and support has helped me become the best coach that I can.” “Mr. Leiman is always looking for new and innovative ways to improve our athletic programs,” adds El Dorado High swim coach John Haddox Jr. “The local status quo is not good enough and he is always trying to bring us up to the standards of the best programs in the state.”



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NOTICE OF ELECTION  
AVISO DE ELECCIONES  
VILLAGE OF VINTON, TEXAS

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

1. A General Election for the Village of Vinton shall be held on Saturday, May 13, 2006.  
*La eleccion general del Pueblo de Vinton se llevara acabo el dia sabado 13, de mayo, 2006.*

2. The polling place for said election shall be the West Valley Fire Department, 510 E. Vinton Road, El Paso County, Texas.  
*El sitio de las urnas electorales para dichas elecciones sera el edificio del West Valley Fire Department, 510 Vinton Road, Condado de El Paso, Texas.*

3. The polls will be open between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. on May 13, 2006.  
*Las urnas electorales se abriran dentro las horas de las 7 de la manana y las 7 de la tarde 13 de mayo, 2006.*

4. The offices to be voted on May 13, 2006 General Election are Mayor and Aldermanic Place #1 and #2.  
*Los puestos de oficina para elejirse son los siguientes puestos: Alcalde y Regidores para los lugares #1 y #2.*

5. Early voting will begin on May 1, 2006.  
*Votacion por absentia empezara el dia 1, de mayo, 2006.*

6. Early voting will be conducted on May 1, 2006 through May 9, 2006, between the hours of 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. each day on each day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday. The main absentee polling place will be the West Valley Fire Department, 510 E. Vinton Road, El Paso County, Texas.  
*Votacion por absentia se llevara acabo el 1 de mayo 2006, hasta el 9 de mayo 2006, dentro las horas de 3 p.m. a 6 p.m. en los dias aqui nombrados en todos los dias que no sean sabado, domingo, o dia oficial de vacaciones estatales. El sitio principal donde se llevaran acabo las votaciones por absentia sera el edificio del West Valley Fire Department, 510 E. Vinton Road, El Condado de El Paso, Texas.*

Early voting by personal appearance will also be conducted at all locations within El Paso County, at which Early Voting is conducted by the County Elections Department beginning on May 1, 2006 and ending on May 9, 2006.  
*La votacion anticipo en persona se llevara a cabo en todos locaciones en el Condado de El Paso, en donde se lleva a cabo votaciones tempranas manejadas por el Departamento de Elecciones del condado empezando el 1 de abril de 2006 y terminando el 9 de mayo de 2006.*

7. Applications for ballot by mail should be mailed to:  
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Helen Jamison  
500 E. San Antonio, Room 402  
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Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on May 5, 2006.  
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*A los Electores autorizados y residentes de el Lower Valley Water District:*

The Board of Directors of the Lower Valley Water District hereby gives notice of an election to be held May 13, 2006, for the purpose of electing three (3) Director Positions for the Lower Valley Water District Board.  
*La Mesa Directiva de el Lower Valley Water District da aviso que se llevara acabo una eleccion el dia 13 de Mayo de 2006 con el proposito de elejir tres (3) miembros de la Mesa Directiva de el Lower Valley Water District.*

EARLY VOTING by personal appearance will be conducted at the Socorro High School, 10150 Alameda Avenue, El Paso County, Socorro, Texas 79927 starting Monday, May 1, 2006 and continue through Tuesday, May 9, 2006 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on each day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or an official state holiday.  
*VOTACION PORAUSENCIA por presencia personal sera conducida en Socorro High School, 10150 Alameda Avenue, El Paso County, Socorro, Texas 79927 empezando el Lunes, 1 de Mayo 2006 y continuara hasta el Martes, 9 de Mayo, 2006 de las 8 a.m. a las 5 p.m. en todos los dias que no sean Sabado, Domingo o dia oficial de vacaciones estatales.*

Applications for absentee ballots by mail should be mailed to: Department of Elections, 500 East San Antonio, Room 402, El Paso, Texas 79901  
*Solicitudes para una boleta de ausencia por correo deben ser enviadas a: Department of Elections, 500 East San Antonio, Room 402, El Paso, Texas 79901.*

The POLLING PLACES designated below will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on the day of election.  
*Los SITIOS DE VOTACION indicados abajo se abriran de 7 a.m. a 7 p.m. el dia de la eleccion.*

Precinct Number (Numero de Precinto), Location (Colocacion):  
Precinct 147-Horizon Heights School, 13601 Ryderwood Drive  
Precinct 148-Sparks Community Center, 12899 Sparks Rd.  
Precinct 149, 152-H.D. Hilley Elementary, 693 Rio Vista Rd.  
Precinct 150-Robert R. Rojas Elementary, 500 Bauman Rd.  
Precinct 151-Socorro High School, 10150 Alameda Avenue  
Precinct 153-Escontrias Elementary, 205 Buford Rd.  
Precinct 154-Campestre Elementary, 11399 Socorro Rd.  
Precinct 157-Desert Hill Elementary, 300 East Lake Rd.  
Precinct 158, 163-Clint Jr. High School, 13100 Alameda Ave.  
Precinct 159-Ana M. Garcia-Enriquez Middle School, 12280 Socorro Rd.  
Precinct 160, 169-Rio Valle Woman’s Club, 521 Mike Maros Dr.  
Precinct 161-Tornillo Ancillary Bldg., 19200 Cobb Street

Canutillo ISD

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for students and their families.” Dow has been director of CISD Academic Language Services Department since 1997 and has been instrumental in enhancing the district’s academic language services and programs including one-way and two-way bilingual education, ESOL, Migrant Education, Target grant, AVANZA grant, Mother-Daughter/Father-Son and Community Scholars. Dow has been in the education field since 1989 and has served as a teacher, coordinator, and director. She has authored various grant proposals that have garnered nearly \$1.5 million for CISD instructional initiatives. She is also a Kellogg National Leadership Fellow, which allowed her to travel worldwide to explore creative solutions to social problems used by other cultures. Dow earned a bachelor of arts in history and master’s degree in bilingual education from the UTEP. She is currently enrolled in the doctoral program in educational leadership at UTEP. She is a member of several national, state, and local professional organizations including National Association for Bilingual Education, National Council for Teachers of Mathematics, Texas Association for Bilingual Education, Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages, Girl Scouts of the USA, and Community Scholars, Inc.

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Runner up and a 2006 Texas Association of Basketball Coaches Camp Hustle Award Winner. She also excelled academically with four years in Curriculum Opportunities for Science and Math Oriented Students (COSMOS) and maintaining a 88.25 grade point average.

■ Americas High School junior Nickolas Widtfeldt has been selected from over 1,700 students worldwide to attend the United States Air Force Academy’s Summer Seminar program for 2006. The selection process is highly competitive with only the top students being offered a slot for this prestigious program. For the selection criteria, the Academy uses a “total person” concept that is based on a student’s academic achievement, athletic abilities, leadership skills and desire to pursue a career in the Air Force. Each year, the Admissions Directorate and Dean of Faculty jointly host the Summer Seminar program, which gives high school students the opportunity to experience the environment at the Air Force Academy. Summer Seminar is one of the Academy’s top recruiting programs and the students’ agenda includes academic workshops along with some military and physical training scenarios.

■ St. Brendan’s Episcopal Church is sponsoring an Easter Egg Hunt in the Horizon Municipal Park on Rodman St. in Horizon City on Saturday, April 15, beginning at 10 a.m. All children ages eight and under are invited to participate and free hot dogs and drinks will be provided for all who attend. The community is invited.

■ Ten seniors from the Horizon High School class of 2006 will be awarded scholarships of \$500 each from Pepperoni’s Pizza. Applications must be received by April 17, to include letter of recommendation and a copy of college, university or tech school acceptance letter. Applications may be obtained by calling 852-2544 or stopping by at 14020 Horizon Blvd.

■ Internationally renowned pianist, Dr. Esequiel Meza, will perform a free concert at the Richard Burges Branch Library, 9600 Dyer, on Saturday, April 15 at 3:00 p.m. Winner of the Shreveport International Piano Competition, the Corpus Christi Young Artists Competition, and the Southwestern Pianists Foundation Competition, Meza has established a strong international reputation as an active recitalist, chamber musician, and orchestral soloist throughout the United States, Europe, Mexico, and Latin America. He has appeared as guest soloist with numerous orchestras including the Orchestre Universitaire of the University of Bordeaux in Bor-

deaux, France; the El Paso Symphony; the Corpus Christi Symphony; and the Chautauqua Symphony to name a few. Dr. Meza has collaborated with such conductors as Sergiu Commissiona, Abraham Chavez, Beverly R. Henson, Cornelius Eberhardt, Laurence Gibson, and Andor Toth. In addition to numerous appearances on

National Public Radio in the United States and Educational Radio broadcasts in Europe, he has also recorded on the Claudio Records label in the United Kingdom. Dr. Meza has taught on the faculties of the University of Bordeaux, and the University of Oklahoma. For information call 759-2406.

Socorro Independent School District  
PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Meeting to Review Federal Funded Programs  
The Socorro Independent School District will conduct public information meetings to review the following SISD Programs funded by Federal funds:

- Title I, Part A - Improving Basic Programs
- Title I, Part C - Migrant Program
- Title I, Part D - Subpart 1 — Neglected, Delinquent or At-Risk
- Title II, Part A - Improving Teacher Quality
- Title II, Part D - Enhancing Education Through Technology
- Title III, Part A - Limited English Proficiency (LEP)
- Title IV, Part A - Safe and Drug Free Schools;
- Title V - Innovative Programs.

The meetings will be held:  
Wednesday, April 26, 2006 — 6:00 p.m. — 8:00 p.m.  
Friday, April 28, 2006 — 3:00 p.m. — 5:00 p.m.

Public Reviews of the Federal Application for Educational Funding for Socorro ISD will be in the Board Room at the Education Center, 12300 Eastlake Drive.

S.I.S.D does not discriminate against any individual with regard to race, color, nation origin, age, religion, sex, marital or veteran status, the presence of a medical condition, disability, or any other legally protected status. 42 U.S.C 2000e-2(a); 20 U.S.C. 1681: Labor Code 21-051.

Socorro Independent School District  
AVISO PUBLICO

La junta Pública para Revisar los Programas de Fondos Federales. El Distrito Escolar Independiente de Socorro llevará a cabo dos juntas públicas para revisar los siguientes programas, fondos federales,:

- Título I, Parte A - Mejorando Programas Básicos
- Título I, Parte C - Programa Migrante
- Título I, Parte D - Jovenes Delincuentes y Abandonados
- Título II, Parte A - Mejorando la Calidad de Maestros
- Título II, Parte D - Mejorando los Servicios Educativos a través de la Tecnología
- Título III, Parte A - Servicios de educación para estudiantes de segundo idioma
- Título IV, Parte A - Escuelas Confiables y Libres de Drogas
- Título V - Programas de Innovación

Las juntas se llevarán a cabo:  
miércoles, 26 de abril, 2006 — 6:00 p.m. — 8:00 p.m.  
viernes, 28 de abril, 2006 — 3:00 p.m. — 5:00 p.m.

La Revisión Pública de la Solicitud Federal para Fondos Educativos para el Distrito de Socorro se llevará a cabo en el, 12300 Eastlake Drive.

S.I.S.D no discrimina a ningún individuo a causa de su raza, de su color, de su nacionalidad, de sus creencias religiosas, de su género, de su estado legal, o de veterano, ninguna condición médica o incapacidad, o ningún otro estado legal. 42 U.S.C 2000e-2(a); 20 U.S.C. 1681: Labor Code 21-051.

WTCC: 05-13-06, 05-20-06

Anthony Independent School District  
NOTICE OF ELECTION  
AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL

To the Registered Voters of Anthony, Texas  
Notice is hereby given that the polling place listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 13, 2006, for voting in a General Election, to elect 3 (three) School Board Members at Large, three positions for a full 3 (three) year term.

Positions presently held by Rick Villareal, Angel Cuellar and Monica Castro.

*A los votantes registrados de Anthony, Texas*  
*Notifíquese por la presente, que la casilla electoral citada abajo se abrirá desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 13 de mayo de 2006, para votar en la Elección para 3 (tres) Miembros de la Mesa Directiva de las Escuelas en representación de todo el distrito con posiciones por un termino completo de 3 (tres) años.*

*Puestos ocupados por Rick Villareal, Angel Cuellar y Monica Castro.*

LOCATION OF POLLING PLACE:

The polling place for Election Day will be the Anthony Town Hall, 401 Wild Cat Dr., Anthony, Texas

DIRECCION DE LA CASILLA ELECTORAL:

*El Lugar de votación el día de Elecciones será la Presidencia Municipal de Anthony, 401 Wild Cat Dr., Anthony, Texas.*

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Anthony Town Hall, 401 Wild Cat Dr., Anthony, Texas, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning on May 1, 2006, and ending on May 9, 2006.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted at all locations within El Paso County, at which Early Voting is conducted by the County Elections Department beginning on May 1, 2006, and ending on May 9, 2006.

*La votacion temprana en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en la Presidencia Municipal de Anthony, 401 Wild Cat Dr., Anthony, Texas, entre las 8:30 de la mañana y las 4:30 de la tarde, empezando el 1 de mayo de 2006 y terminando el 9 de mayo de 2006.*

*La votacion anticipo en persona se llevara a cabo en todos locaciones en el Condado de El Paso, en donde se lleva a cabo votaciones tempranas manejadas por el Departamento de Elecciones del condado empezando el 1 de mayo de 2006 y terminando el 9 de mayo de 2006.*

Applications for ballot by mail should be mailed to:

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

**Helen Jamison**  
**500 E. San Antonio, Room 402**  
**El Paso, TX 79901**

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on May 5, 2006.

*Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio del 5 de mayo 2006.*

Issued this the 21st day of February, 2006

*Emitida este día 21 de febrero, 2006*

Salley Flores  
Signature of Presiding Officer  
*Firma del Oficial que Preside*

WTCC: 03-23-06



# You can live in Bond’s world if you can take it

By Steve Escajeda  
*Special to the Courier*

Shame on ESPN.  
I have to admit that I’m just like all the other sports guys who tune in to ESPN every day to see what’s going on in the world of athletics.  
I check out ESPN’s coverage of pro and college sports, their documentaries, their talk shows, and their

presentations of classic contests, but there is one ESPN program I just refuse to watch — Bonds on Bonds.  
Yes, ESPN has entered the reality show business and this is about as bad as it gets.  
This is a show where the San Francisco Giants’ chemically-enhanced slugger, Barry Bonds, is followed around the clubhouse, on the field, anywhere Barry does whatever Barry does.

The intent of the program is to show the general public who the real Barry Bonds is. You know, showing Bonds do everything except pulling steroids out of his pocket.  
You couldn’t pay me enough money to watch this ridiculous attempt at entertainment.  
But I did hear some excerpts from the first show and you guessed it — there was Barry Bonds complaining about how the media and fans are all against him.

It got so bad that the hulking Bonds started to, well, to cry. He sounded frighteningly like Michael Jackson as he went on about those evil people who don’t believe his side of the story.  
His voice would break, he’d cry a little and then he’d snuffle, and then he’d have the f-word bleeped. He cried a little more, sniffled, and then had the f-word bleeped again.  
I mean, it was like listening to a strange morphing of Tammy Faye Baker and George Carlin, cry a little — cuss a little — cry a little — cuss a little.  
The more I heard Barry cry the more I wanted to laugh. It was hilarious. Talk about turning it on in front of the camera. It was both hilarious and sadly embarrassing.

I expect the phony behavior from Barry Bonds — the man is a walking lie. But ESPN should be ashamed of itself for even coming up with this stupid idea of a reality show.  
The only reality about the show is — well — OK, maybe there is no reality in this reality show. But it will sell because it does feature a huge star. A star so big now that his hat size is beginning to rival his belt size.

## Lacrossing the line

One of things that sports fans love to do the most is boo Duke University, especially in basketball.  
Duke kind of gives off this “we are so much more superior than you” attitude that turns off most fans.  
And though it was fun to watch Duke lose in the NCAA tournament, it’s been a lot less joyful hearing the daily updates about the Blue Devils’ Lacrosse team.  
As you should have heard by now the team’s season has been cancelled due to the alleged sexual assault by some members of the team on an exotic dancer who performed at a private party in an off-campus residence.  
On one side, the stripper said she was essentially gang raped and beaten by certain members of the

team, and on the other side, the attorney for the players says everyone will owe his clients an apology when DNA results prove them innocent.  
So far we know one thing, someone is telling the truth and someone is lying — plain and simple.  
But I’ll tell you this, it certainly doesn’t help the players’ cause when it was learned that about a third of the team has already been in trouble, being charged with misdemeanors stemming from drunken and disruptive behavior in the past three years.  
Then, in a most disturbing and vile twist, an e-mail found on the computer of one of the players revealed a side to him that was downright sickening.  
In the e-mail addressed “to whom it may concern,” he writes that he has “decided to have some strippers over” to his dorm room, “however there will be no nudity. I plan on killing (them) as soon as they walk in and proceeding to cut their skin off.”  
He then goes on to express that, to him, the act would be ... satisfying. He signed the e-mail by his jersey number.  
Now being stupid, vulgar and repulsive doesn’t necessarily mean a rape has been committed. But anyone who thinks like that has got some serious issues.  
And if it swims, quacks and acts like a grotesque duck ...

## Fabens Independent School District Notice of Board Election *Aviso de Eleccion Regentes*

To the Registered Voters of Fabens Independent School District:  
*A los votantes registrados del distrito independiente escolar de Fabens:*  
Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday, May 13, 2006 for voting in a School Board Trustee election, to elect Trustees, Places 1 and 2.  
*Notifiquese, por presente, que las casillas electorales sitadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7 a.m. hasta las 7 p.m. de el sabado 13 de mayo de 2006 para votar en la elección para Regentes, Lugar 1 y 2.*

### LOCATION OF POLLING PLACES *DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES*

**Rio Valle Woman’s Club**  
**521 Mike Maros St., Fabens, Texas 79838**

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at:  
*La votación en adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en:*

**Rogelio Sanchez Center**  
**1331 N. Fabens St., Fabens, Texas 79838**

between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on the May 1, 2006 and ending on May 9, 2006.  
*entre las 9:00 de la mañana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el día 1 de mayo de 2006, y terminando el día 9 de mayo de 2006.*

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted at all locations within El Paso County, at which Early Voting is conducted by the County Elections Department beginning on the May 1, 2006 and ending on May 9, 2006.  
*La votacion anticipo en persona se llevara a cabo en todos locaciones en el Condado de El Paso, en donde se lleva a cabo votaciones tempranas manejadas por el Departamento de Elecciones del condado empezando el día 1 de mayo de 2006, y terminando el día 9 de mayo de 2006.*

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:  
*Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a:*

**Helen Jamison, Office of the County Elections**  
**500 E. San Antonio**  
**El Paso, Texas 79901**

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on the 5th day of May, 2006.  
*Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el día 5 de mayo de 2006.*

Issued this 22nd day of March, 2006.  
*Emitada esta 22 día de marzo de 2006.*

Maureen Graham  
Presiding Officer/*Oficial que Preside*

WTCC: 04/13/06

## LEGAL

### Advertisement and Invitation for Bids for Construction

The Town of Clint, Texas will receive sealed bids for construction of the Water Main Replacement and Transmission Facility Improvements (Office of Rural Community Affairs/T.C.D.P. Contract No. 724171 until 4:00 p.m. on April 20, 2006 at the Town of Clint located at 200 N. San Elizario Rd., Clint, Texas 79836 and at that time and place will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Bids are invited for several items and approximate quantities of work as follows:

1. 2,200 linear feet of 12-inch approved water pipe,
2. 5,450 linear feet of 8-inch approved water pipe,
3. 60 linear feet of 24-inch steel casing installed by open-cut method,
4. 95 linear feet of 24-inch steel casing installed by jacking/boring methods,
5. 270 linear feet of

2-inch high density polyethylene tubing installed by jacking/boring methods,  
6. 13 fire hydrants,  
7. 75-3/4-inch residential service connections,  
8. Associated valves and fittings,  
9. 3,250 square yards of pavement removal and repair.

Bid/Contract Documents, including Drawings and Technical Specifications will be available April 10, 2006 at The Town of Clint, 200 N. San Elizario Rd., Clint Texas 79836.

Copies of the Bid/Contract Documents may be obtained by depositing \$65.00 with the Town of Clint, Texas for each set of documents obtained. The deposit will be refunded if the documents and drawings are returned in good condition within 10 days following the bid opening. Plans and specifications for this project were prepared by CEA Engineering Group, 1204 Montana Ave., El Paso, Texas 79902.

A bid bond in the

amount of 5 percent of the bid issued by an acceptable surety shall be submitted with each bid. A certified check or bank draft payable to the Town of Clint or negotiable U.S. Government Bonds (as par value) may be submitted in lieu of the Bid Bond.

Attention is called to the fact that not less than, the federally determined prevailing (Davis-Bacon and Related Acts) wage rate, as issued by the Office of Rural Community Affairs and contained in the contract documents, must be paid on this project. In addition, the successful bidder must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of race, color, religion, sex age or national origin.

The Town of Clint reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informality in the bidding.

Bids may be held by Town of Clint for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days from the date of the bid opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the bidders’ qualifications prior to the contract award.

All contractors/sub-contractors that are debarred, suspended or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for par-

ticipation on federal assistance programs may not undertake any activity in part or in full under this project.

The Town of Clint is an Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action Employer, Small, Minority and Female owned firms are encouraged to submit bid proposals for this Project.

Dale T Reinhardt  
Mayor  
WTCC: 04-13-06

### SOCORRO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

#### Invitation to Bid/Respond:

Sealed bids/proposals/CSP to furnish the District with the following products and/or services will be accepted at the following times:

#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2006

#### SPANISH LANGUAGE CORE READING PROGRAM CSP NO. 199-0412-6091 UNTIL 2:00 P.M.

Proposals will be received at Business Services Dept., 12300 Eastlake Drive, El Paso, Texas 79928 until the specified times. Detailed specifications are available from the above office between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Mondays

through Fridays and on the Socorro ISD website: [www.sisd.net](http://www.sisd.net). WTCC-04/13/06

### SOCORRO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

#### Invitation to Bid/Respond:

Sealed bids/proposals/CSP to furnish the District with the following products and/or services will be accepted at the following times:

#### TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2006

#### LANDSCAPING MATERIALS CSP NO. 199-0425-6092RB UNTIL 2:30 P.M.

Proposals will be received at Business Services Dept., 12300 Eastlake Drive, El Paso, Texas 79928 until the specified times. Detailed specifications are available from the above office between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Mondays through Fridays and on the Socorro ISD website: [www.sisd.net](http://www.sisd.net). WTCC-04/13/06

## REAL ESTATE

LAND! 1/4, 1/3, 3/4 acre on main roads, but no utilities. Judy Burrows, Agent. 252-7855.

Furnished condo: by day, week, month or year. Inlaws. Rates - Judy Burrows, Agent. 252-7855.

## SELF-HELP

Persons who have a problem with alcohol are offered a free source of help locally. Alcoholics Anonymous - call 562-4081 for information.

Tiene problemas con el alcohol? Hay una solucion. Informacion: 838-6264.

## SERVICES

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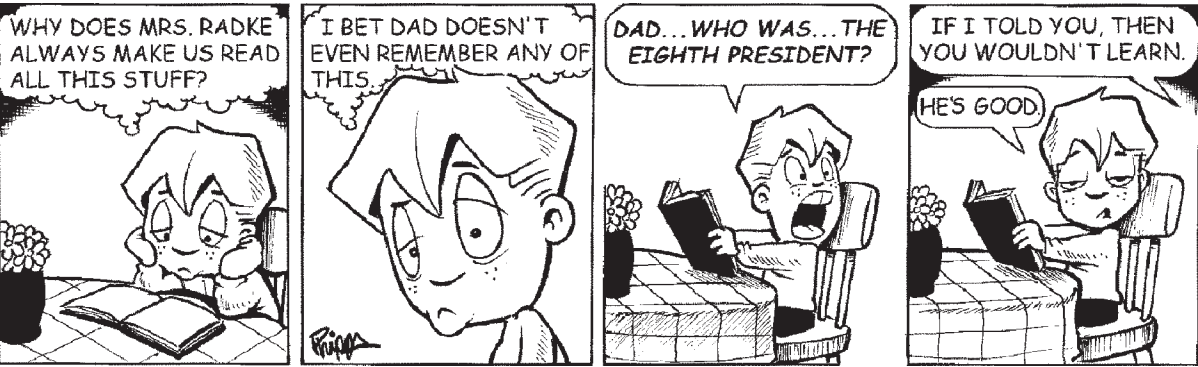
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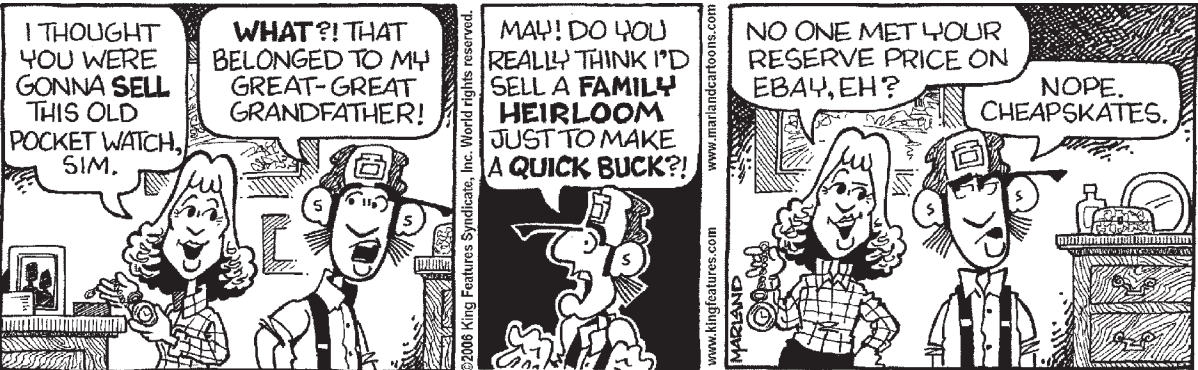
THE SPATS

By Jeff Pickering



R.F.D.

By Mike Marland



Cameras improve, but why stop there?

By Don Flood

To the best of my knowledge, Brad and Angelina are not married. Or, if they are married by now, they are not divorced yet. I just wanted to get that out there because I've seen headlines that say, in effect: "Brad and Angelina did not get married today."

We're talking major celebrities here. Your run-of-the-mill celebrity has to do something to make news, which is why they resort to phone throwing or public tantrums or, like Lindsay Lohan and Billy Joel, regularly scheduled car accidents. Only a rarified few are able to generate press coverage for not doing something — though heaven knows, Congress tries — which shows just how lucky we are to be living in the Age of Brad and Angelina.

(A recent survey, however, revealed that four out of five historians prefer the term Age of Brangelina. "It's cute and fun to say. Brangelina, Brangelina, Brangelina. I just can't get enough of it," said one Harvard professor, who has taught graduate-level courses on both Brangelina and Bennifer, though the latter, which deals with Ben Affleck and Jennifer Lopez, is now part of the school's Ancient History curriculum.)

But today's topic — and I'll get to it when I'm good and ready — is about the great new camera that makes people look thinner. (Also, as a public service, I will periodically interrupt this column for the latest reports from BNS, the Brangelina News Service.) Finally, camera manufacturers are starting to get it. People don't care about being thin. They just want to look thin in pictures. But why stop with weight? My ideal camera would add a few inches, subtract a few years, ditch the glasses, add some hair, etc.

*THIS JUST IN: Brad and Angelina are reported to be wearing shoes today. No word yet on color, style, make or heel height. In fact, they might be wearing sandals.*

But why bother with cameras at all? Let's just buy pictures of good-looking people and pass them off as our own.

This makes even more sense as people meet and continue relationships online.

*THIS JUST IN: Brad and Angelina reportedly did not get their hair cut yesterday. Sources were unable to specify whether this had anything to do with their impending marriage and/or divorce.*

One thing that social scientists agree on is that most online relationship problems develop *after people meet*.

Before they meet, they're happy. Their new love is perfect and never suffers from body odor, not that they can tell.

*THIS JUST IN: According to the latest reports, Brad and Angelina are expected to eat breakfast "sometime tomorrow." Plans to have lunch and dinner, while considered likely by many close to the story, remain unconfirmed.*

And as long as they remain an online couple, they can continue to exchange their innermost thoughts and dreams, along with drop-dead gorgeous pictures, which they can show off to their friends and family.

Actually, I don't know why people haven't embarked on online marriages. It might even be a good idea for Brangelina.

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King Super Crossword

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10 "Johnny \_ Note" ('37 song)

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67 Smooth transition

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70 Edmond of "The Barefoot Contessa"

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79 Complete

80 Lawrence's "\_ in Love"

82 Olympic warmonger

83 Base stuff?

86 Tossed aside

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88 "The \_ Hunter" ('78 film)

92 Actor McGregor

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## William D. Slider Middle School Starlets place first in national cheer tournament

ORLANDO, FLORIDA — The William D. Slider Middle Starlets took first place in their division for the non-mount category at one of the most intense cheer competitions in the nation — the American Open in Orlando — in which only a few middle school teams competed. The team consists of sixth graders Haylee Fierro, Taylor Rivera, Tiffany Valdez, Christina Carrera, Jayni Rodriguez, Illiana Curiel, Ciara Porras, seventh graders Janet Fematt, Melissa Nevarez, Kimberly Rayos, Alexa Pelletier, Priscilla Correa, Kaylee Vasquez, Corina Salas, Stephanie Bates, Vanessa Ramos, Olivia Lucero and eighth graders Samantha Grajeda, Laura Pellerito, Amanda Veliz, Ariana Castillo, Martha Alderete, Kimberly DeMarco, Gloria Esparza, Marisol Vasquez, Karen Duran and coach Sonja Kern.

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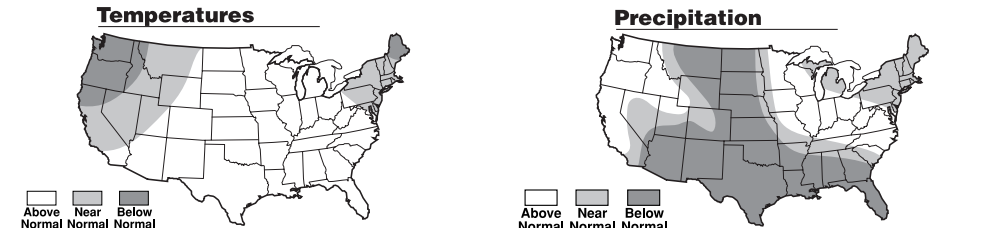
### 7-DAY FORECAST FOR EL PASO, TX

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Thursday	Thu. night	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Very warm with some sun	Partly cloudy	Partly sunny and windy	Mostly sunny and windy	Sunshine	Sunshine and warm	Warm with sunshine	Sunny
88°	59°	90° 60°	89° 57°	84° 55°	86° 58°	86° 59°	86° 57°
RealFeel 88°	RealFeel 57°	RealFeel 86° 59°	RealFeel 86° 53°	RealFeel 81° 51°	RealFeel 85° 57°	RealFeel 88° 59°	RealFeel 88° 57°

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### WEATHER TRENDS THIS WEEK



### IN THE SKY

Sun	Rise	Set	Moon	Rise	Set	Full	Last
Thu.	6:40 a.m.	7:33 p.m.	Thu.	7:53 p.m.	6:32 a.m.		
Fri.	6:38 a.m.	7:34 p.m.	Fri.	8:53 p.m.	7:00 a.m.	4/13	4/20
Sat.	6:37 a.m.	7:34 p.m.	Sat.	9:55 p.m.	7:32 a.m.	New	First
Sun.	6:36 a.m.	7:35 p.m.	Sun.	10:58 p.m.	8:09 a.m.		
Mon.	6:35 a.m.	7:36 p.m.	Mon.	none	8:53 a.m.	4/27	5/4
Tues.	6:34 a.m.	7:37 p.m.	Tues.	12:02 a.m.	9:46 a.m.		
Wed.	6:33 a.m.	7:37 p.m.	Wed.	1:01 a.m.	10:47 a.m.		

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### REGIONAL CITIES

	Thursday			Friday			Saturday			Sunday		
City	HI	LO	W	HI	LO	W	HI	LO	W	HI	LO	W
Abilene, TX	90	64	pc	91	65	pc	89	63	s	89	57	s
Albuquerque, NM	82	50	s	80	50	pc	72	46	s	74	47	pc
Amarillo, TX	90	53	pc	88	53	pc	86	49	pc	78	48	s
Austin, TX	83	59	pc	83	61	pc	87	63	pc	86	62	pc
Brownsville, TX	85	68	pc	87	69	pc	88	71	pc	88	72	pc
Dodge City, KS	93	51	s	88	51	s	80	51	pc	73	47	s
Jackson, MS	81	57	pc	80	60	pc	82	62	s	82	62	pc
Laredo, TX	90	67	pc	94	70	pc	95	70	pc	96	71	pc
Little Rock, AR	84	60	pc	82	59	pc	80	60	s	78	58	pc
Lubbock, TX	90	60	pc	88	56	pc	85	52	s	82	51	s
Memphis, TN	83	64	pc	81	63	pc	79	63	pc	79	61	pc
Midland, TX	90	59	pc	92	62	pc	87	58	s	85	54	s
Pueblo, CO	85	44	s	82	44	s	72	38	pc	76	39	c
Roswell, NM	86	52	pc	89	54	pc	85	50	s	83	48	s
St. Louis, MO	84	58	pc	87	62	pc	87	62	pc	80	56	pc
San Antonio, TX	87	63	pc	87	66	pc	89	67	pc	89	66	pc
Texarkana, AR	84	61	s	82	60	pc	82	62	pc	81	63	pc
Waco, TX	83	62	pc	86	62	pc	92	65	pc	83	62	t
Wichita, KS	90	62	s	90	62	s	86	53	pc	80	52	s

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

### U.S. CITIES

	Thursday			Friday			Saturday			Sunday		
City	HI	LO	W	HI	LO	W	HI	LO	W	HI	LO	W
Atlanta	76	57	pc	80	58	s	80	60	pc	80	59	pc
Boston	66	48	t	64	46	pc	60	44	pc	60	41	sh
Chicago	74	52	t	76	54	t	72	50	pc	68	46	t
Denver	79	44	s	76	42	s	64	40	sh	65	38	pc
Detroit	70	44	pc	68	46	t	72	42	pc	64	43	t
Houston	84	64	pc	84	64	pc	86	66	pc	85	64	pc
Indianapolis	77	53	pc	79	53	t	74	50	pc	70	50	pc
Kansas City	86	57	s	88	62	s	82	55	pc	78	53	pc
Los Angeles	76	56	pc	66	54	r	66	54	pc	68	54	pc
Miami	82	71	pc	82	71	pc	84	72	s	84	72	s
Minneapolis	71	44	pc	72	41	pc	62	45	c	62	43	c
New Orleans	82	63	pc	82	65	pc	84	67	s	83	67	pc
New York City	64	50	t	66	48	pc	64	48	pc	61	46	pc
Omaha	86	54	s	88	58	s	78	50	pc	75	48	s
Phoenix	97	68	s	88	56	c	82	59	s	86	63	s
San Francisco	68	55	r	71	53	sh	64	51	pc	61	50	r
Seattle	54	44	c	54	40	r	54	42	r	54	42	sh
Washington	76	50	t	72	52	pc	74	54	pc	73	48	pc

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