

NEWSBRIEFS

Crime Stoppers

Crime Stoppers of El Paso is assisting the El Paso Police Department in locating the person or persons responsible for the murder of a man on the eastside, making this the “Crime of the Week.” On Monday night, May 26, family members of Frederick Tarango, who lived at 9353 Viscount in the High Ridge Apartments, asked apartment management to check on Tarango because they had not heard from him in several days. Upon entering the apartment, they found Tarango dead. Officers from the Crimes Against Persons unit and the Criminalistics unit immediately began an investigation of the scene and found signs that suggested the death was suspicious. An autopsy later revealed that Tarango had injuries which indicate he was the victim of murder. Investigators believe the murder took place some time between the evening of Tuesday, May 20th, and Wednesday morning, May 21st. It is the city’s third homicide of the year, compared with five at this time last year. If you have any information at all about this crime, even if you don’t think it’s important, please call Crime Stoppers of El Paso at 566-TIPS (8477) or submit your tip online at www.crimestoppersofelpaso.org. You will remain anonymous and, if your tip leads to an arrest, you may earn a cash reward up to \$1,000.

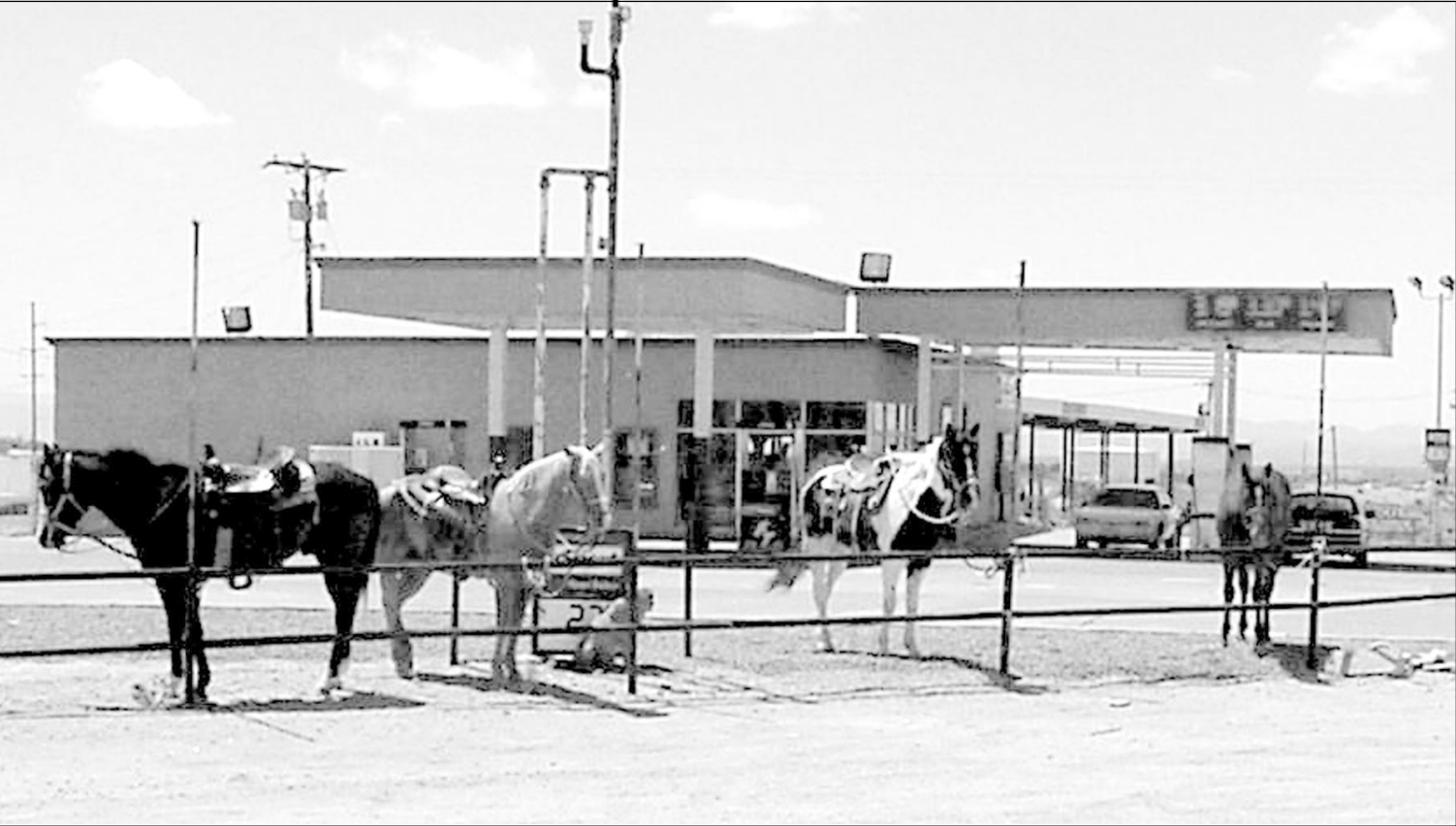
SENTRI

U.S. Customs and Border Protection announced it will issue new cards for current Secure Electronic Network for Travelers Rapid Inspection members starting today and members should be receiving them within the next week. The new cards will have enhanced security features and will allow U.S. citizen cardholders to comply with the documentary requirements of the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative. CBP will issue new SENTRI members the enhanced cards in July. All members must activate their cards within 30 days by going to <https://goes-app.cbp.dhs.gov/>. Additionally, current SENTRI members are requested to verify and update their contact information on-line at <https://goes-app.cbp.dhs.gov/>. SENTRI is a land-border crossing program that provides expedited CBP processing for pre-approved, low-risk travelers along the U.S./Mexico border. The SENTRI program was first implemented at Otay Mesa, Calif. in 1995, and has grown to include 16 lanes at the nine largest ports of entry along the U.S.-Mexico border including San Ysidro, Calif.; Calexico, Calif.; Nogales, Ariz.; two crossings in El Paso, Texas; and the Texas ports of Laredo, Hidalgo and Brownsville. More than 165,000 travelers from both sides of the border are currently registered in the SENTRI program.

Golf consists of a lot of walking — broken up by disappointments and bad arithmetic.

— Quips & Quotes

Beating the high price of gas



— Photo by Rick Shrum

SADDLE UP — Four horse power, great milage, can carry up to eight passengers with light luggage and comes with independent security system. These horses and their watchdog (next to the second horse from the left) were spotted at a Fabens gas station shortly after gas topped \$3.60 a gallon for regular. It may seem an unusual, but with gas prices going up every day, the hitching post may no longer be a part of the past but a fixture of the future. Maneuverability in freeway traffic may be questionable, but we all need to slow down a little. The riders were clearly stopping off here for a little refreshment — wonder what they brought back for the horses?

Mountain View HS tennis champs

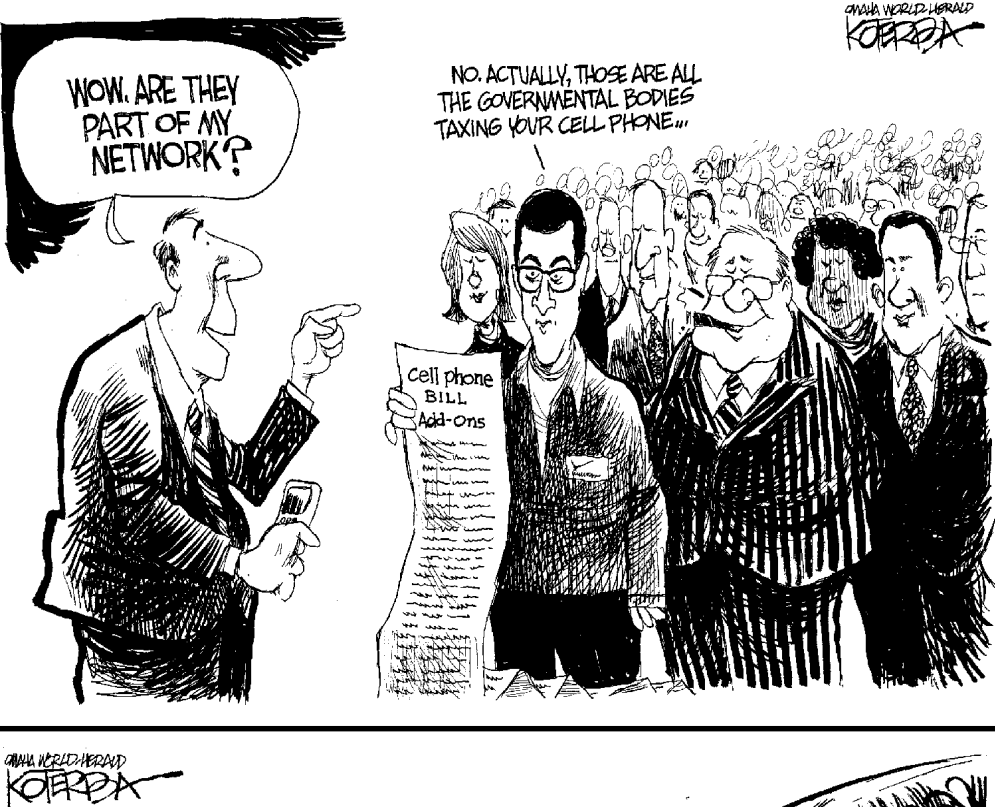


— Photo courtesy Clint ISD

TEXAS SIZED TROPHIES — The Mountain View High School boys and girls tennis teams had a stellar season. Both squads earned the District Championship this year qualifying them for Regional competition. This is the fifth year in a row the boy’s team has won the District Championship and the first year for the girl’s team. The team also placed first in the Ysleta Invitational, second in the Austin Invitational and Third in the Burges Invitational. Roberto Avila and Marcos Alvarez are the District Boys Doubles Champions

for the second year in a row. Gabriela Flores and Lizeth Maciel are the District Girls Champions. “They are an unbelievable group of kids with the motivation, and work ethic to ensure success,” says Coach Jesus Garcia. Team members, above from left, are Felipe Valle, Amanda Munoz, Victor Garcia, Nereida De Avila — Captain, Gabriela Flores, Lizette Maciel, Hannah Robertson; back row- Oscar Martinez, David Bustamante, Marco Alvarez, Robert Avila — Captain.

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Don't get burned when you grill

By Lt. Mario E. Hernandez
Special to the Courier

United States Fire Administration's National Fire Data Center estimates that yearly outside cooking grills cause more than 6,000 fires, over 5 fatalities, more than 170 injuries, and \$35 million in property loss. Gas grills alone cause over 2,700 fires, 80 injuries, and \$11 million dollars damage. Most of the gas grill fires and explosions were caused by gas leaks, blocked tubes, and overfilled propane tanks.

El Paso Fire Department Officials would like all residents to have a safe summer cookouts and offers these "Cookout Safety Tips" and laws regarding apartment complexes.

Propane Grills

- Before using a grill, check the connection between the propane tank and the fuel line. Make sure the venturi tubes — where the air and gas mix — are not blocked.
- Do not overfill the propane tank.
- Do not wear loose clothing while cooking at a barbecue.
- Be careful when using lighter fluid. Do not add fluid to an already lit fire because the flame can flashback up into the container and explode.
- Keep all matches and lighters away from children. Teach your children to report any loose matches or lighters to an adult immediately. Supervise children around outdoor grills.
- Dispose of hot coals properly to avoid any brush fires — douse them with plenty of water, and stir them to ensure that the fire is out. Never place them in plastic, paper or wooden containers.
- Never grill/barbecue under a patio or porch, or in enclosed areas — carbon monoxide could

be produced.

Charcoal Grills

- Charcoal grills come into prominent use in the spring and summer. Extreme caution should be taken when cooking on charcoal grills to prevent painful burn injuries and inhalation of smoke and gases.
 - Gasoline should never be used in place of charcoal lighter fluid.
 - Never reapply charcoal lighter fluid after the fire has started. The flames can ignite the vapors, and travel up to the can causing an explosion.
- Charcoal or Propane grills should never be used in confined spaces, such as homes, campers or tents, or any other area not properly ventilated.

Laws for apartments

El Paso Fire Officials would like to remind the residents living in apartment complexes and apartment managers about laws regulating the use of *all* grills, whether charcoal or gas, under a covered combustible walkway, combustible decks or covered combustible balconies.

Under the International Fire Code: Chapter 3 General Precautions Against Fire:

- Section 305 — Ignitions Sources, Subsections 305.4 — Deliberate or negligent burning: It shall be unlawful to deliberately or through negligence set fire to or cause the burning of combustible material in such a manner as to endanger the safety of persons or property.
- Section 308 — Open Flames, Subsections 308.3.1 — Open-flame cooking devices: Charcoal burners and other open-flame cooking devices shall not be operated on combustible balconies or within 10 feet (3048 mm) of

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Child safety seat tips

Start Out Right: The best way to get children in the habit of using safety restraints is to learn from their parent's example. The driver, all adult passengers and all infants and children should be safely secured before starting the engine.

Infants up to 20 pounds: Infants from birth to 1-year old and under 20 pounds in weight should be secured in an infant car safety seat on the back seat of the vehicle, facing the rear. This avoids injury from an inflated airbag and will be less of a distraction for the driver. If your vehicle does not have a back seat, deactivate the airbag for that trip, but be sure to reactivate it when an adult is the passenger.

Infants 20-plus pounds: Infants from birth to 1-year and more than 20 pounds should be either secured in a convertible safety seat or in an infant seat approved for their weight. The

seats should be secured on the back seat of the vehicle, facing the rear.

Children 20- to 40-pounds: Children older than 1-year who weigh 20 to 40 pounds should be secured in a child safety seat on the back seat of the vehicle, facing forward.

Children 40-plus pounds: Children who have outgrown their child safety seat, but are still too small (less than 4'9") to use the standard adult safety belt in the car, should use a booster seat. The lap belt should sit across the hips and the shoulder belt should not cross the neck or face.

Be sure to read the manufacturer's instructions on proper installation or check with your local police or fire department, who are often certified to inspect car seats. When buying a car seat, look for the DOT (Department of Transportation) tag. Do not use a car seat that is broken or missing parts.



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Amended Public Notice

Canutillo ISD Announces Summer Meal Program

Canutillo Independent School District announces the sponsorship of the summer food service program. Meals will be provided at all campuses/locations as listed below. **No meals will be served on Fridays because all CISD facilities will be closed Fridays from June 13 through August 1.**

Meals will be provided as follows: Breakfast from 7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m., Morning Snack from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Lunch from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and Afternoon Snack from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Meals are free to all children ages one to eighteen years of age. Handicapped may be twenty-one. Adults may purchase meals ala carte.

CAMPUS	ADDRESS/PHONE	DATES
• Canutillo High School	6675 South Dessert / 877-7822	June 9- Aug. 14, 2008
• Canutillo Middle School	7311 Bosque Road / 877-7922	June 9-July 3, 2008
• Alderete Middle School	801 Talbot Road / 877-6622	June 9-July 3, 2008
• Canutillo ES	651 Canutillo Avenue / 877-7622	June 9-July 3, 2008
• Deanna Davenport ES	8401 Remington Road / 886-6422	June 9-July 3, 2008
• Gonzalo & Sofia Garcia ES	6550 Westside Road / 877-1222	June 9-July 3, 2008
• CISD Test Kitchen	7965 Artcraft Road / 877-7443	June 9-Aug. 14, 2008

Canutillo Independent School District Food Service Meal Programs do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability. Anyone who believes that they have been discriminated against should write immediately to: USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or call (800) 795-3272 or (202) 720-6382 (TTY) USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

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Canutillo ISD will require every student to register for 2008-09 school year

By Alfredo Vasquez
Special to the Courier

Canutillo Independent School District officials are asking parents of all returning students at its eight school campuses to help them update important emergency contact information and health records for every student in the district this summer.



Pam Padilla

"It is very important that we have accurate emergency contact information, as

well as current health information for each student. Our ability to best serve the needs of our students and to communicate effectively with parents requires that we have up-to-date information. Therefore, all students will be required to register for the 2008-09 school year," stated Dr. Pam Padilla, CISD superintendent.

CISD sent home a registration packet this week (June 2) with every student in grades 1 through 12. Pre-K and kindergarten students were registered in April and May. CISD's current enrollment is 5,615 students. The packet contains four different forms including student enrollment, emergency contact information, PEIMS (Public Education Information Management System) Data Family Survey, and student health history.

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Parents are being asked to complete the registration packet for each child and return it to the school where their child will be enrolled for the coming school year. Designated registration dates for elementary, middle, high school, and Northwest Early College High School students have been scheduled.

If parents did receive the registration information or need more information, call the school that your child will attend or 877-7482.

Horizon students connect with troops in Iraq



The Horizon Middle School Mother-Daughter program and sixth grade students understand the everyday sacrifices U.S. soldiers make for us. To say thanks and show their appreciation, the students spent part of the school year gathering items to support the efforts of U.S. soldiers in Iraq. The items were placed in care packages and letters were written for the soldiers. Students also collected toys to send to the troops for Iraqi children. A special connection was made with a group of soldiers through Dave Snook. Snook is the Assistant Principal for Horizon Middle School. Snook's brother is a helicopter pilot on his third tour in Iraq. Shown above are Snook (middle, in black HMS tee) and his fellow soldiers from B Troop, 1-6 Cavalry.

— Photo courtesy Clint ISD

— Contributed by Laura Cade

BBQ

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combustible construction.

• Subsection 308.3.1.1 — Liquefied-petroleum-gas-gas-fueled cooking devices: LP-gas burners having an LP-gas container with a capacity greater than 2.5 pounds [nominal 1 pound (0.454 kg) LP-gas capacity] shall not be located on combustible balconies or within 10 feet (3080 mm) of combustible construction.

Please take the necessary precautions to avoid any fires at your facility and avoid any possible citations or fines. Citations will be issued to the person, owning or operating the grill being used at the time within the prohibited area. The E.P.F.D. will allow storage of the grills on the balconies, decks, or walkways without the propane tank or other fuel. The Fire Department units will report any unauthorized usage to the Fire Prevention Division for investigation. All reports will be investigated and the necessary actions to correct the violation will be enforced.

It is the responsibility of apartment managers to report any unauthorized usage of a grill within prohibited areas.

Please take appropriate precautions when grilling and have a safe summer.

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School board notes

By Don Woodyard

EL PASO COUNTY — Although the academic year is winding down in districts throughout El Paso County, the work of their school boards continues.

Boards throughout our area learned of preliminary TAKS scores

We begin our monthly review of key actions by six boards of trustees in Tornillo. We will then stop to see what trustees are doing in Fabens, San Elizario, Clint, Canutillo and finally in Anthony. Information, unless otherwise indicated, comes from official district records of the board meetings which often can be found on their individual websites.

Tornillo ISD May 20

Results of TAKS tests and drug testing highlighted its meeting.

Superintendent Paul Vranish bragged on the district’s academic accomplishments in recent TAKS testing.

“Tornillo Elementary did great. It continues to be the top-rated elementary school in the El Paso area. “It has a great teaching staff. They are a special group of people,” he is quick to say.

The intermediate school, he adds, didn’t miss Exemplary status by much.

Examples: Third-grade reading scores from 2007 to 2008 went from 93 to 98. Fourth-grade math scores rose nine points to 89. Math scores in the 11th grade went from 73 to 84.

Not all scores were improvements. Fifth-grade math scores dropped two points to 91. Ninth-grade reading scores dipped three points to 76.

The board approved a local policy that allows for drug testing among student athletes. Parents of children who are not athletes can opt into the program, Vranish pointed out in a telephone interview.

“We have to take a public stand,” he said.

He said the purpose of the program is not to catch drug users, but rather for it to act as a deterrent to keep students from using drugs in the first place.

“I’m not interested in catching kids with drugs. “(In fact) I’d be happy not to catch anybody,” he added.

Fabens ISD May 21

Superintendent Pancho Garcia shared with board members preliminary TAKS scores for the exit-level students. Language Arts, 87; Math, 94; Social Studies, 95; and Science, 90.

The Fabens High School varsity softball team, with a 25-7 record, was recognized for its achievements in winning the district championship.

The results of the recent school bond election were canvassed and made official. It showed the bond was approved by voters by a 104-61 vote.

The ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new multi-purpose athletic facility is scheduled at 6 p.m., Wednesday, June 11.

Clint ISD May 21

In closed session, the board considered four sites for the location of the proposed new high school. Located in various parts of the district, they range in size from 40.3 acres to 64.8 acres. No action was taken by the board in closed session on the purchase of any of the locations.

However, later in open session, the board authorized the superintendent Ricardo Estrada “to enter into an earnest money contract and an option agreement as discussed in closed session,” according to the official district report. No details were given on location.

On the recommendation of the superintendent, the board approved Garrett Ritchey as assistant principal of Clint High School.

Board president James Pendell, school principals and administration officials recognized 530 students who excelled academically or athletically. They received 900

certificates for their achievements.

San Elizario ISD May 14

The San Elizario board of trustees will be nominated for the 2008 Outstanding Board of the Year award which is sponsored by the Texas Association of School Administrators.

“The board,” according to district school board minutes, “will be recognized for all its achievements during the 2007-08 school year.”

Dr. Mike Quatrini, district superintendent, said the board has been “very consistent in their membership throughout the years.” The minutes point out that there has been much progress in obtaining state funding for improvements and new buildings.

The district was represented in a meeting in which it repeated its opposition to a presidential permit for the proposed 28-mile pipeline. The meeting was sponsored by the U.S. State Department and held May 7 at the Lower Valley Water District offices. Other school districts as well as elected officials also voiced opposition to the pipeline running through the Lower Valley and across the border into Mexico.

The State Department said it would reach a decision by July 2008.

Support services director George Luevano said that the new middle school library would be transformed into a learning resource center. All books and furniture would be moved from the old library into the new one. The old library would be used as a conference center.

Sylvia Hopp, assistant superintendent, provided a report on the math TAKS scores for students in grades five and eight. Details on specific scores are unavailable.

According to the official minutes, “this was part of the Student Success Initiative whereby fifth- and eighth-grade students must pass the reading and math portions of the TAKS test in order to be promoted to the next grade level.”

Canutillo ISD May 13

An update was given on student recruitment efforts for the Northwest Early College High School by Superintendent Dr. Pam Padilla and Peggy Gustafson. Gustafson, principal of the high school, said 101 students have been selected. Fifty-three are from Alderette Middle, and 46 are from Canutillo Middle School. Two students are from out of district.

Gustafson said the students would participate in the summer bridge program in June to help them with the transition. She added that parent meetings would be held.

The board approved the conceptual design for the Northwest Early College High School master plan.

Anthony ISD May 20

The Anthony ISD board meeting was covered in last week’s issue of the County Courier. However additional information is now available regarding the preliminary TAKS test scores. The information comes from Ron Haugen, AISD superintendent.

A sampling of test scores is given. The scores compare increases or declines in the percentage of passing grades between testing in 2007 and 2008.

Third-grade test scores in reading were up seven points to 92 percent in 2008.

Sixth-grade reading test scores dropped from 91 percent to 85 percent.

Math scores in the ninth grade jumped 17 points to 56 percent in 2008.

Science scores for 10th-grade students increased 30 points to 64 percent in 2008.

Writing scores for seventh-grade students dropped 10 points to 85 percent.

Math scores for 10th-grade students declined seven points to 44 percent in 2008.



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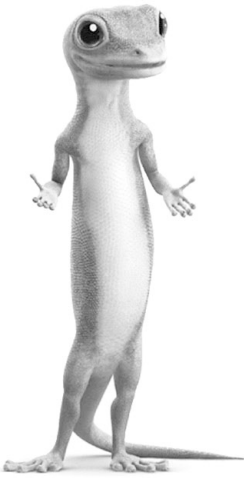
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- 1) Ordinance No. 450, Amendment 2. An ordinance adopting the **HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX** in the Town of Anthony, Texas.

Ordinances are too extensive to print. Ordinances are always available for viewing or copying upon request from the Town Clerk at the above address. Those that are unable to attend may submit their written comments to the Town of Anthony, P.O. Box 1269, Anthony, Texas 79821. Persons in need of assistance to attend are encouraged to contact the Town Clerk at 886-3944.

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Town Clerk*

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By Steve Escajeda
Special to the Courier

The Lakers and Celtics are by far (especially since Michael Jordan re-

The best-of-seven series starts this Thursday, and though it's not a David vs. Goliath matchup — I'll be going green.

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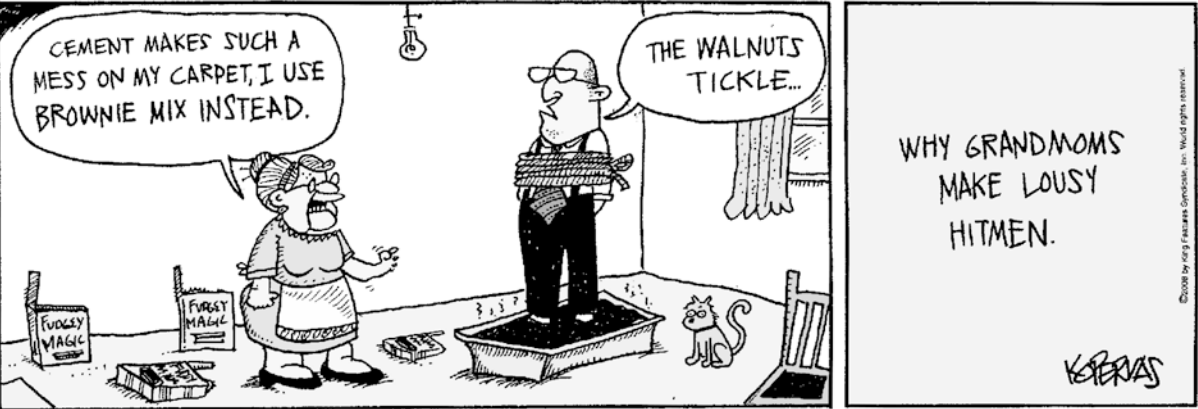
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OUT ON A LIMB

By Gary Kopervas



AMBER WAVES

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THE SPATS

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Stress ain't what it used to be

By Don Flood

Everybody knows life keeps getting harder, but how much harder? Thanks to psychiatrist Richard Rahe of Salem, Ore., co-creator of the Life Changes Stress Test, we now have an exact figure. Life, Rahe said, gets about 1.5 percent more difficult each year. Wow, that's even worse than I thought. Off the top of my head, I probably would have said no more than 1.2 percent, maybe 1.3.

Rahe cites various reasons, among them the stress of modern transportation. "If you look at travel today and compare it to the stress of traveling 30 years ago, can't you see it's increased?" he asked in USA Today.

This is an excellent point, and the situation becomes even clearer when you look back more than 100 years. Readers may find this hard to believe, but in the 1800s, when many Americans began heading West, they didn't have to be concerned about bad airline food; airport delays were unheard of, and nobody had to pass through security checkpoints. During these blissful, carefree days, travelers didn't even have to worry about remembering if they had left a 1-inch penknife in their pocket.

In fact, many people carried rifles, the better to fend off Indian attacks. Which, in turn, helped keep the kids occupied. Back then, parents didn't feel the need to make sure each child had his own separate video screen to watch — True fact: Many covered wagons weren't equipped with even one video screen — because the threat of Indian attacks helped pass the time.

("Now, children, if you look to your left you'll see some Indians setting there waiting to ambush us." "Yes, Mom, I already saw 'em. When are we going to get there?") And while it's true that 19th-century pioneers on the early Interstate Highway System didn't have as many restaurants to choose from, they nevertheless enjoyed more interesting fare than today's bored and frustrated fast-food customers. (For more information on the settlers' menu choices, Google the key words "Donner party" and "today's special.") Yup, travel in those days was stress-free, which got me to thinking about Excedrin, the great American stress reliever. The company used to have a slogan that went, "Life got tougher, Excedrin got stronger." In light of the recent statistics, I wondered if Excedrin officials are making it 1.5 percent stronger each year. If not, we're facing a pain-reliever deficit of enormous proportions. Excedrin's TV ads used to show a man with a little hammer pounding away inside his head. At the time, Excedrin was still strong enough to make the hammer go away. That may no longer be true. An article in the New England Journal of Medicine recently reported that X-rays are showing an alarming and growing number of patients with hammers inside their head, ranging in size from a Q-tip to a full-sized carpenter's tool. The article was written by TV's Dr. Gregory House, who, in a challenge to the medical establishment, prescribes Vicodin, and not Excedrin, as the best way to treat "interior cranial hammer disease." House, who pops Vicodin like candy, may be right, especially if the makers of Excedrin aren't increasing the dosage each year. I'm getting a headache just thinking about it.

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King Super Crossword

- ADD-ONS

ACROSS

1 Two-legged stand

6 Palindromic pirogue

11 Mortarboard

14 Make a muumuu

17 Genesis peak

19 Salad veggie

20 Be obligated

21 Literary collection

22 FILE FILE

25 Diagnostic instr.

26 Bray beginning

27 Luau entertainment

28 Kind of mushroom

30 _ Hari

31 Ecclesiastic

35 Evangelist

Roberts

36 Mathematician

Khayyam

39 '62 Tommy Roe hit

41 Hard wood

44 Injured party

47 Zeal

48 Drink like a

Dandie Dinmont

49 Heredity letters

52 SASE, e.g.

53 STRING STRING

58 Antique auto

59 Disinfectant target

60 Compete

61 Quick-footed

62 Pyramid, e.g.

64 _ kwon do
- 65 Gumbo thickener

68 Stephen King book

69 Brazilian kicker

71 Glowing

74 Congregational comeback

75 The Fresh Prince's place

77 Rope fiber

78 Possessed

80 Goblet part

83 Soporific substance

84 "I _ Rock" ('66 song)

86 _ cotta

88 Exist

89 TRAIL TRAIL

94 New Deal agcy.

95 City in Kyrgyzstan

96 Baby butter

97 Solitary

98 Priest-to-be

100 Mirella of the Met

102 Trustworthy

104 Hide

105 Geometric calculation

107 Red _

109 Throw a party

112 Fleeting

115 Christmas visitors

116 Slangy suffix

119 Yesterday's your

120 CHAIN CHAIN

126 Cratchit kid

127 Bartok or Peron
- 128 Irregular

129 I specialist?

130 Humorist George

131 Costa _ Sol

132 The Brainy Bunch?

133 Greases the wheels

DOWN

1 Fugue composer

2 "Dies _"

3 Unwind a rind

4 Chicago airport abbr.

5 Russian villa

6 Norton or Olin

7 Ginger _

8 Still

9 Word from a

Weimaraner

10 Former Japanese capital

11 Musical finale

12 Blew away

13 Non-sexist suffix

14 Pacific islands

15 Register

16 Keen

18 Like some nerves

19 Security grp.

23 Lesage's "Gil _"

24 Rhine siren

29 Attempt

30 Clubber Lang's

portrayer

31 _ Amboy, NJ

32 General's helper
- 33 Job opening

34 Biting

36 Public

37 Sal of "Giant"

38 Pull off

40 Novelist Lee

42 Bunyan's ox

43 _ -Locka, FL

45 132 Across stats

46 Grumble

49 Contrition

50 Director Mira

51 He's Devine

54 Battery size

55 A Karamazov brother

56 Dire

57 Diamond features

63 Bridges and Brummell

65 Lyric poem

66 Kipling novel

67 Knock

68 Domingo's birthplace

70 Wing or flipper

72 Melville monomaniac

73 " _ a Kind of Hush" ('67 hit)

75 '67 Peter Sellers film, with "The"

76 Homer's field

79 Prepare for combat

81 Comic Leon

82 Had in mind

84 Related
- 85 Curative

86 Article of faith

87 Bunyan's whacker

90 Tina's ex

91 Actor Bert

92 Crooked

93 Torrid or Frigid

99 Prone

100 Charge

101 Pounded a portcullis

103 Defrost

105 Plant pest

106 Versify

108 It may be platinum

110 Inspect too closely?

111 Castle campaign

112 Singer James

113 Roof edge

114 100 dinars

115 Staff

116 Young of

"The Last Detail"

117 _ majesty

118 Part of M.A.

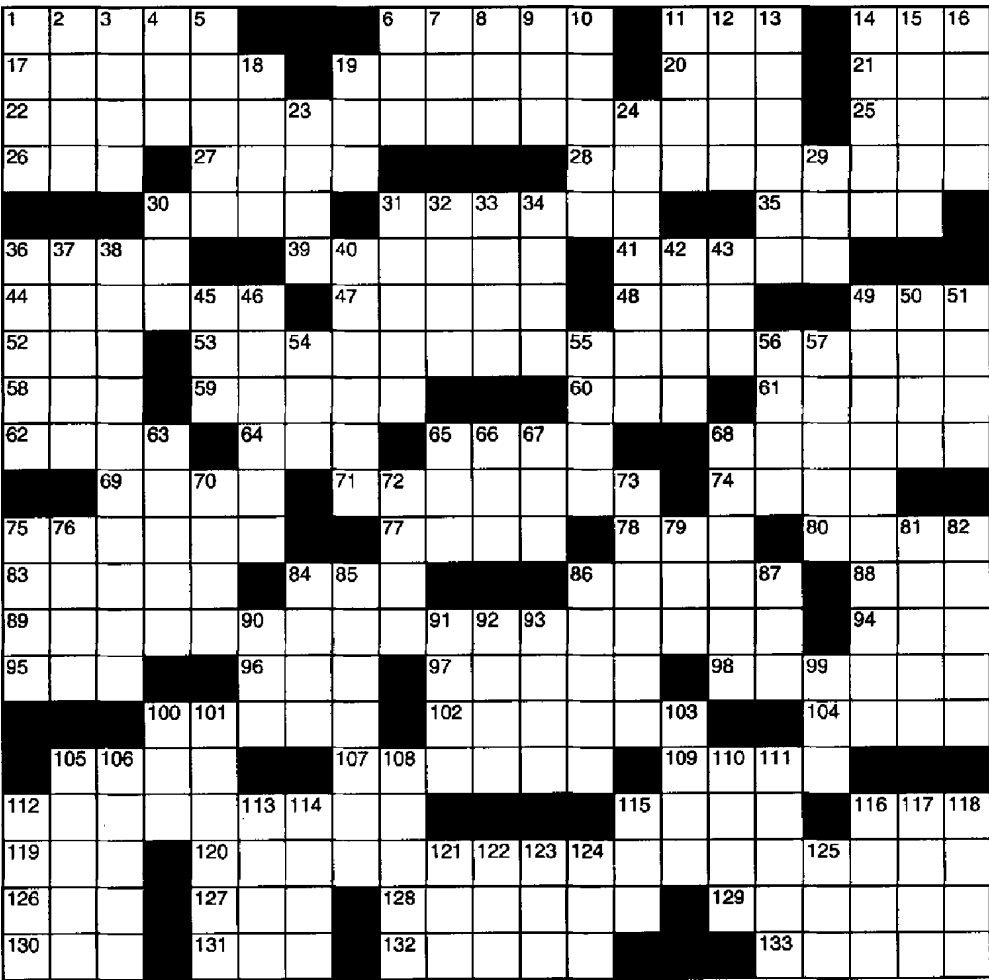
121 Chemical ending

122 Ford of football

123 Common appliances

124 Swell place?

125 _ degree



Social Security Q&A

By Ray Vigil

Q: I need proof of my Social Security income. Can I get verification online?

A: Some people who get Social Security or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Benefits need to get a statement of their benefit amount or other information to show proof of their income or benefits. Social Security can provide the information you need in a “proof of income letter.” When you request a proof of income letter, it will be mailed to your address in our records. You can request one online by visiting <https://secure.ssa.gov/apps6z/BEVE/main.html>. Or call us at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778).

Q: Is it true that if you have limited income you can get help paying for prescription drugs? And that you can get help paying Medicare premiums?

A: Yes. If you have limited income and resources, you may be able to get help paying for prescription drugs under Medicare Part D. Call Social Security at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778) or visit our website at www.socialsecurity.gov. Also, if your income and resources are limited, your state may be able to help with your Medicare Part B premium, deductibles and coinsurance amounts. State rules vary on the income and resources that apply. Contact your state or local medical assistance, social services or welfare office, or call the Medicare hotline, 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227) and ask about the Medicare Savings Programs.

Q: How does Social Security decide if I am disabled?

A: If you are an adult, essentially you must be unable to work for a year or more because of a medical condition or combination of impairments. The evaluation process considers any current work activity you are doing, and your medical condition and how it affects your ability to work. To be considered disabled:

- You must be unable to do work you did before becoming disabled and we must decide that you cannot adjust to other work because of your medical condition; and
- Your disability must last, or be expected to last, for at least one year or to result in death.

Social Security pays only for total disability. We don't pay benefits for partial or short-term disability. To learn more about disability benefits from Social Security, read the publication Disability Benefits (SSA Publication No. 05-10029) available online at www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs/10029.html. For more information, visit our website at www.socialsecurity.gov or call us toll-free at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778).

For more information on any of the questions listed above, visit our website at www.socialsecurity.gov or call us at 1-800-772-1213. If you have any questions, please mail them to the Social Security Office, 11111 Gateway West, Attn: Ray Vigil, El Paso, Texas 79935.

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Sports

From Page 6

was the play of UTEP center Claude Britten.

Britten made his presence known by scoring 10 points and grabbing a team-high nine rebounds in the opening game.

Beginners' luck, right? Britten came out and scored 17 points and

pulled down eight rebounds in the second game.

Though no stats were available for the third game, there's little doubt which players improved his stock the most during the trip.

The emergence of Britten bodes well for coach Barbee, Stefon Jackson and the rest of the Miners for next season.

And if Britten has improved this much this quickly, imagine what he'll be a couple years from now.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging

Answer Page 6 ★★★ HOO BOY!