

NEWSBRIEFS

Crime Stoppers

The El Paso County Sheriff’s Office is investigating the murder of a decorated military veteran that has gone unsolved for 34 years, making this the Crime Stoppers “Crime of the Week.” On Tuesday, January 4, 1977, the body of Major Chester Garrett, 35, was found in the back seat of his red 1972 Volkswagen Beetle near what was then the county landfill off Loop 375, one-half mile south of Zaragoza Road in the Mission Valley. Several footprints and another set of car tracks were found in the area. Garrett was a Green Beret and much decorated military hero who had served multiple campaigns in war zones. He was married and the father of two children. On the day before, Garrett left his quarters on Fort Bliss in a hurry, saying he had to take care of something urgent. He went to his family’s home, which was then located at 1349 Backus in the Cielo Vista neighborhood. Nothing else is known until his body was found the next day. The autopsy revealed that he died of a skull fracture but he was also stabbed 10 times, probably after death or losing consciousness. Investigators are asking the public to try to remember that day and those locations. Did you know Garrett, and do you recall seeing him or his red VW on that Monday or early Tuesday? He did go to his house, and he was found in the Mission Valley. Perhaps you noticed the red car in the desert, and saw one or more suspects around it? Any information at all will be helpful. If you have any information about the identity of the suspects involved, or if you have information about where Garrett may have been or people he met the previous night and early morning, please call Crime Stoppers immediately at 566-TIPS (566-8477) or on-line at www.crimestoppersofelpaso.org. You will remain anonymous and, if your tip leads to an arrest, you can qualify for a cash reward.

— James Klaes

Appointment

Gov. Rick Perry has appointed Theresa Argumaniz Gomez of El Paso to the Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners. She is a healthcare administrator at Pueblo De Salud Home Health Services LLC. She is a licensed advanced clinical practitioner and chemical dependency counselor. She is a member of the National Association of Social Workers, and past chair of the Veteran’s Health Administration Combined Federal Campaign in El Paso. Gomez received a bachelor’s degree and master’s degree in social

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A loyal friend is someone who sticks up for you even when you’re not there.

— Quips & Quotes



Cecilia Pichardo-Ortiz



Dora Rodriguez

Canutillo ISD names top teachers

By Gustavo Reveles
Special to the Courier

CANUTILLO – The Canutillo Independent School District selected a fifth-grade teacher at Jose Damian Elementary and an English teacher at Canutillo Middle as the 2011 Elementary and Secondary Teachers of the Year. The winners were announced on last Friday during surprise ceremonies at each campus.

A panel of four judges picked Damian’s Dora Rodriguez as the CISD Elementary Teacher of the Year, and Canutillo Middle’s Cecilia Pichardo-Ortiz as the CISD Secondary Teacher of the Year. Rodriguez and Pichardo-Ortiz will represent Canutillo in the upcoming Region XIX Teacher of the Year contest.

The judges pointed out Rodriguez’s passion for education as a key factor in their decision. A former photographer, Rodriguez has been a teacher for 10 years, all of them in Canutillo.

“I am humbled by this,” Rodriguez said during the surprise announcement on Friday morning at her school. “There were some great teachers in the running and I really feel honored to be given the chance to represent Canutillo ISD.”

Pichardo-Ortiz, an 11-year veteran of the Canutillo district, was lauded by the judges for her enthusiasm in the classroom and the

use of pop culture in her lesson plans.

“I believe in every child and think that every one of my students has the chance to be successful,” Pichardo-Ortiz said. “I was inspired and moved by my own teachers, so I want to be the type of teacher that inspires and moves her students.”

Rodriguez and Pichardo-Ortiz will now compete with teachers from throughout the area for the title of Region XIX Teacher of the Year. The winner of that competition will represent El Paso and Hudspeth counties in the Texas Teacher of the Year contest.

Canutillo has had three of its educators be successful at the regional and state competitions. The reigning Region XIX Secondary Teacher of the Year is Lydia Provencio from Canutillo Middle School. Lorena Salas, a teacher at Bill Childress Elementary School, won the Region XIX Teacher of the Year award in 2002; and in 2004, former Canutillo Elementary teacher Kyann McMillie won the Texas Teacher of the Year award.

“We are very proud of the level of instruction that goes on in our classrooms on a daily basis,” said Canutillo Superintendent Dr. Damon Murphy. “Mrs. Rodriguez and Mrs. Pichardo-Ortiz are two great examples of the quality educators we have in our school district. I am confident that they will represent Canutillo well in the regional contest.

Education key to personal, economic success

By Alfredo Vasquez
Special to the Courier

Jobs and investment capital in today’s markets flow to those countries that have the best educated people.

In the high-tech, globally inter-connected world of the 21st Century, obtaining post-secondary education and training is quickly becoming even more essential for individual economic achievement and to ensure the success of entire nations and economies.

So it was disheartening to American

educators when the results of the most recent Program for International Student Assessment (PISA) tests were announced recently by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD).

PISA provides a detailed assessment and comparison of what 15 year-old students in 74 education systems have learned and how well they can apply knowledge.

PISA results for U.S. students fell around the OECD average range, as they have for the past decade, with scores around the average

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DOJ reimburses El Paso County \$2.7 million

Funds will help lessen impact of state budget cuts

By Elhiu Dominguez
Special to the Courier

EL PASO COUNTY – The Department of Justice has reimbursed \$2.7 million in expenditures the County of El Paso incurred while prosecuting and incarcerating federally referred offenders during FY 2008 and 2009.

The first reimbursement, of \$135,000 for cases handled during fiscal year 2008, was received on January 25, 2011. The second reimbursement, in the amount of \$2.57 million for cases handled during FY 2009, arrived Monday, May 23, 2011. All the monies have been transferred to the County’s general fund.

The two payments mark the end of a multi-year dispute over billings submitted by the El Paso County to the Department of Justice under the Southwest Border Prosecution Initiative (SWBPI) during fiscal years 2001 through 2006.

Additionally, the County of El Paso submitted bills in the amount of \$1.06 million, for cases handled during FY 2010.

The resolution clears the way for El Paso County to remain eligible to receive future federal reimbursements for prosecuting and jailing federally referred offenders. This agreement also guarantees federal law enforcement agents will receive the necessary assistance from local law enforcement agencies and the District Attorney’s Office to process and prosecute individuals accused of criminal violations.

The push to receive reimbursement from the federal government was spearheaded by District Attorney Jaime Esparza and County Attorney Jo Anne Bernal.

“Over the past 12 months our offices have worked tirelessly to ensure that every county money eligible for reimbursement was aggressively pursued,” said County Attorney Jo Anne Bernal.

District Attorney Jaime Esparza said, “Compensating border counties for the criminal justice cost they incur assisting the federal government with lower level criminal cases makes good sense. State prosecutors have the flexibility to handle these routine cases efficiently and hold all offenders accountable. An equitable partnership between federal, state, and local authorities works and is necessary to curtail the flow of illegal drugs into our community.”

El Paso County Judge Veronica Escobar recognized the hard work of employees from the Auditor’s Office, the District Attorney’s Office, and the County Attorney’s Office, who worked for several months on getting the Office of the Inspector General the necessary information to resolve this dispute.

“In the upcoming months the El Paso County will be facing serious financial challenges due to the budget cuts that

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Veterans Post By Freddy Groves

Phonies and fakes, the next wave

They'll be coming out of the woodwork now, after that magnificent covert raid by Navy SEALs on Osama bin Laden's compound.

From one end of this country to the other, fake heroes – Medal of Honor or Purple Heart, prisoner of war, Special Forces, Green Beret, a former Vietnam sniper with a million kills to his name – are working in schools, getting elected to public office, sitting in American Legion bars, walking in parades, and even collecting veterans benefits because they haven't been discovered. Now they might claim to be a Navy SEAL.

Don't let it happen.

I asked Steve Waterman, retired Navy underwater photographer and SEAL wanna-be hunter, for the general characteristics of these fakes. He says they have low self-esteem that causes them to be aggressive in trying to make others believe the tales they tell.

"Their stories are grandiose and wild to the point where they're not believable," Waterman says. "The details don't hold up: They can't tell you their class number, the instructor's name or even the names of classmates, and they can become aggressive when pushed for details. And none of them use their so-called elevated status to benefit mankind; it's all for themselves. Many are abusive and manipulative, using others for gain." Documentation will either be nonexistent ("It's classified") or faked.

To help bring down a phony:

- Go to www.StolenValor.com and click on Report A Fake.
- See www.veriseal.org. It can check claims and will post information about phonies on its Wall of Shame.
- Contact pownetwork.org. It has had excellent success using Freedom of Information Act requests to the National Personnel Records Center get to the bottom of many claims.

Thanks to the Stolen Valor Act, it's no longer merely despicable to pose as something you're not, it's a crime.

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– Photo by David Garcia


Socorro Police Department reaches benchmark

ON THE PROWL – Socorro PD officers were happy to inspect the new police cruisers Socorro PD began rolling out on May 24. The addition of the marked units and detective cars take the department to 18 marked and 2 unmarked units. "Socorro is at the point where we now have the manning table full and units to back them up. It's a full complement of boots on the ground and wheels on the road. And we're performing to a level the community of Socorro deserves. Last week we took three of our "Ten Most Wanted" off our streets," said Lt. Edmundo Montoya, Socorro Police Officer-in-Charge. The new 2011 Ford Police Interceptors cost \$35,000 each and are part of Operation Stone Garden, a Federal grant dispersed by Texas. Each unit will be completely equipped with standard safety equipment, high tech communication gear, radar and computers. None will be used as administration vehicles, and none of the existing fleet will be retired.

– David Garcia

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Anthony ISD Summer Food Service Program

The Anthony Independent School District in Anthony, Texas announces the Summer Food Service Program. The program is free and open to any child from 1 to 18 years of age. Sites are open on a first-come, first-serve basis to all children of the community at large, therefore the meal service will be limited.

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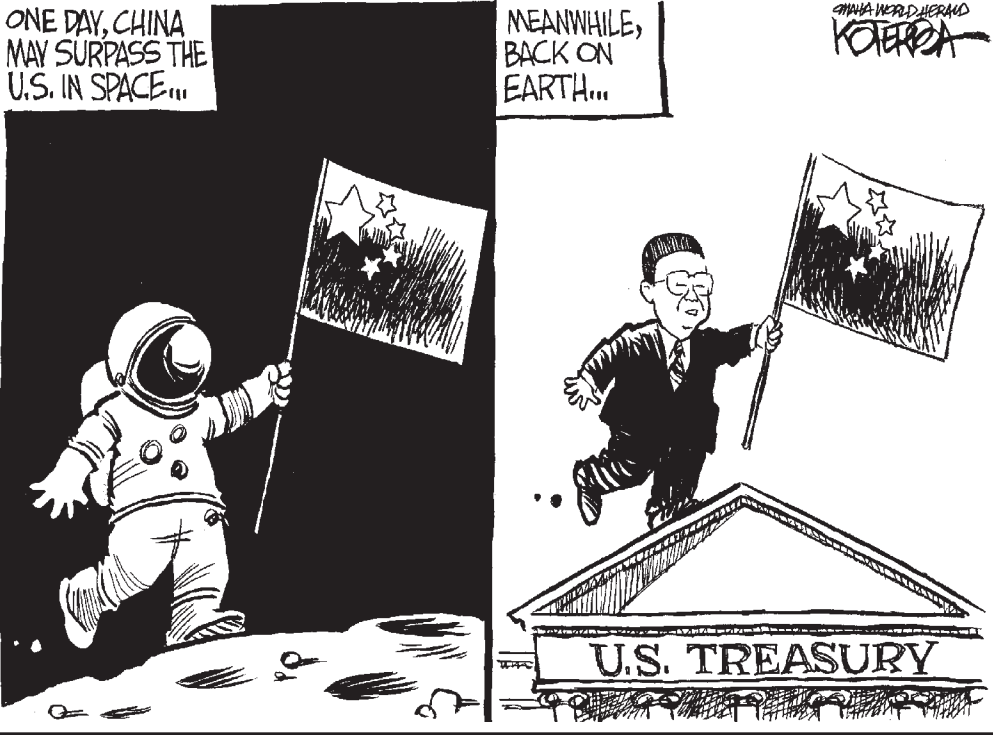
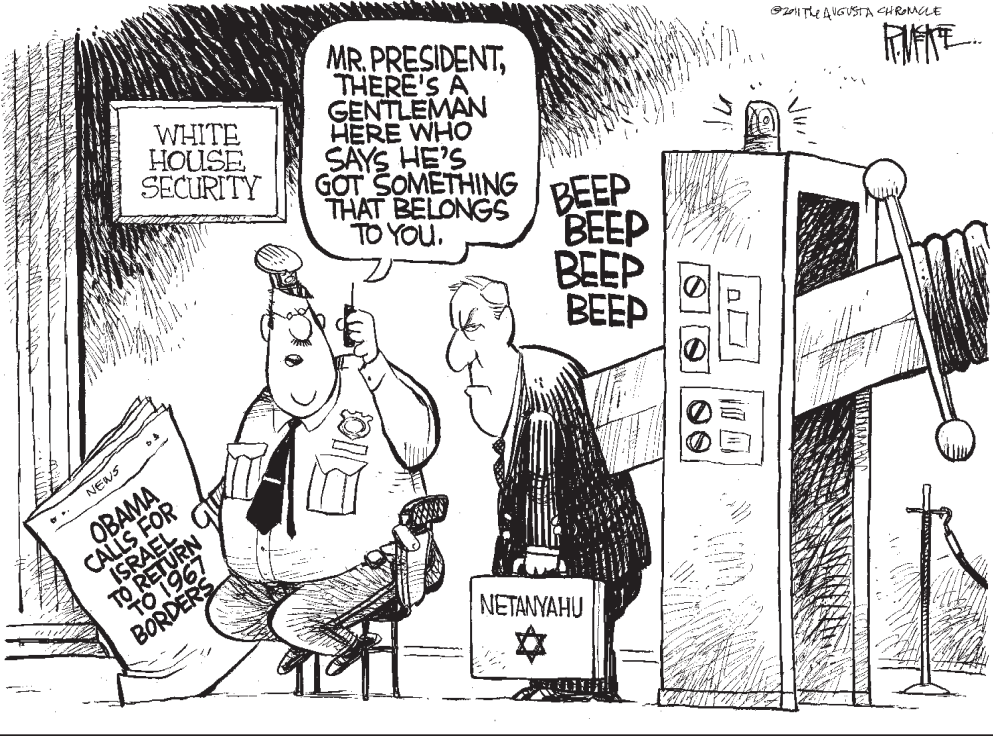
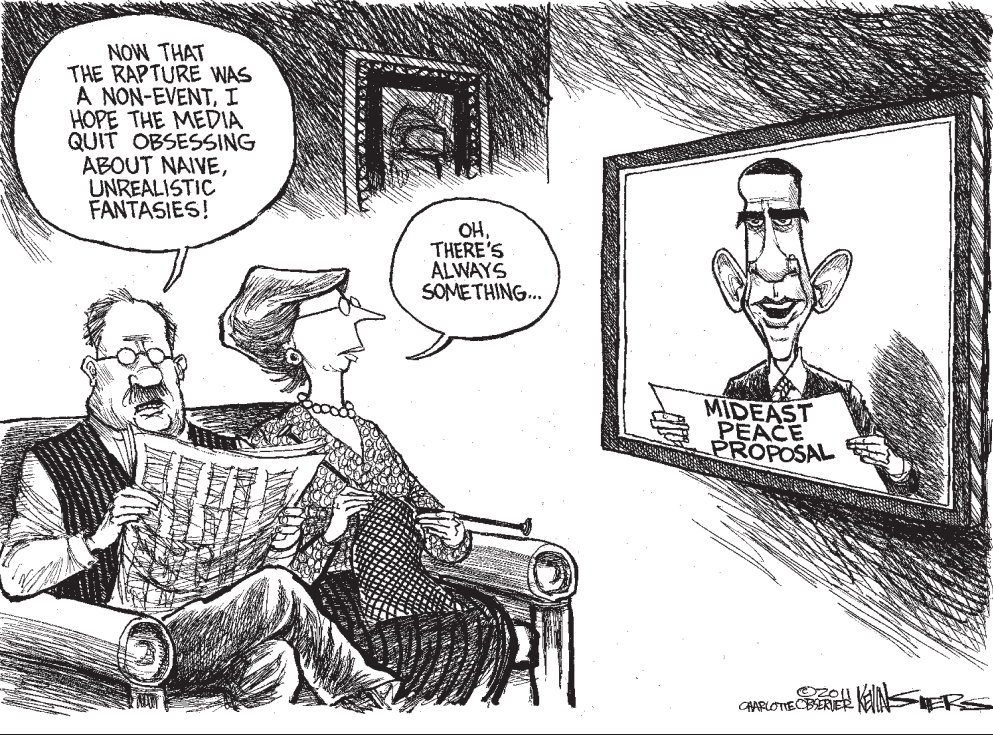
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What's up doc? By Albert Balesh, M.D.

Sugar plum fairies


Ask any layman what diabetes is, and chances are that he or she can give you a somewhat accurate answer. Not so for the connection between type 2 diabetes and sleep, as the sugar plum fairies of Tom, Dick, or Harry are anything but innocuous. With 35 percent of Americans reporting less than the recommended seven to nine hours of sleep each night, the gate has been flung open to a horde of health problems on the morning's horizon, ranging from sleep apnea and compromised immunity to high blood pressure and diabetes mellitus. This wasn't always the case, however, as Americans used to sleep more in the good old days. Between 1959 and 2002, as the story goes, with the good life becoming ever so much more difficult to attain, and with a shift in the collective psyche toward a workaholic paradigm, the percentage of people sleeping fewer than seven hours a night on a regular basis more than doubled. At the same time, the number of cases of diabetes grew precipitously, and almost overnight the young at heart went from dreaming sugar plum fairies to becoming plump, highly sugared, diabetic patients. Recent studies bear this out.

In a 1999 study published in *The Lancet*, when a group of healthy young people was restricted to just four hours sleep for six nights in a row, its collective ability to use sugar shifted dramatically to that of old men, demonstrating that adequate sleep promotes not only sound minds but also healthy bodies. Then came a study published in the 2008 Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences demonstrating the influence of deep, or slow-wave, sleep on the risk of developing diabetes. When deep sleep was restricted, metabolic changes increasing the risk of diabetes occurred. Voilà! It became clear that not only the amount but also the quantity of sleep were key to diabetes prevention. Now, while these and other studies show that sleep can affect sugar metabolism, there has been no definitive proof to date that inadequate sleep causes diabetes. To assert anything else would be tantamount to laying claim to being

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Education

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for reading and science and below average in mathematics.

Top performers- nations as diverse as South Korea, Finland, Canada, The Netherlands, and Japan- continue to rank among the top ten in combined average scores.

The surprise came from Shanghai-China, where students taking PISA exams for the first time leapt into first place in all three areas- math, science, and reading.

To learn what he could from direct observation of what these education authorities were doing to achieve such strong outcomes, Dr. Steven

L. Paine, vice president of Strategic Planning and Business Development for McGraw-Hill, former West Virginia superintendent of schools and president of the Council of Chief State School Officers, traveled to observe first-hand the educational systems of Finland, Singapore and Ontario, Canada. Paine documented his visits in a recent report for the McGraw-Hill Research Foundation.

According to Paine’s report, the major difference between those systems and the one in the U.S. had to do with how teachers are valued, trained and compensated. All three systems pay very careful attention to raising and maintaining the standards of the teaching profession, only accepting the very best candidates and expending substantial amounts of time and money to nurture and develop the talents and leadership abilities of teachers and principals.

Paine found that Finnish teachers take great care to protect and maintain the status of their profession. They regularly stay after school (uncompensated) to work together on each other’s professional development and, in general, set their own performance standards.

The Finnish government establishes some achievement guidelines, but as a general rule there are few attempts to enforce performance or measures to ensure accountability.

“Government education leaders trust their teachers to do their jobs well. Precisely because Finnish teachers enjoy that level of trust from education officials, they accept the responsibility and reciprocate by excelling in the classroom every

day,” Paine stated.

As with Finland, Paine observed that the teaching profession in Singapore is a competitive and highly selective one that works hard to build its own sense of professional conduct and meet high standards for skills development.

Paine reported that Singapore carefully selects young people from the top one-third of the secondary school graduating class whom the government is especially interested in attracting to teaching and offers them a monthly stipend, while still in school, that is competitive with the monthly salary for fresh graduates in other fields. In exchange, these teachers must commit to teaching for at least three years.

An interesting fact about high-performing Ontario, Canada, Paine pointed out, is that the teachers there are heavily unionized. In fact, every teacher is required to join the union, which is as strong and as fiercely protective of teachers’ rights as any union in the U.S.

Paine stated that the government and the union agreed that everyone wanted to see student achievement go up, that it would be in everyone’s interests to create a rich culture of teacher support and to promote exceptional leadership throughout the system.

“All sides hammered out an agreement that set its sights on 75 percent of all students reaching a certain performance level by the end of four years. In return for teachers and principals agreeing to work towards that goal, the province agreed that it would supply an unprecedented level of support

and professional development for prospective and successful teachers throughout the Ontario system, plus a leadership development program that would reward and promote the best principals,” Paine stated.

“The educators, through their union, agreed to accept responsibility for their own learning and the learning of their students; the government agreed to supply all of the necessary support. As a result, Ontario’s students went from near the bottom of the PISA achievement levels to the top,” Paine stated.

When asked how they did it, one of the union leaders said, “It’s because of the trust and respect the government gave us. We care about the kids as much as anyone in the Ministry of Education. And once our professional standing improved we became protective of it. We don’t want bad teachers in the profession either, so we police ourselves.”

According to Paine, the most important lesson the U.S. can take from the countries that have been most successful in achieving high PISA scores for their students is to begin investing in the preparation and development of high-quality teachers, while at the same time taking steps to elevate the status of the entire profession to a higher level of respect and regard.

“The challenge will be to equip all U.S. teachers for effective learning in the 21st century. This will require rethinking many of the methods currently in use in the U.S. for preparing and developing teachers,” Paine concluded.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

• It was British novelist and playwright Somerset Maugham who made the following sage observation: “I made up my mind long ago that life was too short to do anything for myself that I could pay others to do for me.”

• You may not be surprised to learn that, according to a poll conducted by The Associated Press, Americans hate math twice as much as any other subject.

• If you’re planning a trip to Wisconsin this summer, be sure to stop in the town of Middleton. This is where you’ll find the Mustard Museum, billed as “home to the world’s largest collection of mustards and mustard memorabilia.” The museum is the brainchild of Barry Levinson, a former assistant attorney general for the state of Wisconsin, who says that in October of 1986, after his favorite baseball team lost the World Series, he was wandering the aisles of a grocery store in the wee hours of the morning looking, as he puts it, for “the meaning of life.” He says that as he passed the mustards he heard a voice saying, “If you collect us, they will come.” And so he did. This summer is a good time to visit, since Aug. 6 is the 20th annual Mustard Day.

• Do animals grieve their own? Perhaps so – at least, some animals. When an elephant dies, other elephants in the herd will cover the body with leaves and branches and often will stay with the body for days.

• If you own a sport utility vehicle, beware: Statistics show that they roll over three times more often than other passenger cars.

Thought for the Day: “I find television very educating. Every time somebody turns on the set, I go into the other room and read a book.”
– Groucho Marx

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CryptoQuip Answer

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Perry signs lawsuit reform legislation into law

By Catherine Frazier
Special to the Courier

AUSTIN – Gov. Rick Perry has signed House Bill 274, which brings major lawsuit reforms to Texas courts, including implementing a loser pays system for frivolous lawsuits in the state. The governor designated this issue as an emergency item for this legislative session. Perry was joined by Rep. Brandon Creighton and Sen. Joan Huffman for the signing ceremony.

“HB 274 provides defendants and judges with a variety of tools that will cut down on frivolous claims in Texas,” Perry said. “This important legislation will help make Texas that much more attractive to employers seeking to expand or relocate from countries all over the world by allowing them to spend less time in

court and more time creating jobs.”

HB 274 implements several measures to streamline and lower the cost of litigation in Texas courts, allowing parties to resolve disputes more quickly, more fairly and less expensively. This includes:

- Allowing a trial court to dismiss a frivolous lawsuit immediately if there is no basis in law or fact for the lawsuit;
- Allowing a trial judge to send a question of law directly to the appellate court without requiring all parties to agree if a ruling by a court of appeals could decide the case;
- Allowing plaintiffs seeking less than \$100,000 to request an expedited civil action; and
- Encouraging the timely settlement of disputes and helping prevent a party from extending litigation by seeking a “home run” if they have already been

offered a fair settlement.

“House Bill 274 signifies a major landmark for tort reform in Texas,” Creighton said. “I am pleased with the outcome and am positive that this bill, now signed into law by Governor Perry, will make litigation in Texas fair, expedient, and affordable – helping to create jobs, make plaintiffs whole and protect defendants from meritless cases.”

“Texas remains a national leader of tort reform with the signing of HB 274. The legislation curtails the frivolous lawsuits that can harm individuals and small businesses and fosters a more efficient and accessible court system for all parties,” Huffman said. “I was pleased to sponsor the bill in the Senate and thank my colleagues for supporting these important improvements to our legal climate.”

Sugar


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does better sleep in habitually poor sleepers prevent or improve diabetes? Can something as simple as sleep be a magic bullet in the arsenal amassed against this chronic malady? While it is still too early to tell, studies have shown that treatment of obstructive sleep apnea (OSA) improves both sleep and blood sugar levels. There may be a direct connection, indeed!

To ensure that sugar plum fairies are the food of our dreams, and not the result of our dreams

of food, we can make a concerted effort to get more and better sleep by scheduling bed and wake-up times at the same times each day, avoiding nicotine, caffeine, and alcohol, exercising early, not late, in the day, removing the television from the bedroom, not going to bed on a full or empty stomach, and, when all else fails, seeking professional help for prescription or over-the-counter sleep medications. Being a dreamer has had a bad connotation for far too long now!

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Clint Independent School District Public Notice

2011 SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN

Clint ISD is participating in the Summer Food Service Program. People who are eligible to participate in the program must not be discriminated against because of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. There will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service. Anyone who believes that they may have been discriminated against should write immediately to: USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights Room 326-W, Whitten Building, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250-9410 or call 1-800-795-3272 or 1-202-720-6382 (TTY).

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- Horizon High School, 14651 Horizon Blvd, Horizon City
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- Mountain View High School, 14964 Greg Dr., East Montana

Meal Service: Breakfast: 7:30 am - 8:00 am
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Dates of Operation: June 6 to June 30, 2011, Monday to Thursday. Campuses will be closed every Friday.

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Yet another high profile coach in a low class situation

By Steve Escajeda
Special to the Courier

It’s very ironic that the film, “The Hangover 2,” hit theaters last week when you consider the actions of West Virginia head football coach-to-be Dana Holgorsen.

I don’t know if there was a chicken or a tiger or a missing buddy or a baby or a Mike Tyson involved, but evidently the coach had himself one heck of a night.

As far as her remembers any way.

You see, Holgorsen is making \$750,000 as the school’s offensive coordinator in 2011 and will take over as the head coach for the outgoing Bill Stewart in 2012. As a head coach, Holgorsen’s salary will be kicked up to \$1.4 million per season through 2016.

But all that could be in jeopardy after his Nick Nolte/Charlie Sheen/Gary Busey imitation at the Mardi Gras Casino and Resort in Cross Lanes, WV.

Everybody knows that whatever happens in Vegas stays in Vegas, but apparently whatever

happens in Cross Lanes gets splattered across all the newspapers.

As a coach – especially a coach that is taking over a high profile program – the rules are a little different when he hits the town.

Every drink, every word, every lady they speak to, every action is a potential scandal with the thousands of little cameras out there.

Evidently, nobody took the time to explain that to Holgorsen, who found himself still at the casino after three o’clock in the morning.

The old saying is that nothing good happens after midnight, so Holgorsen was way past the point of no return.

In what has been described as “inappropriate behavior,” the coach had to escorted out of the casino on May 18 for doing who knows what.

Witnesses say the coach became uncooperative with casino management and local police had to be called in.

At least I’ll give the guy this, he left the building when the police arrived and sat on a bench outside the casino and waited for a cab to take him home.

Though no charges had been filed as of last

weekend, it’s very unsettling that a man who will have the responsibility of teaching young men the art of teamwork and discipline, can’t even control himself.

Who does he think he is – Bobby Knight?

Anyway, his athletics director, Oliver Luck (I’m sorry, this guy’s last name and a story involving a casino is too good to ignore) put out a very stern statement after the incident.

“... I have made it clear, and will reiterate, that our coaches and staff are representing the University and the state at all times. We expect them to always display appropriate behavior.”

Not to be outdone, Holgorsen put out a statement of his own.

And don’t you feel like you’ve heard these words about a thousand times now?

“I learned a valuable lesson from this incident. As a football coach, I am always in the public eye and I have to hold myself to a higher standard, which is what I ask our players to do. I’m sorry that this incident has put the University and the football program in a difficult position. I will not put myself in that situation again.”

It’s too late coach – you already put yourself in this stupid situation. I can certainly see a young player making a mistake like this because he’s too stupid to know any better.

Weren’t we all too stupid when we were young?

But by the time you reach the age of 40 with three kids, you would think he’d have more sense.

Now honestly, how out of control do you have to be to be thrown out of a casino? Everybody is a little “happy” in a casino, if you know what I mean.

But that kind of behavior usually involves a little of the juice known as alcohol; which when it comes to giving you the feeling you can take on the entire casino management – is better than steroids.

A little advice for the head coach to-be (if he hasn’t messed that up already), act your age and stay home with your wife and kids.

It’ll do them a lot of good and you have to admit it’ll end up better than finding yourself chin deep in asphalt, slurring something to the effect of, “where can I go to throw up?”

A sporting view By Mark Vasto

The best voices in sports

I made the mistake of uttering an idle comment the other night. Watching the epic Bernard Hopkins title bout, I said that Max Kellerman was pretty much my favorite announcer in all sports. Of course, as soon as I said that I had to boost my shields and take

evasive maneuvers as I began to take on serious flack from all sides.

So we got serious. Who are the best? This my current pantheon of modern-day greats:

Al Michaels

When Monday Night Football went

through its late ‘90s growing pains, introducing new jokers every season to share his royal booth, it was too much to bear. Wouldn’t it have been better to just give Michaels – the best of the best – the microphone and let him call the game without any “color”? (They should still do that.)

Vin Scully

Since the ‘50s, there has been no better voice in sports. Scully makes every call, every game seem like a timeless masterpiece and now, in

the gloaming of his life, just about every game he calls for the Dodgers is just that.

Dick Enberg

You’d be hard pressed to find a less intrusive play-by-play announcer than Enberg. He doesn’t talk your ear off; instead, he calls the game with the minimum amount of strokes, always mirroring the action.

Jim Nantz

He’s the voice of the Masters and has been for decades. It’s hard to consider one without the other now.

Brent Musberger

He may not be as quick on the draw as he used to be, but Musberger has the classic voice and it lends credibility to just about every college football game he calls.

Marv Albert

YES!

Len Dawson

My ol’ pardner Bill Grigsby was the best in the business when he ruled the roost as the voice of the Chiefs. Lenny has held it down ever since. Listening to a Chiefs game

on the radio is bliss with Lenny the Cool rocking the mic. He calls the play before the snap, tells you who’s open and does just about everything but run the route and throw the ball. Great stuff.

Jim Lampley

Lampley has a classic announcer’s voice, but what I like about him is what most dislike about him... he injects his opinion into just about every other sentence during his call. It can get whiny but it sets up his color commentators up pretty well, like...

Max Kellerman

Kellerman is all New York, to be sure – verbose and with an accent to match. But nobody, save for my friend Jimmy Glenn and Bert Sugar, knows more about the sweet science. More importantly, he understands the historical context of the sport, and his cameo in Rocky Balboa proves that perfectly.

Mark Vasto is a veteran sportswriter and publisher of The Kansas City Luminary. (c) 2011 King Features Synd., Inc.

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Village of Vinton, Texas

Invitation for BID

The Village of Vinton, Texas has received funding through the United States Department of Agriculture Housing Preservation Grant and will be receiving bids for the rehabilitation of (3) residential units in the Village of Vinton, Texas. Bid Packets will be available at the city's Administration Building as of June 2, 2011 from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Thursdays (excluding holidays) until 2:00 p.m. (local time) on June 23, 2011, at the Village of Vinton Administration Building located at 436 E. Vinton Rd. Vinton, Texas 79821. All bid submittals must be sealed in an envelope and should be plainly marked in the lower left corner; "IFB FOR USDA HPG" ATTN: CITY CLERK" and Clearly mark Bid Project Address, Company Name, and return address on the envelope. Bidder may submit bid for anyone or be assisted under project.

All bids will be publicly opened and read aloud on June 23, 2011 at the Village of Vinton Administration Building located at 436 E. Vinton Rd. Vinton, Texas 79821 at 2:00 p.m. (local time).

The Contractor must be registered with the Village of Vinton and be insured. Rehabilitation/Construction must comply with the International Residential Code, Texas Minimum Construction Standards.

The Village of Vinton, Texas reserves the right to reject any or all Bids or to waive any informality in the bidding. The Village of Vinton complies with all federal, state and local procurement regulations.

The Village of Vinton will award the bid to the lowest responsive bidder.

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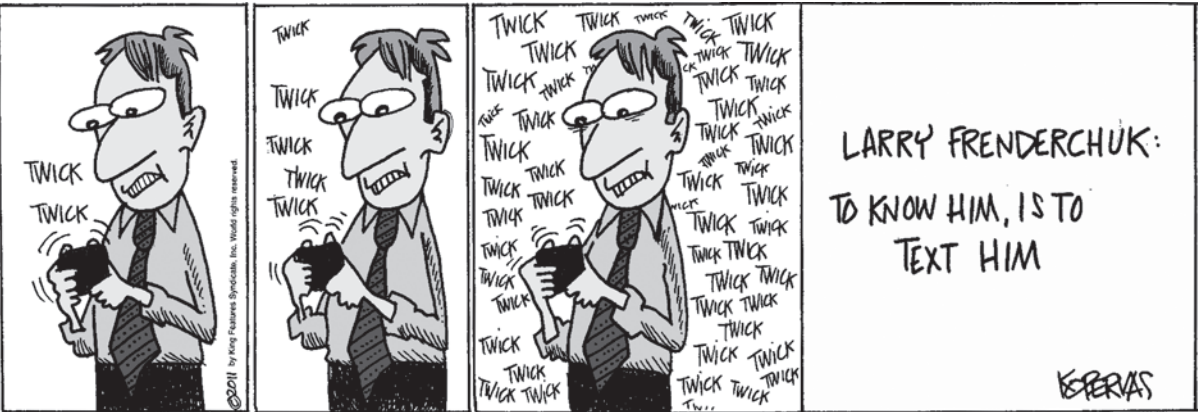
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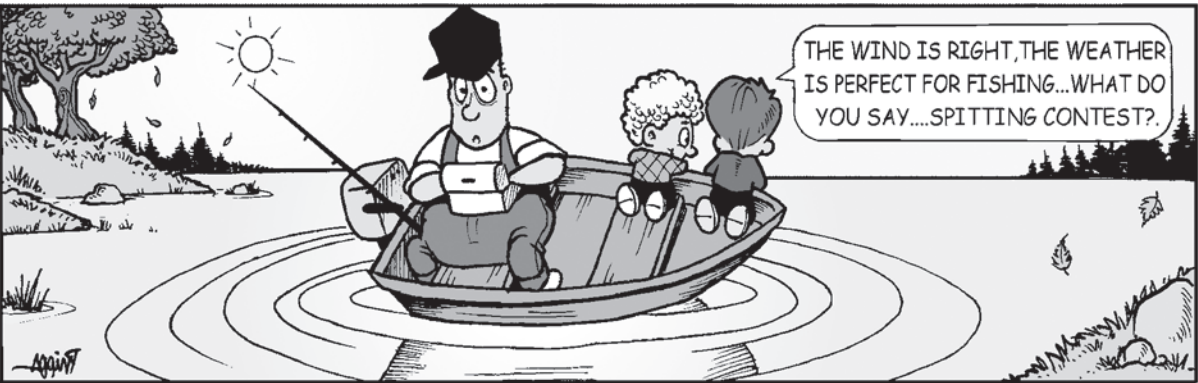
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Your good healthBy Paul G. Donahue, M.D.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I am a 43-year-old mother of three children, and I also teach school. Since last spring, I have lost all energy, and my muscles seem to hurt all over. I have consulted three doctors. None has found anything wrong with me or my tests. The last doctor has suggested fibromyalgia. I am scheduled to see him again in three weeks. I know nothing about this illness, and I wonder how it's treated. Please summarize for me. – L.J.

Fibromyalgia is an elusive condition. It's defined as widespread body pain, an ache-all-over feeling, just like you describe. Accompanying symptoms include disturbed sleep and fatigue. No lab test, X-ray or scan discloses anything amiss. One aid to diagnosis is tender points – specific body sites where finger pressure elicits pain far out of proportion to the pressure applied.

No one has a definite answer about what's going on. One popular explanation is that people with fibromyalgia perceive pain with heightened sensitivity because of an imbalance of brain chemicals and a misfiring of brain nerves. Disturbed sleep is another consequence of these disorders.

Often the first treatment for fibromyalgia is an antidepressant. It's given not so much to relieve depression – although fibromyalgia is a depressing situation – but to restore normal brain-cell communication and normal brain chemistry to dampen the brain's magnified perception of pain. Savella and Cymbalta are such antidepressants that are approved for the treatment of fibromyalgia. Another medicine often prescribed is Lyrica, a drug whose primary purpose is seizure control. Heat and massage might decrease pain.

Exercise is an essential part of treatment. It sounds absurd to ask someone in pain to exercise, but a carefully graded exercise program goes a long way toward

restoring normal feeling. You can start with something as simple as a walk. Increase the time, the pace and the frequency of walking until you are finally doing 30 minutes a day at a brisk clip.

The fibromyalgia booklet explains in greater detail this condition and how it's approached. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue – No. 305W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I have age spots (brown spots) on my face and hands. Can I do anything to lighten them or get rid of them? – L.R.

Age spots are also called liver spots. The liver has nothing to do with them. Age and the effects of sunlight do. They are clumps of skin cells filled with melanin, the pigment that gives skin its color. Sunblock, worn year-round, will prevent new spots from forming. Hydroquinone is a bleaching agent that lightens them. It comes as a 2 percent cream in products with the brand names of Eldopaque, Esoterica and Solaquin. For the 4 percent formulation of hydroquinone, a prescription is required. The acne medicines Retin-A and Renova lighten these spots, too. So does a cream, Tri-Luma, that contains three ingredients: cortisone, tretinoin (Retin-A) and hydroquinone – a triple threat, so to speak. Retin-A, Renova and Tri-Luma are prescription medicines.

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. (c) 2011 North America Synd., Inc. All Rights Reserved.

Super Crossword

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1 Brent Spiner role

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26 "The Boys From Brazil" author

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28 Elvis, for instance

29 "Holy cow!"

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40 He engages in brute farce

45 "Porgi _" (Mozart aria)

46 Tallow source

47 Demolish dessert

48 Composer

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50 "_ Night" ('80 film)

52 "In Search of..." host

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1 Joan Sutherland's title

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6 Word form for "all"

7 Barber Sweeney

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10 Part of USAR

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15 Vigoda of "Fish"

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25 Soprano Gluck

30 Aussie walker

33 Hammer feature

35 Word on a fuse

36 Actress Singer

37 River reptile

38 Vacuum-tube gas

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41 Uncommon

42 School founded in 1440

43 Significant years

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54 Playful fisherman

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57 NASA affirmative

58 "Confound it!"

59 Order of the czar

60 Resident

65 Try again

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71 EPA concern

72 Bandleader Perez

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89 "Captain Blood" star

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93 Christianity, today

94 Gloomy

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97 Wells creatures

99 Ride

100 Literary pseudonym

101 Exploit

102 Onassis' nickname

103 Annoy

109 Souffle ingredient

110 Climax

112 Amos or Spelling

114 Snowballs, sometimes

115 Like some smiles

116 Nobleman

117 Hilo hello

118 Palindromic pirogue

119 Some woodwinds

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128 Rock's _ Players

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Moore Texas by Roger Moore Lots of early Texas doctors prescribed the stinky ASAFEDITA bag be worn to ward off colds...it warded off people too. It was a smelly root known as " Devil's Dung ".



GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging

Answer Page 4 ★★ ★ HOO BOY!

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Social Security Q&A By Ray Vigil

Q: My husband doesn't have enough work under Social Security to qualify for Social Security retirement benefits or Medicare. But I am fully insured and eligible. Can he qualify on my record?

A: Yes. The answer applies to husbands as well as wives. Even if your spouse has never worked under Social Security, he (or she) can, at full retirement age, receive a benefit equal to one-half of your full retirement amount. Your husband is eligible for reduced spouses benefits as early as age 62, as long as you are already receiving benefits. For more information, visit www.socialsecurity.gov and select the "Retirement" tab. If your spouse will receive a pension for work not covered by Social Security such as government employment, the amount of his or her Social Security benefits on your record may be reduced. For more information, read the fact sheet, Government Pension Offset, Publication No. 05-10007 at www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs/10007.html.

Q: What can Social Security do to help me plan for my retirement?

A: Social Security has some great online financial planning tools you can use to make an informed decision about your retirement. Social Security's online Retirement

Planner and our online Retirement Estimator are both tools you can access online at any time. These will let you compute estimates of your future Social Security retirement benefits. They also provide important information on factors affecting retirement benefits, such as military service, household earnings, and Federal employment. You can access our Retirement Planner at www.socialsecurity.gov/retire2. Find the Retirement Estimator at www.socialsecurity.gov/estimator.

Q: Are Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits taxable?

A: No. Unlike Social Security benefits, which may be subject to income tax, SSI payments are not subject to Federal taxes, and you will not receive an annual form SSA-1099. For more information, see Supplemental Security Income (Publication No. 05-11000), 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 above, visit our website at www.socialsecurity.gov or call us at 1-800-772-1213. If you have a question that you would like to have answered, please mail it to the Social Security Office, 1111 Gateway West, Attn: Ray Vigil, El Paso, Texas 79935.

CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: Z equals P

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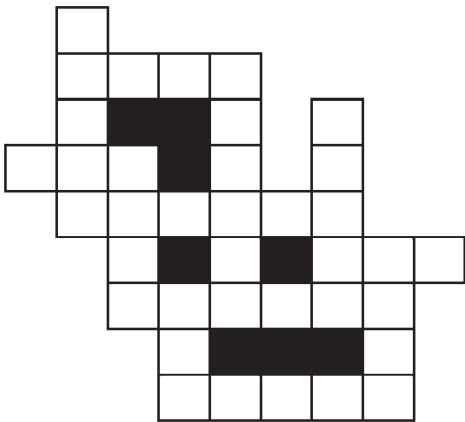
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ECI
HERSIC
ROBUR
DRUC
HARNOP
♥NRU
♥SREU
DEERA
♥CRA
♥SUDSIE
♥SNOUB
DREN



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

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work from Arizona State University. Her term will expire Feb. 1, 2017.

– Katherine Cesinger

Appointment

Gov. Rick Perry has appointed Stephanie Schulte of El Paso to the Crime Victim's Institute Advisory Council. The council advises the Crime Victims' Institute regarding the compilation and study of information on the impact of crime to victims, relatives, guardians and society, and assists the institute to develop policies to prevent the victimization of society by crime. Schulte is a registered nurse at Sierra Medical Center, and is a certified nurse educator, adult and pediatric sexual assault nurse, and a sexual assault nurse examiner. She is a member of the American Association of Critical Care Nurses and International Forensic Nurse's Association, and a member and board treasurer of the Texas Association Against Sexual Assault. She is also a past board member of the El Paso Rape Crisis Center. Schulte received a bachelor's degree and master's of nursing systems administration from the University of Texas at El Paso. She is being reappointed. Her term will expire Jan. 31, 2013.

– Katherine Cesinger

Appointment

Gov. Rick Perry has appointed Ann Pauli of El Paso to the Texas State Board of Dental Examiners. The board oversees licensing and regulation of dental-care providers in Texas and enforces Texas laws regulating the practice of dentistry. Pauli is a certified public accountant (CPA), and is retired president and CEO of Paso del Norte Health Foundation. She is a member of the Texas Society of CPA's, president of the El Paso Public Libraries Foundation, and an El Paso Master Gardner volunteer. Pauli received a bachelor's degree from the University of Illinois and a master's degree in organizational management from the University of Phoenix. She is reappointed and will serve as a public member on the board for a term to expire Feb. 1, 2013.

– Katherine Cesinger

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the Texas legislature is expected to approve during its current session. These reimbursements could not have come at a better time. Commissioners Court is working very diligently to reduce expenditures and increase revenue to avoid, to the extent possible, a raise in property taxes for next fiscal year." Escobar said.

"We will make sure these monies will go long ways towards achieving that goal," Escobar concluded.