



NEWSBRIEFS

Canutillo ISD

Canutillo Independent School District (CISD) Superintendent Damon Murphy and PSB President Ed Archuleta, as well as members of the CISD Facilities Stakeholders Committee are working to link the sewer system at Canutillo Middle to city-owned lines. CISD operates a wastewater plant on Bosque Road that serves Canutillo Middle School. That facility is deficient and operates only at 50 percent of its capacity. “We can definitely work on something that will either link our systems or upgrade the system that is already in place,” Archuleta said. “If everything goes right, and I hope it does, we can address whatever issues there are with wastewater in that area in an expedited manner.” Canutillo and PSB officials agreed to meet again in August to update the progress of the plans.

— Gustavo Reveles

Crime Stoppers

Crime Stoppers of El Paso is assisting the El Paso Police Department in identifying and locating the person or persons responsible for murdering a man in the central part of town, making this the “Crime of the Week.” On Monday, February 7, 2011, officers responded to a call of “man down” in the parking lot of the Stagecoach Motel, 4110 Alameda. They found Elias Nicarsio Perez inside his van at that address. Perez was having difficulty breathing and was taken to University Medical Center. Investigators found that Perez was a field worker in New Mexico and was living out of his van while visiting El Paso. It seems that he was attacked sometime on Saturday, Feb. 5, or early Sunday, Feb. 6. Perez is known to visit friends and bars in the area, and often carried large sums of money. It is not known who he might have been with that weekend. Perez died from his injuries the following Saturday, Feb. 12. If you have any information at all about the identity of the person or persons involved in this crime, please call Crime Stoppers of El Paso immediately 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.

— James Klaes

Wanted

Daniel Huizar, 30, who also uses Danny Gomez is this week’s Manhunt Monday Most Wanted. He is wanted for a slew of serious and violent offenses. He vows he will not get caught. He is 6’ tall and weighs 180 pounds. He has brown hair and eyes. On February 01, 2011, at approximately 11:30 a.m., a Sheriff’s Deputy patrolling the area of the 12700 block of Montana Ave., attempted to pull over a green

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Looking for trouble is wasted energy. All a guy has to do is sit down and wait.

— Quips & Quotes



— Photo by Alfredo Vasquez

BAD FOR BUSINESS – Slow lines crossing between Juarez and El Paso are hurting both countries’ economy, according to business representatives. Long lines going into Mexico and coming from Mexico and hour-long waits are the daily norm at the Cordova Bridge in Central El Paso.

Faster bridge times wanted between U.S., Mexico

By Alfredo Vasquez
Special to the Courier

EL PASO COUNTY – Trade between the U.S. and Mexico accounts for nearly \$367 billion a year (about \$71 billion in the El Paso region), and 80 percent comes from the trucking industry that must use land ports of entry.

Twenty-two states depend on Mexico as their number one export market.

And, inadequate staffing and outdated infrastructure at these land ports are making America less safe.

For these reasons, Congressman Silvestre Reyes introduced recently the PORTS (Putting Our Resources Toward Security) Act as a bill in the House of Representatives.

The bill would dramatically increase funding and staffing levels at America’s land ports of entry to help combat the illegal transport of drugs, money, and weapons between the United States and Mexico and reduce excessive bridge wait times.

This critical legislation would provide \$5

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Canutillo Eagles go blue

By Gustavo Reveles
Special to the Courier

CANUTILLO – Opponents of the Mighty Canutillo High School Eagles will get the blues when they next play at Coach Julius and Irene Lowenberg Stadium starting this fall — and it will have to do with more than just the football score.

A blue turf will be installed at the stadium over the summer to replace the aging artificial grass that has become a safety concern for student athletes and band performers. The turf will have Canutillo Orange end zones and a 30-foot Eagle logo at midfield.

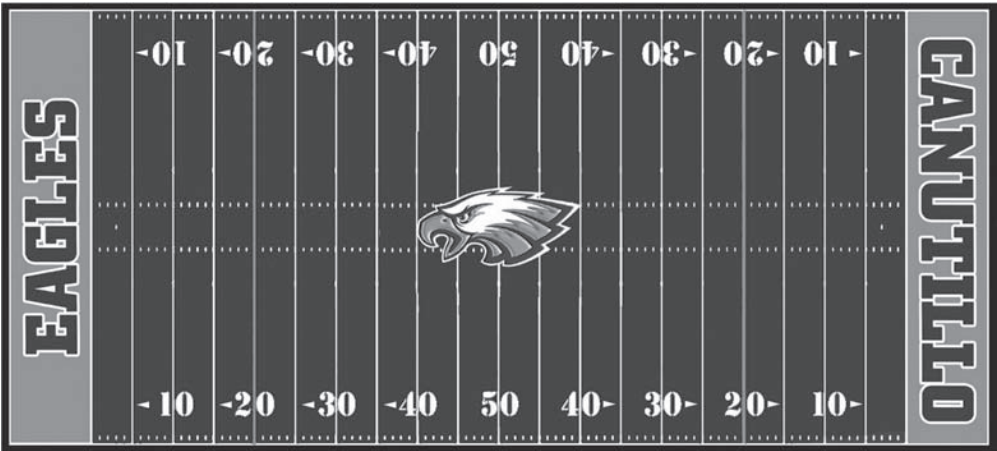
Canutillo High School will have the only

blue turf in west Texas. Only three schools in Texas have football fields with artificial grass that is not dyed green.

“At the end of the day, what matters most is how we do as a team while we are playing on any given field,” said Scott Brooks, Canutillo’s head football coach. “But the blue turf will definitely give us something different. It will make us unique and help us create an even stronger identity as a team and as a community.”

The turf was part of the Decision Canutillo 2011 Bond voters approved in May. The district will not spend any additional funds to install a blue turf, than it would have if a

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— Art courtesy Canutillo ISD

EAGLE PRIDE – The main portion of the field will be blue. The end zones will be orange with blue lettering. The eagle will be white and orange, outlined in blue.

San Elizario ISD finance efforts recognized

By Cynthia P. Marentes
Special to the Courier

SANELIZARIO – The Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, Susan Combs, has recognized the San Elizario Independent School District with its 2011 Gold Leadership Circle Award for achieving a high standard of financial transparency. San Elizario ISD also recently earned a Superior Achievement rating, the highest possible in the School Financial Integrity Rating for the State of Texas (FIRST) system.

San Elizario ISD was one of a few local entities across the state honored by the Leadership Circle transparency program for providing easy access to financial records in a user friendly format for taxpayers. Public entities apply annually and can receive one of three designations depending on their performance on the program’s scoring criteria. Specifically, local governments are asked to post their current adopted budget, annual financial report, and check register in one location where the financial information can be readily found online. Based on the results of their applications, governments can be named to one of three Leadership Circle levels: bronze, silver or gold. San Elizario ISD earned 19 out of

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Veterans Post

By Freddy Groves

Metal thieves loot veterans’ graves

I assumed it was a fluke, an event that didn’t happen often, surely. Imagine my shock (and disgust) when I got 53,000 hits after I put the following in an Internet search: veterans grave markers stolen.

What prompted my hunt was that three women made the news when they stole hundreds of veterans’ grave markers at various cemeteries in New Jersey. After questioning them (and paying the money), a scrap-metal dealer called police.

There have been other thefts as well: Flint, Mich.; Waterloo, N.Y.; Des Moines, Iowa; Crawford County, Kansas. Do you feel sick yet?

Other thefts were reported, including 150 metal flag holders in Pennsylvania.

All is not lost, however. There are still good people out there.

Staff Sgt. James Horning, a Pennsylvania National Guard recruiter, made it his mission to replace all 125 flag holders stolen from his local cemetery. He canvassed American Legion and Veterans of Foreign War halls asking for replacements and then organized a ceremony.

Last year in Texas, a gentleman found a flat bronze grave marker, complete with the veteran’s name. He went to the press to help locate the family.

A kayaker in Pennsylvania found dozens of markers on a river bank and called the police.

Back in 2008, President Bush signed the Let Our Veterans Rest in Peace Act of 2008. It directs that sentences, guidelines and policy statements for this crime be “appropriately severe.” Per the guidelines, the penalty for stealing from a veteran’s grave goes up two levels from the base offense. Not enough, of course, but it is federal.

Given how many markers are stolen, perhaps this isn’t the time to suggest that you buy one, but I’ve had readers ask, especially about the new bronze medallions. For information on markers, medallions and headstones, go online to: www.cem.va.gov/hm_hm.asp

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View from here

By Tom Pauken

Bringing Americans together for the good of the Country

The political mood in America is extremely volatile these days. In 2008, the American voters were upset with the policies of the George W. Bush administration and turned over Congress to the Democrats while electing Barack Obama president of the United States. Two years later, disenchanted with the policies of the Obama Administration and the Democrat-controlled Congress, Americans voted the Democrats out of power in the House of Representatives.

At the moment it is hard to predict what Americans will do at the ballot box next year, but the serious nature of the problems facing our nation poses a major threat to the very preservation of our free society. Thus, it is imperative to find areas of agreement where Americans of different political parties can work together for the good of our country.

America faces its most serious economic crisis since the Great Depression with high unemployment, a stagnant economy, no private sector job growth, and the hollowing out of our U.S. manufacturing base. Yet, there are common sense solutions that both Republicans and Democrats should be able to support that can get the economy moving again and put Americans back to work. We were able to do that in the Reagan administration when Congress passed, with bi-partisan support, the Kemp-Roth Job Creation Act back in 1981.

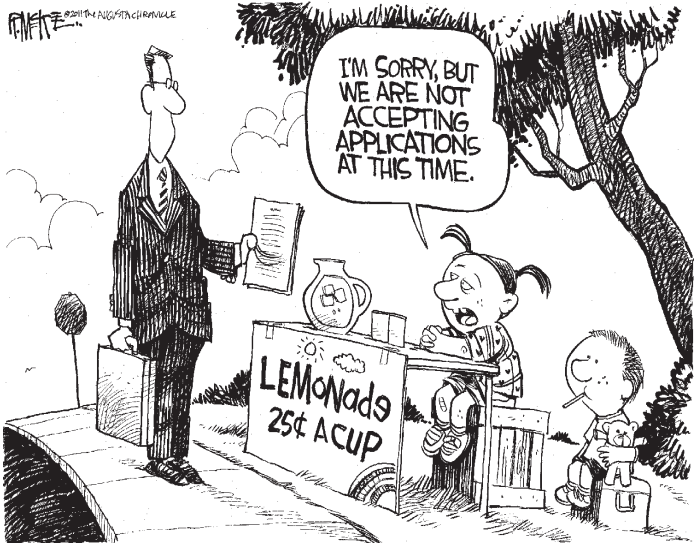
U.S.-based businesses and American workers both are suffering under a corporate tax code which rewards debt while punitively taxing capital investment, employment, and savings – the engines of economic growth and job creation. Business and labor, two groups so often portrayed as being at odds with each other, should come together to advocate replacing our current corporate tax structure with a revenue-neutral, eight percent business-consumption tax that would be border-adjusted. All


bring Republicans and Democrats together behind an effort to rein in the excessive concentration of power in the hands of the federal bureaucracy in our nation’s capital with its ever mounting federal mandates and controls.

This is an apt moment for a major shift away from the concentration of power in Washington, D.C., to a decentralized approach that would allow the states and local communities to exercise much greater control over how those federal dollars are best spent in their respective areas. “One size doesn’t fit all” when it comes to dictating policy by a centralized bureaucracy headquartered in Washington, D.C. Diversity is a strength, not a weakness of our great nation. As quickly as possible, we need to move power and money away from Washington, D.C. and back into the hands of the states, communities, and the people themselves.

Americans need to understand that we are all in this together. It is not about Right vs. Left. It is about Up or Down. If nothing is done, the American dream will die for future generations. Are we going to change course and make America an even greater land of opportunity than it was for us and those who came before us? Or, are we going to go the way of so many other great nations throughout history that stumbled, declined, and fell – never to recover?

The choice is ours.





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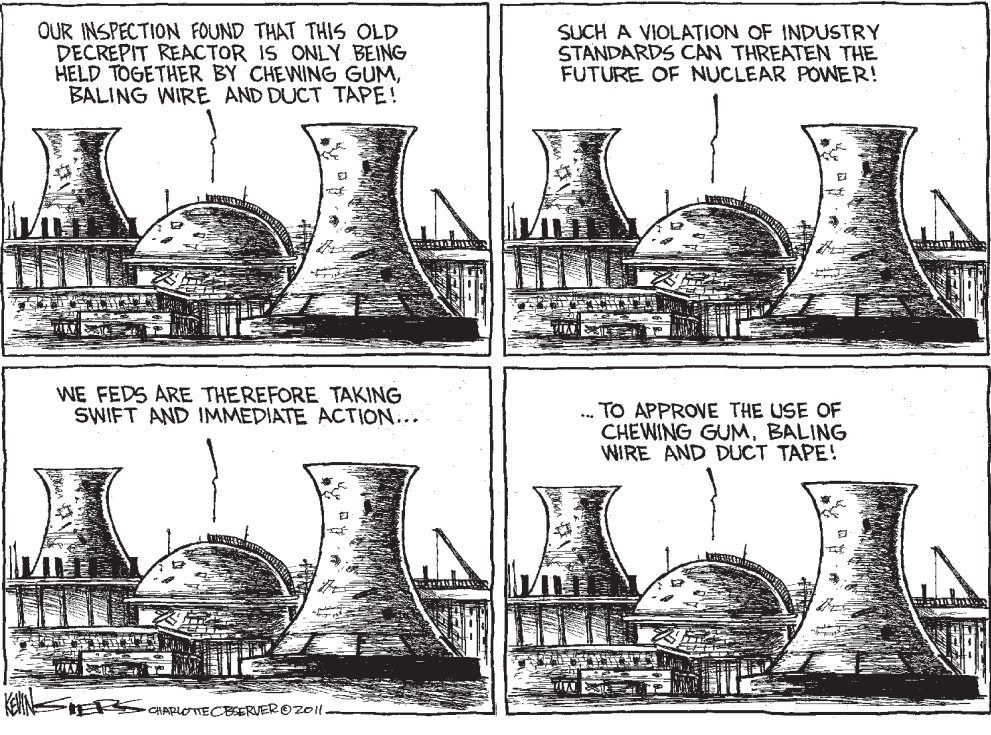
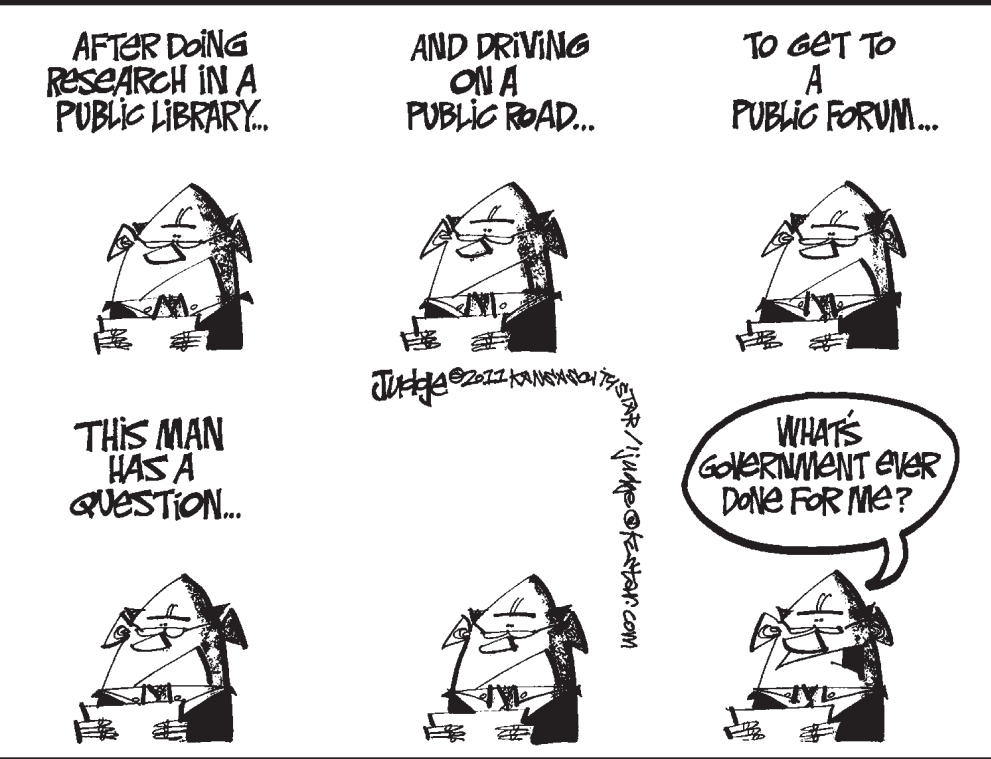
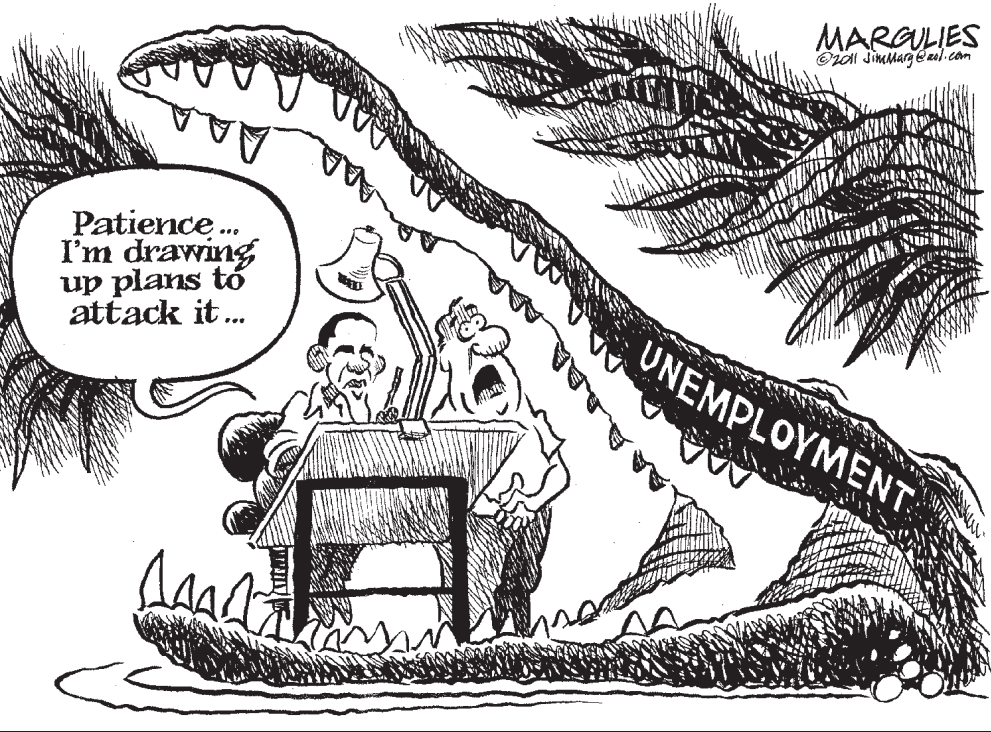
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Por la Gente

By State Rep. Chente Quintanilla

Your vote counts

Hola mi gente. By the time you read this, the first called special session of the 82nd session has adjourned for good and all of the bills that were not particularly good for El Paso locally most likely passed. Between the two sessions, my office received consistent calls from constituents on three issues: education, state employees and Hispanic voters & immigrants.

There were many education bills that affected teachers; especially the appropriations bill. Because the leadership in Austin decided that the state would not fully fund statewide education, the reduced budget meant that local taxpayers would have to subsidize the shortfall. Since in most communities a property tax increase was unlikely, administrators had to adjust payrolls that make up the greatest portion of the budget. That meant teacher layoffs or furloughs; both of which mean less income for teachers.

State employees were also impacted by the session in the form of budget cuts. In addition to layoffs, remaining employees will in essence have their disposal income reduced because of higher costs of health coverage.

Many have suggested to me that the true effort behind the efforts to reduce teacher and state employee pay is to weaken the unions that represent them. That would be shameful especially because many teachers and state employees do not belong to a union.

The other big issue centered around voting and immigration. Granted none of the bills specifically state that Hispanics are the target. However, when the authors explained their bills, only incidences in the Hispanic community were provided as evidence for the passage of new laws.

Despite a study by the State Office of the Attorney General that disproved even a minute amount of voter identification theft, conservative supporters of stricter voting laws continuously referred to unsubstantiated

incidences in the Hispanic communities of voter fraud. Although the actual prosecutions of employers who hired undocumented workers increased along with the number of deportations, the conservatives cited the ineffectiveness of the federal government in their effort to pass a sanctuary city bill.

Obviously from the viewpoint of the three specific groups noted above, the legislative sessions this year placed a disproportionate burden on them for balancing the budget or for addressing problems that do not exist. This outcome could have been avoided.

Those groups of similar interests that vote in the highest numbers usually have a strong influence in legislative sessions. Those groups that vote the least will have to sit back and watch.

During the two sessions, my office received large amounts of emails, letters and phone calls asking that we protect the interests of teachers, state employees and Hispanics. We reviewed the voting records of those who contacted our office and found some very disappointing numbers.

For teachers and state employees, a great majority who contacted our office did not vote in the 2010 general election. A good percentage of those did not even have registered voters in the household. And in many cases, only one out of multiple voters, as many as six, in the household voted. These numbers have been consistent over past elections.

The apathy of Hispanic voters is very well documented throughout the state.

The legislators who supported teachers and state employees made the right votes during the session. None of my colleagues supported bills aimed at Hispanics. The message from this session is if teachers, state employees and Hispanics don't vote, then the expectation that things will change in the next session is a fantasy.

I remain your friend and public servant, Chente por la gente.

Public Notice

Village of Vinton, Texas

BECC Projects

The Village of Vinton, Texas, will hold a TOWN HALL meeting regarding the waste water system project to be funded by the Border Environmental Cooperative Commission (BECC).

Date: August 4, 2011
Time: 6:30 P.M.
Location West Valley Fire Station
510 E. Vinton Road
Vinton, Texas 79821

The Purpose of this hearing is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the activities proposed under this contract and the funding being provided by BECC. The Village of Vinton encourages its residents to make their views known at this Town Hall meeting. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views to the Village Clerk at the Vinton Village Hall. Persons with disabilities who wish to attend this meeting should contact the Vinton Village Hall to arrange for assistance, (915) 886-5104.

El público en general está invitado a asistir a una audiencia sobre el programa de la Comisión de Cooperación Ecológica Fronteriza. La presentación y las discusiones sobre este programa se haran en español para aquellas personas que asi lo deseen.

Madeleine Praino, Mayor
Village of Vinton, Texas
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The San Elizario ISD finance department under the leadership of Assistant Superintendent Rena Seifts continues to work towards achieving the highest standards of fiscal accountability.

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By Cynthia P. Marentes
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STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

• It was prolific British author G.K. Chesterton who made the following sage observation: “An adventure is only an inconvenience rightly considered. An inconvenience is an adventure wrongly considered.”

• According to the Guinness Book of Records, the world’s longest place name belongs to a hill in New Zealand, which is known as Taumatawhakatangihangakoauauotamateauripukakapikimaungahoronukupokaiwhenua-nui-te-Ika-a-Māui. When translated from Maori, the language of the native people, the name reads “place where Tamatea, the man with the big knees, who slid, climbed and swallowed mountains, known as land-eater, played his flute to his loved one.”

• If you’re planning a vacation to the Four Corners area of the American West, you might want to consider staying at a bed-and-breakfast just north of Farmington, N.M. One of the most unusual lodgings in the country, Kokopelli’s Cave Bed and Breakfast is, as the name suggests, in a cave. Described as a “luxury cliff dwelling,” the cave is reached via a footpath from the top of a mesa.

• The poison produced by the golden poison dart frog, found in the rainforests of Colombia, is so toxic that one-third of an ounce is enough to kill 100,000 people.

• In a traditional Hungarian wedding, the bride is supposed to ensure the health of her future children by smashing an egg. How the smashing of an egg is supposed to accomplish this feat is unclear.

• You might be surprised to learn that when you snap, the sound isn’t produced when the tip of your finger hits the tip of your thumb. The sound actually occurs when the tip of your finger makes contact with the base of your thumb.

Thought for the Day: “Lying to ourselves is more deeply ingrained than lying to others.” – Fyodor Dostoevsky

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Bridges

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billion through 2014 to the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) to repair and modernize infrastructure to all U.S. land ports of entry. It would also provide funding for an additional 5,000 Customs and Border Protection (CBP) agents to improve inspections and reduce traffic congestion.

Congressman Reyes, a former Border Patrol sector chief, has stated that he strongly supports comprehensive immigration reform and firmly believes the issue of reform is a national security issue.

Reyes said that true border security is not achieved through higher fences, but through additional border security professionals who can patrol the border and staff these ports of entry.

“Increasing the number of professionals on the ground is important to enhancing border security but also necessary to accommodate the growth in trade and commerce in the region,” the Congressman stated.

The PORTS Act bill has been referred to four different congressional committees for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned, reported Vince Perez, press secretary to Reyes. The committees include Homeland Security, Ways and Means, Agriculture, and Transportation and Infrastructure.

Blue

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green field would have been picked by the Board. The \$350,000 project is within the budget that was communicated to the voters during the election process.

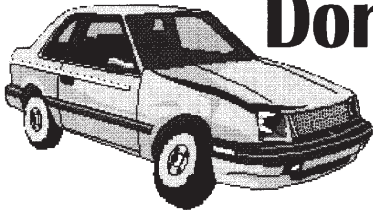
Removal of the damaged turf at the stadium began earlier this summer, and the project is slated to be completed by Sept. 30, when the Eagles host the Ysleta Indians for Homecoming 2011.

Because of construction, two Canutillo home games will be played at different stadiums. The Aug. 26 home opener against Coronado will now be played at Jack Quarles Thunderbird Stadium at Coronado. A location for the Sept. 2 game against Carlsbad has not yet been determined but it will be played locally.

“We look forward to having a wonderful Homecoming week this year,” said Canutillo Superintendent Dr. Damon Murphy. “Not only will our whole community be able to celebrate the traditional activities that come during this festive week, but we also will have the opportunity to celebrate our new and unique playing field.”

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Daniel Huizar has been seen in the Montana Vista area – which means he is still hiding out in El Paso. Sheriff’s Officials are asking the public for any information on the whereabouts of Huizar. People can contact the Sheriff’s Office (915) 546-2280 or Crime Stoppers of El Paso at 566-TIPS (8477). Callers will remain anonymous and may be eligible for a reward if the information provided leads to the apprehension of the individual featured.

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Tiguas step in to put E Paso Diablos back on track

By Steve Escajeda
Special to the Courier

It was really nice news to hear that the El Paso Diablos were finally sold last week.

Even better was the fact that the new owners are from here and have the advantage of knowing the area and the history of the team.

The Tiguas and current Diablos general manager Matt LaBranche got together to buy the team from Ventura Sports Group Inc., out of Wisconsin.

LaBranche will now take over as the team’s managing partner and club president. I also asked him if they were going to hire a new general manager and he emphatically said “no.” He was going to keep that title.

The Diablos had been in financial straits for some time and the sale of the team was inevitable. It’s just really good news that the owners are local.

I have to be honest and say that I was a little surprised when I heard that the Tiguas got involved. But when you think about it – who has tried to lift El Paso in the “quality of life” department more that the Tiguas?

Everybody here, and rightfully so, complains that there is nothing to do in El Paso – unless you’re hungry or in the mood for a movie.

But until the courts ruled otherwise, Speaking Rock Casino gave locals a real place to spend their money while having a whole lot of fun in a Las Vegas-type atmosphere.

By the way, let’s hope the Texas legislature can get together and lift the ban on casinos in

the state soon – but that’s an issue for another time.

Contrary to popular belief, the Tiguas still provide the city with great entertainment, fine dining and a nightclub atmosphere that brings in all kinds of money. At Speaking Rock Entertainment, they’ve been bringing in a ton of rock bands for a series of free concerts.

And I just don’t mean 65-year-old has-beens, or Barry Manilow-cover singers. They recently brought in the rock group Korn and have also had Blondie, Bret Michals and Blue Oyster Cult perform there.

So why would anyone think they wouldn’t try to supply LaBranche with all he needed to make an El Paso Diablos game an even better place to spend a summer evening.

The first order of business, according to LaBranche, is to make improvements to Cohen Stadium. The restrooms are in disarray, the landscaping around the stadium could use some touching up and have you seen the playing field this year? Hideous.

One thing I’ve learned over the years is that LaBranche has a real passion for baseball and the fans of El Paso.

Though he’s only been in town for about seven years, he is determined to make this franchise what it once was – the best minor league venue in the United States.

And if you’ll pardon the pun after all this casino talk – I wouldn’t bet against him.

Bowie in SI

Sports Illustrated’s Alexander Wolff wrote a piece last week on Bowie High School’s 1949 state championship baseball team for

the magazine.

Wolff said he heard about the story when he was in town doing a UTEP basketball story and heard that Nolan Richardson had played for legendary coach Nemo Herrera.

It isn’t very often that somebody from a corporate giant like Sports Illustrated even hears about a story like the ’49 champion Bowie Bears, let alone thinks the story about a little team from a little town (back then) is worth his time.

But there it is for all the world to read.

The article touches on the local culture at the time. It mentions the time of the achievement, which was just after World War II. It talks

about the racial barriers the members of the team had to cut through to be successful.

And it mentions the amazing job done by coach Herrera, who not only taught the Bowie players to excel on the field, but demanded that they become better men.

I must admit that I have a little bit of inside knowledge on the coach. My father joined the Bowie baseball team two years after they won the state title and I’ve never seen his eyes light up more than when he reminisces about coach Herrera.

What those guys did at Bowie back then was remarkable and for Sports Illustrated to recognize its significance is commendable.



A sporting view By Mark Vasto

Father knows best

With the exception of the seriously deranged or mentally ill, it is virtually inconceivable for a parent to harm their own child.

But these days we are seemingly bombarded with sordid news accounts of horrific child abuse – and not only at the hand of strangers, but occasionally also at the hand of a parent. A father myself, the idea of hurting my child is so abhorrent that it defies description. So, instead of bringing all of us down with that

train of thought, allow me to share the story of Gerry McIlroy.

The story begins in the Irish town of Hollywood in County Down, a port just outside of Belfast that is home to about 12,000 people. It begins inauspiciously enough – a child is born to Gerry and Rose McIlroy. He is to be their only son, and he is named Rory.

At the age of 2, after being handed a miniature golf club for the first time a few months earlier, Rory strokes a

40-yard drive down the middle of the fairway of the Holywood Golf Club.

So the story changes.

Gerry was a scratch golfer during his day, but the day Rory showed him father that golf was something he really wanted, he did what most any loving father would try and do – give up his aspirations in order to let his son achieve greatness.

Look, the sporting world – the entire world for that matter – is rife with tales of the overbearing father and the son who resented him. The satirical newspaper The Onion perhaps summed it up best when its recent headline read “If Only There Was a Song Describing the Bittersweet, Cyclical Nature of the Father-Son Relationship.”

But Gerry put in 100-hour weeks

in order for Rory to succeed at the game of golf. At 8 a.m. he cleaned bathrooms at a local rugby club until breaking for an hour lunch at 12. Then he worked a bartending shift at the golf club until 6, broke for dinner and worked another bartending shift until midnight. All of that money (plus what Rosie took in working the night shift at a local factory) went to the kid.

So it was fitting that on Father’s Day, 22-year-old Rory McIlroy lofted the U.S. Open trophy at Maryland’s Congressional golf course after scorching the field en

route to his first major victory and delivered another perfectly timed shot.

“Happy Father’s Day, Dad, this one’s for you,” he said with a grin.

Twenty years after smacking that drive up the middle of the fairway, McIlroy not only proved that he has what it takes to be a champion, he proved that he didn’t forget how to hit home.

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

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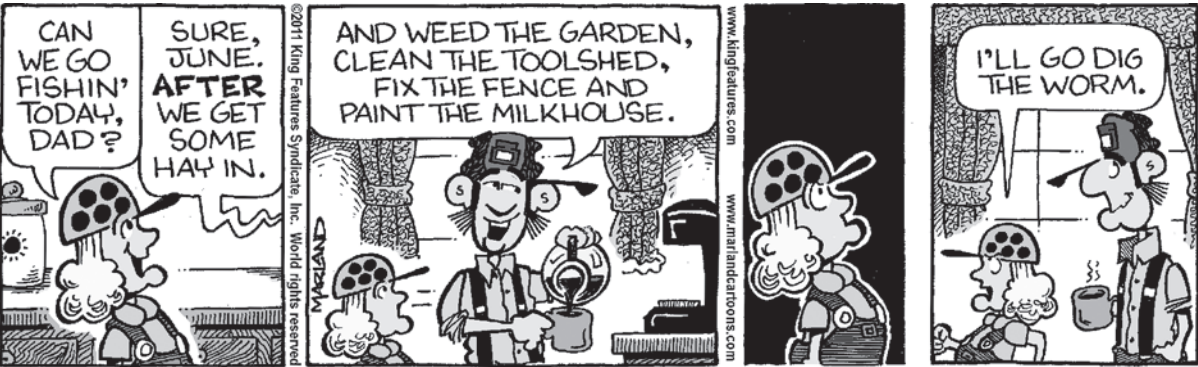
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Your good healthBy Paul G. Donahue, M.D.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: After an endoscopy, the doctor told me I have a hiatal hernia. He said nothing could be done for it and that I will have to live with it the rest of my life. He gave me no medicines or advice. I am anxious about this and would appreciate any info you can give me. – Anon.

The swallowing tube – the esophagus – begins at the throat, travels down the chest and finally ends by attaching to the stomach. To reach the stomach, it must go through an opening in the diaphragm, the muscle that separates the chest from the abdominal cavity. That opening is the hiatus. A hiatal hernia is a bulging of part of the stomach through the hiatus and into the chest cavity. Many times, a hiatal hernia causes no symptoms and needs no treatment.

At other times, a hiatal hernia producesGERD—gastroesophageal reflux – an upward spurting of acid and digestive juices from the stomach into the esophagus. That brings on heartburn, a common problem with many treatments. People without such a hernia also develop GERD.

Here are some tips to handle heartburn. Lose weight, if need be. Don't eat within three hours of going to bed. Elevate the head of your bed using blocks that are 6 to 8 inches tall and placed under the bedposts. This keeps stomach juices in the stomach while you sleep. Sleep on your left side for the same reason. Don't wear constricting garments around the abdomen or too tight a belt. Take antacids as needed – Tums, Roloids, Mylanta and Maalox. Eliminate any food that gives you heartburn. Usual offenders are citrus fruits, tomatoes, onions, spicy foods, fatty and fried foods, chocolate, carbonated beverages, mints and caffeinated drinks.

If these steps don't solve the heartburn problem, try medicines called acid blockers: Tagamet

(cimetidine), Zantac (ranitidine), Pepcid (famotidine) and Axid (nizatidine). In low doses, all of these can be purchased without a prescription.

The next step is medicines that turn off acid production. Prilosec (omeprazole) doesn't require a prescription. The prescription drugs are Prevacid, Nexium, Aciphex, Protonix and Dexilant.

If necessary,surgicalprocedures can correct hiatal hernias.

The booklet on hiatal hernias explains this common condition in detail. To obtain a copy, write: Dr. Donohue – No. 501W, 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: My barber, Vinnie, said my eyebrows were receding and that is an indication of thyroid problems. I write to see what your take is on this. I would like to establish fact from fiction. – P.D.

Vinnie is somewhat near the truth by saying hair loss is a possible consequence of both an underactive and overactive thyroid gland. However, the loss is usually on the scalp, when and if it does occur. Loss only of eyebrow hair isn't a symptom of thyroid disease. And hair loss from the scalp is not the only sign that things are wrong with the thyroid. Other signs must be present, too.

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

TOWNS-PEOPLE

- ACROSS
- 1 Beauty spot
- 5 Relative of PDQ
- 9 Wattle's partner
- 13 Grating
- 18 Schipa solo
- 19 Actor O'Shea
- 20 One of "The Three Sisters"
- 21 Kind of roof
- 22 Pianist from Maine?
- 25 Pearl harbor?
- 26 Assert
- 27 Lascivious look
- 28 Leatherworker's tool
- 30 _ -Cat (winter wheels)
- 31 Cover
- 33 Talk-show host from Colorado?
- 39 Nineveh native
- 44 Tibia
- 45 Miami's county
- 46 Railroad dep.
- 47 _ rug
- 49 Verve
- 51 Kim of "True Grit"
- 55 Singer from Arkansas?
- 59 Hamlet's home
- 62 "There's _ Out Tonight" ('61 hit)
- 63 Smidgen
- 64 "Heaven's _" ('80 film)

- 65 Distress
- 66 Philosopher Blaise
- 69 Deadly septet
- 72 Antipollution grp.
- 73 Sportscaster Allen
- 74 Actress from Alabama?
- 79 "Pshaw!"
- 82 Lennon's lady
- 83 Trifling
- 84 Pencil production
- 87 Orthodontists' org.
- 88 Helicopter sound
- 89 Link letters?
- 91 Western lake
- 93 Friday's rank
- 95 Pitcher from Ohio?
- 99 Crow's toe
- 100 Sign of sainthood
- 102 Parent
- 103 Sundial numeral
- 104 Eliot's " _ Bede"
- 107 Emulates Simon
- 109 Lost one's balance
- 112 Drummer from Virginia?
- 117 Finished first
- 118 Mary of "Sons and Lovers"
- 119 Start to cry?
- 120 Provokes
- 123 Specks
- 127 Theater district
- 130 Actor from Pennsylvania?
- 135 Poet Sidney
- 136 Depend (on)
- 137 What have you

- 138 Anita Loos comedy
- 139 Satin quality
- 140 Wagon part
- 141 Say it isn't so
- 142 RN's workplace
- DOWN
- 1 Cohn or Connelly
- 2 Spoken
- 3 Tenor Luis
- 4 Far and away
- 5 Brenneman or Linker
- 6 Doorway part
- 7 Opposite of aweather
- 8 Might
- 9 John _ Passos
- 10 Cockpit fig.
- 11 Actor Tognazzi
- 12 Trité
- 13 Flicka's food
- 14 Jarreau and Jolson
- 15 Role for Dustin
- 16 Pool person
- 17 Biblical tyrant
- 21 Lively dance
- 23 Kuwaiti kingpin
- 24 Author Murdoch
- 29 Cotton clump
- 32 Anthropologist
- Fossey
- 34 "The Way of Love" singer
- 35 Metric measure
- 36 _ bind

- 37 Rocker Van Halen
- 38 Estrange
- 39 Hammett hound
- 40 "The Bristol _" ('61 hit)
- 41 Apia's locale
- 42 Exist
- 43 Tree house?
- 48 Embarrass
- 50 Mideastern desert
- 52 "...where the buffalo _"
- 53 Cheeseboard choice
- 54 Roar
- 56 Actor Mostel
- 57 Formerly
- 58 Abhorrence
- 60 _ lazuli
- 61 Celery serving
- 67 Hilo hello
- 68 Russian
- revolutionary
- 70 Vane dir.
- 71 Get sidetracked
- 75 Jay of "Dennis the Menace"
- 76 Murcia mister
- 77 "Why don't we?"
- 78 "L _ , c'est moi"
- 79 Express
- 80 Notion
- 81 Hindman or Holliman
- 85 Cathedral feature
- 86 Comedian Mandel
- 88 Darling child
- 90 Chad and Jeremy

- song, e.g.
- 92 "Idylls of the King" character
- 94 Stimulus
- 95 Burrowing critter
- 96 Jerky toy?
- 97 Angus' uh-uh
- 98 Expanded
- 101 Hibachi residue
- 105 Shady spot
- 106 "O Sole _"
- 108 Cut a cuticle
- 110 Taj Mahal, for one
- 111 TV's "Eight Is _"
- 112 Knots
- 113 Bathsheba's first husband
- 114 Patriot Silas
- 115 Mongoose foe
- 116 Like a prune
- 121 Kitchen addition
- 122 Loony Laurel
- 124 Bananarama, e.g.
- 125 Souffle ingredients
- 126 Freightor or ferry
- 128 Taradiddle
- 129 Decimal base
- 131 King's handle?
- 132 Herriot title start
- 133 Salon supply
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The government took control of Helium production in the U. S...most deposits of the gas are near Amarillo.



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

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★★★ HOO BOY!

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Social Security Q&A By Ray Vigil

Make sure you get the right amount

At Social Security, our goal is to make sure you are paid the correct amount, on time, every month.

Some things have made that job easier over our more than 70 years of paying benefits, such as direct deposit and electronic application systems. But some of the factors that determine your payment amount still depend on good old fashioned human intervention. And in some cases, getting the correct payment amount depends on you.

You certainly don't want to be paid less than you're entitled to receive. But what can be even more difficult, in the long run, is to be overpaid – in which case you'll probably have to pay us back, cutting your payment down each month until the debt is repaid.

What can cause an overpayment? Sometimes an overpayment (or even an underpayment) occurs because the person receiving benefits did not report a change to us.

For example, if you receive Social Security retirement or survivors benefits and are under your full retirement age and working, we usually ask you to estimate your earnings for the year. If you realize your earnings will be higher or lower than you estimated, let us know as soon as possible so we can adjust your benefits.

If you receive Social Security disability benefits, you should tell us if you take a job or become self-employed, no matter how little you earn. You also need to report if you begin receiving or have a change in any worker's compensation or other public disability benefits – or if your disabling condition improves.

If you receive SSI, you need to report any changes that can increase or reduce the amount of your benefit, such as changes in address (even if you get electronic payments), changes in living arrangements, income, or increased savings that inch over the resource limit (\$2,000 for an individual, \$3,000 for a couple). Any changes in your living arrangements, income, or resources could change your SSI payment amount.

Learn more about the kinds of things you need to report when you receive Social Security retirement and survivors benefits by reading our online publication: www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs/10077.html

Read about reporting responsibilities for people receiving Social Security disability benefits here: www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs/10153.html

Learn all about the sorts of things to report when you receive SSI by reading over this online

publication: www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs/11011.html

If you're underpaid in any given month, once we verify the information that caused you to be underpaid, we will send you any money you are due. If you're overpaid, read our online fact sheet to learn what happens next: www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs/10098.html

With your help and by diligently reporting any applicable changes, we'll achieve a goal we can all agree on: paying you the right amount, on time, every month.

Q: I get disability benefits. I would really like to try to work again, but I can't risk losing my medical coverage. I understand Social Security's Ticket to Work might let me try working without endangering my benefits. What can you tell me about it?

A: Ticket to Work is a voluntary program that offers disabled Social Security beneficiaries a variety of choices in obtaining the support and services they need to help them go to work and achieve their employment goals. If you receive Social Security or Supplemental Security Income benefits based on disability or blindness and would like to work or increase your current earnings, this program can help you get vocational rehabilitation, training, job referrals, and other ongoing support and services to do so. For more information, visit our Ticket to Work website at <http://www.socialsecurity.gov/work>.

Q: What is the difference between Social Security disability and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) disability?

A: Social Security is responsible for running two major programs that provide benefits based on disability. Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) is based on prior work and the taxes you pay into the Social Security program. To be eligible for a SSDI benefit, the worker must earn sufficient credits based on taxable work to be "insured" for Social Security purposes. SSDI benefits are payable to eligible blind or disabled workers, the widow(er) s of a disabled worker, or adults disabled since childhood. SSI disability payments are made on the basis of financial need to adults or children who are disabled or blind, have limited income and resources, meet the living arrangement requirements, and are otherwise eligible. SSI is a program financed through general revenues. 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 that you would like to have answered, please mail them 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: N equals L

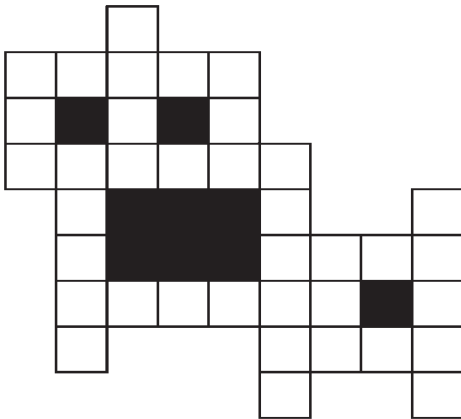
HJEXBV ERWE ZAWETMAH W
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Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥ RATHE becomes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

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