



## NEWSBRIEFS

### Summer breaks

• Anthony ISD is on summer break hours from June 12 through July 28. The District offices will be open Monday through Thursday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Regular hours resume on Monday, July 31.

– Cynthia Garibay

• Canutillo ISD is on summer break hours from June 12 through August 4. The District offices will be open Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Regular hours resume on Monday, August 7.

– Andrew Reynoso

• Clint ISD is on summer break hours until July 28. The District offices will be open Monday through Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Regular hours resume on Monday, July 31.

– Laura Cade

• Fabens ISD is on summer break hours until August 4. The District offices will be open Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Regular hours resume on Monday, Aug. 7.

– Terri Rodriguez

• San Elizario ISD is on summer hours break until August 10. The District offices will be open Monday through Thursday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Regular hours resume on Monday, Aug. 14.

– Hector Gonzalez

• Tornillo ISD is on summer break hours until August 4. The District offices will be open Monday through Thursday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Regular hours resume on Monday, Aug. 7.

– Anna Brew

### SISD summer program

Hundreds of Socorro Independent School District students will earn college credit over the summer break by participating in the SISD Dual Credit Summer Program, June 5-30 at Americas High School. The program, now in its second year and a first-of-its-kind in the area, is one of Team SISD's endless opportunities that prepare students for college, careers and life. The four-week summer session will allow high school students to earn college credit

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*Retirement can be a great joy if you can figure out how to spend time without spending money.*

– Quips & Quotes

## Technology helps preserve Hueco Tanks history

By Alfredo Vasquez  
Special to the Courier

EL PASO COUNTY – On the heels of the recent announcement that Hueco Tanks State Park and Historic Site (HTSPHS) officials have discovered 29 previously-unknown locations with pictographs, El Paso Archaeological Society (EPAS) has invited Dr. Kendra Moore, community outreach interpreter at Hueco Tanks State Park and Historic Site, to speak on the interpreting work being done at Hueco Tanks.

Moore's presentation, titled *the Past to Inspire the Future: The History of Interpretation at Hueco Tanks State Park and Historic Site*, is scheduled to start at 2 p.m., Saturday, June 17, at the El Paso Museum of Archaeology, 4301 Transmountain Road. The event is free and open to the public.

New D-Stretch Image enhancement technology was used to find the additional pictographs this spring. According to Texas State Parks officials, the latest program helped identify and understand areas of unique sensitivity that need special protection. The recent findings add to the hundreds of pictographs all ready identified by archaeologists.

The newly identified areas will be closed indefinitely to recreational activities to protect the Native American rock paintings, officials stated. The action, however, affects only a small fraction of the numerous climbing areas. A list of closed climbs has been provided to the guides and to visitors on the north



– Photo by Alfredo Vasquez

**OLD ART – Hundreds of pre-historic pictographs pervade Hueco Tanks State Park and Historic Site. Recent pictographs found at the park are in the Jornada style – named for the Jornada Mogollon culture of West Texas, Southern New Mexico and Northern Mexico. These Native Americans were the first farmers in the region, and it is believed that they created these paintings about 550 to 1,000 years ago for use in prayers for rain. To get to the nearby state park from El Paso, follow Highway 180 going east, then turn left on Farm Road 2775, above, which leads into the desert mountains' oasis.**

mountain, park officials reported.

Moore stated that HTSPHS is an area rich with historical, natural, and cultural resources. "As frontline staff working directly with site visitors, interpreters play a crucial role in upholding the missions of Texas Parks and Wildlife and HTSPHS," she stated. "Rather than just educating visitors, we work to inspire current and future generations to protect these resources," she said.

Moore stated that her EPAS presentation will discuss the history of interpretation as a field, the techniques, and the strides late-twentieth century interpreters have made towards encouraging preservation at the local state park.

A native Nebraskan, Moore left the Great Plains in 2005 to begin doctoral work in the field of history. After graduating with

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## Rosiles designs app to assist migrant families find shelter

By Christy Flores-Jones  
Special to the Courier



Laura Rosiles

– Photo courtesy Socorro ISD

EL PASO COUNTY – Laura Rosiles, an eighth-grade student at Sun Ridge Middle School, was recently named one of 40 finalists in the nationwide contest, ProjectCSGIRLS, which promotes technology and computer science among young female students.

Rosiles is one of four Texas students and the only one in the El Paso area to earn the distinction for her project: an application which helps migrant families in the El Paso community find shelter during the work season.

"I'm very excited about my project," Rosiles said. "Immigration is a major topic and every year thousands of immigrants come looking for a better life and have no family or support. This app will reach out and help many people."

Her application, Aiding Immigrants, allows users to select a city to locate and learn about immigration shelters

in the area. She was inspired to create the app after her school's Gateway to Technology instructor Roberto G. Morales and campus librarian Rebecca Carrillo introduced the project.

"Laura has never been a student in my class but I've known her since sixth-grade due to her involvement in science fair and the Lego robotics team," Morales said. "Her accomplishment does not surprise me and she developed this app with the intention of helping others, a characteristic that all of us should strive to replicate."

Because the project was not class assigned the student had to work on it during her own time. Rosiles said she didn't mind because computer science is something she is very passionate about.

"Many people assume computer science is a guy's job but technology is for everyone," she said.

"I had previous coding experience

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Finances

By Nathaniel Sillin

Food waste is like throwing money down the drain

How many times have you gone to pour milk in your coffee, only to see that the date on the carton was yesterday? Some people will instinctively throw it away, but chances are that's not what the label is intended to convey. It's likely a marker for when the food might taste its best, not if it's safe to eat.

By some estimates, as many as 91 percent of consumers may

misinterpret food date labels. It's no surprise as there are dozens of different lables in use, but the misunderstanding and lack of meal planning are contributing to a larger problem. Between 30 and 40 percent of the U.S.'s food supply winds up in the trash or a compost container.

The benefits of reducing food waste are numerous. You'll save money, which may be reason enough. You could also be lowering your carbon footprint by keeping spoiled food out of landfills and cutting down on the growing and transportation of food that doesn't get eaten.

Cutting back on this waste could start with understanding what food labels actually mean.

**Don't misinterpret food dates as expiration dates.** According to the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), aside from on infant formula, food label dates aren't an indication of whether or not the food is safe to eat. For example, "best by" may mean the food will taste, look and feel its best if its eaten by that date. It could still be good for days, weeks or even months (for non-perishables) after that date.

Some states do require expiration dates on milk or meat and food labeling could become less confusing across the country. But for now, you may need to rely on your judgment. The USDA writes that if foods don't show signs of spoilage, such as changing colors or giving off an unpleasant smell, they could still be safe and wholesome.

**Quick tips for keeping fruit**

**and vegetables fresh for longer.** Regardless of the date, proper food storage can impact a food's longevity.

- Wait to wash food until you're about to cook or eat. Otherwise, the moisture could spur bacterial growth.

- Strategically store items in your refrigerator. Your food will typically last longer if you put the least perishable items on the door, meat near the bottom back (unless there's a meat drawer), veggies in the crisper and dairy or drinks near the top.

- Generally, you want to keep fruits and vegetables away from each other because many fruits produce ethylene gas and exposure to the gas could cause vegetables to spoil more quickly. There are also vegetables that produce the gas and fruits that are sensitive to it.

- If you're storing a fruit or vegetable that gives off and is susceptible to ethylene gas, wrap it in aluminum foil or store it in a paper bag rather than using less-breathable plastic wrap or bags.

You can look for more tips about particular foods online. There are also apps that can automatically connect to your supermarket loyalty programs to track what you buy (or you can upload a picture of your receipt), warn you when something may be going bad and recommend recipes that incorporate those foods.

**Find creative uses for foods that are on their way out.** Whether you use an app to sync shopping lists and schedule meals or use a paper list, meal

planning can help cut down on waste as well. But even with great intentions sometimes things get forgotten, or meals get pushed off until it's almost too late.

You can save vegetables from the trash by roasting them, making soup or turning them into a casserole. Carrots, potatoes and other root veggies (plus zucchinis) can be grated and fried to make fritters. You could bake fruits into breads, throw them into smoothies or freeze them for later. In the end, the goal is to use everything you buy.

**Bottom line:** Food waste could be draining your wallet, hurting the environment and in some cases, may be completely unnecessary. Learning to correctly interpret food labels and performing a sight and smell test before throwing something away could help. Taking the time to prepare before you shop, having a plan for how you're going to use the food you buy and being okay with a last-minute backup plan can help even more. In the end, taking the extra time to evaluate the true condition of your food can save you money.

*This article is intended to provide general information and should not be considered health, legal, tax or financial advice. It's always a good idea to consult a tax or financial advisor for specific information on how certain laws apply to your situation and about your individual financial situation.*

Veterans Post

By Freddy Groves

Listen up, younger vets

I'm writing here to the younger generations of veterans: When is the last time you went to a meeting of the American Legion? Probably never, right? Or maybe you went once.

Yeah, I know... lots of the posts are filled with really old guys, and you think you don't have anything in common. That's partly true. Here are some of the differences between you and the older veterans:

- Many of them were in wars where mail call was a once a month. There was no email.
- Many of them went years without a phone call to or from home. There was no video chat putting them right in the action at home.
- Many of them came back with PTSD because it wasn't even acknowledged as being a problem... except for the ones called "coward" because they had "shell shock."
- Many of them got sprayed frequently with Agent Orange because nobody knew (unless it was the chemical manufacturers) that the stuff was carcinogenic.

Here are just a few reasons to join the American Legion:

- They advocate for you. They're all over Congress, pushing for decent budgets and benefits.
  - They hold job fairs, have transition services, provide scholarships, raise money for children, provide help with benefits claims and appeals, volunteer at medical facilities, help the homeless, bestow honors at funerals, take care of families of deployed service members and so much more. Check the website at [www.legion.org](http://www.legion.org) or on Twitter @AmericanLegion.
  - They've been helping you for years behind the scenes. If you're not there for the Legion now, it won't be long before they're not there for you. They'll be gone.
- So grab a couple buddies and go see what they're up to. You'll be supported and appreciated – and understood – and you'll know it the minute you walk in the door.

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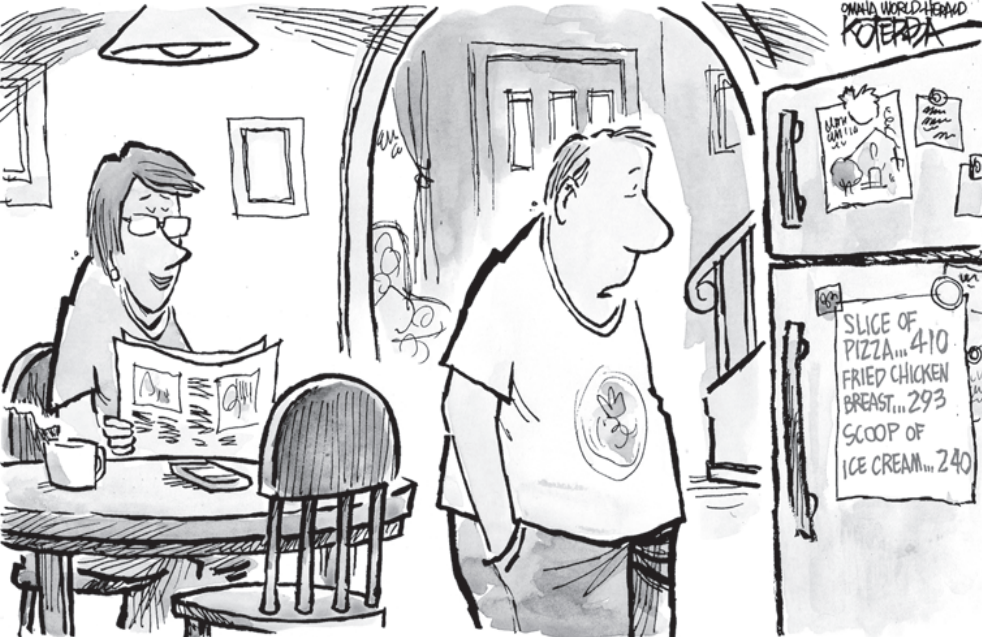
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Movies in the Park

Coming attractions:

- June 10  
The Secret Life of Pets
- June 17  
Sully
- June 24  
Sing
- July 1  
Monster Trucks
- July 8  
Storks
- July 15  
The Lego Batman Movie
- July 22  
Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles:  
Out of the Shadows
- July 29  
Fantastic Beasts and  
Where to Find Them
- August 5  
Power Rangers (2017)

Horizon City's Movies in the Park summer series has returned for 2017. Movies are held at "Corky" Corcoran Park located at Rodman St. and Warren Belin St. in Horizon City, TX. Movies start at sundown and are sponsored by area businesses and the Horizon City Police Department. The program aims to provide families a safe and free activity during the summer and to give members of the community an opportunity to get to know each other and approach the police department with questions and concerns to make their neighborhoods safer. Food trucks and vendors will be present during the movies activities. Chief Michael McConnell says people are welcome to bring their own coolers, food, snacks, blankets and chairs; but alcohol and weapons are not allowed.

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Socorro Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 6:00 PM. on Tuesday, June 20, 2017 in the District Service Center, Board Room, 12440 Rojas Dr., El Paso, Texas 79928. **The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district’s budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.**

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed tax rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$0.981640/\$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax	
Approved by Local Voters	\$0.293154/\$100 (Proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

### Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year’s Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and Operations	3.04% Increase
Debt Service	1.35% Decrease
Total Expenditures	2.54% Increase

### Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$ 11,704,068,348	\$ 12,207,440,755
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$ 374,895,135	\$ 382,222,822
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$ 9,284,223,310	\$ 9,673,033,801
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$ 357,147,101	\$ 359,268,216

\* “Appraised value” is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.

\*\* “New property” is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.

\*\*\* “Taxable value” is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

### Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness\* \$520,659,724

\* Outstanding principal.

### Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year’s Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year’s Rate	\$ 0.976140	\$ 0.298654*	\$ 1.274794	\$ 2,574	\$ 5,993
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$ 0.991170	\$ 0.296790*	\$ 1.287960	\$ 2,641	\$ 6,128
Proposed Rate	\$ 0.981640	\$ 0.293154*	\$ 1.274794	\$ 2,644	\$ 6,128

\*The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both.

The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

### Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year’s Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ 127,989	\$ 130,103
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 102,911	\$ 105,022
Last Year’s Rate Versus		
Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ 1.274794	\$ 1.274794
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 1,311.90	\$ 1,338.81
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$ 26.91

**Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in the tax rate or property value.**

**Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.324354. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.324354.**

### Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$ 56,763,429
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$ 12,590,642

## Strange But True

By Samantha Weaver

• It was contemporary American poet and essayist Rita Dove who made the following sage observation: “If only the sun-drenched celebrities are being noticed and worshiped, then our children are going to have a tough time seeing the value in the shadows, where the thinkers, probers and scientists are keeping society together.”

• A Turkish man once won a bet by eating an entire barbecued lamb. He won 6 British pounds – about \$7 – but he never had a chance to spend it. Ten minutes after finishing the meal, he dropped dead.

• Those who study such things say that, pound for pound, the human body produces more heat than the sun.

• There was a time when the only people in the world who knew how to make mirrors were Venetian glassblowers. Their skill was so valuable that those with the knowledge lived as virtual prisoners (albeit privileged ones). And anyone caught spying on their methods was put to death.

• Just three months after his wedding, a New Zealand man named Aleki Taumoepeau lost his wedding ring when it slipped off his finger into the ocean. Unprepared for diving at that time, he marked the rough spot on a chart and vowed he would come back and find it – despite unpredictable currents and the fact that there are no landmarks on the ocean. It was a year before he could arrange to go back to the spot with the proper gear, but after just an hour of diving, he saw something bright shining from the bottom and found the ring.

• The term “IOU” originally came about as an abbreviation for “I owe unto.”

Thought for the Day: “The great thing about getting older is that you don’t lose all the other ages you’ve been.”

– Madeleine L’Engle

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## Moments in Time

The History Channel

• On June 19, 1970, Carole King earned her first No. 1 single as a performer with the double-sided hit “It’s Too Late/I Feel the Earth Move.” King began her music career when she co-wrote the Shirelles’ hit “Will You Love Me Tomorrow” in 1960.

• On June 20, 1980, Roberto Duran out-points Sugar Ray Leonard in “The Brawl in Montreal” to win the WBC welterweight boxing title and the unofficial title of best “pound for pound” fighter in the world.

• On June 21, 1963, the French government shocks its allies by announcing that it is withdrawing its navy from the North Atlantic fleet of NATO, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, in order to maintain control of nuclear missiles aboard its ships. French naval forces never rejoined the NATO fleet.

• On June 22, 1945, the U.S. 10th Army overcomes the last pockets of Japanese resistance on Okinawa Island, ending one of the bloodiest battles of World War II. The Japanese lost 120,000 troops in the defense of Okinawa, while the Americans suffered 12,500 dead and 35,000 wounded.

• On June 23, 1992, Mafia boss John Gotti, nicknamed the “Teflon Don” after escaping unscathed from several trials during the 1980s, is sentenced to life in prison. Hundreds of Gotti’s supporters reacted by storming the building and overturning cars.

• On June 24, 1901, the first major exhibition of 75 of Pablo Picasso’s works of art opens in Paris. Picasso’s life work comprises more than 50,000 paintings, drawings, engravings, sculptures and ceramics produced over 80 years.

• On June 25, 1956, the last Packard – the classic luxury car with the famous slogan “Ask the Man Who Owns One” – rolls off the production line in Detroit. Packard first earned fame for a four-cylinder aluminum speedster called the “Gray Wolf,” released in 1904.

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# Nuñez named Texas School Counselor of the Year

By Christy Flores-Jones  
*Special to the Courier*

EL PASO COUNTY – Cristina Nuñez, counselor at Paso del Norte School was selected as the 2017 Texas School Counselor of the Year by the Lone Star State School Counselor Association for her outstanding service and achievement.

Nuñez was one of five Texas counselors in the running for the prestigious award, which recognizes her as an advocate for Texas students. She has 15 years of experience in education, eight that have been in counseling.

“This is a wonderful honor,” Nuñez said. “I feel very humbled to have received this award. This recognition is indeed a team effort. The work we get to do every day is invaluable.

I am honored to be a part of challenges that our students face and intervene with guidance and plant seeds of hope.”

Other school counselors, teachers and administrators nominated the Paso del Norte counselor for the award. As the Texas School Counselor of the Year, she will represent Texas in the ASCA School Counselor of the Year Awards process, which will be announced late September, early October. Nuñez also will be recognized at the second annual LSSSCA conference in November. To date, Texas has had one national school counselor of the year and one national top five finalist.

Two other Socorro Independent School District counselors were selected as Texas School Counselor of the Year finalists: Angie Morales, school counselor

at Campestre Elementary School and Jennifer Madrid, school counselor at James P. Butler Elementary.

“We are so proud of these three outstanding school counselors,” said Tammi Mackeben, director of guidance and counseling. “Each of the counselors has a comprehensive data driven program that follows the American School Counselor Association National Model and will not only represent Socorro ISD, but the state of Texas in a positive manner. What an honor for Team SISD!”

The three Team SISD counselors credit their accomplishment to the district’s guidance and counseling team.

“This recognition would not be possible without the amazing support of our campus administration and district

counseling leadership team that guides us and provides us the tools to have a model counseling program,” Madrid said.

Morales agreed.

“I’m very grateful to have earned the nomination and it means a lot to be one of the five finalists,” Morales said. “Everything we do is for our students and we always keep in mind to treat and educate every one of them as if they were our own.”

Madrid has been a school counselor for five years and has more than 21 years of experience in education. Morales has been in the counseling profession for eight years and has 11 years of education experience.



– Photo courtesy Socorro ISD  
**Cristina Nuñez**

# Serrata elected to national board

By Keri Moe  
*Special to the Courier*

EL PASO COUNTY – El Paso Community College President (EPCC) Dr. William Serrata was elected to serve on the national Board of Directors for the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC). AACC is the leading proponent and the national voice for community colleges, representing nearly 1,200 two-year, associate degree-granting institutions and more than 13 million students.

Community colleges are the largest and fastest-growing sector of U.S. higher education, enrolling close to half (45 percent) of all U.S. undergraduates. “It is

an honor to be elected to serve on the AACC board with esteemed leaders from across the nation who are committed to advancing America’s community colleges,” Serrata said. “Through advocacy and a focus on student success, the AACC Board of Directors will help lead community colleges in their goals to meet 21st-century education and employment needs.”

Serrata is also a board member for Excelencia in Education, the Higher Education Research and Development Institute, the Texas Student Success Council, the Texas Association of Community Colleges and the Texas Success Center Advisory Board. Locally he serves on the boards of the Hospitals of Providence East Campus, Workforce Solutions



– Photo courtesy EPCC  
**William Serrata**  
Borderplex and United Way of El Paso County.

## App

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so I designed most of the application on my own, but I did look at YouTube videos or ask my mentors like my dad and teachers at school for help when I got stuck.”

Rosiles will be recognized

for her innovation on June 3-4 at the ProjectCSGIRLS gala in Washington where she will give a presentation about her application to attendees nationwide and compete for the top five grand prize award.

“This will help me gain experience so that I can develop my app even more later,” she said. “I’ve been brainstorming

ideas on how to make it better. I would like to have different language options and create a way for the organizations to contact the individuals.”

ProjectCSGIRLS is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to closing the gender gap in computing and technology. Visit [www.projectcsgirls.com/](http://www.projectcsgirls.com/) to learn more about the organization.

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CryptoQuip

Answer

At the factory producing writing instruments, many co-workers loved to think of themselves as pen pals.

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# Don’t claw at Tiger: Save outrage for institutional offenders

By Steve Escajeda  
*Special to the Courier*

It was sad to see that Tiger Woods made front-page news again last week for all the wrong reasons.

Many people in America took great delight in hearing that Tiger Woods stumbled again and some couldn’t find words harsh or damning enough to express their hatred for the guy.

For some reason, the American sports fan loves to build its heroes higher than they ever deserved to be – and then wait in the high grass to pounce mercilessly at the first sign of mortality.

Once it was learned that Tiger was arrested for DUI, the serial-haters of our “social” society immediately proclaimed, “The drunk golfer went out and crashed his car again.”

Some were wondering what kind of illegal drugs he was taking?

Of course all this condemnation was done with no evidence and no information available to back it up. But we all know that not having the facts has never stopped anyone from blurting their opinion.

Reporters were so anxious to get Tiger that they said he changed his story to police to cover his tracks. He told police that he was in California when he was really in Florida.

Really? Tiger was trying to fake out police by trying to convince them he was actually all the way across the country?

How about the more logical scenario, he was so “out of it” because of the drugs that he didn’t even know what state he was in.

As it turned out, Tiger’s breathalyzer displayed a 0.00 reading for any alcohol in his system.

The problem, as far as we’ve heard so far, was mixing pain medications.

Don’t get me wrong, he shouldn’t have been driving in that condition in the first place. He’s very lucky he didn’t kill himself or anyone else.

But I don’t feel qualified to speak on the subject – I’ve never had four back surgeries.

I’ve never experienced that amount of pain. But I’ve heard of so many people who started taking major pain medications and eventually got addicted to them.

It’s very easy for people to take shots at

a guy who was once on top of the world.

But taking such delight in seeing someone fall is a scary declaration on who some of us are – especially the many who have done the same thing but just never got caught.

### Penn State penalties

Nowadays many politicians, leaders of those too-big-to-fail corporations, and some dirty cops get off easy for crimes they commit because the system is rigged in their favor.

That is if they’re even punished at all.

Unfortunately, the same can be said about the sports industry. Many times big-name athletes and big-time universities get away with... well... anything.

That’s why it was so refreshing to hear that some of those involved with putting Penn State’s football success above the sexual abuse of children, will be spending time behind bars.

Former Penn State president Graham Spanier and former vice president Gary Schultz will spend two months in jail while former athletic director Tim Curley will spend three months in jail.

The rest of their sentences, from a year

to two years, will be served in house arrest.

I know the sentences sound a little weak but I’m shocked they’re doing any time at all.

Of course all this stems from the actions of former Penn State assistant coach Jerry Sandusky, who for years was sexually molesting boys, on some occasions in the football facilities showers.

All the higher-ups involved, including legendary coach Joe Paterno, chose not to take any action to stop or report the crimes.

The immediate response by Penn State officials was appalling, many of them questioning the intentions of the young men who admitted they were abused.

Of course now that they’re spending some time in jail, they all claim to be remorseful. But that hasn’t stopped some of them from appealing their sentences.

When you think about what was done to those boys, some whose lives have been altered forever, it’s a crime those men didn’t get more in the form of punishment.

I guess the fact that they got anything at all is a step in the right direction.

## A sporting view By Mark Vasto

### The best story isn’t always on the field

I once had the sincere pleasure of going to a Kansas City Chiefs game with a funeral director and a graphic artist. Both made for interesting company.

As per norm, I chose the absolute worst way to get to Arrowhead Stadium, so our tailgating time was limited. The graphic artist made “scalloped potatoes” in a smart-looking red and gold CorningWare chafing dish, and I had spent the night barbecuing ribs in my oven to go with the KC strips we were going to sizzle on the hibachi. I presume to recollect that the

funeral director brought the beer... Boulevard Pale Ale, if I’m not mistaken.

To make up for lost time, I asked one of the Chiefs’ tailgaters for some white-hot charcoal (you can do that, you know) and was quickly obliged. What they say about Chiefs fans is very true: They’re among the best tailgaters on the planet. The combination of their raw materials (the Kansas City area is where all the meat orchards are), their sauces (tomato-based, sweet and peppery), technique and attitude are truly world class.

If you’ve never been to a Chiefs game and you’re a diehard sports fan, add it to your list of things to see and do before you die... trust me, you will not be disappointed.

As a sportswriter, sometimes it’s hard to go to a game and just enjoy it for what it’s worth. You’re running a commentary in your mind. You’re thinking about possible “plays of the game” and the player of the game. You’re thinking about the hook and the takeaways from the performances on the field.

On that day, not so much. I was thinking about Frank DeFord, probably the greatest sportswriter who ever lived, or, to run with the theme, the Kansas City BBQ of sportswriters. He would have seen the story I was seeing, because sometimes the best story wasn’t on the field, and he is the

man who taught me that.

I can’t even recall who the Chiefs were playing that day (which makes me think they were probably playing the Rams, because nobody cares about the Rams), but I can recall a moment where we finally had to ask: Just what is a scalloped potato? What does that even mean? And are there potatoed scallops?

There were 60,000 people in that parking lot, and I can guarantee you... we were the only ones noshing on thinly sliced Russet potatoes that had been softened in heavy cream and drizzled with Stilton cheese on a \$180 plate. The game was already an afterthought.

On the ride home, I took an even more calamitous route through the interior of town. The funeral director, with alarming ease, pointed out every single funeral home along the way,

referring to it excitedly as the “legacy business” at one point. I must have driven through that part of town a million times, and never once did I really stop and think about the funeral homes dotting the route.

Today, as I write this, I mourn the passing of a friend, Frank DeFord. Thanks to National Public Radio, Sports Illustrated and every other outlet this prolific journalist worked for, his legacy will remain a constant in our lives. If you’ve never heard of the man, check out his work – he was a Chief in his time, and made for interesting company. Trust me when I say that you will not be disappointed.

Mark Vasto is a veteran sportswriter who lives in New Jersey. (c) 2017 King Features Synd., Inc.

## Classified Ads

**TOWN OF CLINT, TX**

**Public Service Announcement**

**Fair Housing, It's the Law**

To promote fair housing practices, the Town of Clint encourages potential homeowners and renters to be aware of their rights under the National Fair Housing Law. Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended, prohibits discrimination against any person on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status or national origin in the sale or rental of units in the housing market. For more information on fair housing or to report possible fair housing discrimination, call the Texas Workforce Commission at (888) 452-4778 or (512) 463-2642. TIY: 512-371-7473.

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The Town of Clint does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission or access to, or employment in, its federally assisted programs or activities. The Mayor has been designated to coordinate compliance with the nondiscrimination requirements

**Citizen Participation & Grievance Procedures Notice**

The Town of Clint has adopted complaint and grievance procedures regarding its Texas Community Development Block Grant Programs ( T x C D B G ). Citizens may obtain a copy of these written procedures at 200 N. San Elizario Rd Clint, TX, 79836-0350 between the hours of 8:00

contained in the Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) regulations implementing Section 504 (24 CFR Part 8).

a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Citizens may also request the procedures be mailed to them by calling the Mayor/ Civil Rights Officer at (915) 851-3146. These procedures outline the steps for a citizen to follow if s/he wishes to file a complaint or grievance about TxCDBG activities. A person who has a complaint or grievance about any services or activities with respect to the TxCDBG project, may during regular business hours submit such complaint or grievance, in writing to the Town Clerk, at P.O. Box 350, Clint, TX 79836-0350

or may call (915) 851-3146. the Towri of Clint will make every effort to respond fully to such complaints within fifteen (15) working days where practicable.

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The Town of

Clint does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Este aviso se puede encontrar en ingles y en español en la sala municipal.

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## Hueco Tanks

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a Ph.D. in the History of US/ Mexico Borderlands, she spent seven years teaching at the university level in Arizona and New Jersey.

An interest in public history, museum-exhibit creation, and interpretation influenced her decision to shift careers in 2015, eventually accepting the community outreach interpreter position at Hueco Tanks in January of 2016. She also teaches as an adjunct professor at the University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP) and El Paso Community College (EPCC).

Moore’s upcoming talk is hosted by EPAS, a non-profit

group that started in 1922. EPAS membership is open to individuals and organizations interested in anthropology, archaeology and in the preservation of prehistoric and historic cultural resources.

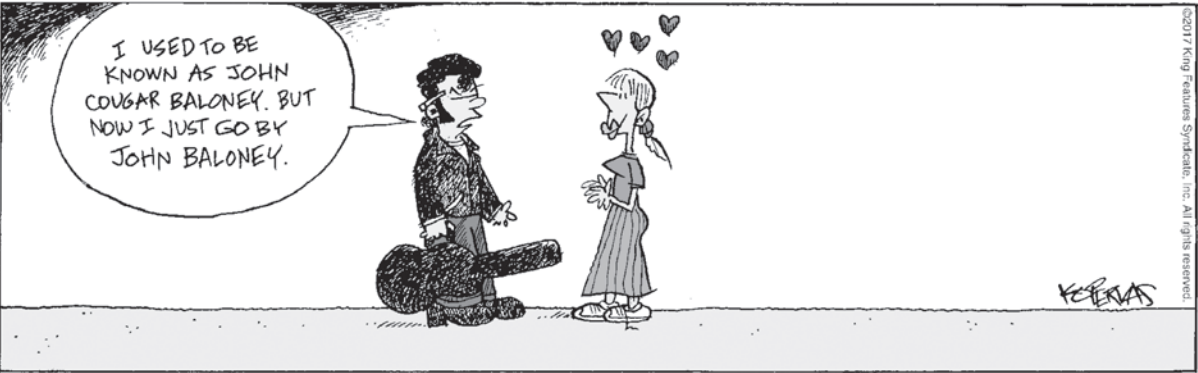
EPAS members take part in archaeological tours and volunteer field work organized by the non-profit Jornada Research Institute of Tularosa, New Mexico. JRI’s mission is to study the archaeological, ethno-historic, historic and natural resources of the northern Chihuahuan Desert of Arizona, New Mexico, West Texas and adjacent regions.

For more information about EPAS, contact Fernando Arias, (915) 449-9075, or send email to nando79935@yahoo.



# Comix

## OUT ON A LIMBBy Gary Kopervas



## AMBER WAVESBy Dave T. Phipps



## THE SPATSBy Jeff Pickering



## R.F.D. By Mike Marland



# Your good healthBy Keith Roach, M.D.

**DEAR DR. ROACH:** *One day, I woke up and my neck was bent forward. Now my chin almost touches my chest. How much worse can this get? One doctor said he may have to break my neck and reset it. I can't look people in the face anymore; I'm looking at their belt buckle. – R.W.*

I can think of several reasons why your neck may be bent forward. One is a muscle problem. A severe muscle spasm in the neck can force the neck into an unnatural position, often very painful to move. This can go on for weeks. However, most people can force their neck into a normal position.

The second is a nerve problem. Cervical dystonia is the most important of these. Dystonia can present itself with the neck pointing to the side, forward or backward. It typically gets better and then worse, and is associated with sustained muscle contractions.

What the doctor said about “breaking your neck” doesn’t make sense to me. However, since your doctor has suggested a possible spine surgery, the third, and most likely cause, is a skeletal problem. Kyphosis is the term for an abnormal forward deformity of the spine (as opposed to scoliosis, which is to the side). There are numerous causes, but in older men, the most likely is osteoporosis, which can cause very severe kyphosis, especially when in conjunction with vertebral fractures. I wonder if you had a vertebral compression fracture that made things suddenly worse.

Unfortunately, surgery for kyphosis has a very high

complicationrateandshouldn’tbe considered unless you are facing serious impediments, such as difficulty breathing or intractable pain. The best treatment is an exercise program. An orthopedic surgeon or physiatrist could make precise recommendations for your physical therapist.

**DEAR DR. ROACH:** *I am a 75-year-old male on Coumadin who recently took a fall. I badly bruised my shin. Initially, it swelled up the size of half a grapefruit but now, two weeks later, it's still very tender and the size of half an orange. I first iced and elevated it. Lately I have tried heat, an elastic wrap and even my TENS unit, but nothing seems to reduce the swelling and sensitivity. Any suggestions? – B.N.*

A bone bruise, called a periosteal hematoma, happens when small blood vessels are broken in the lining of the bone, called the periosteum. The blood collects and forms a tender lump at the site of injury. It can happen at any bone, but the shin is very common due to its being very superficial.

Warfarin (Coumadin) works by preventing the liver from making blood-clotting proteins, making for a larger blood collection, which takes longer to heal. As long as your INR is in range, though, it will eventually heal.

**READERS:** Worried about the strength of your bones? The osteoporosis pamphlet explains how to prevent this universal condition. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Roach –

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# Super Crossword

## BASEBALL BATTY ACROSS

- Pennsylvania resort mountains
- Puts glittery metal strips on
- Hollywood's Hawke
- Small cousin of the flute
- Patronizes, as a store
- Bit of poetry
- Baseballer's paranormal power?
- Brown ink
- Yalies
- Island group near Fiji
- Gillette brand
- Phone no.
- Posed
- Baseballer doing roadwork?
- Drops seen at dawn
- Be litigious
- Citadel of a North African city
- Baseballer with film and TV roles?
- Bygone ruler
- Be obligated
- Dog sounds
- Catch on film
- "Amazing!"
- Narnia lion
- "Green-eyed monster"

- Yearly period when a baseballer is gleeful?
- Strip off
- Barn bag bit
- Bow's shape
- Soup legume
- Neophyte
- Baseballer working as a highway patrol cop?
- No-hitter king Nolan
- Serengeti grazer
- Prefix for "the same"
- Always, to Keats
- Paltry
- What a baseballer plays in a band?
- Nastase near a net
- See 57-Down
- Trailways transport
- No-frills river vessel
- Sought morays
- \_ laude
- Pet food brand
- Two things at a baseballers' snack bar?
- Kind of earring or tie
- College coach Parseghian
- Lead-in to foam
- Hectic hosp. locales
- Letters after etas
- Certain curve in math

- "Why am \_ surprised?"
- Huxtable family mom
- Foot 115-Acrosses
- Thumb, e.g.
- Baseballer's time to shine?
- In the bag
- Was uncaged
- "Pie" (Oscar-winning short)
- Nash of verse
- Ursula of "Dr. No"
- Absorption processes

## DOWN

- Pear and quince
- City in Florida
- "Hush!"
- Table scraps
- Naught
- Not anybody else's
- Fallen angel
- Groove for a letter-shaped bolt
- Start of a rumor report
- Pre-Q queue
- Health club
- Grand home
- Actress Christine
- Lead-in to foam
- Hectic hosp. locales
- Letters after etas
- Certain curve in math

- From pretty far off
- Pro-school org.
- Typesetting widths
- Crooner Paul
- Middle marks
- Not waste
- Snarling dog
- Wine server
- "\_ a good time for you?"
- Make no sense
- Cleaned with a broom
- Brooklyn's \_ Island
- Nomad
- Be fuming
- Give \_ (heed)
- Follower of Mar.
- "Oy \_!"
- Wee kid
- "Hush!"
- Previously
- Most unctuous
- Iraqi city on the Tigris
- With 87-Across, soon-to-be-inducted city official
- Round body
- Dizzying designs
- Smooch
- Winter hrs. in D.C.
- Hull hazards
- \_car (Hertz service)
- Mello \_ (soda brand)
- Neighbor of Pisces
- "I \_ drink!"

- Republic
- Pilgrimage destination
- Wailing in grief
- Stiff, but not inflexible
- Aptiva maker
- Letters after mus
- Mystifying Geller
- Google Earth image
- Skittish
- Me, myself \_
- Utter loudly
- Linden of TV
- Loses width
- Cops
- Wait upon
- Prefix with mural or net
- Realm in "The Lord of the Rings"
- Summits
- "Gold" (1997 film)
- Delhi bread
- "The same"
- Boxing matches
- Knot anew
- Fire residue
- Palm smartphone replaced by the Pre
- Scooby-\_
- KO count
- Producer: Abbr.
- Metal deposit
- Opposite of masc.

Answer Page 5

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**TRUE TEXAS FACTS** *by Roger Moore* June 8, 1911, the “rain battles” begin in Post. Shots of dynamite are fired into the atmosphere to induce moisture.



**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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**DIFFICULTY:** ★★ ★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult  
★★★ GO FIGURE!

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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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**Briefs**

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for two courses. Students may take Education 1300, Speech 1321, Government 2305, Economics 2301, English 1301 or Criminal Justice1301 and 1306, at no cost. More than 350 students have enrolled in the Summer Dual Credit Program, said Nancy Torres, SISD’s advanced academics coordinator. “This year we are offering additional courses,” Torres said. “This is a great opportunity for 11th-grade students to earn college credit before their senior year of high school.” The program is collaboration between Team SISD and El Paso Community College. Transportation and cafeteria services will be provided for students.

– Christy Flores-Jones

**SISD Class of 2017**

More than 3,300 seniors graduated from Socorro

Independent School District’s six high schools on June 2-3 in the Don Haskins Center at the University of Texas at El Paso. The Class of 2017 has been awarded more than \$36.3 million in scholarships, grants and military financial assistance as of early May. Photos and congratulatory messages are being shared on Twitter and Facebook using hashtag #TeamSISD2017.

– Christy Flores-Jones

**Find new worlds**

The man some call the smartest man alive, Stephen Hawking, has a dire warning for us Earthlings: leave the planet before it’s too late, reports the Association of Mature American Citizens. The renowned wheel-chair-bound physicist and cosmologist has concluded that the world will end in 100 years and we need to “evacuate” the Earth and become a “multi-planetary” society if the human race is to survive.

– John Grimaldi

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**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: Q equals P

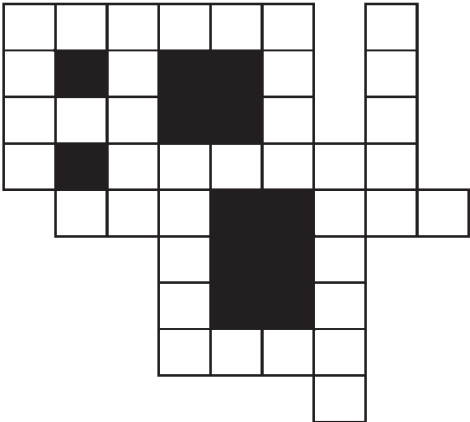
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DZHYHOP HOEYZLTVOYE, TNOJ  
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Answer Page 5

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.

NEW! 30 Fear Knot puzzles \$3.50 • Six Volumes • Order at rbmamall.com

**Here’s a Tip**

By JoAnn Derson

• If you have trouble telling black slacks from navy, here’s a tip from L.B in Iowa: “Put one small safety pin inside the front waistband of the black, and two small safety pins in the navy pair. This also shows the front at a glance, and in case of emergency, you have a pin to use.”

• N.B. in Wisconsin clips puzzles out of his local paper and takes them to his local copy shop to get enlarged. Then he saves them to do with the grandkids when they visit. “They sure do love to come to Grandad’s house,” he says.

• “Wrap the lint from your dryer in 6 inches of wax paper. Roll it up and squish both ends. Now you have a perfect firestarter!”  
– M.K. in Michigan

• S.B. in Minnesota has this tip to keep metal skewers at the ready: “Instead of digging through my drawer looking for my skewers, here is how I keep them together. After you wash them and they are completely dry, wrap them in a piece of press-and-seal plastic wrap. The next time you need to use your skewers, they are in one place, neatly wrapped together.”

• If you have teens, they can help out by being responsible for dinner one night a week. This will teach them to be independent and let them make a contribution to the household. The bonus is that it’s one less night parents have to prep and plan!

Send your tips to Now Here’s a Tip, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803. (c) 2017 King Features Synd., Inc.

**Health**

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Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to [ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu](mailto:ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu). To view and order health pamphlets, visit [www.rbmamall.com](http://www.rbmamall.com), or write to Good Health, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803. (c) 2017 North America Synd., Inc. All Rights Reserved.