



NEWSBRIEFS

EPCC Vets' Lounge

El Paso Community College (EPCC) hosted a Grand Opening of its new Transmountain Veterans' Lounge on June 4, 2018. EPCC students, staff and the public were invited to tour the new facility. "The opening of the Veterans' Lounge affords and opportunity for veterans to come together as comrades and fellow students in an area to call their own," Arvis Jones, EPCC Director of Student Leadership and Campus Life. One of the biggest challenges facing combat veterans is the social isolation they feel when they return from combat. Many veterans have difficulty adjusting to civilian life, much less adjusting to the academic rigor and social atmosphere of a college. Therefore, the new Lounge offers computers, a printer, snacks and an informal place to study or socialize with other veterans. This is the second such veterans' area opened by EPCC. The Veterans' Resource Center opened on the Valle Verde campus in 2016. The Transmountain Veterans' Lounge is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

— Ismael De La Rosa

Job states

With employers expecting to hire 4 percent more graduates from the Class of 2018 than in the previous year, the personal-finance website WalletHub has released its report on 2018's Best & Worst States for Jobs. To ease the process of finding employment for job seekers, WalletHub compared the 50 states across 29 key indicators of job-market strength, opportunity and economic vitality. The data set ranges from employment growth to median annual income to average commute time. Texas was 10th overall and ranked:

- 25th – Job Opportunities;
- 1st – Monthly Average Starting Salary;
- 26th – Unemployment Rate; and
- 8th – Median Annual Income (Adjusted for Cost of Living)

Visit <https://wallethub.com/edu/best-states-for-jobs/35641/> for the full report.

— Diana Popa

Condo for sale

If you are thinking of moving to

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Your conscience doesn't really keep you from doing anything; it merely keeps you from enjoying it.

— Quips & Quotes



— Photo courtesy of Morningstar Black

ROCK HOUND – Joan Price, above, at New Mexico's Three Rivers Petroglyphs site. The site is preserved mainly for its rock art and gives visitors direct access to prehistoric petroglyphs.

Price to speak on Three Rivers petroglyphs

By Alfredo Vasquez
Special to the Courier

EL PASO COUNTY – More than 21,000 petroglyphs of birds, humans, animals, fish, insects, and plants, as well

as numerous geometric and abstract designs are etched on mountain tops and caves that sprawl over 50 acres of New Mexico's northern Chihuahuan Desert along the Arizona border, according to archaeologists.

Most of these prehistoric rock drawings

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— Photo courtesy San Elizario ISD

GOLD MEDAL SCHOOL – San Elizario High School has been ranked as a top Texas school and among the top 360 schools nationwide by USNews.com.

San Elizario HS is golden

By Hector Gonzalez
Special to the Courier

SAN ELIZARIO – The website USNews.com has ranked San Elizario High School (SEHS) as one of the top schools in Texas and also ranked among the top 360 high schools nation-wide.

San Elizario High School ranked 60th out of 1,785 high schools in the state, earning a gold medal distinction. It is the only public high school in the El Paso area to achieve such distinction.

The recognition is based on four criteria:

- Performing above the state average in proficiency exams in Reading and Math (taking into account the number of economically disadvantaged students)
- Performance of black, Hispanic, and low-income students is at or above the state average in proficiency exams in Reading and Math
- The school met or surpass the benchmark graduation rate for 4-year high school students. The national graduation rate is 84%.
- Should a school meet the three requirements,

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Four Socorro ISD campuses named to Texas Honor Roll

By Christy Flores-Jones
Special to the Courier

EL PASO COUNTY – Four schools in the Socorro Independent School District (SISD) were recognized as 2017-2018 Texas Honor Roll schools by the Educational Results Partnership (ERP) and the Institute for Educational Productivity (IPE) for their high student achievement and success.

John Drugan School, Loma Verde Elementary, Dr. Sue Shook Elementary, and Mission Early College High School were among 729 public schools in the state to be named Texas Star Honor Roll schools.

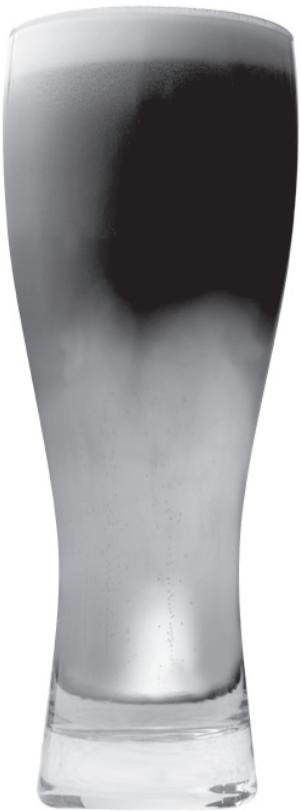
"I am very proud of our Team SISD campuses that were named Texas Honor Roll schools," said SISD Superintendent José Espinoza, Ed.D. "Their efforts to improve student success are second-to-none, and their

focus on academic excellence continues to put our schools at the top of the charts."

Schools that receive the honor roll distinction demonstrate consistent high levels of student academic achievement and improvement, and see a reduction in achievement gaps among student populations. For high schools, the honor roll also recognizes measures of college readiness.

"Educational success must be data-informed," said Greg Jones, ERP board chairman in a press release. "These Honor Roll schools and districts are improving student achievement and we have the data to prove it. It's critical that the business community support and promote educational success as today's students are tomorrow's workforce."

Texas Honor Roll schools will be awarded a banner to display at their campus. They also will be featured on the ERP website (edresults.org/HonorRoll/HonorRoll).




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– Photo courtesy of Desert USA website

ROCK ART – The number and concentration of ancient artworks, like the one shown above, at the Three Rivers Petroglyphs Site make it one of the largest and most interesting petroglyph sites in the desert southwest.

Petroglyphs

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is about a four-hour drive from El Paso County.

To bring attention to this hidden archaeological jewel, Joan Price, a freelance writer/photographer/ educator of Native American culture, will be guest speaker during the El Paso Archaeological Society’s (EPAS) next monthly meeting, which is scheduled for 2 p.m., Saturday, June 16, at the El Paso Museum of Archaeology, 4301 Transmountain Road. The event is free and open to the public.

Price, who is currently a research associate with Jornada Research Institute (JRI) in Tularosa and a board member with the Tularosa Basin History Society in Alamogordo, NM, will present her topic, titled “Clay and Stone: Petroglyphs at Three Rivers Petroglyph Site compared with Mimbres ceramic painted bowls”.

According to Price, since the 1920’s, participants in professional and volunteer archaeological field schools, independent scholars, and directors of research projects, have noted that a significant number of petroglyphs at Three

Rivers Petroglyph Site on the western slope of Sierra Blanca in the northern Tularosa Basin appear to be in the style of Mimbres pottery designs created some 100-200 miles to the southwest on trade routes.

Price contended that there is substantial evidence of trade in painted pottery pieces between Three Rivers and Mimbres culture groups-- sherds of each are found at the others communities, she stated. “Motifs found on both decorated stones at Three Rivers Petroglyph Site and early classic Mimbres ceramic bowls suggest shared visual and social concepts of a sacred ritual landscape and possible pilgrimage destination in the prehistoric southwest landscape,” she explained.

Price said that her presentation is based on contemporary scientific findings and Native American interpretations, as well as 25 years of field experiences visiting the Three Rivers Petroglyph Site in Tularosa, New Mexico.

Price earned a Masters of Fine Arts (MFA) degree with focus on environmental sculpture installations from the University of California at Santa Barbara in 1971, and a Bachelor of Arts degree from Doane College, in Crete, Nebraska.

In 1999, Price with Kay Sutherland, Ph.D., a cultural anthropologist from Austin TX, founded and co-directed The Rainhouse, a non-profit foundation to facilitate cultural exchangebetweenMesoamerican and North American native cultural groups. In 2001, Rainhouse was instrumental in compiling for Texas Parks and Wildlife Department an impactful report, titled *An Ethnographic Assessment of Indigenous Mexican and Mayan Tanks State Historic Park*.

In 1983, Price was guest curator at the Institute of American Indian Arts in Santa Fe, NM for a major interpretive art exhibit, titled “Sacred Mountains: World Heritage comparing Native American cosmologies and findings in modern climate models”.

EPAS’s guest speaker has also produced numerous video documentaries for several Native American groups on rebuilding ancestral heritage including an employee training program video for the National Park Service Office of Indian Affairs, titled “Where Culture Is, There Is Harmony”.

Price’s upcoming talk is the

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The big hysteria

One of the rules of our politics is that it's permissible to accuse the Trump administration of anything, and the claim that it "lost" 1,475 migrant children fits the bill.

It has lit up social media and made the debate over a new Trump policy of "zero tolerance" at the border even more hysterical than it would be otherwise.

The 1,475 factoid makes it sound as though the Trump administration had these children in its custody and then one day couldn't find them. Instead, Health and Human Services had placed them, along with thousands of others who showed up at the border as unaccompanied children, with sponsors in the United States, usually parents or close relatives.

HHS recently added 30-day follow-up phone calls to the longstanding program. At the end of last year, HHS called 7,635 sponsors and couldn't reach 1,475 of them. Since many of the sponsors are illegal immigrants themselves who don't want to be in contact with authorities, this isn't surprising. But this misleading story has been spun into a tale of shocking Trump administration callousness and used as a hammer against his border policy.

Prior to 2011, almost all illegal aliens at the border were single adult males, overwhelmingly from Mexico. Now, 40 percent of illegal aliens at the border are families and children, and almost half from Central America. This presents challenges we haven't faced before, made all the worse by gaping loopholes in the law.

The past policy was to allow

adults traveling with children into the country. Hoping to stem the flow – which briefly diminished after his election, before increasing again – Trump now wants to prosecute all adults. This necessitates, at least briefly, the separation of adults and children.

The U.S. Marshalls take custody of the adults, while the children are held by HHS. The prosecution of the adults for illegal entry usually happens

quickly. Then, if the adult wants to return home, they are reunited with their child and sent back together.

Where it gets more complicated is if a migrant claims asylum. The Trump administration wants to hold migrants pending adjudication of their cases; if they are released, there is a good chance they will abscond. But even if the cases are handled quickly – i.e., in a couple of months – the government has to



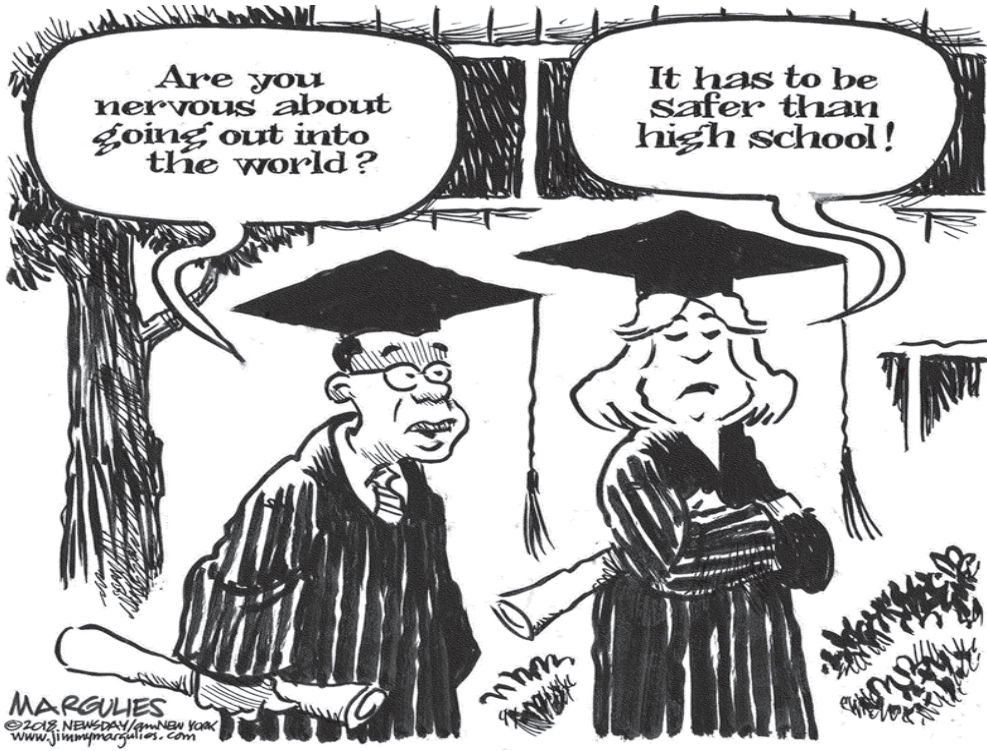
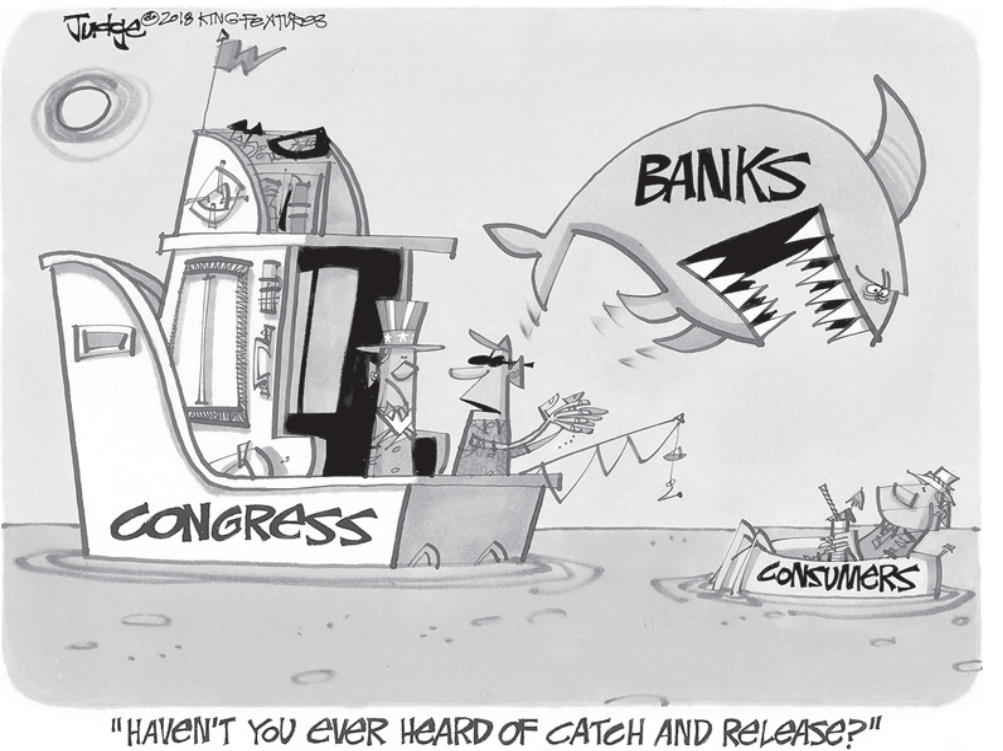
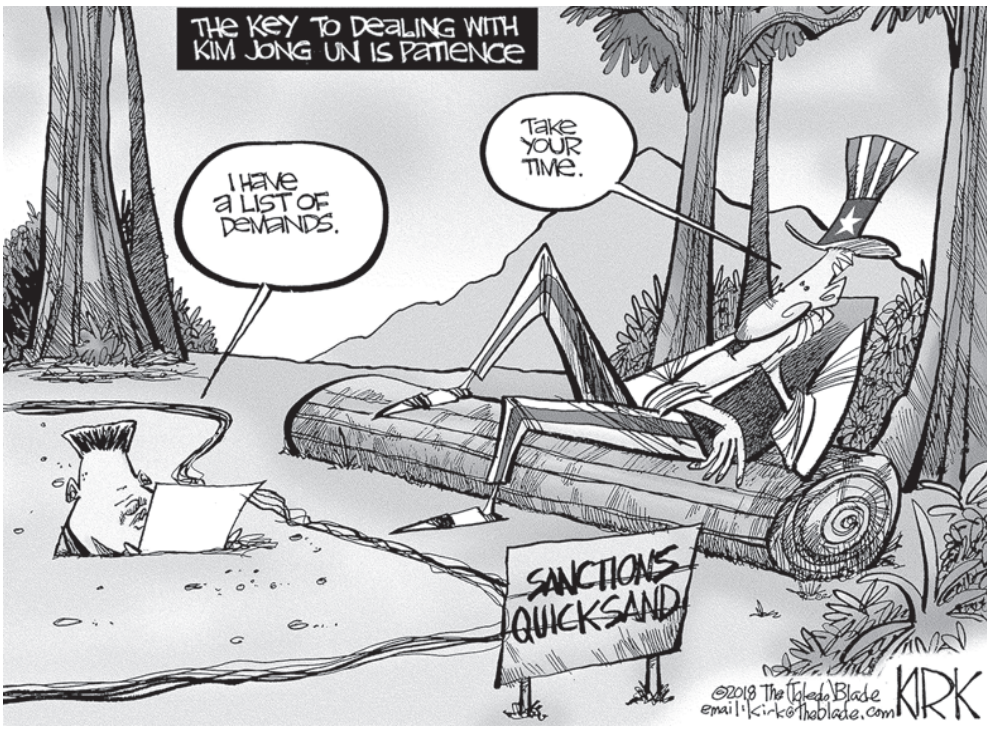
release the children sooner thanks to a 20-year-old consent decree and associated legal rulings.

It's just one of the distortions that makes a rational policy at the border impossible.

Trump is right to want to get a handle on the border. According to the Justice Department, over the past two and half years, more than 250,000 migrants who came here as unaccompanied children or part of a family group have been released into the country.

But separating parents and children at the border is a significant downside of the Trump policy. Congress can help by fixing the consent decree that makes it impossible to detain kids, even if they are with their parents, and by spending more on detention space. There's no reason we can't handle these cases quickly and humanely, except for our insanely self-sabotaging immigration system.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review. (c) 2018 by King Features Synd., Inc.



Briefs

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New York City in the near future, you may want to have a look at a condo for sale in the Hell’s Kitchen district of Manhattan. It comes with a variety of unusual amenities, reports the Association of Mature American Citizens. For example, the purchase price

includes a trip for two aboard a Virgin Galactic space ship – “...if that venture ever gets off the ground.” If you buy the apartment you’ll also get a trio of luxury cars – a pair of Rolls Royce sedans and a Lamborghini roadster – as well as a million-dollar yacht, the services of a personal chef and a live in butler for a year and a summer vacation in a mansion by the sea. All of this, and more, can be yours

for just \$85 million.
– John Grimaldi

One man’s trash

An airport janitor in South Korea just might become a genuine mega-millionaire in six months time. The Association of Mature American Citizens reports that he was cleaning out a garbage bin at the airport when he came across seven gold ingots wrapped in newspaper. If the

gold, worth an estimated \$325 million, is not linked to a crime and the owners don’t claim it by November, the authorities say the loot will be handed over to the janitor. If it is found to have been stolen, the janitor can still wind up with a reward of as much as \$65 million. Either way it proves the old adage, one man’s trash is another man’s treasure.
– John Grimaldi



By Samantha Weaver

- It was the multit talented Brit G.K. Chesterton – he was a poet, philosopher, dramatist, journalist, orator, lay theologian, biographer, and art critic – who made the following sage observation: “The men who really believe in themselves are all in lunatic asylums.”
- Those who study such things say that the word “daisy” started out as “day’s eye” and was shortened over the years. Similarly, “God be with you” became “goodbye” and “whole be thou” became “hello.”
- Becoming a sports star is the dream of many young people, so you might think that someone who is signed to a professional baseball contract has it made. You’d be wrong, though: Only 1 out of every 10 athletes who sign such a contract ever becomes a major-league ballplayer.
- The shortest song in the world is “You Suffer,” recorded in 1986 by the British band Napalm Death. It lasts precisely 1.316 seconds.
- In France in the 1700s, capital punishment was not uncommon, and the country’s Chief Executioner decapitated criminals thusly condemned. This position was hereditary, which posed a problem when, in 1726, the holder of that title, Charles-Jean-Baptiste Sanson, suffered an early death, leaving his 7-year-old son, Charles, to take up the grisly duties. It was obvious to all that a child could never wield the heavy ax required for the decapitations, so it was deemed acceptable for a helper to actually perform the executions. Only the official office-holder could put the official seal on the act, however, so the poor boy had to witness every one. It wasn’t until the ripe old age of 12 that he began to take over the full duties of the office.

Thought for the Day: “It’s best to give while your hand is still warm.”
– Philip Roth

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Tornillo Independent School District
Notice of 2018 Summer Food Services Program

The Tornillo Independent School District announces the sponsorship of the Summer Food Service Program. Meals will be provided free of charge to children 1 year to 18 years of age at the **Tornillo ISD Junior High School Cafeteria** (300 Oil Mill Rd.), Tornillo, Texas. The program will begin June 11, 2018 through June 29, 2018, with serving days as follows: **Monday, June 11, 2018 through Friday, June 29, 2018** breakfast being served from **7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.** and lunch being served from **11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**, Daily menus for the Summer Food Service Program will be available on June 8, 2018.

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Moments in time

THE HISTORY CHANNEL

• On June 18, 1983, the space shuttle Challenger is launched on its second mission. Aboard the shuttle was Dr. Sally Ride, who as a mission specialist became the first American woman to travel into space. Ride, an astrophysicist from Stanford University, operated the shuttle’s robot arm, which she had helped design.

• On June 19, 1953, Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, convicted of conspiring to pass U.S. atomic secrets to the Soviets, are executed at Sing Sing Prison in New York. Both proclaimed their innocence right up to the time of their deaths.

• On June 20, 1782, Congress adopts the Great Seal of the United States after six years of discussion. The front of the seal depicts a bald eagle clutching an olive branch in its right talon and arrows in its left, with a shield marked with 13 vertical red and white stripes on its breast.

• On June 21, 1965, the Byrds’ debut album, “Mr. Tambourine Man,” is released and marks the beginning of the folk-rock revolution. In just a few months, the Byrds had become a household name.

• On June 22, 1611, the starving crew of the Discovery mutinies against its captain, English navigator Henry Hudson, and sets him, his teenage son and seven supporters adrift in a small, open boat in Hudson Bay. The castaways were never seen again.

• On June 23, 1902, German automaker Daimler-Motoren-Gesellschaft registers “Mercedes” as a brand name. A three-point star was registered as a trademark in 1909 and used on all Mercedes vehicles after 1910.

• On June 24, 1948, the Soviet Union blocks all road and rail traffic to and from West Berlin. Panic set in as its population worried about food, water and medical aid. Just two days later, the United States began a massive airlift of supplies into West Berlin.

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next in the series of monthly presentations that are hosted by EPAS to promote interest and the preservation of the various prehistoric ruins that are scattered throughout the Southwest region.

EPAS, founded in 1922, is a non-profit group. Membership is open to individuals and organizations interested in anthropology, archaeology and in the preservation of prehistoric and historic cultural resources. Membership information can be found on the EPAS website <http://epas.com/membership.htm>.

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

For more information about the June 16th meeting, contact EPAS media consultant Fernando Arias at (915) 449-9075 or an send email to nando79935@gmail.com.

SEHS

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then they become eligible for evaluation on a national level and are further reviewed on AP and IB participation. This takes into account the amount of students who took an AP/IB exam and the number of those students who passed the AP/IB exam to calculate the percentage of students who are college ready.

San Elizario High School has a minority enrollment of 99% and an economically disadvantaged enrollment of 97%. Its graduation rate is of 90%, well above the national average.

“Our school is excelling academically and athletically regardless of its location as a small suburban community outside of El Paso,” said Maribel Guillen, SEHS Principal.

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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 19, 2018 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	\$0.398954/\$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	0.34% Increase
Debt Service	22.34% Increase
Total Expenditures	2.71% 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	\$ 12,164,863,193	\$ 13,206,048,849
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$ 384,465,915	\$ 419,761,340
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$ 9,525,420,663	\$10,595,540,238
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$ 358,358,703	\$ 403,340,541

* “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* \$805,211,938

* 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	\$ 0.981640	\$ 0.293154*	\$ 1.274794	\$ 2,698	\$ 6,181
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$ 1.018590	\$ 0.382440*	\$ 1.401030	\$ 3,030	\$ 6,195
Proposed Rate	\$ 0.981640	\$ 0.398954*	\$ 1.380594	\$ 3,064	\$ 6,221

*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	\$ 129,947	\$ 138,149
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 104,871	\$ 112,668
Last Year’s Rate Versus		
Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ 1.274794	\$ 1.380594
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 1,336.89	\$ 1,555.48
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$ 218.59

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 1.420594. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.420594.

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)	\$ 55,589,970
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$ 13,923,271

Now the nation gets to see Jones like El Paso has

By Steve Escajeda
Special to the Courier

I don't know how many of you got to see the shocking photo featuring an NFL player last week?

The photo featured a moving vehicle and a single driver.

No, the vehicle wasn't speeding. In fact, it was traveling at a snail's pace.

No, there were no guns or drugs in the vehicle; just maybe a handbag and some personal items.

And no, the driver of the vehicle wasn't intoxicated and didn't commit a single moving violation.

But the act was caught on camera and now everyone is getting a chance to see it.

Of course, I'm referring to the photo of former Burges High and UTEP running back Aaron Jones and his class act of helping push an elderly woman in a wheelchair at Appleton Airport in Wisconsin.

The Green Bay Packers running back saw that the 82-year-old great grandmother with a cane was struggling to get off the airplane they had just flown in. He asked if she needed help and she said yes.

He carried her bags and helped her off the plane.

Airport personnel told her that there

would be wheelchairs available in the airport and someone would be there to help push her.

Jones noticed that the wheelchairs were there, folded up, but no attendant was there to help her.

So as he put it, "I was just doing what anyone else would do," as he began to push her to where her family was waiting.

Of course, if you've spent any time at all with Aaron Jones, this act of kindness doesn't surprise you at all. You'd expect nothing less.

I remember interviewing him as a junior at Burges after a game and the one thing I came away with after speaking to him wasn't the yards or the touchdowns or the catches – it was the manners and the humbleness he displayed.

I remember writing back then that I didn't recall the last time I had heard so many "yes sirs" and "no sirs."

It was impressive that at such a young age he showed a quiet maturity and respect for those around him.

I had no idea how far he'd go in his athletic career, but I knew he'd go far no matter what he pursued.

Back to the airport: although Jones didn't know it at the time, some Packers' fan recognized him while he was pushing the wheelchair and took the snapshot, which has been floating around everywhere.

I'm so glad someone caught that. Now the entire nation is learning about the young man we all know here in El Paso. And not just the man, the entire Jones family.

Having spoken to his mother and father on a few occasions, it's no wonder why Aaron and his twin brother Alvin act the way they do.

The funniest thing about the whole act was that Nancee Lingg (the lady he helped) and her family all thought that Jones worked for the airlines.

Once the family learned that he was a member of the Packers, they took all kinds of photos with him and of course, Jones was more than willing to oblige them.

Lingg couldn't have put it any better when she said that Aaron must have been raised well by his parents.

It's too bad there aren't more uplifting stories surrounding NFL players.

Don't get me wrong, there are the J.J. Watts' and Larry Fitzgerald's and Jason Witten's of the world, but too many times the stories are about how a player is harming another person instead of helping them.

El Paso is known as Dallas Cowboys' country and the city is usually bathed in blue and silver on autumn Sunday afternoons.

But the city has yet another reason to be proud of Aaron Jones and I've got a feeling we'll start seeing a whole bunch of Green Bay Packers #33 jerseys around town.

Because in the end, it's not always the team name on the outside of the jersey that's important, it's the heart and soul of the person inside it.

And Jones is definitely among the NFL leaders in heart and soul.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET

The San Elizario Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, June 20, 2018 in the SEISD Administrative Office, 1050 Chicken Ranch Rd., San Elizario, Texas.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

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	1.56%	Decrease
Debt Service	0.22%	Decrease
Total Expenditures	1.48%	Decrease

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By Gary Kopervas



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By Jeff Pickering



R.F.D.

By Mike Marland



Vegan does not need fish to be healthy

DEAR DR. ROACH: I have been vegan for 15 years. I avoid sugar, limit salt and have no caffeine. Recently, a pharmacist told me that I will not get proper protein unless I add fish to my diet. However, long ago, my doctor told me that my vegan diet was good and that I should take vitamin B-12 daily, which I have been doing. What are your thoughts on adding fish? – S.N.



I agree with your doctor. A vegan diet can be very healthy, and avoiding sugar in particular helps assure that it is. The issue of adequate protein is brought up frequently, but most Americans consume more than twice the recommended daily allowance of protein. Plant foods have plenty of protein, and you certainly do not need to eat fish in order to get adequate protein. I think fish can be a healthy part of a diet, but it is not necessary.

DEAR DR. ROACH: My husband was admitted to the hospital several months ago with poor heart function and only 10 percent kidney function. He has been on dialysis three times a week since then. We have been inquiring for several months about his current kidney function, and we cannot get an answer. We are just curious as to whether there has been any improvement. – S.K.

Dialysis is a way of replacing kidney function when the kidneys can no longer remove enough of the body's waste materials. It sounds like your husband is on hemodialysis, where the blood is run through a machine that removes excess fluid and waste products, such as creatinine and potassium, which would otherwise increase in concentration in the blood. High potassium is life-threatening, and creatinine, though not dangerous, is the molecule we look at most commonly to estimate kidney function.

Very rarely, kidney function can return even after a prolonged time on dialysis. I have never seen a case, but one study showed two cases per thousand where dialysis could be stopped. The clue that kidney function was returning was that urine output, which normally is scant while on hemodialysis, had increased over time. Unfortunately, 99.8 percent of the time, the kidney failure is permanent.

DEAR DR. ROACH: I am a 62-year-old male, and I have been heavy for most of my life. Over the past 18 months, I have lost a great deal of weight and feel better than I have in years. My

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Super Crossword

- INTERNAL BONES**

ACROSS

1 Put a cork in

8 Tribulations

15 Rival of Hertz or Avis

20 Very weak

21 Patty of the LPGA

22 Supped

23 Set a camel's cousin free?

25 In a devious way

26 Toyota model

27 Meadowland

28 Folk stories

30 Belt stabbers

31 Times Square lights

32 _-mo replay

33 Terrible-tasting stadium snacks?

36 Writer _ Stanley Gardner

37 _-Z (complete)

38 Wood splitter

39 Reply to the invite

40 Baaing "ma"

41 Very light wood gradually decayed?

45 Annual

47 Low cloud

48 So-o-o slow

51 Piano pieces

52 Easter meat

55 Kitten cry

56 _de plume (pen name)

58 Tutti-_-

61 Yale alums

63 Tall beast makes a
- low, indistinct sound?

68 Patronize

15-Across, e.g.

72 "It's so-o-o cold!"

73 Pastel color

74 Unearth Moscow natives?

77 Brewer's kiln

78 California surfing spot

79 Yoko of "Two Virgins"

80 "_-la-la!"

83 _ power

84 Cut short

87 Voyaging

89 Cooking competition reality show

92 2001 Sean Penn drama

95 Skier/shooter carbo-loading on tubular pasta?

100 iPhone game, often

101 Vitality

104 Singer Davis

105 "Livin' Thing" rock gp.

106 Load to bear

107 Merciless theater guide?

110 Monkly title

111 "It's _ cost you!"

112 Top-tier

113 Certain opera singer

114 River of Switzerland
- 115 Hank known for hitting

116 Ford debut of '55

118 Tune sung by a robed singer?

123 "Neon" fish

124 Biting insects

125 Laura _ Wilder

126 So far

127 Hall of TV

128 Most profound
- DOWN**

1 Sault _ Marie Canals

2 Painting emulsion with egg yolk

3 Hot in Vegas

4 Runt's quality

5 Hocus-_-

6 San _ Obispo

7 Claimed psychic skill

8 Bone: Prefix

9 Ostrich kin

10 Costa _ Sol

11 Long fish

12 "Two and _ Men" (sitcom)

13 Dorothy of the "Road" films

14 Tie-ups

15 Some plugs

16 Pastel color

17 In whatever place

18 Without harshness

19 Long, trying trips

24 Full-scale

29 Reason to turn green?
- 31 State east of Wyo.

32 Diner freebie

33 Rock's Rose

34 Sob

35 Act like

37 Tillage unit

38 Soaks up

42 \$20 bill dispenser

43 City bond, informally

44 Tip, as one's hat

46 With hands on hips and elbows out

49 TV beatnik

Maynard G. _

50 Arizona city on the Colorado

52 "You take it"

53 TV's Trebek

54 Ho Chi _ City

57 Writer Puzo

59 Bath mat site

60 Take a shot

62 Stymies

63 Beetle larvae

64 Frenzied

65 _ Bator

66 Red-brown

67 Meyers of "Late Night"

69 Doc's gp.

70 Disney frame

71 113-Across solo, often

75 Red Sea gulf

76 Green net user

80 Central Florida city

81 "_ be in England..."

82 Snicker part
- 84 Panini bread

85 Leg-warming blankets

86 Exemption from penalty

88 "Je t'_" (Luc's "I love you")

90 Physicist Curie

91 Diagram of a facility's layout

93 In the style of

94 Actress Kunis

96 Pothole filler

97 Dignify

98 Underground passages

99 That, in Spain

102 Levers' pivot points

103 Rolle with a sitcom role

108 Pied-a-_ (apartment)

109 Homies' turfs

110 1980 Dom DeLuise film

111 Evaluate

114 Fizzy wine, familiarly

115 Poet Sexton

117 Not "dis," in Brooklyn

119 "Norma _"

120 Hotel cousin

121 Relieve (of)

122 Post-Q run

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Health

From Page 7

had patients undergo liposuction, but that helps your appearance, not your overall health.

issue is where the excess has ended up: just below my belt-line. I know that so-called spot reducing doesn't work, so I'm at a loss as to how to go about getting rid of this paunch. It's not above my belt, and it is stubborn. Any ideas? – T.C.

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. To view and order health pamphlets, visit www.rbmamall.com, or write to Good Health, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803. (c) 2018 North America Synd., Inc. All Rights Reserved.

If you keep losing weight, odds are that stubborn fat will gradually go away. High-intensity aerobic exercise did seem to help in one study. I have

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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: S equals T

FIBM C VYUSNMCSB DIJDHBM
FJMZ SIB AYSSBUR, J FYNAX
ZCR JS JZ XNB SY SIB DANDH
YV SIB XUCF.

Answer Page 4

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging

Answer Page 4

♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Scammer had \$213,000 in change



by Freddy Groves

After a 15-year scam, the owner/operator of a parking lot company was accused of defrauding the Department of Veterans Affairs of more than \$13 million. The parking lots were part of the VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System, mostly the one near Westwood.

The owner had a contract to run the lots for the VA, and in return he'd hand over 60 percent of the gross revenue. He was to submit annual reports about the money taken in, as well as document any improvements he'd made, which would cut down on what he owed the VA.

The parking lot owner had someone on the inside... inside the VA contracting office. Their relationship went on for 11 years, with the owner handing over nearly \$300,000 in bribes.

Ever hear of keeping a double set of books? The owner did,

with the phony books shown to the VA. He failed to report the cash from the parking lots, which amounted to untold millions of dollars. Then, when it came to expenses for the parking lots, he marked them up by 600 percent. He told the VA he'd spent \$11.6 million in improvements, when his clean set of books showed he'd actually spent only \$1.4 million.

And where did the money go? The owner took \$3.1 million in salary, \$470,000 in travel expenses and \$413,000 in meals and entertainment. He purchased three condos in Santa Monica, expensive cars like Ferraris and vintage Corvettes, and a racing boat. He had some accounts with over \$1 million in them and \$213,000 in change at his house.

What bothers me, as it does with most of the deals when thieves are nailed for stealing from the VA, is the short jail time. After a plea agreement, the owner is likely to get only 70 months behind bars.

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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.

DIFFICULTY: ★★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult
★★★ GO FIGURE!

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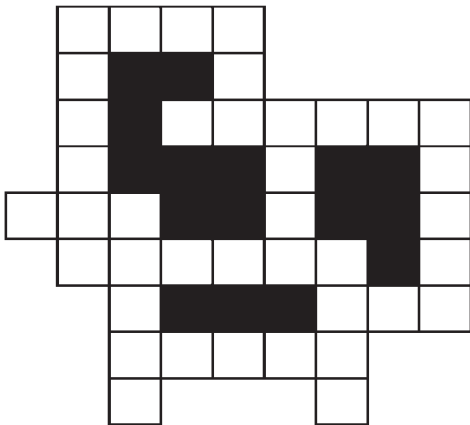
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Answer Page 4



PPU
PITMLE
TERPI
♥SPLA
SPYHUT
IDH
♥EPNO
TEYPI
YSA
ULTFOP
SEDPI
HMTE



Answer Page 2

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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• Freeze juice boxes to use as ice packs in a lunch box or cooler. No mess, and it makes a lovely slushy treat on a hot day.

• In our beach bag, we include a change of loose-fitting, comfy clothes for each kid. We package them in a gallon-size zipper-top bag, and when they change, the wet suit goes right in the plastic bag. It's better than having a big soggy, sandy mess in our beach bag, which often includes a book or magazine.

– F.C. in Texas

• "When you come home from the grocery store, stack the meats in your freezer according to expected use. For instance, if you are going to have pork chops on Monday and fish on Friday, you'd want to put the pork chops on top of the fish. This way, you need not dig around for what you need to defrost. And make sure you wrap everything well."

– A.R. in Oregon

• Is your tire slowly losing air? Sometimes it can be hard to tell where it's coming from. Use this tire-shop trick to find a puncture fast: Fill the tire with air, then squirt soapy water over the whole tire. Then, just wait; the air coming out of the tire will be trapped and form a nice little bubble!

• Got a comfy pair of outdoor shoes for gardening, but they're fabric? Never fear – you might be able to waterproof them. Rub canvas shoes with beeswax and wipe away any excess. Water should bead up instead of sinking in, so you can wear your comfy shoes to do your gardening tasks without getting soggy feet.

• "Try the mild abrasion of toothpaste (not the gel kind) to remove the hazy film from old headlights. Simply rub on with a soft cloth and buff. Don't press too hard."

– S.T. in Illinois

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