



NEWSBRIEFS

Socorro ranked

With National Small Business Week approaching and over 50% of the U.S. population working for a small business, the personal-finance website WalletHub has released its report on 2019's Best Small Cities to Start a Business as well as accompanying videos, along with its *2019 Small Business Owner Survey*. To determine the most business-friendly small markets in the U.S., WalletHub compared more than 1,200 cities with fewer than 100,000 residents across 18 key metrics. The data set ranges from small business growth rates and accessibility of financing to investor access and labor costs. The City of Socorro, TX ranked 854th in this survey. Other stats from the Small Business Owner Survey:

- 24% of business owners say National Small Business Week helps their business. Business owners age 18-29 are 8 times more likely than business owners age 59+ to say that National Small Business Week helps them.
- More than 7 in 10 small business owners say now is a good time for businesses to grow.
- 23% of business owners say companies will use savings from President Trump's tax changes mainly for executive and investor bonuses. 12% believe it will go to employee compensation.
- 84% of small business owners think the user protections on business credit cards should be at least as good as those on personal cards (business cards currently lack a number of key safeguards).

Visit <https://wallethub.com/edu/best-small-cities-to-start-a-business/20180/> for the full report.

— Diana Polk

This was no birdie

A golfer in British Columbia started his first round of the season recently with a birdie that turned into a dubious hole-in-one. His tee shot landed on the green where the birdie in question was basking in the sun. It was an eagle, to be precise, and it picked up the golf ball when it landed and eventually dropped it into the hole. According to the golfer, "Despite the rules of golf saying I need to replace it (which I did and missed the putt), this will still go down as my hole in one story for life."

— John Grimaldi

Diplomacy is the art of saying things in such a way that nobody knows exactly what you mean.

— Quips & Quotes



— Photo courtesy El Paso Community College

William Serrata

Serrata is chair-elect for national board

By Keri Moe
Special to the Courier

EL PASO COUNTY – During the national conference of the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC) annual conference, EPCC President Dr. William Serrata was elected to serve as Chair-Elect for the organization's board of directors. The AACC is the primary advocacy organization for the nation's community colleges representing nearly 1,200 2-year associate degree-granting institutions and more than 12 million students.

Serrata was originally nominated and elected to the board in 2017 and has served on the Executive Committee since 2018. On the Executive Committee, Serrata chaired the Committee on Community College Advancement. "It is an honor to be selected by my peers to serve as Chair-Elect for the Board of Directors of the Association of American Community Colleges. I look forward to working with Dr. Bumphus and his team to continue AACC's commitment to advance the recognition and importance of community colleges," Serrata said. "EPCC, like community colleges all across our nation are the pathway to the American Dream and the premier developers of the workforce. I am proud to continue the important work of advocacy, leadership and service for community colleges."

"Based on the work he has done, especially for us in the El Paso area and what he's done for the region, he will be a great advocate for community colleges across the nation," Brian Haggerty,

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Rodriguez to lead Hispanic outreach for national school board organization

By Liza M. Rodriguez
Special to the Courier

CANUTILLO — Canutillo Independent School District Trustee Armando Rodriguez earlier this month was elected chair of the National Hispanic Council of School Board Members, a branch of the National School Boards Association (NSBA) tasked with furthering education policy benefiting the Latinx community throughout the United States.

In his new role, he will help NSBA better understand the needs and goals of Hispanic students and communities that continue to grow in numbers in every region of the country.

Rodriguez, a 14-year veteran of the CISD Board, is the first El Pasoan to serve on this capacity.

"I'm honored to have been elected by my peers from across the country and to be able to represent Canutillo and El Paso on an important national stage," said Rodriguez, who in 2005 became the youngest person in El Paso County ever to serve on a school board. "This position will allow me to bring to the table the wonderful work that is happening along the U.S.-Mexico Border, and share best practices with those who may be dealing with a surge of a Latino population for the first time in their hometown's history."

Rodriguez's role will allow him to



— Photo courtesy Canutillo ISD

Armando Rodriguez

serve on the National School Board Association's board of directors — a first for an El Paso-area trustee.

Voters first elected Rodriguez to the Canutillo school board in 2005, just years after he graduated from Canutillo High School. Since then, he has earned state

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Socorro ISD surpasses 47,000 students

By Christy Flores-Jones
Special to the Courier

EL PASO COUNTY – Socorro Independent School District (SISD) student population topped 47,000 on March 28. The district reached the new milestone when third-grader Jesus A. Rodriguez enrolled at Robert R. Rojas Elementary in the Socorro feeder pattern.

"The way they welcomed my son was definitely a surprise and it made us feel very special," said Lyzzett Hernandez, Jesus' mom. "I did my research before enrolling my kids in this school, and everyone said great things about it. As a mom, that is what you want for your child, for them to receive the best education possible."

Team SISD continues to be a fast-growing school district and has grown by 1,000 students in the last three years, despite more school choices.

"Team SISD is certainly a destination district as families are choosing to live in our community, where we proudly provide endless opportunities for our students to be prepared for college, careers, and life," said Superintendent José Espinoza,

Ed.D. "It is an honor to serve this rapidly expanding side of El Paso, Horizon City and the City of Socorro. We remain committed to giving our students and their families the best experience in their educational journey."

Rojas administrators welcomed Rodriguez, his mom, and sisters and presented them with school spirit gifts to commemorate the special occasion. Socorro High School students and staff made a special trip to the school to welcome the new family. The drumline played for the future Bulldogs, while cheerleaders, flag team and Missionettes cheered and chanted, holding posters that read, "Welcome to Team SISD."

Rojas Principal Jaqueline Salas is excited about welcoming new students to her school and making history in SISD. She also said her school takes pride in reassuring students of their value on a daily basis.

"We strive to make our students feel special every day," Salas said. "Our school is a safe place for our students to learn and grow. We can't wait for them to take advantage of all the programs in our school and district."

Archaeology museum features talk on Salado phenomenon

By Alfredo Vasquez
Special to the Courier

EL PASO COUNTY – The Salado people influenced a large number of cultural groups, between A.D. 1250 and A.D. 1450, within the southwestern United States as evidenced by their iconographic pottery designs. The origins and disappearance of the Salado inhabitants, however, has perplexed archaeologists for many years.

Despite the great influence of the Salado culture, archaeologists continue to have

The Salado influence

In the late 1200s, prolonged drought and social upheaval across the Four Corners region, led its residents to leave their homelands.

Among these northern peoples were groups, archaeologists call the Kayenta, who migrated to already-populated valleys in the central and southern Southwest. In some places, they joined existing communities; in others, they created new settlements. Though relatively few in number, Kayenta immigrants were economically and socially influential.

In many places where the Kayenta resettled, their arrival initiated a series of changes in how people lived and what they believed. At first, tensions ensued. As a generation or two passed, though, the descendants of immigrants and local groups found ways to live together, or at least co-exist as neighbors.

From these diverse communities emerged a new ideology—a new way of looking at things— that embraced aspects of local and immigrant traditions. Archaeologists call this ideology and the new traditions, practices, and objects associated with it, “Salado.”

Salado emerged in the early 1300s. Its influence continued to flourish until about 1450. Based on the widespread distribution of Salado pottery, it seems that many Southwestern peoples participated in Salado in some way. Researchers see the strongest evidence for Salado in southern Arizona and southwestern New Mexico.

questions about who the Salado people were. To shed light on the subject, Allen Dart, a registered professional archaeologist, will be the guest speaker for a presentation sponsored by the El Paso Museum of Archaeology.

The free event is open to the public and will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, April 27, at the archaeology museum, which is located at 4301 Transmountain Road.

Dart’s talk, titled *Old-Time Religion? The Salado Phenomenon in the Greater Southwest*, will include information on the spread of the Salado culture, which has become known as the Salado Phenomenon. The distribution of Salado polychrome pottery encompasses 130,000 square kilometers that include central Arizona, southwest New Mexico, and the northern Mexican states of Sonora and Chihuahua, according to researchers.

“When first recognized by archaeologists in the early twentieth century, a constellation of peculiar cultural traits in the southwestern United States including polychrome (three-colored) pottery, above ground housing often enclosed in walled compounds, and monumental architecture thought to be indicative of a distinct group of people, named the Salgado,” according to Dart. “As more research was done and the widespread distribution of Salgado material culture became apparent, interpretations of what the Salgado phenomenon represents started to be debated,” he added.

Dart stated that his presentation will illustrate pottery and other cultural attributes of the so-called Salgado culture, will review some of the theories about the



– Photo courtesy of the Mills Collection in Eastern Arizona College

OLD CLAY – Archaeologists associate specific kinds of decorated pottery, like the one above, with Salado, also referred to as Roosevelt Red Ware, polychromes. There are many distinctive kinds of pottery within that group- some vary by region, and some vary through time. The distribution of Salado polychrome pottery encompasses mostly central Arizona, southwest New Mexico, and the northern Mexican states of Sonora and Chihuahua.

Salgado, and will discuss how Salgado relates to the Ancestral Pueblo, Mogollon, Hohokam, and Casas Grandes cultures of the Greater Southwest.

The guest speaker is a registered professional archaeologist who has worked academically and as a volunteer in Arizona and New Mexico archaeology projects since 1975. He currently works full-time as a cultural resource specialist for the U.S. Department of Agriculture. He is also the volunteer executive director of Old Pueblo Archaeology Center, a Tucson non-profit organization that he founded in 1993. The center is designed to provide educational and scientific programs in southwestern archaeology, history, and cultures.

Dart’s efforts to bring archaeology and history to the public have been acknowledged with awards and honors from the Arizona Archaeological Society, the Arizona Archaeological and Historical Society, the Arizona Governor’s Archaeology Advisory Commission, the Arizona State Historic Preservation Office, and the National Park Service.

For more information about the event, call El Paso Museum of Archaeology director Jeff Romney, at (915) 212-0421, (direct line (915) 212-3271), or send email to romneyjk@elpasotexas.gov.

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Weep for Notre Dame

“I believe that this church offers the carefully discerning such cause for admiration,” the 14th-century French philosopher Jean de Jandun wrote of Notre Dame, “that its inspection can scarcely sate the soul.”

A cultural calamity played out on live TV when the Paris cathedral that has been a focal point of Christendom for so long was apparently gutted by a raging fire, destroying a significant part of an inheritance built up over hundreds of years in a few hours.

Notre Dame stands for so many qualities that we now lack – patience and staying power, the cultivation of beauty, a deep religious faith, the cultural confidence and ambition to build a timeless monument of our civilization – that the collapse of its spire was almost too much to bear.

The great novelist Victor Hugo, author of the “Hunchback of Notre Dame,” wrote how “every surface, every stone of this venerable pile, is a page of the history not only of the country, but of science and art.”

It was the work of generations, completed across three centuries, in a triumph over considerable architectural and logistical challenges. Thousands of tons of stone had to be transported

from outside Paris, one ox cart or barge at a time. To achieve its soaring height and hold up its ceiling and walls, it relied on the architectural innovations of the rib vault and flying buttress.

France built 80 cathedrals and 500 large churches across this period, but there was only one Notre Dame of Paris, a Gothic jewel whose towers, prior to the advent of the Eiffel Tower, were the tallest structure in the city.

It is – or, one hates to think, was – adorned by what are significant cultural artifacts in their own right.

The statuary meant to illustrate the story of the Bible, and to awe worshippers who couldn’t read.

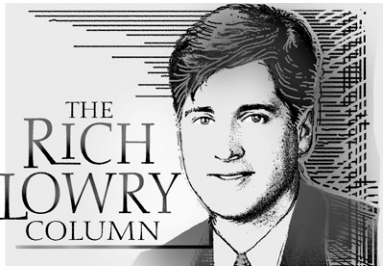
The stained-glass windows that took ingenuity to embed in stone walls and are themselves artistic marvels.

The organ with more than 8,000 pipes.

The bells, with their own names, including the largest, the masterpiece Emmanuel, dating back to the 15th century and recast in 1681.

Not to mention the religious relics that mean so much to the Catholic faithful.

It has been the site of countless processions and services to petition and thank God on behalf of the French nation. It was where



illustrious marriages and funerals occurred, where Napoleon crowned himself emperor, where Charles de Gaulle attended a mass to celebrate the liberation of Paris in 1944, rifle fire echoing outside.

It survived the rampages of iconoclastic Huguenots in the 16th century, the depredations of radicals during the French Revolution in the 18th century (they transformed it into a shrine to the Cult of Reason, used it as a warehouse and wanted to melt down the bells) and incidental damage during two world wars in the 20th century.

Notre Dame has been thoughtfully restored and preserved over the years, to our credit. But it’s difficult not to discern a distressing message in the wanton destruction that ravaged the iconic cathedral – what prior generations so carefully and faithfully built, we are losing.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review. (c) 2019 by King Features Synd., Inc.

Lower Valley Health Fair this Saturday

By Christy Flores-Jones
Special to the Courier

EL PASO COUNTY – Community members can receive free health services April 27 from 8 a.m. to noon at the 37th annual Lower Valley Health Fair. The event will be held at Americas High School, 12101 Pellicano Dr.

The event, organized by the Lower Valley School Nurses Association, in partnership with the City of El Paso Department of Public Health, Amerigroup, and Whataburger, promotes health and wellness among people of all ages.


“This is the largest health fair in the El Paso area,” said Gloria E. Gutierrez-MacNeil, president of the Lower Valley School Nurses Association.

“We are proud to organize this event and help community members improve their health and lifestyle. Even if we only help one person, we consider that a success!”

The outreach clinic will offer free pap smears, blood sugar, blood pressure, cholesterol, and hearing and vision screenings. Immunizations for children 0-16 also will be available. Parents must bring their child’s immunization record. The cost for immunizations will be \$10 for one or more vaccines.

Mammos On the Move will be present to conduct mammograms, and two women will have the opportunity to receive a free service. The mammogram cost for non-insured patients is \$110

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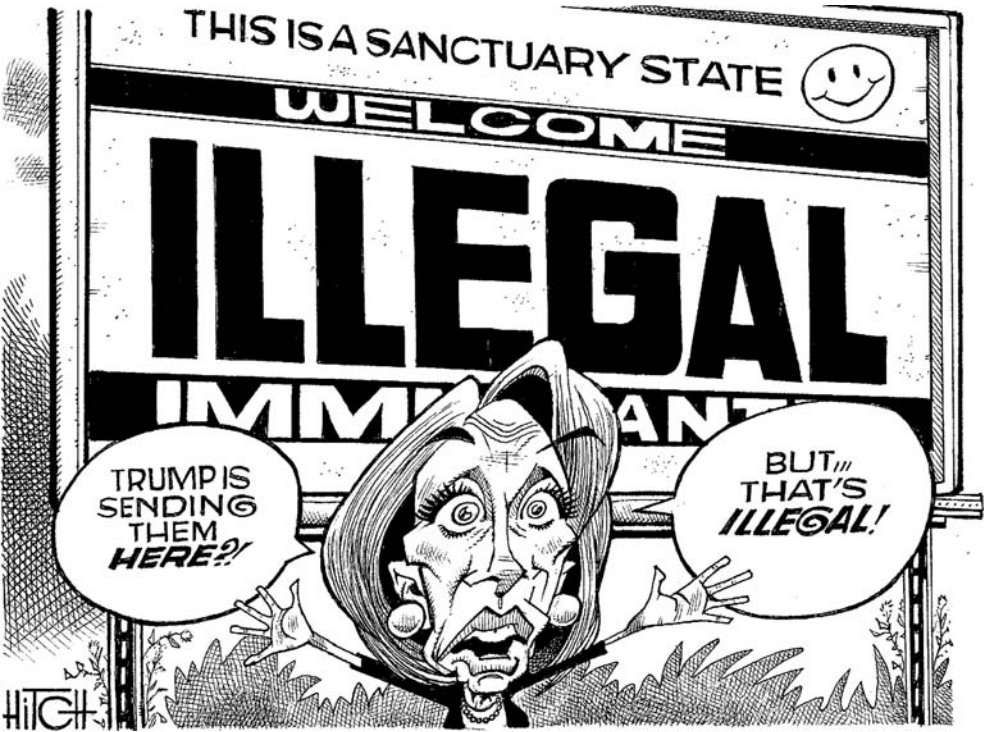
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EPCC administrator donates 100th pint of blood



– Photo courtesy El Paso Community College

100 TIMES – David Veloz (right) of Vitalant presents Dr. Ron Stroud a plaque recognizing his personal donation of 100 pints of blood.

By Jim Heiney
Special to the Courier

EL PASO COUNTY – Dr. Ron Stroud, El Paso Community College (EPCC) Director of Institutional Effectiveness and Blood Donation Director, was recognized for his 100th blood donation by Vitalant, El Paso’s blood banking organization. According to Vitalant, the College is currently the No. 1 blood donor in the region.

“Every blood donation is critically important, and achieving 100 donations is incredibly rare”, Dr. Julie Penley, Vice President of Research, Accreditation & Planning said, “Dr. Stroud’s donations have helped countless individuals in our region, and are great examples of EPCC employees’ commitment to and involvement in our community. His is a goal every eligible donor should strive to achieve.”

Fifteen years ago, Dr. Stroud was appointed by the President of EPCC to turn the blood program around. Historically, the college of about 28,000 students was only contributing about 700 pints of blood to the community yearly. Fifteen years later, the college has consistently increased blood donations and averages now 2,500 donations annually. EPCC has contributed 1,762 donations in the 2018-2019 year thus far which helped as many as 5,286 people in need, as one donation can often help as many as three people. In 2014, Dr. Stroud was selected as the

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CryptoQuip Answer

Because this shooting star is bigger and heavier than the other, I’d have to call it the meatier meteor.

Strange BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

• It was American actress, screenwriter and notorious sex symbol Mae West who made the following sage observation: “You only live once. But if you do it right, once is enough.”

• The world’s highest tides are found in the Bay of Fundy, located in Nova Scotia, Canada. There, the difference between high and low tides can be as much as 50 feet.

• If you’re a blood donor, you’re part of a significant minority. In the United States, less than 5 percent of the population donates blood every year.

• The first sound recording ever made was created in 1877 by Thomas Edison. It was a musical selection: “Mary Had a Little Lamb.”

• What’s in a name? Well, a great deal, it would seem – at least according to those trying to make it big in Hollywood. Joan Crawford was born Lucille La Sueur, Roy Rogers was Leonard Slye and Dean Martin was Dino Crocetti. Issur Danielovitch (wisely) changed his name to Kirk Douglas, and Archibald Leach decided he preferred to become famous as Cary Grant.

• Are you a cacographer? You may not be, but if you spend any time at all online you’ve certainly run across a few. A cacographer is someone who can’t quite grasp the rules of spelling.

• Nobel Prize-winning Russian author Boris Pasternak wrote the novel “Doctor Zhivago” (later famously adapted to film). When the book was first published in 1957, in Italy, it earned great acclaim. However, it was decades before Pasternak’s countrymen could legally read it – the book wasn’t allowed to be published in the Soviet Union until 1988.

Thought for the Day: “The only way to get rid of a temptation is to yield to it.”
– Oscar Wilde

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Canutillo Independent School District Public Notice

Public Meeting to Review Federally Funded Programs

The Canutillo Independent School District (CISD) will conduct a public information meeting to review the following CISD Programs funded with Federal Funds:

- Title I, Part A – Improving Basic Programs
- Title I, Part C – Education of Migratory Children
- Title II, Part A – Teacher and Principal Training & Recruiting
- Title III, Part A – Limited English Proficiency (LEP)
- Title IV, Part A – Student Support and Academic Enrichment
- IDEA Part B – Formula
- IDEA Part B – Preschool
- Career & Technical Education – Basic Grant

The meeting will be held:

Tuesday, April 30, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. and Wednesday, May 1, 2019 at 9:00 a.m., Student Support Services, 7000 5th Street, Lone Star Building A, Canutillo, TX.

Individuals with disabilities or that require auxiliary aids and wish to attend this meeting should contact the Canutillo ISD Public Information Office at least 2 days before the meeting at (915) 877-7482.

Distrito Escolar Independiente de Canutillo Aviso al Público

Junta Pública para Informar sobre los Programas proveídos con Fondos Federales

El Distrito Escolar Independiente de Canutillo llevara a cabo una junta pública para revisar los siguientes programas con Fondos Federales:

- Título I, Parte A – Mejora de Programas Básicos
- Título I, Parte C – Programa de Migrante
- Título II, Parte A – Entrenamiento y Reclutamiento de Maestros y Directores
- Título III, Parte A – Adquisición del Idioma Ingles
- Título IV, Parte A – Estudiante y Enriquecimiento Académico
- IDEA Parte B – Formula
- IDEA Parte B – Pre-Escolar
- Educación de Carreras en Tecnología – Apoyo Financiero Básico

La junta se llevara a cabo:

El Martes, 30 de Abril 2019 a las 5:30 p.m. y Miercoles, 1 de Mayo 2019 a las 9:00 a.m. en la sala de juntas del edificio de Servicios al Estudiantes de Canutillo localizado en 7000 5th Street, Lonestar edificio A, Canutillo, TX.

Individuos con discapacidades o que requieren de ayuda auxiliará y desean asistir a esta reunión deben contactar a la Oficina Publica de Información de CISD al (915) 877-7482 para realizar arreglos por los menos 2 días antes de la reunión.



• On April 22, 1915, German forces shock Allied soldiers along the Western Front by firing more than 150 tons of lethal chlorine. The Germans were perhaps as shocked as the Allies by the devastating effects of the poison gas.

• On April 23, 1014, Brian Boru, the high king of Ireland, is assassinated by retreating Norsemen shortly after his Irish forces defeated them. A small group of fleeing Norsemen stumbled on Brian's tent, overcame his bodyguards and murdered the elderly king.

• On April 24, 1996, the Pittsburgh Penguins beat the Washington Capitals, 3-2, in 139 minutes of game play, making it the fifth-longest match in NHL history. Playoff games aren't allowed to end in a tie.

• On April 25, 1719, Daniel Defoe's "The Life and Strange Adventures of Robinson Crusoe," a fictional work about a shipwrecked sailor who spends 28 years on a deserted island, is published. It's based on the experiences of Alexander Selkirk, a Scottish sailor who spent four years on a small island off South America.

• On April 26, 1865, John Wilkes Booth is killed when Union soldiers track him to a Virginia farm 12 days after he assassinated President Abraham Lincoln. Killing Lincoln was part of a conspiracy to simultaneously kill the vice president and secretary of state, neither of which happened.

• On April 27, 1956, world heavyweight champion Rocky Marciano retires from boxing at age 31. He ended his career as the only heavyweight champ with a perfect record, 49-0. Marciano had started boxing in the Army to get out of kitchen duty.

• On April 28, 1969, following the defeat of his proposals for constitutional reform, Charles de Gaulle resigns as president of France. He had first resigned in 1946, but was called back in 1958 when the Algerian War sent nearly a million Algerians into France.

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Horizon Regional Municipal Utility District Notice of Election – Aviso de Elección

TO THE QUALIFIED
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**PARA LOS RESIDENTES
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DE HORIZON, Y
DEMÁS PERSONAS
INTERESADAS:**

Notice is hereby given that Horizon Regional Municipal Utility District (the "District") will hold a Directors Election within and for the District on May 4, 2019 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., at the locations below, for the purpose of duly qualified resident electors voting for three (3) directors – Position Nos. 3, 4, and 5.

Se notifica por el presente que el Distrito de Servicios Públicos Municipales Regional de Horizon (el "Distrito") celebrará una Elección de Directores dentro y para el Distrito el 4 de mayo de 2019 en el horario de 7:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m. en las siguientes localidades indicadas abajo, con el fin de que los residentes votantes debidamente habilitados voten por tres (3) directores para los cargos numeros 3, 4 y 5.

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**Precinct/Precinto 159
El Paso County
Sheriff's Office, CSS,
Community Room
12899 Sparks Drive
El Paso, TX 79928**

**Precinct/Precinto 161
Robert R. Rojas
Elementary School
Front Foyer
500 Bauman Rd.
Socorro, TX 79927**

**Precinct/Precinto 166
Red Sands
Elementary School
4250 O'Shea Rd.
El Paso, TX 79938**

**Precinct/Precinto 167
Montana Vista
Elementary School
3550 Mark Jason Dr.
El Paso, TX 79938**

**Precinct/Precinto 168
Desert Hills
Elementary School
300 N. Kenazo Dr.**

Horizon City, TX 79928

**Precinct/Precinto 169
Carroll T. Welch
Elementary School
14510 McMahon Ave
Horizon City, TX 79928**

**Precinct/Precinto 180
Desert Wind K-8 School
1100 Colina De Paz Dr.
El Paso, TX 79928**

EARLY VOTING by personal appearance will begin on **Monday, April 22, 2019**, and continue through **Tuesday, April 30, 2019**, at the designated hours on each day at all locations established by the County Elections Department, fully shown on **Exhibit A**.

VOTACIONPORAUSENCIA en persona comenzará el **lunes 22 de abril, 2019**, y continuará hasta el **martes 30 de abril, 2019**, a las horas designadas en todos los días en todas localidades establecidas por el Departamento de Elecciones del Condado, vea mas detalle en **Exhibición A**.

Applications for ballot by mail should be mailed to:

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a:

**Lisa Wise
El Paso County
Elections Department
500 E. San Antonio, #314
El Paso, Texas 79901**

Or via email at ballotrequests@epcounty.com

O vía correo electrónico en ballotrequests@epcounty.com

Applications by mail must be received no later than the close of business on **Tuesday, April 23, 2019**.

Las solicitudes para votar por correo deberán recibirse antes del término de horas hábiles el **martes 23 de abril del 2019**.

Issued this the 31 the day of January, 2019.

Emitida esta día 31 de enero, 2019.

/s/ Florence K. Thomas
President, Board of Directors

/s/ Carl D. Hulsey
Secretary, Board of Directors

**EXHIBIT A
May 4, 2019
(Saturday)
Early Voting Locations**

**4 de mayo 2019
(sábado)
Locaciones para
Votacion Anticipada**

**April 22, 2019 -
April 30, 2019**

***^A El Paso County
Court House**
500 E. San Antonio Ave.
Third Floor, Back Lobby
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

***^C Bassett Place**
6101 Gateway West
Across from
Bath & Body Works
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

***^C Bowling Family YMCA**
5509 Will Ruth Ave.
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
(Closed Sunday,
April 28, 2019)
(cerado domingo,
28 de abril 2019)

***^B Canutillo ISD
Administration Facility**
7965 Artcraft Rd.
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

***^C Chayo Apodaca
Community Center**
341 N. Moon Rd.
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

***^D Dorris Van
Doren Library**
551 Redd Rd.
10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
(Closed Sunday,
April 28, 2019)
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***^C EPCC Northwest
Campus**
6701 S. Desert Blvd.
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
(Closed Sunday,
April 28, 2019)
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***^B El Paso County
Eastside Annex**
2350 George Dieter Dr.
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

***^B El Paso County
Northwest Annex**
435 E. Vinton Rd.
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

***^B El Paso County
Sheriff's Department**
3850 Justice Dr.
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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3850 Justice Dr.
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

***^D Esperanza Acosta
Moreno Library**
12480 Pebble Hills Blvd.
10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
(Closed Sunday,
April 28, 2019)
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***^B Grandview Park Senior
Citizen Center**
3134 Jefferson Ave.
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

***^C Marty Robbins
Recreation Center**
11600 Vista Del Sol Drive
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

***^D Mountain View-Rae
Gilmore Rec. Center**
8501 Diana Dr.
10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
(Closed Sunday,
April 28, 2019)
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28 de abril 2019)

***^C Nations Tobin
Sports Center**
8831 Railroad Dr.
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

***^C Officer David Ortiz
Recreation Center**
563 N. Carolina Dr.
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

***^B Oz Glaze
Senior Center**
13969 Verry Webb Drive
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

***^C Pavo Real
Recreation Center**
9301 Alameda Ave.
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

***^B San Elizario
Fire Rescue**
1415 San Antonio St.
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

***^C Sunland Park Mall**
750 Sunland Park Dr.
Lower Level, Near Spencer's
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

***^C Wellington Chew
Senior Center**
4430 Maxwell Ave.
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

***^C YWCA-East**
10712 Sam Snead Dr.
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

***^C YWCA-West**
313 Bartlett Dr.
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

*** April 22 to 26, 2019
(Mon. - Fri.)
Hours Listed**

*** April 27, 2019 (Sat.)
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

*** April 28, 2019 (Sun.)
12 (noon) - 5 p.m.**

*** April 29 and
April 30, 2019
(Mon. and Tues.)
^A 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
^B 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
^C 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
^D 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.**

**ELECTION DAY
May 4, 2019
COURTHOUSE OPEN
7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
ONLY FOR ADA and
65 YEARS OF AGE
and OLDER**

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El Paso County Elections
Dept.)**

**(Sujeto a cambios por
el Departamento de
Elecciones del Condado
de El Paso)**

Texas Western and El Paso still hold basketball bragging rights

By Steve Escajeda
Special to the Courier

The 2018-19 college basketball season concluded with the national championship game in Minnesota two weeks back when Virginia and Texas Tech met for all the marbles. And some of us UTEP fans were on edge for fear of sharing our hold on Texas basketball history.

Not that anybody has anything against Virginia or Texas Tech, but the way these two play defense, everyone thought the first team to 50 points would win – if indeed either ever got there.

Fans were worried about a dull, low-scoring, low-excitement game. Instead of watching two Ferrari’s thundering down the drag strip, we’d be stuck watching a couple of station wagons chug their way

to the finish line.

But everyone was thoroughly surprised when Virginia came away with a high-scoring 85-77 overtime-victory.

The game started off the way we thought, but from the middle of the first half on, it was one of the most exciting games of the year.

And it’s no secret that El Pasoans had a special interest in this game. Not because they love or despise either team involved, but because they love their Miners.

And they love it when the public address announcer declares that the Don Haskins Center is the home of “the only NCAA championship team in the state of Texas!”

Of course we all know about the Texas Western Miners and their victory over the Kentucky Wildcats in the 1966 title game.

The significance of that game was not the fact that no one had ever heard of Miners and Kentucky already owned four national championships.

The significance was the fact that this was the first time in NCAA championship game history that five black starters would take on five white starters.

Remember, this was 1966. The Jim Crow laws of racial segregation had just ended the year before, but were still fresh in any racists’ mind.

The regrettable belief at the time was that black players didn’t have the intellect, work ethic or discipline to beat white players.

But coach Don Haskins put all those prejudicial thoughts to rest when the Miners went on to a 72-65 victory. The myth was destroyed and the flood gates opened for all other players of color.

It’s rather cool to hear the thunderous applause from all the fans when they hear the PA guy make his “only team in the state of Texas,” remark before every home game.

But it appeared as if UTEP fans might have heard that for the last time as Texas Tech prepared for the title game with Virginia.

And let’s face it; Tech appeared to be the better team heading into the game.

In a contest that went back and forth, it looked like UTEP fans would have to share that “Texas” title with the Red Raiders, who led 68-65 with 22 seconds left.

But a clutch 3-pointer from Virginia’s De’Andre Hunter with 12 seconds left tied it, and eventually sent the game to overtime.

You could almost hear the collective sigh from Miner fans all over the city, and a few around the country. The game was over and the Miners would continue to reign as the only Texas champion.

And I have to admit that I was among them.

Maybe it’s a little childish, maybe a little selfish, maybe it’s much ado about nothing, but there’s a ton of pride that goes with being the only one to accomplish something.

UTEP fans have been feeling that pride for 53 years now, and who can blame them if they want it to go on a little longer.

We all know that another team from Texas will win the national championship someday. And though a lot of us will be sad, we’ll accept it and eventually go on with our lives.

But at least for one more season, UTEP basketball fans can walk with their heads a little higher and their chests puffed out a little more, knowing that they share the state’s NCAA crown with no one.

And when another Texas team finally wins it, we can still enjoy our PA guy saying, “welcome to the Don Haskins Center, home of the ‘first’ NCAA championship team from the state of Texas!”

Blood

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recipient of the Donor Recruiter Volunteer Coordinator of the Year and was awarded the Best School Blood Drive Award for his effectiveness in spearheading the blood drives at EPCC.

Dr. Stroud was “pleased to have the opportunity to donate [his] 100th pint of blood and help as many as 300 people especially being a universal donor with type O negative blood of which there is always a shortage of in El Paso.” He plans to continue to donate for the rest of his life, donating every 2 months or 6 times a year, and hopes that the EPCC faculty, students and community will follow in his footsteps.

For more information on blood drive dates at the EPCC campuses please visit https://www.epcc.edu/Administration/InstitutionalEffectiveness/Documents/Blood_Drive_Dates.pdf, for information about Vitalant, visit <https://www.vitalant.org/Home.aspx>.

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Super Crossword

QUITE A CHALLENGE ACROSS

1 Pal of Owl

5 Gunnsack material

11 Deserve

15 A-F linkup

19 Gillette razor name

20 Melodious

21 Veer sharply

22 Shahs' home

23 Competition to determine the best garment stiffener?

26 " _ in Boots"

27 "See! I was right!"

28 Architect Frank

29 Omega lead-in

30 Morales of "The Brink"

31 Web sales

33 Virile Communist leader?

36 Mason-_ Line

38 Tree-lined boulevard

42 Enter slowly

43 Coup d'_

44 Carne _ (steak dish)

45 Arctic birds

48 Heart-shaped pre-euro Greek coin?

52 Implied but not stated

57 Screwball

58 Mad feeling

59 Periods of time between

61 Like _ in headlights

64 Chief foe who doesn't show up on time?

66 Ready to go

67 Tortilla snack

70 "This _ " (phone phrase)

71 Psyche part

72 Method used by learned people?

78 Four pairs

80 "Hill Street Blues" actor Daniel J. _

81 That lady

82 "How cool!"

85 Church assembly

86 Warfare that has not been enchanted?

92 Amu _ (Asian river)

94 Planet's path

95 Sport on horseback

96 Even, as the score

100 Coif creator

103 Singer Crystal

104 Grayish brown earth tone?

107 Branch of Islam

109 Similar

110 "How cool!"

111 "Don't Be Cruel" singer

115 Place for a mani-pedi

118 Primo

119 Spectator covered in glitter?

122 Ball of thread

123 _ buco

124 Wireless provider acquired by Verizon in 2008

125 Vocal range

126 Give lip

127 East _

Connecticut

128 Prickly-leaved plant

129 Actor Gosling

DOWN

1 In history

2 Bart and Lisa's bus driver

3 Paperless test

4 Barely bearable

5 Iranian religion

6 Geller of mentalism

7 See 91-Down

8 Balcony box

9 Author Sholem

10 Phrase of self-pity

11 Vt. hours

12 Initial Hebrew letter

13 Rene of "Thor"

14 Web user

15 Two-legged animals

16 Defoe hero

Robinson

17 Aquafina or Fiji alternative

18 Ship banner

24 Blue hue

25 Long-distance

swimmer Diana

32 Type of eye surgery

34 Pope's religion: Abbr.

35 Spring holiday

36 German for 60-Down

37 Figure skater

Midori _

39 Full of frills

40 Say further

41 "Ave _"

44 From _ Z (every bit)

46 Arab leaders

47 Western spread

49 Hide-hair connector

50 Renoir works

51 "Meh" grade

53 Actress Graynor

54 Spotted cat

55 JPEG or GIF

56 Letter-shaped opening for a bolt

60 Definite article

61 Mgrs.' aides

62 Speak out against

63 Coen of film

64 Myrna of film

65 Archery need

67 Ecu

68 Pianist Rubinstein or Schnabel

69 2004 CBS spinoff

73 Lacto_ vegetarian

74 Young chap

75 "Pipe down!"

76 Caddy drink

77 Actor Flynn with a sword

78 Western tribe

79 Exec's perk with wheels

82 Bird bills

83 Fixes up text

84 Play a role

87 ATM output

88 Med. scan

89 How young guys behave

90 Wholly

91 With 7-Down, bit of foot jewelry

93 Contents of a spray can

96 Hayes and Newton

97 Tesla of the Tesla coil

98 Dresses with flares

99 Realm of MSNBC, e.g.

101 Arduous trip

102 Reprimand loudly

103 Biting fly

105 " _-daisy!"

106 Deep gap

108 Longtime Arizona politician Mo

112 Wicked

113 "To Live and Die _"

114 USAF NCOs

116 "Fur Is Dead" org.

117 Elvis _ Presley

120 Lobster eggs

121 Very small

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Comix

OUT ON A LIMB By Gary Kopervas



AMBER WAVES By Dave T. Phipps



THE SPATS By Jeff Pickering



R.F.D. By Mike Marland



Rodriguez

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and national recognition as an education advocate and a leader in Hispanic legislative issues.

He is a graduate of Leadership TASB, the premier leadership program for school-board members in Texas. He has served on every committee for the Texas Association of School Boards and currently is the vice chair of membership for the organization.

A Canutillo native, Rodriguez is a graduate of the University of Texas at El Paso. He is the past president of the Mexican-American School Boards Association and serves on the National Association of Latino Elected Officials Board of Directors.

Health fair

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upfront. To schedule a mammogram appointment, call Desert Imaging at (915) 400-0426. Patients will need to have their insurance card present.

Serrata

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EPCC Board Chair said. "On behalf of the board, I'd like to congratulate Dr. Serrata on this great achievement."

AACC is governed by a 32-member Board of Directors. The board represents member community colleges, maintains a vision and performance standards for AACC. 24 members are elected by the AACC membership three institutional at-large members and three public at-large members, representing constituencies such as boards of trustees, business or government, are elected by the board itself. The chair is elected by the Board and serves one year as chair-elect, one year as chair, and one year as past chair.

Guests also will have the opportunity to participate in a family fun walk at 9 a.m., line dance, do Zumba, and engage in other physical activities. Participants will receive a free t-shirt and bottled water.

"Dancing is a great way to burn some calories," MacNeil said. "It's going to be a lot of fun!"

Is acupuncture for real?

DEAR DR. ROACH: You have mentioned acupuncture as a treatment for several conditions. I have read otherwise. How strong is the evidence for its use? – R.L.

The effectiveness of acupuncture for over 50 different medical conditions was reviewed by the Cochrane Collaboration, an evidence-based medicine group. Some of these show significant benefit; for example, acupuncture improves pain and function in people with fibromyalgia and osteoarthritis, when compared with placebo pills. Acupuncture also was better than doing nothing and better than some other treatments.



On the other hand, the Cochrane group could not find enough evidence to say whether acupuncture is effective for many other conditions, such as depression or shoulder pain. More importantly, some authors have argued that the benefit from acupuncture is a placebo response, and that the apparent benefit of acupuncture compared with a placebo pill is merely that acupuncture is a more effective placebo than just a pill.

There certainly is evidence that even surgery has a potential for a placebo response, and one interesting recent study showed that people with Parkinson's disease got more improvement in motor skills from a placebo pill they were told cost \$1,500 than they did with the identical placebo if they were told it cost only \$100. This shows me that our minds have a tremendous ability to improve our bodies if we really believe we can. I think that to a very large extent, and perhaps entirely, the real benefits seen by people who undergo acupuncture are a manifestation of the placebo response.

Acupuncture has far fewer side effects than many medications and helps people with a variety of conditions. Whether its effect is "real" or placebo is almost not an issue.

DEAR DR. ROACH: Last year, I started getting Raynaud's. I can remember from my youth that my father had it, so it didn't seem too terrible. It's not just the fingertips that turn white, but also some of my toes are affected. I asked people who know of it or have it how one gets this. What is the cause? No one knows. So I asked my doctor. Even he said he did not know. How do I get these episodes, and what can I do to prevent them? – R.S.

Raynaud phenomenon is an exaggerated response to cold or

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Moore Texas by Roger T. Moore
April 3, 1929: Amarillo Junior College is established. It is the first Junior College in Texas.

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stress, causing color changes in the skin of the fingers and toes. There is a long list of causes of Raynaud phenomenon. Often, no cause is ever found (in which case it is called primary Raynaud, which just means we don't know what's causing it). The most common known causes are the autoimmune rheumatic diseases, especially scleroderma, lupus and Sjogren's syndrome. Hypothyroidism is an unusual cause, and some drugs can cause it as well.

The current thinking is that primary RP is caused by abnormalities in the alpha receptors in blood vessels (alpha receptors respond to adrenaline

and similar molecules). Keeping the whole body – and especially the hands – warm is the first step. Sudden temperature changes can trigger the effect. Warming the hands in warm water at the onset of an attack can stop it. Anxiety makes it worse, so a positive attitude can really affect this condition. Medications, such as amlodipine, may be necessary for prevention in more severe cases.

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. (c) 2019 North America Synd., Inc. All Rights Reserved.

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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 R

RZTNAKZ GVMK KVUUGMBO
KGNS MK RMOOZS NBF VZNPMZS
GVNB GVZ UGVZS, M'F VNPZ GU
TNYY MG GVZ LZNGMZS LZGZUS.

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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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A flu shot could save your life



by Freddy Groves

Some of us just don't want to get a flu shot every year. It's too much trouble to get an appointment, or we just don't like needles – or maybe we figure that we'll just tough it out for a week if we do get the flu. After all, it's not going to kill us, right?

A researcher at the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Minneapolis has come up with a strong reason to get an annual flu shot: You could have a heart attack if you don't.

After studying 450,000 medical records of four flu seasons, the VA researcher and his colleagues concluded that while the number of flu cases might go up only slightly (5%) in a given month, the number of heart-related problems soars (24%) during that same period. They coordinated with the Centers for Disease Control

and Prevention for flu stats, and concentrated on four specific communities in Maryland, North Carolina, Mississippi and Minnesota. While a correlation between the flu and heart failure has long been suspected, this large study nails it with real numbers.

If you're already a heart patient, don't depend on the doctors to send you a note about getting your flu shot. Get one. If you're otherwise healthy, take responsibility for getting your shot, and make sure others around you get it too, especially children. You can find the shots everywhere, including the local pharmacy and chain grocery stores.

While the 2018-2019 flu season is nearly over, get started early for the next round by paging through your calendar to September and October and making a note to get a flu shot then.

Consider this: As of March, there were 30,000 flu-related deaths and 300,000 flu-related hospitalizations.

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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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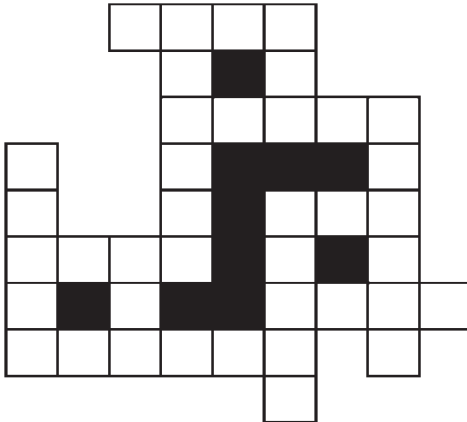
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♥ERFI



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

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• Do your kids love to have fruit cups in their lunchbox? They are a great snack, especially packed in juice, but I don't like the waste of materials or the cost. Instead, I use reusable screw-top containers that I fill each week from a large can. The price per serving is way less, and I'm not adding more little plastic cups to the mass already out there.

• J.F. writes: "If you're old like me, put a list of your medications on the fridge to aid the paramedics. Important phone numbers, too." Too true, J.F. I would add that if you are on a number of medications, keep a list in your wallet or handbag as well. It could come in handy when you are at a medical appointment, or just want to review with your pharmacist.

• Keep a washrag sprayed with cleaner handy when cooking spaghetti sauce. It's easier to clean up spills as they happen than to try to get dried sauce off the backsplash.

• "I have a bright spot lamp in my laundry room so that I can look over shirts to make sure I have treated all the stains. I don't have great lighting in the laundry room, and the LED light really makes spots stand out."
– R.Y. in Arkansas

• "Use flat, wide rubber bands around your mason jars as a bumper to avoid glass-on-glass clanging. You can even write on the band to use them for labels. I bought a pack of very fat rubber bands for cheap at the office supply store, and they are perfect."
– E.M.W. in Oregon

• Cold water wash all your clothes that can stand it – especially jeans and dark clothing. It preserves the color, and that's in addition to being better on your pocketbook since it takes less energy.

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SILVEROCHRE	SUNNI		
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