



## NEWSBRIEFS

### Diversity

With hate crimes on the rise, the personal-finance website WalletHub has released its report on *2024's Most Diverse Cities in America*, as well as expert commentary, to identify the places where people have the most unique blend of perspectives, which brings social and economic benefits. To determine the places in the U.S. with the most mixed demographics, WalletHub compared the profiles of more than 500 of the largest cities across five major diversity categories: socioeconomic, cultural, economic, household and religious. El Paso was ranked 253rd in the report. Other stats:

- Murfreesboro, TN has the highest income diversity, which is two times higher than in Hockessin, DE, the city with the lowest.
- Germantown, MD has the highest racial and ethnic diversity, which is four times higher than in Laredo, TX, the city with the lowest.
- Thornton, CO has the highest industry diversity, which is 2.7 times higher than in Middlebury, VT, the city with the lowest.
- South Valley, NM has the highest occupational diversity, which is 3.2 times higher than in Cambridge, MA, the city with the lowest.

“The most diverse cities demonstrate diversity in many dimensions – not just in race and gender but also everything from residents’ languages and birthplaces to their job types and household sizes. These cities blend together a multitude of different perspectives, helping people to better understand the world around them and become more empathetic. This exchange of ideas also tends to increase the economic success of diverse cities. The most diverse cities overall are a trio of Maryland towns close to Washington, D.C.: Gaithersburg, Silver Spring, and Germantown. These Maryland cities have some of the most diversity when it comes to race, language and educational attainment. However, individual cities across the country stand out in different categories. For example, South Valley, NM, has the most occupational diversity,

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*If experience is the best teacher, many of us are mighty poor students.*

– Quips & Quotes



– Photo by Alfredo Vasquez

**MONEY TRICKLING** – The El Paso County Lower Valley Water District (LVWD) bond issue was passed with the slightest of margins – 314 (50.5 %) voters FOR and 308 (49.5 %) AGAINST – in the May 4 election (Source: El Paso County Elections office). Voters approved \$35 million in bonds. Some of the bond money will allow LVWD to install sewer line services to about 300 households, replacing septic tanks. LVWD’s main offices, above, are located just south of Interstate 10 on FM-1110 (the Clint cut-off).

## Voters narrowly pass \$35 million bond package for Lower Valley Water District

By Alfredo Vasquez  
*Special to the Courier*

EL PASO COUNTY – Hundreds of households in El Paso County’s Lower Valley will soon be able to stop using their septic systems and instead receive sewer line services, as voters recently approved a \$35 million bond issue that Lower Valley Water District (LVWD) officials said was needed to install sewer lines in five different neighborhoods.

The Lower Valley water utility provides water to over 21,000 homes and businesses, and it also provides sewer services to more than 18,000 in the area mostly southeast of Loop 375, which includes the towns of Socorro and Clint, as well as the Sparks community.

Many of these neighborhoods sprouted up in the area before LVWD was established and before El Paso County had imposed development codes. Thus, there are households that lack basic wastewater infrastructure and largely rely on septic systems that leech waste across their properties. The once rural dwellings now sit

among both crop fields and newly built housing developments.

With the successful bond election, Michael Flores, the utility’s contracts and grants administrator, estimated that the bond issuance would boost a homeowner’s annual tax bill by a maximum of \$32 per \$100,000 of taxable value. He stated that only property owners in the district’s boundaries would pay the tax.

According to a 2018 study conducted by a University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP) professor, over 67,000 Texas residents were living in nearly 500 unserved colonias, which the study defined as communities lacking water, sewer, power infrastructures and paved roads.

Within El Paso County, 32,000 people had no sewer service, according to the UTEP study. The researchers focused on the Bejar Estates colonia in Socorro and documented residents’ old, malfunctioning septic systems and relatively higher rates of bleeding ulcers and intestinal ailments.

“Complaints of residents regarding odors and other septic drainfield-related nuisances have been reduced where sewer service has been provided,”

the 2018 study noted, “whereas in neighborhoods without sewer service, such as Bejar Estates, these complaints have continued and even grown as the septic tank drainfields age beyond 20 years.”

The Lower Valley Water District earlier this year began construction to provide wastewater service to Bejar Estates using almost \$7 million in federal funding, according to district reports.

“Septic tanks work really well if you live in an area where your groundwater is 500 feet or 1,000 feet (deep), where you’re not contaminating the groundwater,” said Ed Long, chief operations and technical officer for LVWD. The groundwater table in the Lower Valley, however, is between 5 feet and 8 feet below the surface, he stated in a recent news report.

“If you’ve got areas where you have clay, or a lot of organic material, that water is not going to percolate into the ground. Some of it is going to start coming up if you’ve saturated the soil,” Long related.

LVWD recently identified 69 water

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# No, don't rush the Trump J6 case

When the Supreme Court said it would hear Donald Trump's immunity claim in the Jan. 6 case brought by Special Counsel Jack Smith, the former president's enemies erupted in anger.

It was delay for delay's sake. It was a rank political favor for an ally. It was utterly gratuitous in legal terms, since it's a slam dunk that a former president doesn't enjoy immunity for acts during his time in office.

MSNBC's Rachel Maddow accused the Court of "doing this as a dilatory tactic to help your political friend." And, she added, "For you to say that this is something that the Court needs to decide because it's something that's unclear in the law is just flagrant, flagrant bullpucky."

This interpretation didn't survive first contact with the oral arguments, which were fascinating

and complex and raised all sorts of knotty and consequential issues.

Does the threat of criminal prosecution run the risk of chilling presidents in the performance of their duties, as Trump's lawyer argued? Or does immunity run the risk of creating an incentive for executive lawlessness, as the Special Counsel's representative argued? Would politicized lawsuits against presidents threaten our "stable, democratic society," as Justice Samuel Alito suggested? Or would immunity make the presidency "the seat of criminality," as Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson worried?

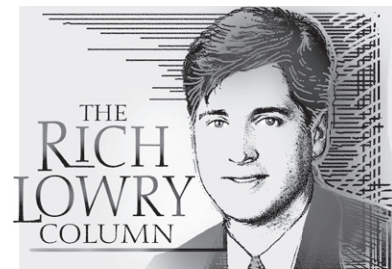
Should a president have immunity for official presidential acts and not private acts, and where do we draw the line? Do the criminal statutes that Trump is accused of violating in the J6 case even

apply to him? What role does a series of court precedents play in this case?

All of this and more are featured in the oral arguments.

They were so interesting and fraught because the court is grappling with fresh questions raised by an unprecedented circumstance, namely, the prosecution of a former president.

As for the sweeping, unanimous decision of the D.C. Circuit that denied Trump's claim of immunity and Trump's critics considered dispositive, Chief Justice John Roberts, who is not a MAGA extremist, made it clear that he



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# Collier, Martin, are Socorro ISD Teachers of the Year

By Christy Flores-Jones  
Special to the Courier

EL PASO COUNTY – The Socorro Independent School District announced its top two educators at the 2024 Teacher of the Year Gala on May 10 at the El Paso Convention Center.

Veronica Collier, a fourth-grade teacher at Élfida P. Chavez Elementary School, was named the 2024 SISD Elementary Teacher of the Year, and Christopher James Martin, a teacher in the Practical Academic Skills (PAS) unit at Col. John O. Ensor Middle School, was named the 2024 SISD Secondary Teacher of the Year.

More than 1,100 SISD teachers, family members and special guests attended the district's signature event, which recognized all 50 campus teachers of the year, along with the Elite 8 finalists and the top two district winners for their hard work, dedication to teaching, and commitment to student success.

"You take actions that ignite imaginations, inspire ideas, and generate success," SISD Acting Superintendent James Vasquez told educators who were in attendance. "While you might not view yourself this way, you are heroes saving lives, healing souls, solving problems, and providing hope for the future."

Collier and Martin received the Teacher of the Year award for their enthusiasm for teaching and for inspiring their students to seize the opportunities provided by SISD for long-term success.

Throughout her 23-year teaching career, Collier has strived to create a safe and supportive environment where students can thrive and learn. She was inspired to be a teacher by her own children's educators who made a big impact in their lives.

"My kids actually said, 'If you win, we're going to celebrate, and I really wouldn't be here without them,'" Collier said about winning 2024 SISD Elementary Teacher of the Year. "They're going to be very happy. They've been a great group of kiddos, and I just can wait to show them (the award)."

Martin found his calling to become a teacher after spending two years as a social worker at Child Protective Services. An educator for 23 years, Martin helps his students work hard and earn excellent grades, so they are prepared for high school and life.

"I want to tell the whole world how happy I am with this district, and how this district allows me and supports me and says, 'We're going to change the world with you, all you have to do is take care of your kids,' and that's what I'm going to do," Martin



– Photos courtesy Socorro ISD

Veronica Collier, left, and Christopher James Martin.

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## LVWD

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and sewer projects that need to get done, and estimated all of those would cost about \$93 million to complete. But the utility chose eight of the larger projects on its list to prioritize for this bond election.

With the latest bond monies, the neighborhoods that are tentatively scheduled to receive new sewer lines are Wildhorse, Athena West North, Valle Bonito, Hacienda Real, and Mesa Verde. "If we can get a bond issuance for these bigger projects, we can fund the smaller ones in-house," said Gerry Grijalva, the utility's general manager.

LVWD officials explained that seven of the eight proposed bond projects are sewer related. The biggest one is a \$7.5 million project to build a lift station off of North Loop Drive. Lift stations drive the sewage system by pumping

wastewater up several feet so that it can flow downward to the next lift station, until the sewage reaches El Paso Water's Bustamante Wastewater Treatment Plant on Pan American Drive.

"We have 16 lift stations right now in our district," Long stated. "So you're going from a shallow manhole to a real deep manhole, and pumping it back up. And the process just keeps on going."

LVWD buys all of its water supplies from El Paso Water, and last year paid about \$6 million for over 2 billion gallons. With voters approving the latest bond issuance, LVWD officials estimate that the district will pay a 5.5 percent interest rate, which means that the total cost of the bond including principal and interest will reach nearly \$72 million over 30 years.

Reports indicate that the utility held about \$25 million in cash last September, with \$277 million in assets versus liabilities of \$45 million.

LVWD has also seen a steady increase in new customers as the county's population has shifted to the eastern parts in recent years. "We do take advantage of the new development to be able to extend our existing system," Long stated in the report.

As of the fall of 2023, LVWD owed \$37.2 million in long-term debt, a decrease from \$40 million a year earlier, and \$42 million in 2021, according to recent reports.

LVWD customers saw their bills rise sharply last year in response to a rate increase imposed by El Paso Water. The average household water and sewer bill among LVWD customers was \$69 per month last year, an increase from \$60 in 2022.

El Paso Water customers on average are paying about \$73 per month for water and sewer bills after the utility's rate hike earlier this year. And those figures do not include either the utility's trash collection or stormwater fees.

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while St. Louis has the most religious diversity.”

– *Cassandra Happe*  
*WalletHub Analyst*

Visit <https://wallethub.com/edu/most-diverse-cities/12690> for the full report.

– *Diana Polk*

**Natalie had a little lamb**

Natalie Renot, of Wiggins, MS, known for rescuing animals in need, has a new patient to care for – a lamb born with five legs who she calls Spider-Lamb. When she found her lamb he was in dire need but he has been responding to the care she and local veterinarians have provided. As she tells it, “I am still having to force-feed him, but I did stand him up and he walked a little bit, so I call that progress.” Veterinarian Jason Gulas confirmed Natalie’s assessment, noting that “he definitely has some abnormalities. He might not be normal

compared to other lambs, but I think that he will live a normal-for-him life,”

– *John Grimaldi*

**Water work**

Talk about “muscle

control.” Thirty-five-year-old Ma Hui, who hails from China, made it into the Guinness Book of World Records when he downed more than a gallon of water and then regurgitated

it in a record-breaking 5 minutes and 51.88 seconds. According to Guinness, “water spouting is a trick which has been performed since the 17th century. It involves drinking large

amounts of liquid (usually water) and regurgitating it using muscle control.”

– *John Grimaldi*

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**Noticia Pública**

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be for the reminder of the unexpired term of office only, until December 31, 2024.

The contract specifications may be obtained from the Village of Vinton website under “Opportunities” or directly from the Village Administrator.

Sealed applications must be received by the Village of Vinton no later than 9:00 a.m. on June 17, 2024 at the Village City Hall, located at 436 E. Vinton Road, Vinton Texas, 79821. Applications received after the due date will not be considered by the Village Council.

All applications must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked:

**MUNICIPAL JUDGE SERVICES RFQ #2024-004.**

The Village Council will consider the appointment at its regular Council meeting to be held on July 16, 2024.

The Village of Vinton reserves the right to reject any or all applications, to waive any irregularities or informalities or both in any application, and to make an award in any manner, consistent with the law and deemed to be in the best interest of the Village.

All inquiries concerning this RFQ must be made in writing and addressed to the address or email below, with email being the preferred method.

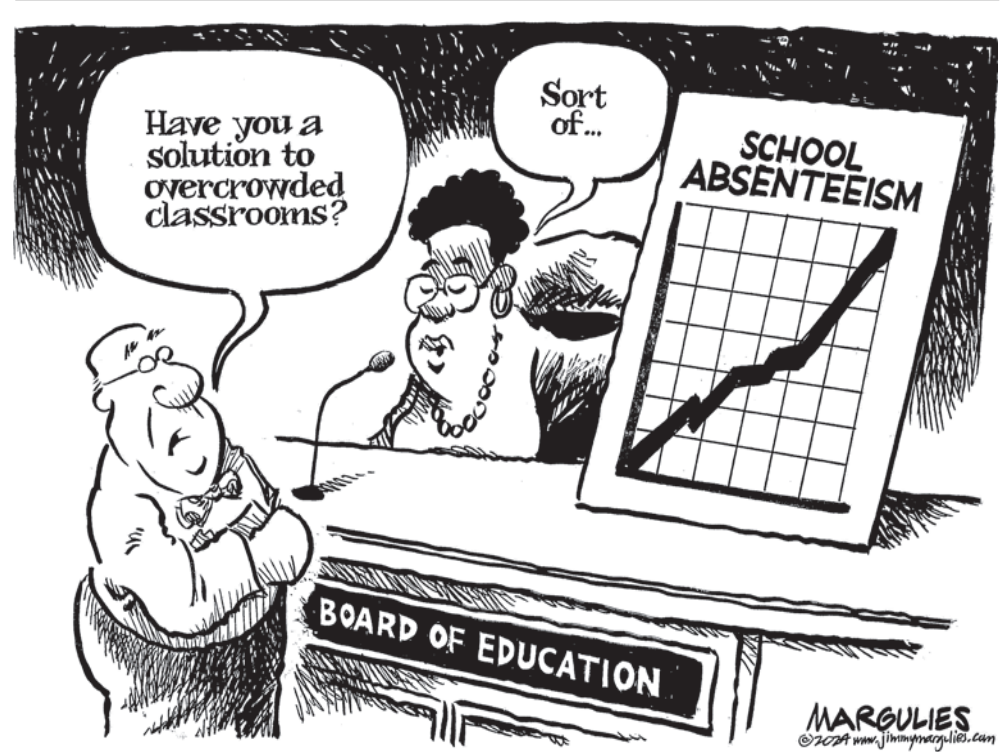
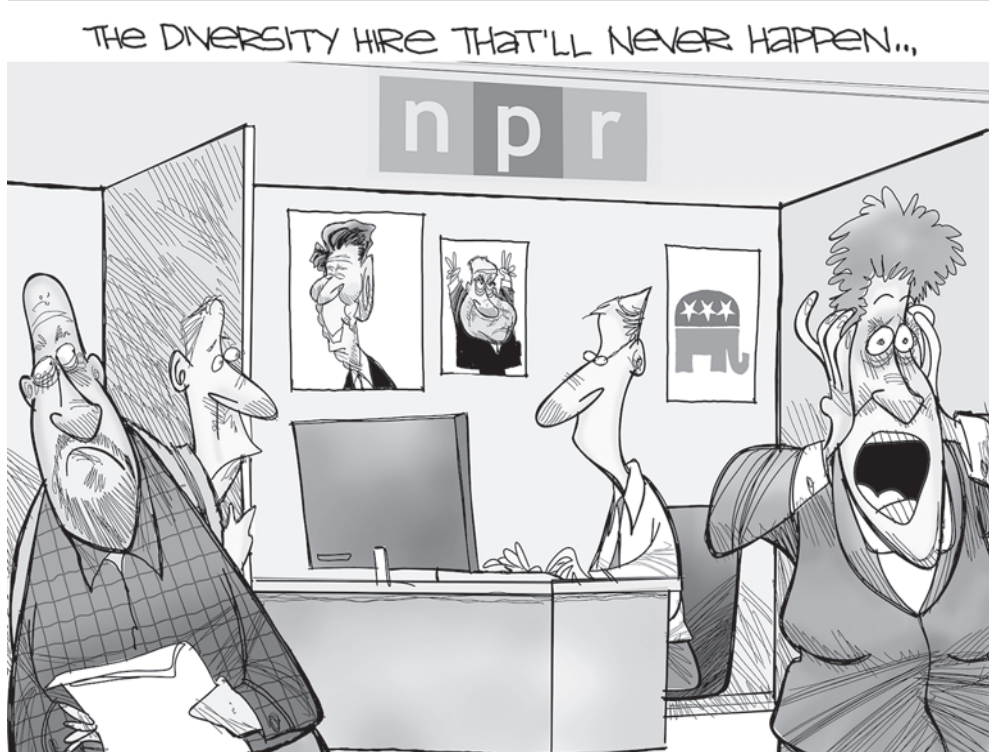
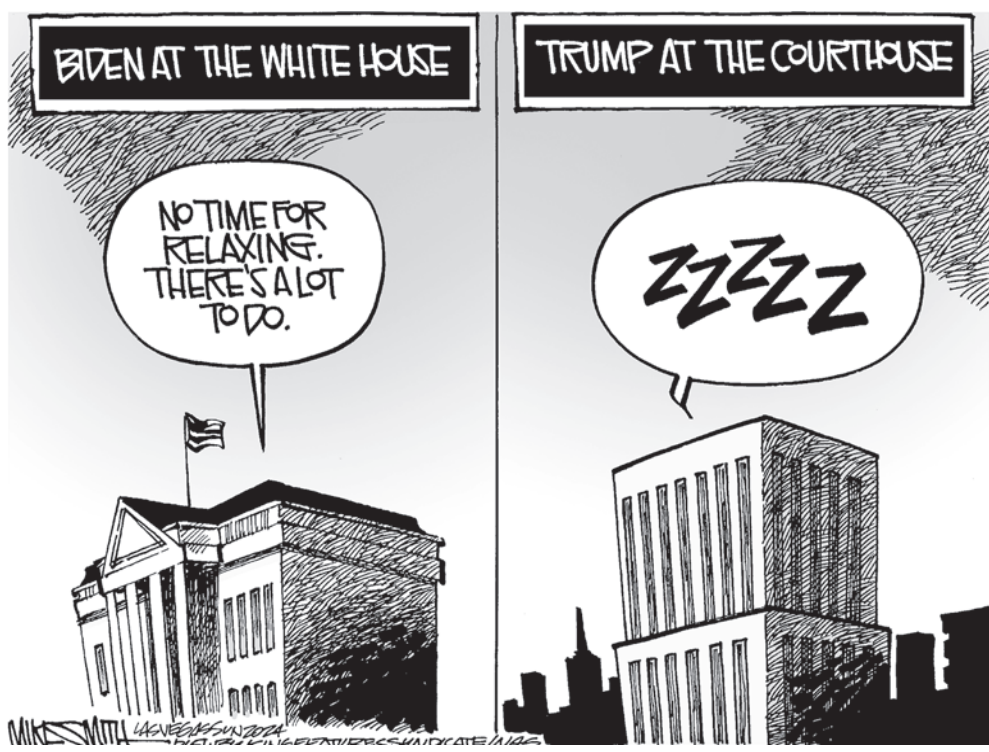
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Los padres o estudiantes adultos deben reconocer que estos registros pueden ser necesarios por el estudiante o el padre para los beneficios de Seguro Social u otros beneficios post-escolares. Los expedientes programados para destrucción se pueden solicitar a más tardar al final del día de trabajo el 21 de junio de 2024 correo electrónico a la oficina de educación especial de CISD a [lorraine.martinez@clint.net](mailto:lorraine.martinez@clint.net).

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By Lucie Winborne

• Forget “hair of the dog.” A banana milkshake sweetened with honey is one of the best ways to cure a hangover. The banana helps calm the stomach while the honey builds up depleted blood sugar levels.

• If you sign up for the National Do Not Call Registry, anyone who places a sales call to your number can be fined up to \$40,654 per call.

• The rainbow eucalyptus tree sheds strips of bark as

it grows, revealing a green inner layer that changes color over time, taking on vibrant blue, purple and orange hues.

• Java junkies, did you know that when coffee spread from Arabia to Europe, some people called it a “Muslim drink” and wanted it banned? Fortunately, it became widely accepted when the Pope tried a cup and liked it enough to declare it a Christian beverage.

• In much of the U.S. it is illegal to buy a new car directly from the manufacturer.

• In 1818, the U.S. began building a fort near the New York-Quebec border to defend against invasions

from Canada. After two years they realized the fort was actually on the Canadian side. The abandoned project was appropriately named Fort Blunder.

• Ever wonder if you have a doppelganger? Head on over to [Twinstrangers.com](http://Twinstrangers.com), where you can register to find your lookalike from anywhere in the world by uploading photos, selecting your facial features, and looking through matches.

Thought for the Day: “A wise man can learn more from a foolish question than a fool can learn from a wise answer.”

– Bruce Lee

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| Aldrete Middle School                                 | 801 Talbot Rd.                     | June 3 – June 13   |
| Canutillo Middle School                               | 7311 Bosque Rd.                    | June 3 – June 13   |
| Bill Childress Elementary School                      | 7700 Cap Carter Rd.                | June 3 – June 14   |
| Canutillo Elementary School                           | 651 Canutillo Ave.                 | June 3 – June 14   |
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## CryptoQuip Answer

The cereal fungus was rapidly encroaching upon the yearly crops of rye and wheat. Ergo, ergot.

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**Moments  
in time**  
THE HISTORY CHANNEL

• On May 13, 1958, Vice President Richard Nixon's car was attacked and nearly overturned by an angry crowd shouting anti-American slogans as Nixon traveled through Caracas, Venezuela, during a goodwill trip through Latin America. TITLE: None of the car's passengers were injured and the driver was able to speed away to safety.

• On May 14, 1904, the first Olympic Games to be held in the United States opened in St. Louis, Missouri. The Games had initially been awarded to Chicago, but were later given to St. Louis to be staged in connection with the St. Louis World Exposition. Unfortunately, the Games were poorly organized and overshadowed by the fair.

• On May 15, 2009, General Electric, one of America's most prestigious corporations, finally began its government-mandated efforts to clean up New York's Hudson River, after decades of environmental damage and legal wrangling. The company had dumped harmful chemicals into the river for years and spent a fortune trying to avoid a cleanup.

• On May 16, 1975, Norma Armistead checked into a Los Angeles hospital with a newborn infant she claimed to have given birth to at home. But when it became clear she hadn't, and another woman turned up dead nearby with the baby she was carrying cut from her body, Armistead was arrested for murder and sentenced to life in prison.

• On May 17, 1885, Apache leader and medicine man Geronimo escaped from an

Arizona reservation. After a year and a half of running, he and his 38 remaining followers surrendered the following September. Geronimo was relocated to Florida before finally being freed two years later.

• On May 18, 1593, an arrest warrant was issued for Christopher Marlowe after fellow playwright Thomas Kyd claimed that "heretical" documents found in his room were actually written by Marlowe. Arrested two days later, Marlowe bailed out but died in a bar brawl on May 30.

• On May 19, 1943, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and President Franklin Roosevelt set a date of May 1, 1944, for the cross-Channel landing that would become D-Day. Due to bad weather, it was rescheduled for June 6 instead.

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**San Elizario Independent School District  
PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Public Meeting to Review Federally Funded Programs**

The San Elizario Independent School District will conduct a public information meeting to review the following SEISD Programs funded by Federal funds:

- Title I, Part A – Improving Basic Programs
- Title I, Part C – Education of Migratory Children
- Title I, Part C - Perkins V: Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century
- Title II, Part A – Supporting Effective Instruction
- Title III, Part A – English Language Acquisition (ELA)
- Title IV, Part A – Subpart 1 Student Support and Academic Enrichment
- Special Education Grant (IDEA B – Formula and IDEA B Preschool)

**The meeting will be held:**

**Friday, May 24, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in the Administration Offices, Board Room. 1050 Chicken Ranch Rd. San Elizario, TX 79849.**

SEISD does not discriminate against any individual with regard to race, color, national origin, age, religion, sex, marital or veteran status, the presence of a medical condition, disability, or any other legally protected status. 42 U.S.C. 2000e-2(a); 20U.S.C. 1681: Labor Code 21-051.

**San Elizario Independent School District  
AVISO PÚBLICO**

**La Junta Pública para Revisar los Programas de Fondos Federales**

El Distrito Escolar Independiente de San Elizario llevará a cabo una junta pública para revisar los siguientes programas, fondos federales:

- Título I, Parte A – Mejorando Programas Básicos
- Título I, Parte C – Educación de niños migrantes
- Título I, Parte C – Perkins V: Fortalecimiento de las carreras y educación técnica para el siglo XXI
- Título II, Parte A – Apoyando la instrucción eficaz
- Título III, Parte A – Adquisición del idioma inglés (ELA)
- Título IV Parte A – Subparte 1 Apoyo estudiantil y enriquecimiento académico
- Beca de educación especial (IDEA B-formula y IDEA B preescolar)

**La junta se llevará a cabo:**

**Viernes, 24 de mayo del 2024 a 9:00 a.m. en el salón de juntas en las oficinas de administración. 1050 Chicken Ranch Rd. San Elizario, TX 79849.**

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**Clint Independent School District  
SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES**

Clint Independent School District provides the following educational program/services to identified disabled children who reside within the district beginning on the third birthday through age twenty-one.

- 1) Instructional Program: including Early Childhood (beginning on the third birthday through age five), Resource (grades K-12) and Self-Contained (grades K-12)
- 2) Diagnostic Services
- 3) Transportation Services
- 4) Speech Therapy
- 5) Counseling Services
- 6) Adaptive Equipment Services
- 7) Physical Therapy
- 8) Occupational Therapy
- 9) School Health Services
- 10) Homebound Services
- 11) Autism Support

Services are provided to identified auditorial and visually impaired children who reside within the district from birth through age twenty-one and to private/home school students who qualify for special education services.

In compliance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 and Public Law 105-17, parents and adult students have the right to inspect educational records. District policies FL and FL-P provide for record access, confidentiality, and complaint procedures.

If you would like more information or know of a disabled child who is not receiving educational services, please contact the Special Education Director at 125 Brown Street, Clint, Texas 79836, or [lorraine.martinez@clint.net](mailto:lorraine.martinez@clint.net).

**SERVICIOS DE  
EDUCACION ESPECIAL**

*El distrito escolar de Clint provee los siguientes programas/ servicios educacionales a niños que son identificados como deshabilitados que viven dentro del distrito comenzando con el tercer cumpleaños hasta los 21 años.*

- 1) *programa de instrucción: infancia temprana (comenzando con el tercer cumpleaños hasta la edad de cinco años), cuarto de recurso (K-12), y clases contenidas (K-12)*
- 2) *servicios diagnósticos*
- 3) *servicios de transportación*
- 4) *terapia de habla*
- 5) *servicios de consejo*
- 6) *servicios de equipaje adaptivo*
- 7) *terapia física*
- 8) *terapia ocupacional*
- 9) *servicios de salud escolar*
- 10) *servicios de clases en el hogar*
- 11) *apoyo para el autismo*

*Se provee servicios a niños identificados como deshabilitados audible y visualmente que viven dentro del distrito desde nacimiento hasta la edad de 21 años y para estudiantes en clases privadas/en el hogar que califican para servicios de educación especial.*

*Conforme al Acto de Derechos y Confidencia Educacionales de Familia de 1974 y Ley Publica 105-17, padres y alumnos adultos tienen el derechos de ver los archivos educativos. Polizas FL y FL-P explican los derechos, la confidencialidad, y el proceso para quejarse.*

*Si usted desea mas información o sabe de un niño/niña deshabilitado que vive en el distrito escolar de Clint que no esta recibiendo servicios educacionales, favor de comunicarse con la Directora de Educación Especial en la direccion 125 Brown Street, Clint, Texas 79836, o a [lorraine.martinez@clint.net](mailto:lorraine.martinez@clint.net).*

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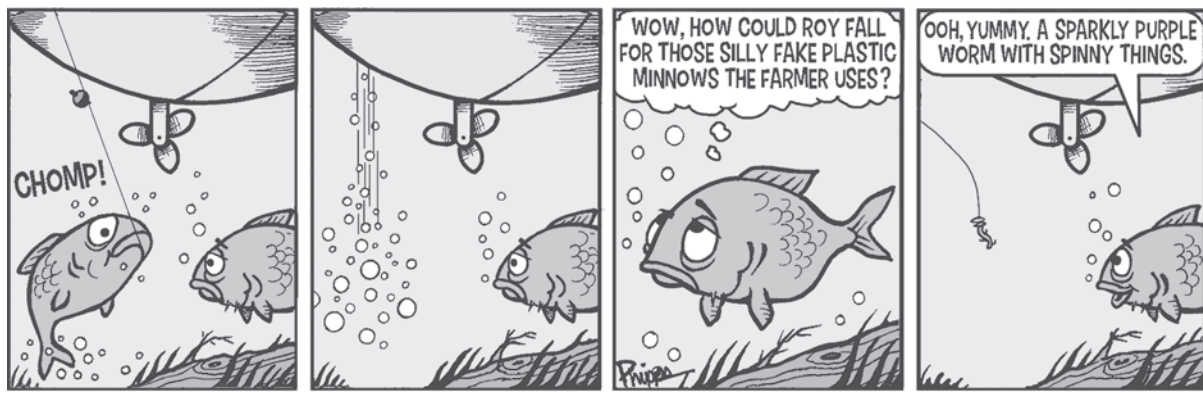


Comix

**OUT ON A LIMB** By Gary Kopervas



**AMBER WAVES** By Dave T. Phipps



**THE SPATS** By Jeff Pickering



**TIGER** By Bud Blake



**Lowry**

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thinks it's desperately flawed.

Trump's critics are putting partisan considerations (the belief that a trial in and of itself and, even more so, a conviction will hurt Trump politically) and their hatred of Trump and his post-election conduct before everything else in their demand for the fastest possible ruling most damaging to Trump.

This is a very bad impulse when asking the Court to create a precedent that will affect all presidents going forward.

As Justice Brett Kavanaugh said, "I'm not as concerned about the here and now. I'm more concerned about the future." Usually, we value such long-term thinking, but it's extremely inconvenient to Jack Smith and his cheerleaders.

A rush is understandable from their point of view. There is about a 50% chance that Trump will win an election again and, if he's not tried before November, he'll shut down the prosecutions of him.

But the idea that a complicated case relying

on novel use of federal statutes and involving a former president should, or could, be slammed through the courts like a case about an overdue parking ticket was always ridiculous.

If timing was such a worry (and Trump's criminality so obvious), the Justice Department could have appointed Jack Smith much sooner and Smith could have indicted Trump much faster. Hoping to short-circuit careful judicial review of all the weighty legal issues raised by the case just to meet the inherently political deadline of getting to trial before the election is foolish and short-sighted.

As it is, it seems the Court will almost certainly reject Trump's extravagant claims of immunity, while quite possibly blessing a more limited version. The Court also may ask the judge in the J6 case to determine which of Trump's acts were official and which private. That would take time and be hateful to Trump's enemies, who can't bear the thought that the judiciary might be judicious in its handling of a truly momentous court case.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review. ©2024 by King Features Synd., Inc.

**Using a selective plant-based diet may help some diabetics**

*DEAR DR. ROACH: Your recent column about treating diabetes left me wondering. Diabetes, as I understand it, is usually a result of too much sugar being consumed. But consuming carbohydrates is not that different because they are quickly converted to sugar through the human chemical processes. So, why are you promoting a plant-based diet that is high in carbohydrates? Consuming protein, which is easily obtained by eating meat, seems to be the answer to reducing the consumption of simple and complex carbohydrates that are quickly converted to sugar in our body. I've switched to a high-protein diet (both plant and animal protein), and my blood sugar has been very well-controlled for a couple of years. — F.B.*



Diabetes is not a result of consuming too much sugar. Type 1 diabetes is an autoimmune disorder where the cells that make insulin are destroyed by the body. Type 2 diabetes is a disease of insulin resistance and a relative inability to secrete insulin in response to a sugar load.

In a person with Type 2 diabetes, consuming too much sugar in a short time overloads the body's ability to respond, so their blood sugar goes up. It is persistent high blood sugar that is responsible for most of the damage to the kidneys, eyes, blood vessels and nerves.

I am careful about what I mean by a plant-based diet. While it's true that a diet consisting entirely of maple syrup and orange juice would be extremely bad for a person with diabetes because of the concerns about blood sugar that you raised, a plant-based diet that is mostly vegetables, whole grains, legumes, fatty fish and nuts/seeds with moderate amounts of whole fruits does not raise blood sugar more than a standard Western diet.

The high fiber content of the legumes, whole grains and vegetables prevents rapid absorption, and the protein and healthy fat in nuts and fatty fish likewise slow stomach-emptying. Finally, there is good evidence that people with diabetes have excellent results with this kind of diet.

You are right that protein is important for a person with diabetes, but many high-protein diets based on meat also have high amounts of saturated fat, which increase the risk for heart blockages. In addition, saturated fat is a major cause of disease and death in people with diabetes. However, it is possible to have a healthy, high-protein diet with care.

*DEAR DR. ROACH: The supplemental facts on the One A Day Men's 50+ vitamins and Women's 50+ vitamins are similar — only the men's had vitamin K, and the women's didn't. Other than this, the sole differences were variations in some of the daily values. Is there any potential downside to a man taking a Women's 50+ vitamin or vice versa? —J.M.*

I don't recommend daily multivitamins for healthy people, besides a few exceptions: Women of reproductive age who are considering pregnancy should be on a folate-containing regimen. People with known deficiencies (such as vitamin D) should be getting replacement supplements. Finally, vitamin E may increase prostate cancer risk and should be avoided in those with a prostate.

Women who are menstruating need more iron than men do, and sex-specific vitamin formulations keep these issues in mind. (Iron generally isn't dangerous for people who aren't menstruating, unless they have hemochromatosis.) So, while I don't recommend them, and although they are very similar, there are subtle reasons to choose a sex-appropriate vitamin.

*Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual questions, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu. ©2024 North America Synd., Inc. All Rights Reserved.*

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**Moore Texas by Roger Moore**

May 19, 1868: A storm in San Antonio hurls 2 lb. hailstones killing chickens, sheep and even cattle.

**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: T equals C

RVL TLULDP OKHIKB XDB  
 UDEACPW LHTUNDTVVAHI KENH  
 RVL WLDUPW TUNEB NO UWL  
 DHC XVLDR. LUIN, LUINR.

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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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**When you think you can't be shocked...**



by Freddy Groves

The Office of Inspector General for the Department of Veterans Affairs uncovers, investigates and helps bring to justice all types of criminals for all types of crimes. But sometimes the details are surprising and especially appalling.

This is a new charge: forced labor. Specifically, the charges were forced labor, slave labor trafficking and theft of government funds. In the scam, four people obtained the labor and services of an Indian national and kept him a prisoner by use of force and threats of force against his family back in India. They were arrested late last year on the slave labor trafficking charges.

Then it was discovered that the ringleader, a former U.S. Army veteran, and his wife had been collecting

caregiver support money from the VA, falsely claiming the veteran was unable to care for himself, that he couldn't walk, cook, shop, manage finances and medicine, take a bath by himself nor do anything else. They claimed caregiver funding for his care for four years before being caught. There were 47 counts alone of stealing government funds, as well as the counts for labor trafficking and forced labor.

Very appalling, besides the theft of government money, was that the kidnapped person was a young man here in the country on a student visa sponsored by the veteran. The kid was brought here to go to college but was instead held captive and physically abused, forced to sleep on the concrete floor in the basement.

Thankfully, a neighbor called police asking for a wellness check, during which the young captive was able to get to the front door to safety when the police showed up. He was

hospitalized and found to have both old and new injuries, including open wounds and broken bones as a result of reportedly being beaten with boards, pipes, metal rods and more. The judge in his wisdom denied all the criminals bail.

Most disturbing, however, is knowing that it was a veteran who was behind all the violence.

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- Keep your dishcloths and sponges germ-free and smelling sweet. Once weekly soak them overnight in a few cups of water to which you've added a tablespoon or so of bleach. It will keep them from developing that mildew smell.

- "To keep mixes from bunching up on the beaters of my mixer, I spray them with a little canola oil right before mixing. It isn't enough to affect the recipe, but it helps them do a better job, I think. And I don't have to stop the mixer so often to scrape the dough from the beaters." – R.V. in Oklahoma

- To clean tea-stained cups, use a couple of drops of dishwasher detergent. Stir and let set, then scrub out. It should wipe right out.

- "If there's a lot of burned-on food stuck to your pan, just add water immediately after cooking, then stick it in the oven (if oven-safe) at a low temperature for a little bit. It will soften the food, and you can clean it much easier." – U.A. in Montana

- "To keep calendar entries straight, you can use a different color highlighter for types of events or for each family member – blue for appointments, or green for kids' activities. A family calendar will help keep everyone in the loop." – A reader

- "Save larger envelopes in which you receive mail. You can reuse them by gluing or taping a new label on the front. You can close them with packing tape. Some of these envelopes are expensive." – T.G. in South Carolina

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**GO FIGURE!**

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

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DIFFICULTY: ★★ ★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult

★★★ GO FIGURE!

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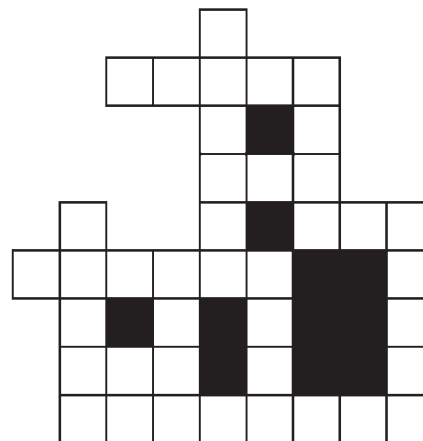
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Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or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

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