



– Photos by Alfredo Vasquez

READY FOR BUSINESS – Pilot's Xpress Fuel Travel Center recently opened this location in the Village of Vinton. It encompasses a large portion of the west side corner area along Interstate-10 East and the Vinton exit ramp.

Village of Vinton officials welcome new business investment

New travel center presents \$20,000 donation to Canutillo ISD

By Alfredo Vasquez
Special to the Courier

VINTON – Village of Vinton officials, an El Paso County commissioner, Canutillo Independent School District (CISD) administrators, and El Paso Chamber of Commerce delegates came together recently to welcome a new business partner to the upper valley community.

The welcoming committee met as part of a ribbon-cutting event that was hosted by Pilot's Xpress Fuel Travel Center executives to announce the grand opening of their modern semi-truck services facility and convenience store with restaurant accommodations. The center spans the entire westside corner area off of the Vinton exit ramp and Interstate-10 Highway going east.

The new fueling facility is designed to support local and regional travel that offers amenities such as 12 fuel stations, restrooms, convenience store, dining options, truck parking, and showers. It is expected to enhance travel efficiency and boost local economic development in Vinton, according to company officials.

During the ceremony, new Pilot's Xpress Fuel station manager Jesus Quiroz presented a \$20,000 check as a donation to the local school district. At the ceremony to accept the gift for the schools was Marlena Zimmerman, Canutillo ISD curriculum coordinator.

Among the participants at the celebration were guest speakers including Village of Vinton Mayor Rachel Quintana who noted that this new business was more than just a place to buy fuel.

The new travel center "represents new jobs, revenue, greater convenience for our residents, and a warm welcome to the many travelers who pass through Vinton each day. Pilot's investment helps strengthen our commercial corridor while

enhancing the services we can offer both our community and the city's guests. Every new business like this one adds energy and opportunity to our town, and we are proud to welcome it," the mayor stated.

Quintana recognized the village's development services team whom she said helps guide projects, like this one, to completion. "They make sure every proposal (presented to town council) meets safety codes, respects community goals, and aligns with the vision for our city... They coordinate with business owners, engineers, and citizens to make sure new developments are practical, responsible, and beneficial," the mayor said.

Also participating as a guest speaker was Sergio Coronado, El Paso County Commissioner for the upper valley region. The commissioner pointed out that the new Xpress Fuel Travel Center is an example of the progress that can be made when all stakeholders collaborate on a project.

Coronado said that the new business in Vinton supports the county's effort to implement the Economic Development Corridor initiative, a plan that would incentivize commercial interests in the

land between Vinton and Anthony. He stated that the program's implementation allows the county and other governmental agencies to offer incentives to companies that bring their businesses to the upper valley. "It would be a boost to the quality of life in the area," he added.

Representing the El Paso Chamber of Commerce was Manuel Grado. He lauded the growth that the Village of Vinton is experiencing and welcomed

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HER HONOR – Local officials and project stakeholders recently attended a ribbon-cutting event for Pilot's Xpress Fuel Travel Center in the Village of Vinton. "This travel center is more than a stop along the highway; it's a welcome center for our region and a new economic asset for our community," Village of Vinton Mayor Rachel Quintana (center) told the crowd that was gathered on the morning of May 6 for the grand opening.

The shots that changed the world

The iconic Henry Wadsworth Longfellow poem “Paul Revere’s Ride” begins, “Listen, my children...”

And, sure enough, we have long told our kids and ourselves of the cinematic events in April 1775, when the famous silversmith warned the countryside of approaching British troops and the American Revolution kicked off in earnest.

Like all legendary events, Paul Revere’s Ride and the Battles of Lexington and Concord have been encrusted with myth: It’s almost certainly not the case that Revere yelled, “The British are coming!” (we still considered ourselves British); Revere didn’t ride alone, and he didn’t even make it to Concord (the British briefly captured him); and the role of the celebrated Minutemen, the best of the militia units,

tends to be exaggerated in the popular understanding (most of the Colonial forces were regular militia).

Such minutiae aside, that day 250 years ago, April 19, 1775, still deserves to be celebrated in prose and poetry and is every bit as extraordinary as you might have learned when you were a child before we decided we didn’t like our own history and heroes so much anymore.

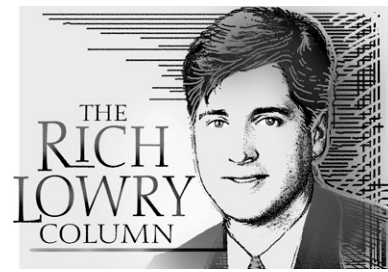
Hoping to maintain operational secrecy, the British sent a contingent out at night from Boston to capture reputed stores of weapons in Concord. They were immediately noticed – the “one if by land, two if by sea” lanterns in the Old North Church were a real thing – and the race was on.

It is really one of the most dramatic episodes in American history: Paul Revere and others

rushing to warn the countryside, and the British troops marching through the night, not briefed on their mission, hearing guns and bells sounding the alarm all around them.

Lexington was on the way. The militia mustered as a show of force, not seeking a fight. No one knows who fired “the shot heard around the world”; it may have been an inadvertent discharge. But the British then fired volleys and charged with bayonets, killing eight.

Concord was now fully on alert. Again, there was a wary standoff. Again, someone fired. During



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Neff, Miranda, named Socorro ISD 2025 District Teachers of the Year

By Christy Flores-Jones
Special to the Courier

EL PASO COUNTY – The Socorro Independent School District celebrated its top two educators at the 2025 Teacher of the Year Gala on May 9 at the El Paso Convention Center.

Edith Miranda, a bilingual Pre-K to fourth-grade teacher at Sgt. Roberto Ituarte Elementary School, was named the 2025 SISD Elementary Teacher of

the Year, and Michael Neff, a 10th-grade world history teacher at Montwood High School, was named the 2025 SISD Secondary Teacher of the Year.

The event, which was attended by teachers, administrators, and community members, celebrated the dedication and passion of SISD’s educators who have made an extraordinary impact on their students and the community. The gala

recognized all 50 Teachers of the Year, as well as the Elite 8 finalists. These exceptional educators underwent a rigorous selection process, showcasing excellence in teaching and an unwavering commitment to student success.

“You have continued the great legacy all while holding ourselves to the highest standards of achievement in SISD,” Interim Superintendent James Vasquez told educators who were in attendance. “All

of you have been instrumental in leading our students to excellence in the classrooms, on the field, on the pitch, in the concert halls. I applaud and thank everyone in this room for your contributions to our successes.”

Miranda and Neff received the Teacher of the Year award for their enthusiasm for teaching and for inspiring their students to seize the opportunities provided by

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Michael Neff



Edith Miranda

– Photos courtesy Socorro ISD

Public Notice / Aviso al Público Canutillo Independent School District

Summer Meal Program 2025/ Programa de Servicio de Alimentos para el Verano 2025

Canutillo Independent School District is participating in the Seamless Summer Option. Meals will be provided to all children 18 and under without charge and are the same for all children regardless of race, color, national origin, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), age or disability, and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service. Meals will be provided at the sites listed below on the dates as follows:

Distrito escolar Independiente de Canutillo está participando en el Programa de Servicios Alimentos de Verano. Las comidas se proporcionarán a todos los niños menos de 18 años sin cargo y por igual a todos los niños sin importar raza, color, origen nacional, sexo (incluyendo identidad, de género y orientación sexual), edad o discapacidad, y no habrá ningún tipo de discriminación en el servicio de comida. Las comidas se proporcionará en los sitios siguientes:

<u>Campus/Facility</u> <u>Campus/Instalaciones</u>	<u>Address</u> <u>Dirección</u>	<u>Dates (weekdays only)</u> <u>Fechas (Sólo los días laborables)</u>
Canutillo High School	6675 South Desert Blvd.	June 2 – June 27
Northwest Early College HS	6701 South Desert Blvd.	June 2 – June 27
Aldrete Middle School	801 Talbot Rd.	June 2 – June 5
Canutillo Middle School	7311 Bosque Rd.	June 2 – June 5
Canutillo Elementary School	651 Canutillo Ave.	June 2 – June 13
Davenport Elementary School	8401 Remington Dr.	June 2 – June 13
Garcia Elementary School	6550 Westside Dr.	June 2 – June 13

Contact your school for serving times. / Contactar su escuela para horas de servicio.

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USDA, Director, Office of Adjudication
1400 Independence Avenue S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410

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FORT fentanyl case brings first-ever Texas murder charges

By Carlos A. Briano
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EL PASO COUNTY – On April 3, 2025, Eric Robles was indicted on Texas state charges of Murder and Manufacture/Delivery of a Controlled Substance in Penalty Group 1B Over 4 grams and Under 200 grams. On April 23, 2025, approximately two weeks before completing his sentence on unrelated federal drug charges, Robles was transferred from the custody of the U.S. Bureau of Prisons to the custody of the El Paso County Sheriff's Office. The case was the first time the 34th Judicial District Attorney's office charged Murder as it relates to the distribution of fentanyl resulting in a death.

The Drug Enforcement Administration's (DEA) El Paso Fentanyl Overdose Response Team (FORT), a West Texas High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area initiative, investigated the case. FORT is staffed by DEA, El Paso

County Sheriff's Office, Federal Bureau of Investigations, Department of Army Criminal Investigations Division, Texas Department of Public Safety, Texas National Guard, and the El Paso Police Department.

"The ability to bring the state charge of murder gives the DEA another tool in our belt," said Omar Arellano, Special Agent in Charge of the DEA's El Paso Division. "Drug dealers even considering setting up shop in Texas need to keep that in mind."

Texas House Bill 6, passed in response to the rising number of fentanyl-related fatalities across the state, classifies the act of supplying fentanyl resulting in death as murder.

Although this is the first FORT case indicted on Texas state charges, the DEA's El Paso Division has had a total of 10 federally-charged cases which resulted in the sentencing of 10 individuals for distribution causing death. The 10 individuals received a combined 152 years in federal prison without parole.

Business

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the new fueling station to the borderland region. Grado also participated in the ribbon-cutting ceremony.

The Xpress Fuel and Travel Center is the latest in a string of new developments occurring in the Village of Village. Another project finalized last year was the Public Service Board (PSB) working with

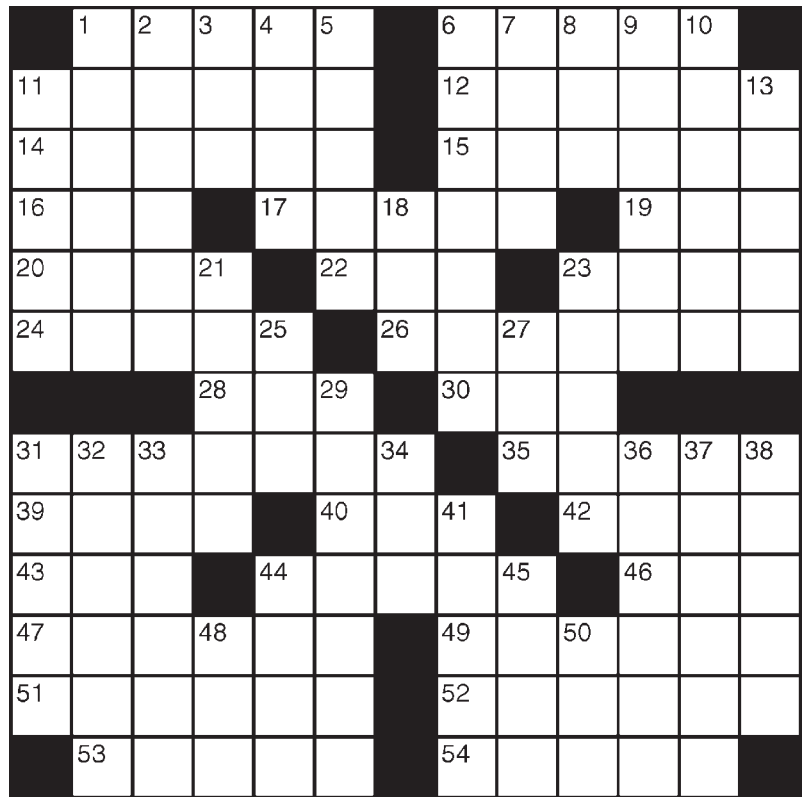
Vinton officials to have El Paso Water contractors install pipe infrastructure that now provides clean water to hundreds of Vinton residents.

And, because of the waterline installations, new housing developments are going up near CISD's Bill Childress Elementary School, which is located in the central part of the village. Two local builders, the BIC and Tropicana construction companies, have begun work

on a housing development that will include about 230 single family homes and a three-acre park, according to Perry Duby, Village of Vinton council member.

The council member surmised that the recent expansions in the Village of Vinton are great examples of what is possible when commercial developments are aligned with the community's values of service, safety, and sustainability.

King Crossword



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- 40 Lumber unit
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- 53 Ceases
- 54 Garlic crusher

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- 8 Tolkien creature
- 9 Christie sleuth
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- 18 Trail the pack
- 21 Recorded
- 23 Zesty flavors
- 25 Pants part
- 27 Director Spike
- 29 Smooth writing implements
- 31 Ecstasy
- 32 Summaries
- 33 Detangle
- 34 Brit's restroom
- 36 Ado
- 37 Inbox fillers
- 38 Civil wrongs
- 41 Arose
- 44 Ooze
- 45 Cowardly Lion portrayer
- 48 Ring decision
- 50 Arctic explorer John

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SISD for long-term success.

Miranda has been a dedicated educator for 12 years. She encourages her students to maintain a positive attitude, even when faced with challenges. She could not wait to share the good news with her students on Monday morning that she was named Elementary Teacher of the Year.

“Oh, my babies are going to be so excited,” Miranda said. “They’re four years old, five years old. They just knew I was coming to a celebration, and they were like ‘Ms. Miranda, have so much fun! We’ll see you Monday!’ So, they’ll be excited.”

Neff has ten years of experience as a teacher and coach. Whether in academics or athletics, he motivates his students to

reach their full potential and achieve outstanding results. He said being named Secondary Teacher was a bit overwhelming, but he was proud to receive the honor.

“It’s a big responsibility to carry on my shoulders being representative of the entire school district and to represent my awesome Montwood community and feeder pattern, I mean I’m just so grateful for the opportunity,” Neff said.

Both winners were awarded a glass sculpture in the shape of a flame, symbolizing the energy and spirit of curiosity that every student possesses. The trophy honors the unwavering dedication of SISD’s teachers as guardians of the flame.

The Teacher of the Year award is one of the highest accolades that an educator can receive. The winners move on to the regional level, where they have the opportunity to advance to the state level.

Strange BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne

- In 2010, a group of 15 monkeys escaped from a Japanese research institute by using trees to catapult themselves over a 17-foot-high electrical fence.

- Mike Tyson would KO sparring partners quickly so he could get home in time to watch “Tom & Jerry.”

- Casting for Quentin Tarantino’s “Jackie Brown” was partly done by Jaki Brown, and Lee Daniels’ “The Butler” was cast by Leah Daniels-Butler.

- While most parents do what they can to prevent or stop their babies from crying, in Japan a 400-year-

old tradition holds that if a sumo wrestler can make your baby cry, it will live a healthy life. During a special ceremony, parents hand over their infants to wrestlers who bounce the tots and sometimes even roar in their faces to get the tears going.

- It would only cost you in the neighborhood of \$140 per year to eat ramen for every meal.

- Neurologists claim that every time you resist acting on your anger, you are actually rewiring your brain to be calmer and more loving.

- In 1923, a jockey Frank Hayes suffered a fatal heart attack mid-race. His horse, Sweet Kiss, finished and won the race making Hayes the only jockey to win a race after death.

- Born in 1924, a horse called Lady Wonder was considered

by many to be psychic. Not only did she make predictions and answer questions for over 30 years and more than 150,000 people, she was credited with helping to solve several crimes.

- Leonardo da Vinci was the first person to observe the curvature of the human spine.

- During WWII, Winston Churchill wore a specially designed onesie that he called his “siren suit.”

- Don Gorske earned a spot in the Guinness World Records in 2016 for the gastric feat of consuming his 28,788th Big Mac.

Thought for the Day: “Not all paths offer a vista. But every path offers a lesson.”

– Toni Sorenson

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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) and Immigrant
- 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 23, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. in the Administration Offices, Board Room. 1050 Chicken Ranch Rd. San Elizario, TX 79849.

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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) e inmigrante
- 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 acabo:

Viernes, 23 de mayo del 2025 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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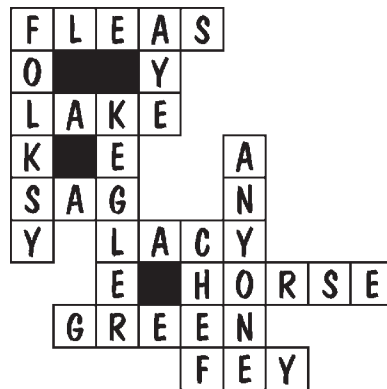
Clint Independent School District Public Notice

Child Find – All children with disabilities residing in the state who are in need of special education and related services, including those attending private schools, must be identified, located, and evaluated. This process, known as Child Find, is the responsibility of Clint Independent School District if your child’s private or home school is located within its boundaries. For additional information, please contact the Special Education Department at lorraine.martinez@clint.net.

Adviso Público

En Busca de Niño – Cada niño con una discapacidad que reside en el estado y necesita servicios de educación especial, incluyendo aquellos que asisten a escuelas privadas, debe ser identificado, localizado y evaluado. Este proceso, conocido como “En Busca del Niño”, es responsabilidad del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Clint si la escuela privada o en el hogar de su hijo se encuentra dentro de los límites del distrito. Para más información, comuníquese con el Departamento de Educación Especial al correo electrónico lorraine.martinez@clint.net.

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CryptoQuip Answer

If Russian spacewalkers need to tie off ropes, what do you think they will make? Cosmo-knots.



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Moments in time
THE HISTORY CHANNEL

• On May 12, 1896, New York City passed America's first anti-spitting law in an effort to combat tuberculosis, imposing fines and even jail time on unruly protesters who demonstrated their discontent by expectorating on anti-spitting signs. By 1910, more than 2,500 arrests had been made.

• On May 13, 1846, in response to a request by President James Polk, the U.S. Congress declared war on Mexico. The conflict, which ended two years later with the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, eventually cost the lives of 11,300 American soldiers and resulted in the annexation of lands that became parts of Oklahoma, New Mexico, Arizona, Nevada, California, Utah and Colorado.

• On May 14, 1998, legendary crooner, actor and show business icon Frank Sinatra died of a heart attack in Los Angeles at the age of 82. A heartthrob who married four times and divorced three, Sinatra's career spanned more than five decades, including a notable comeback in the 1950s.

• On May 15, 1948, 3-year-old June Devaney of Blackburn, England, was abducted from the hospital where she was recuperating from pneumonia. After her body was found two hours later, the detective inspector assigned to the case ordered the fingerprinting of the more than 40,000 men residing in Blackburn, which took nearly three months but eventually led to the killer, who was convicted and executed later that year.

• On May 16, 1975, Junko Tabei of Japan became the first woman to summit Mount Everest. She later gained further fame as the first woman to scale all Seven Summits, the tallest mountains on each continent.

• On May 17, 2000, the final episode of "Beverly Hills, 90210" aired after 10 seasons.

• On May 18, 2012, Facebook held its initial public offering (IPO) and raised \$16 billion. It was the largest technology IPO in American history at the time and third-largest IPO in the United States, after those of Visa and General Motors. When it went public, the social network was valued at \$104 billion and boasted some 900 million registered users around the world.

Clint Independent School District Public Notice

Destruction of Special Education Records

Parents/Guardians, Former Students, Eligible (Adult) Students: Special Education records collected by the Clint Independent School District (CISD) related to the identification, evaluation, educational placement, or the provision of Special Education services must be maintained under state and federal laws for a period of five years after Special Education services have ended for the student. Special Education services end when the student no longer is eligible for services, graduates, completes his or her educational program at age 22, or moves from the district. Clint ISD intends to destroy Special Education records of those students that ceased receiving services during the school year 2019-2020.

Parents or adult students need to recognize that these records may be needed by the student or the parent for Social Security benefits or other post-school benefits. Records scheduled for destruction may be requested no later than the end of the workday on June 20, 2025, by emailing the CISD Special Education Office at lorraine.martinez@clint.net.

Distrito Escolar Independiente de Clint Aviso Público

Destrucción de los Expedientes de Educación Especial

Atención Padres/Tutores, Exalumnos y Estudiantes Adultos Elegibles: Los registros de Educación Especial reunidos por el Distrito Escolar Independiente de Clint (CISD) relacionados con la identificación, evaluación, colocación educativa o la prestación de servicios de Educación Especial deben mantenerse conforme a las leyes estatales y federales durante un período de cinco años después de que finalicen los servicios de Educación Especial para el estudiante. Los servicios de Educación Especial finalizan cuando el estudiante ya no es elegible para recibirlos, se gradúa, completa su programa educativo al cumplir los 22 años o se muda del distrito. El Distrito Escolar Independiente de Clint tiene la intención de destruir los registros de Educación Especial de aquellos estudiantes que dejaron de recibir servicios durante el año escolar 2019-2020.

Los padres o estudiantes adultos deben tener en cuenta que estos registros pueden ser necesarios para beneficios del Seguro Social y otros beneficios posteriores a la escuela. Los registros programados para destrucción pueden solicitarse a más tardar al final del día laboral del 20 de junio de 2025, enviando un correo electrónico a la Oficina de Educación Especial de CISD a lorraine.martinez@clint.net.

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Clint Independent School District SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

Clint Independent School District offers 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 14521 Horizon Blvd., El Paso, Texas 79928, or lorraine.martinez@clint.net.

SERVICIOS DE EDUCACION ESPECIAL

El Distrito Escolar de Clint ofrece los siguientes programas y servicios educativos a niños identificados con discapacidades que viven dentro del distrito, comenzando desde su tercer cumpleaños hasta los 21 años de edad.

- 1) programa de instrucción: infancia temprana (a partir del tercer cumpleaños hasta los cinco años de edad), salón de recursos (K-12) y clases contenidas (K-12)
- 2) servicios de diagnósticos
- 3) servicios de transportación
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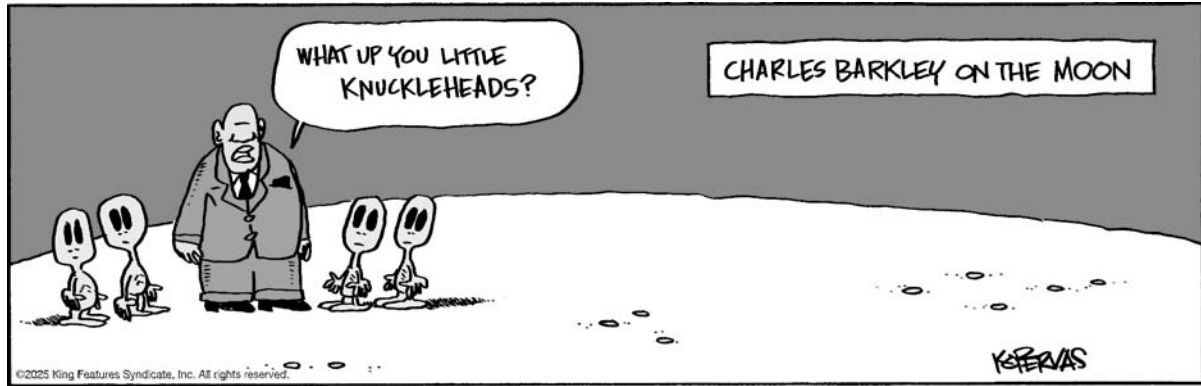
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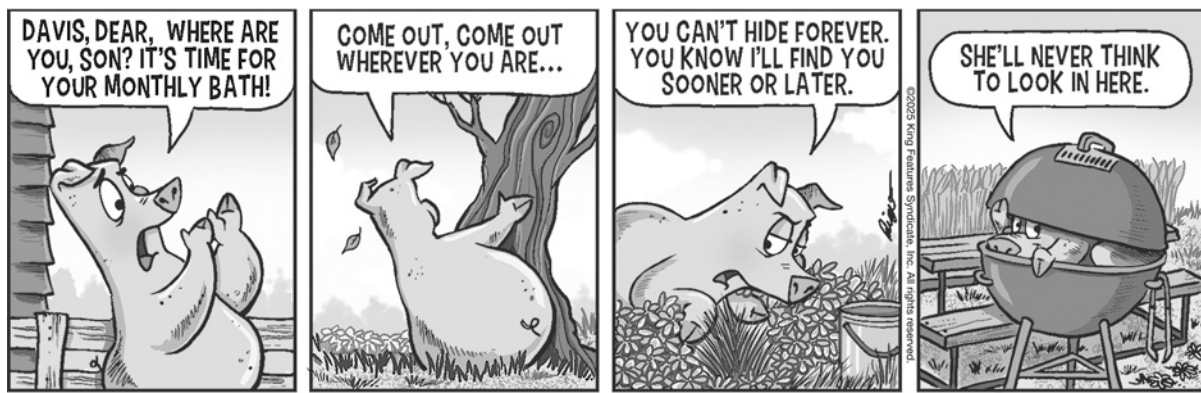
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this confrontation at North Bridge, the British got off a volley, then the Colonials returned fire with deadly effect and – shockingly – the British ran.

Their ranks swelling, the Colonials harried the Regulars along the narrow Battle Road as they retreated back to Lexington, with the places where the fighting was especially intense known by names such as the Bloody Angle and Parker's Revenge.

Members of the militia didn't, as popular imagination believes, largely act on their own inspired initiative; they were well-led. The Americans repeatedly stood in formation against the British regulars during the course of the day. "It was an extraordinary display of courage, resolve and discipline by citizen soldiers against regular troops," the historian David Hackett Fischer writes.

The more dispersed fighting along the Battle Road later on was itself the product of a Colonial plan – to avoid direct confrontation with a now-reinforced, much larger British force. By the

time they made it back to Boston, the British had suffered a true mauling, experiencing roughly 300 casualties to 100 for the Colonials.

The Americans ensured that the word spread far and wide, and the effect was electric. Thomas Paine, who had only recently come to America, felt that "the country, into which I had just set my foot, was set on fire about my ears." John Adams said that Lexington "changed the instruments of war from the pen to the sword."

If Lexington and Concord were small-scale engagements in the scheme of things, the reverberations were enormous. They sent a message that a defiant American population wouldn't be easily subdued.

Wadsworth concluded his poem with the lines:

"Through all our history, to the last,
In the hour of darkness and peril and need,
The people will waken and listen to hear
The hurrying hoof-beats of that steed,
And the midnight message of Paul Revere."
May it be so.

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Magnesium intake helps with bigeminy heartbeat

DEAR DR. ROACH: Several months ago, I developed a case of a bigeminy heartbeat, so my cardiologist prescribed metoprolol. At about the same time, I had reduced my intake of magnesium from about 50% of the daily value (DV) to 35%. (This may have preceded the bigeminy onset.) Quite by accident, I read an article recommending magnesium for a heart arrhythmia. I started magnesium gluconate at 100% of the DV. I have been taking this and metoprolol for about a month, and my condition has improved about 95%. The question is: How can we tell if shorting down the magnesium to 35% was actually the cause and increasing it to 100% was the cure? – L.R.



Bigeminy, more precisely ventricular bigeminy, is a term most people probably haven't heard of, but most people have heard of a premature ventricular contraction (PVC). Ventricular bigeminy is when every other beat is a PVC and alternates with regular beats.

While this rhythm can happen in people without any heart disease or risk factors, your cardiologist will have considered many underlying causes such as excess alcohol use, anemia, low oxygen levels, and thyroid disease. A beta blocker like metoprolol is usually the first drug that is used as beta blockers reduce adrenalin levels, reduce the oxygen needs of the heart, and are proven to be effective at reducing the number of PVCs.

A low magnesium level is another risk factor for PVCs and ventricular bigeminy, and there are case reports of the rhythm going away completely with magnesium. So, while we can't be sure whether your bigeminy was caused by a low magnesium level, the story is suggestive that it's a real possibility.

I don't recommend taking magnesium except in people who have low levels, but 100% of the DV of magnesium is quite safe to take.

DEAR DR. ROACH: I am a 76-year-old female who weighs 112 pounds. I am 5 feet, 4 inches tall, and in good health. I walk 40 minutes to 1 hour over a very hilly course five days a week and do strength training two days a week. I was just diagnosed with osteoporosis, with my risk of a major osteoporosis fracture being 12.6% and my risk of a hip fracture being 3.8%, according to FRAX. I have Barrett's esophagus that is monitored every three years and take 20 mg of omeprazole for it. I also take 2,000 IU of vitamin D daily and try to eat a high-calcium diet. My only other medication is 50 mg of trazodone for sleep. I have no other medical problems. My primary doctor wants to put me on medication for osteoporosis. Given my situation, which medication would you recommend? – P.C.

The FRAX score is a way of combining a person's measured bone density with clinical risk factors like age, sex and weight to provide an estimate of the fracture risk. Most authorities recommend treatment when the risk of a major osteoporotic fracture is greater than 20% or the risk of a hip fracture is greater than 3%. Your primary doctor is following the published literature. (I will note that a revised calculator called the FRAXplus includes additional risk factors and can be found at FRAXplus.org/calculation-tool/.)

Omeprazole, the medicine you take for Barrett's, protects your esophagus but can cause poor absorption of calcium, which may be an additional risk factor for you. Because of your Barrett's, the normal first-line treatments (oral bisphosphonates) are not recommended. Instead, intravenous bisphosphonates such as zoledronic acid once a year are the standard recommendation.

Denosumab is another option, but people need to stay on this medication long-term because, unlike bisphosphonates, bone loss occurs rapidly after stopping it.

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. ©2025 North America Synd., Inc. All Rights Reserved.



Moore Texas by Roger Moore
 May 16, 1917: Up to 3' of hail was recorded in Ballinger, Texas.

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: R equals S

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 MYYG LQ LUY QVV ZQHYP,
 EDXL GQ OQN LDUMB LDYO
 EUKK CXBY? TQRCQ-BMQLR.

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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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Fake deployments and free plane rides



by Freddy Groves

It takes an especially devious mind to come up with some of this stuff. We have to wonder what staff at the Veterans Affairs Office of Inspector General (VAOIG) think when they're investigating certain crimes. They probably aren't smiling.

For example, this one: A veteran managed to grab 130 free airline flights while pretending he was on active duty and being sent on military assignments. The guy was an airline baggage handler, but only for one week. Then he showed his airline employer a fistful of fake military documents that said he needed eight months off for deployment.

During that time he jetted around the globe using the free flights benefit of employees, hitting all the

hot-spot tourist destinations, from the Caribbean, to South America, to Europe and all points in between – and documented the trips online. At the end of that period, he gave the airline more fake military documents and managed to extend the whole scam for another two years.

Meanwhile, while still employed by the airline and pretending he was entitled to free unlimited flights, he snagged a job as a federal air marshal.

Also, meanwhile, he took a job at a sporting goods retailer and pulled the same "I have to go do my military service" scam, likely so he could get the store discount.

It didn't help that the fake military orders he created were allegedly signed by someone who didn't exist.

The scammer's undoing began in part because he wanted to take his federal air marshal weapon with him on the plane and there was confusion about why an airline employee

baggage handler, which he still claimed to be, would be carrying an air marshal weapon while on personal travel and while he was supposedly still in the military.

Once investigators started digging into it, they unearthed a jaw-dropping 130 flights the scammer had taken.

I hope he enjoyed his vacations in the sun, because he could be looking at 20 years in the slammer.

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- There's been a lot of talk at my house about kitchen gadgets that do double duty, especially since I have made whipped cream for the first time – in my coffeemaker! I have a French press that I rarely use, until now. Add heavy whipping cream and a bit of sugar to the pot, and use the screen to whip the cream by rapidly bringing it up and down. Magic!

- "I love to eat pancakes, but I don't have time to make them every morning. I make a very large batch on Sundays and reheat them through the week. In order to re-create that fresh from the pan crisp (which you don't get if you microwave them), I use my toaster." – P.E. in Ohio

- Ice-cube trays can be handy for freezing portions of foods. Try freezing individual servings of baby food. Or clean and snip fresh herbs from your garden. Fill the ice-cube tray with tablespoons of olive oil and tuck the herb snippings into the oil. Then freeze. Whatever you freeze can be popped out and stored in a zipper-top bag for quick access.

- "Use a muffin pan to make big ice cubes for drinks." – A.L. in Missouri

- Hashbrowns can be made on a waffle iron. Coat liberally with canola oil or butter-flavored nonstick spray, and add shredded potatoes and finely diced onion. Allow the iron to cook the potatoes to your desired level of crispness, and flip out both sides onto a plate. They will be both crisp and soft!

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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.

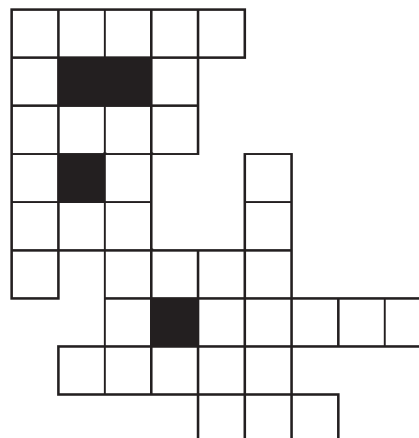
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- HFEC
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- ♥ SEFLA
- ♥ LYCA



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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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