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No truth in political advertising

To the Editor:

Is it no wonder that people are so discouraged with our politicians these days. When politicians and their advertising lead people to believe that one candidate can single-handedly change the climate in Washington and the entire country by stating that "I will repeal Obamacare" or "I will fix medicare and social security." I for one am sick and tired of people making promises that they know they can't keep.

Until politicians learn to cross party lines and work together, our country is in for a long, hard road to recovery. Just because a political candidate's grandfather says that the candidate will keep Social Security and medicare does not mean that it will happen. Just another political candidate saying what he thinks people want to hear.

Earl Williams
Sierra Vista

Cochise jury awards \$1.6 million

To the Editor:

Nearly four years after a reckless

driver killed Salvador Garcia near Double Adobe, a jury has decided to award the victim's family nearly \$1.6 million.

A Cochise County jury delivered a verdict last week for Salvador's widow, Hilda, and their three children, Grisha, Erick and Karla.

Phoenix attorney Craig Knapp took on the case for free for the Garcia family. The jury awarded Hilda Garcia \$1.5 million and each child \$25,000. The defendant, George Adcock, is serving a six-year prison sentence for negligent homicide.

"The Garcia family wanted to send a strong message to people who drink and drive recklessly about the many consequences of their poor decisions," Knapp said.

A Tucson police officer testified at the trial that Adcock had been drinking and driving and Adcock acknowledged he was driving between 72 mph and 75 mph before he struck Garcia April 9, 2008, at the intersection of Frontier and Davis roads. The speed limit is 45 mph. Adcock ran the stop sign at the intersection and Salvador Garcia was killed instantly.

"George Adcock made a bad decision to drink and drive, then

drive 30 mph over the speed limit and run a stop sign and Salvador Garcia and his family paid dearly for those decisions," Knapp said. "In winning this verdict for the family, I hope we deter others from making the same bad decisions and to keep Arizona roads safe."

Submitted by Barrett Marson
Phoenix

The hours are equal; work is not

To the Editor:

In response to an On Your Mind comment which appeared on May 30, 2012:

The writer who cited the 2009 Lilly Ledbetter Act obviously misinterpreted my objection to President Obama's tactics. I agree that in fairness women and men should receive equal pay for equal work. Where this precept is not followed, action can and should be taken under the Civil Rights Act of 1964. This Act was strengthened by the Lilly Ledbetter Act in that the latter act provides that the 180-day statute of limitation for filing begins to run from the date of any paycheck that contains an amount affected by a prior discriminatory