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City proposes \$702,616 budget

Council members to consider 10 percent increase in salary expenses

By J.J. Guidry
News Editor

The Brackettville City Council will consider a \$702,616 budget, including a \$27,575 increase in salaries, on Monday.

City officials will hold a public hearing for the 1996-97 proposed budget at 6 p.m., preceding their regular monthly meeting.

"I'm pleased with it," City Manager David Luna said of the proposed budget. "It didn't take us any time at all to go through it. The last four years, we've been experiencing less expenses and more income. It's a balanced budget, and that's what we look forward to."

The proposed budget is 6.1 percent higher than the city's current budget of \$662,401.

"Because of the cost-of-living increases that take place every year, we do a minimum tax increase of 2.999 per 100," Luna said. "So we've done the minimum increase every year. The amount of taxes that it would generate in this community has a lot to do with the appraisal value of the district."

The proposed budget includes \$302,550 in salary expenses, which is 10 percent higher than the \$274,975 allotted this year.

"It's a seven percent increase that we voted on. We do allow in the wages money for overtime and for emergencies. And if we hire somebody else, we have the money in there to take care of it."

The general government office salaries are proposed at \$97,950, which is 15.4 percent higher than the current allocation of \$84,910.

City of Brackettville's proposed budget

General Fund Revenue		General Fund Expenses	
Taxes	\$216,324	General government	\$186,982
License and permits	\$2,000	Fire Department	\$13,134
Charge for services	\$57,800	Highways and streets	\$28,000
Intergovernmental	\$8,842	Health and welfare	\$64,700
Miscellaneous	\$9,350	Parks and recreation	\$1,500
Total Revenue	\$294,316	Total expenses	\$294,316
Utility Fund Revenue		Utility Fund Expenses	
Charge for services	\$398,000	Purchases	\$80,000
Other revenue	\$6,100	Personnel	\$214,800
Non-operating revenue	\$4,200	Services and supplies	\$31,400
		Other costs	\$82,100
Total Revenue	\$408,300	Total expenses	\$408,300

Administration salaries are proposed at \$11,600, a 2.1 percent increase from the current amount of \$11,362.

Other general government expenses proposed include \$13,000

for maintenance and repair, \$11,032 to the Kinney County Appraisal District, \$8,450 in payroll taxes, \$7,000 for legal expenses, \$6,500 for health insurance. ■ See CITY COUNCIL/Page 10

Playground improvements



School Board Trustee Lloyd Lee Davis was one of the many volunteers at the Jones Elementary PTO playground improvement party Saturday. Photo by Steve La Mascus

School Board to examine student handbook

By J.J. Guidry
News Editor

The Brackett School Board of Trustees will consider adopting a new student handbook Monday during their monthly meeting which begins at 6:30.

School Board President Jimmy Bader said he was pleased with the preliminary handbook that will be presented to the trustees.

"I think we're going to have a very

workable document for our kids to have and take home, and be able to expect to be adhered to," he said.

The trustees discussed the handbook at a workshop on July 23.

"We just went through the student handbook and made some changes in clarification," Bader said. "It went very well."

Superintendent Taylor Stephenson said he thought the workshop was "very helpful."

"I think we're going to have a very workable document for our kids to have and take home, and be able to expect to be adhered to."

School Board President Jimmy Bader

"It has been helpful for me working with the board. As a new superintendent, I'm getting to know the board and we're working as a unit.

"With the board and the administration, we each have our separate functions,

but we have to work as a team for the best interests of the kids in Brackettville."

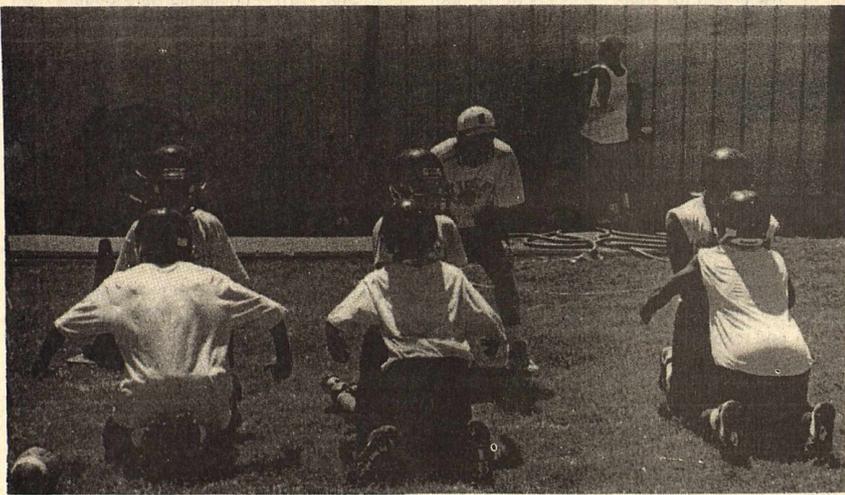
A public hearing is scheduled for Monday, Aug. 19th, at 6:30 p.m. That night, the board will discuss and adopt a

budget and set a tax rate.

"We're trying to put together a conservative budget and we're trying to live within our resources," Stephenson said. "Our goal is not to have a tax increase this year."

"We have a good program in place and we want to make sure that we're able to finance it for the next couple of years. And it looks like we're going to be able to do that within our existing revenue."

Hitting the gridiron



Brackett coach Gary Grubbs, squatting, works on technique with the secondary Wednesday during the Tigers' first workout. Photo by J.J. Guidry

Additional DPS forces visible in Brackettville

By J.J. Guidry
News Editor

Governor George W. Bush promised that the Texas Department of Public Safety would beef up its forces in South Texas, and that has become a reality.

An increased number of DPS Troopers are in the area, and visible in Brackettville, after officials responded to complaints that drug smugglers are terrorizing some ranches along the Texas-Mexico border near Eagle Pass.

"We've been running some task forces down (South Texas), specifically to address the illegal contraband trafficking down through there," Major E.C. Sherman of the traffic law enforcement division of the DPS said Tuesday.

"In that whole general area down there, you will

see (troopers) from time to time. They're a task force where we pull some troopers in from other areas to saturate one particular area. We may be in there for a few days and then go to another county for a few days, and then maybe rotate back to there.

"It's just to try to create a presence to combat the problems we're having down in those areas," he said. "We don't have the manpower to put that level of enforcements down there all the time and keep it there, so we just have to move it around from place to place."

Bush previously said that Eagle Pass has become one of the heaviest drug-trafficking areas along the Texas-Mexico border.

Fearful ranchers there have complained about increasing problems with armed smugglers using their property to move drugs from Mexico into the United States.

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Man found dead near Pinto Creek

An unidentified black man was found dead Monday off of Standard Lane near Pinto Creek in southern Kinney County.

The man, who officials say was in his mid-40s, was found by Jimmy Bader and one of his ranch workers.

"He appeared to come off the train because he had a bedroll with him, like a hobo would take on a train, and a dog was with him," Kinney County Sheriff L.K. "Buddy" Burgess said. "He had some tatoos on him."

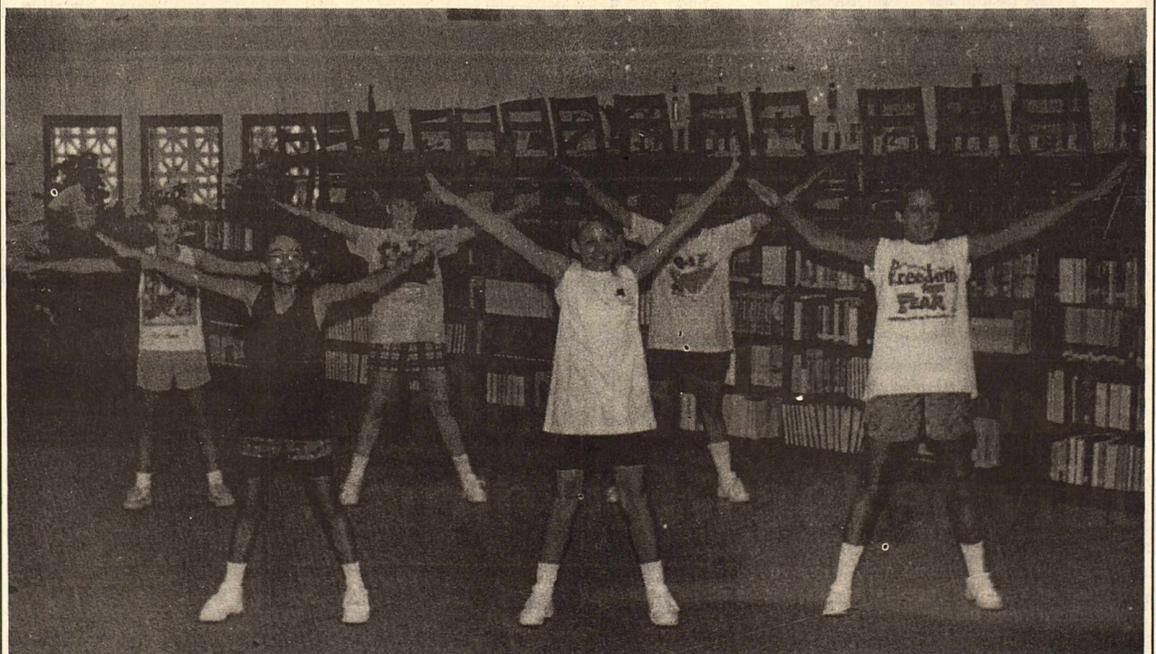
"He had probably been out there for 24 hours before he was found. At this time, he is in the Del Rio Funeral Home."

Officials took finger prints from the man to try to identify him.

"He was near the Pinto Creek," Burgess said. "It appears that he got off the train to get some water, and collapsed out there."

"There were no visible means of any violent type of death. It appears that maybe the heat got to him."

Making noise in the library



Middle school cheerleaders Brittany Shewbart (from left), Stephanie Gomez, April Crumley, Susannah Davis, Brandi Wilson and Duquesa Hunt work on cheer and dance routines Wednesday at the Hunt Library. The Cub cheerleaders are preparing for the upcoming football season. Photo by J.J. Guidry

Eventually, the truth will come out

Eventually, the truth will come out. It may take some time and its debasing may cost many people financial, mental and social trauma.

There are always doom sayers who loudly tout their antipathy to try to enhance their image within themselves. Having a feeling of inadequacy within themselves, they feel if they can make headlines, they will become great.

All the hogwash about pesticides on fruits and vegetables constantly beat into the minds of the masses, the dangers of the use of pesticides and led to a new industry of "organic" growing.

The FDA has established that pesticides account for less than 0.01 percent of cancer risks of food, indeed natural carcinogens in food portend greater risks.

Some "environmentalist nut" spread the word to a rabid media, the dreamed up dangers of Alar.

Between Us

by Joe Townsend



It cost apple growers millions of dollars before it was proved to be a total lie.

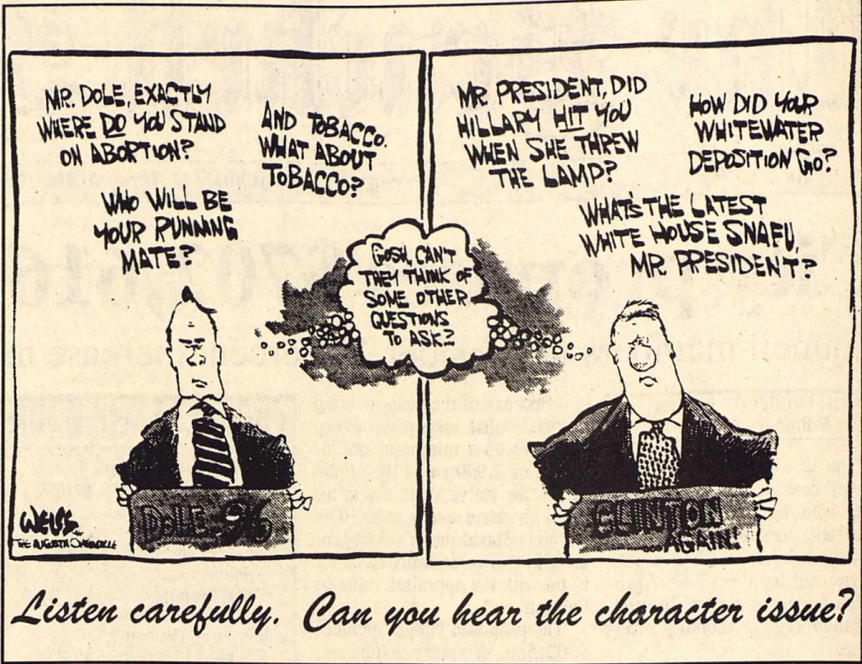
There was the saccharine "scare." It was taken off the market and was stigmatized for years before it was proved to be a good healthy product.

Now begins to come out the truth about smoking. The public has been forced to march to a drum beat proclaiming the fatal dangers of smoking. Politicians have bowed to demands to prevent smoking because of the mortal dangers of "second hand smoke."

Now the truth comes out. It isn't hawked by the news media nor the politicians.

A finding in the Journal of the American Medical Association shows that a "couch potato" is more unhealthy than smoking. The study, which tracked 32,421 U.S. adults between 1970 and 1989, found that inactivity is comparable to such heart-disease risk factors as "smoking, high blood pressure and elevated cholesterol."

Physically fit smokers seemed to have a lower death rate than those in low fitness groups. I wonder why Mr. Koop, Gore, Clinton, and the doomsday boys don't give credibility to these facts? Typical of this crowd is the idea, "Don't bother me with the facts, my mind is made up."



Fighting poverty with welfare reform legislation

By Henry Bonilla
U.S. Congressman, 23rd District

Everybody knows that the current welfare system is broken. The question is how can we fix it.

How do we keep the welfare system from destroying families, eroding the work ethic, and trapping people in a cycle of government dependency?

Instead of providing a temporary safety net for families going through tough times, our big-government welfare system has become a hopeless trap for generations of men, women and children.

Last week, Congress passed welfare reform legislation that will sweep away six decades of corroded federal welfare policy.

While there was bipartisan support behind this welfare bill, there are still some welfare reform opponents who cry that this bill is another plan which will starve children, freeze the elderly and leave people out on the streets. This is not true.

The truth is that opponents want to keep their power by keeping the status quo. The rest of us know that we must act now to help the poor get out of the poverty cycle.

The current system hurts children and encourages family break-ups. Today's illegitimacy rate among welfare families is 50 percent and rising. This is not acceptable. As Americans, we should not stand for this.

The new welfare bill increases efforts to establish paternity and fight out-of-wedlock births and gives states tools for reducing out-of-wedlock births.

The bill also gives states the tools they need to crack down on absent parents and ensure they pay their obligations to their children.

The current system creates disincentives to work. It doesn't take a rocket scientist to understand that the best anti-poverty program is a job.

The new welfare bill will require able-bodied welfare recipients to work after two years or lose benefits. This new approach encourages, rather than discourages, individuals to take personal responsibility for themselves.

The best part about the new welfare bill is that it moves welfare decision-making power and money to the states and the communities where they rightfully belong.

The bill replaces four federal welfare

programs with a block grant, giving states flexibility and control to design the solutions that best fit their local needs. Finally, Texans will decide what welfare plan is best for Texas.

While we have a long way to go on the road to recover the welfare system, we finally have a few new paths to choose from.

We all know that what works for Massachusetts does not necessarily work for Texas.

It's about time that Congress stop imposing "Washington-knows-best, one-size-fits-all" solutions on Texas.

Big Mama See!

Worry is the interest you pay on trouble before it comes.

PLEASE REMEMBER that we attempt to include something for everyone within the pages of our paper. We realize that some folks enjoy finding fault and for those readers we thoughtfully include a socially acceptable number of errors within our publication.

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Don't blame general manager for doing his job

Re: General Manager of Fort Clark Springs.

At my age, I have to admit "memory lapses" more than I like. So many times I find myself in a real dither trying to remember something that happened just yesterday. Of course, losing one's memory is just one of nature's assault on older men. However, it is one that is admitted and can be discussed in mixed crowds.

Now, on a completely different subject not relating to "diseases and shortcomings of grumpy old men."

If my memory serves me correctly, I can recall in years past the majority of the members who reside on Fort Clark Springs strongly protesting the actions of past Association board members for hiring new managers and then denying them the right to exercise their managerial skills and manage the operations on Fort Clark Springs.

Seems as if the protests and complaints go back to the days following the resignation of Gene Brittain. Every manager that has been hired (and fired) since then have all been unanimous in their complaint:

"The Board of Directors want to run the Fort themselves. They refuse to let me (the manager) establish policy and enforce rules and regulations."

And their remarks were justifiably made. The Directors of the Board during those times were inclined to look over the manager's shoulder and second guess every decision he or she made.

Commentary

By Les Roper

While searching for a better choice of words, it can be safely said, "They created a living hell for some managers of the past." Shazam! Something miraculous has recently happened.

We currently have a new Board of Directors with a different view of the manager's office and its responsibilities.

One of the promises that the current board members made before they were elected into office was "to allow the manager to function in his position."

In essence, they decided to grant the request that had been made by the membership for so many years:

Now, at last, we have a manager that is not afraid to make decisions by enforcing rules and regulations that have been lying dormant for so many years. We have a manager who has the courage to remind perennial violators of their wrong doings.

He has taken giant strides (for a short guy) toward reestablishing the old Army post as the great recreational facility it is supposed to be.

The bottom line ... he's pushing forward. I don't see the rules and regulations that tough. Obeying them just has a tendency to make better citizens out of the members who follow them.

Every member should know that a place as big as Fort Clark Springs has to have rules

and regulations. To have a set of guidelines and completely ignore them is ludicrous.

Now, possibly from the same camps that have been instrumental in leading attacks on past board members, critics and malcontents are now doing an about face and requesting that the board "clip the manager's wings" and take over the operation of Fort Clark Springs.

Hooboy! The life of a Fort Clark Springs director. You're damned if you do and damned if you don't.

Instead of recruiting new members and assuring out of town members that FCS is alive, well and on the move, they are sending out pamphlets that show our wonderful little Shangrila as a place in a terrible state of corruption, on the verge of "going down the tube."

I have been a member of Fort Clark Springs for 11 years and, during this time, I have seen many petitions circulated. But, I have yet to see one fully-signed petition accomplish what it set out to do.

How about it, gang, let's all focus our support on helping the manager and current board instead of hindering them.

The new manager brought to Fort Clark a *savoir faire* about computers and management that no one else on the staff possessed. And that ain't no sin.

It might be hard to fathom but, you know what? It might just be some of the members who are out of step instead and not the manager.

Give it some serious thought!

Letters To The Editor

Generosity is appreciated

To the people of Kinney County:

The Jones family would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you who have been so generous with your love and support during Bonne's illness.

You have all been so supportive with prayers, cards, food and even donations. Bonne's room was literally papered with the many cards that were sent to her during this difficult time in her life.

Your generosity and love were a great comfort to her and to her family who will miss her greatly.

Words cannot express our tremendous appreciation to all of you.

Mr. Michael Schooler, Jones Elementary principal, has announced that there will be a Bonne Jones section of our school library and donations are now being accepted to fill this area with children's books.

Thank you all once again for your tremendous support and generosity. Truly, Kinney County is a great place. There are no better people to be found.

May God bless you all.
John and Melanie Jones

Columbus discovered Venezuela on his third voyage in 1498. A subsequent Spanish explorer gave the country its name, meaning "Little Venice."

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August 5 - 9th.
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Jones Elementary Office
Middle School & High School
August 12 & 13th.
9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.
Counselors Office, High School Annex

A parent/guardian must be present at time of registration.
BRING TO REGISTRATION: birth certificate, social security number, proof of residency, immunization records, previous school records or address/phone # of previous school.

RETURNING STUDENTS
Pick up schedules and student handbook on
August 14 & 15th.
Counselors Office, High School Annex
Between 9:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M.

City, MUD officials agree to \$3 million sewer project

By: J.J. Guidry
News Editor

Officials from the city of Brackettville and the Municipal Utilities District finalized an agreement Tuesday to build a new \$3 million sewer system.

The project will be funded through grant money and a \$765,000 loan.

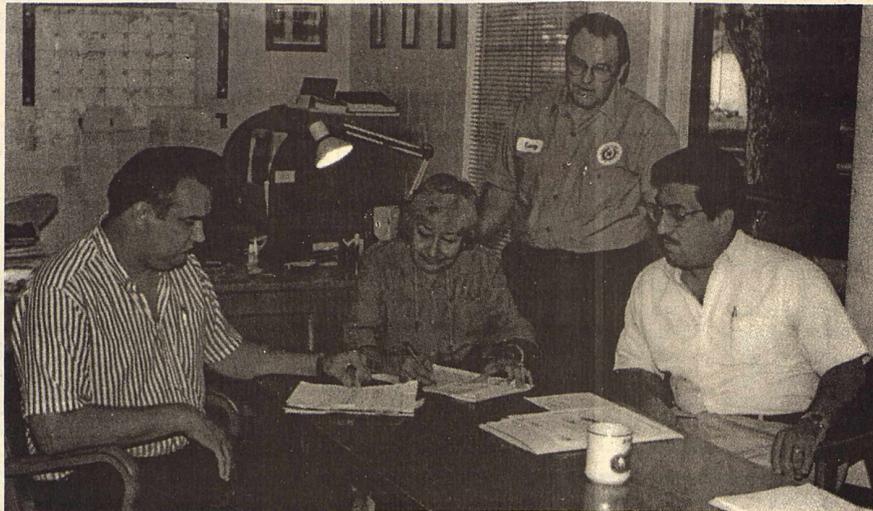
"It's going to be beneficial for the whole community, Fort Clark and Brackettville," City Manager David Luna said on Wednesday. "It will be a low maintenance system.

"The \$765,000 loan will be split two ways, \$383,000 each for Fort Clark and Brackettville. It will be a 40-year payback. We bought bonds to backup the money that we took out.

"We closed the contracts with Farmers Home Administration (Tuesday) which gives us the authority to begin the work," he said.

"We also went to the bank to deposit the first drawdown on the money."

Work on the new sewer system is scheduled to begin on



Marvin Crabtree of Rural Development (from left), Brackettville Mayor Carmen Berlanga, Larry Sofaly of the Municipal Utilities District and Brackettville City Manager David Luna finalize an agreement Tuesday to build a \$3 million sewer system. Photo by J.J. Guidry

Sept. 3.
"It's one sewer system but it's a combined project because the system will be built on Fort Clark, owned by Brackettville and operated by Fort Clark," Luna said.

"The problem we have now is the stench at Fort Clark with the current system. We have more flowing into there than the capacity will hold which causes the stink.
"The current sewer system is

in default because the flow in the sewer system is too much for the size of system that we have in place.
"The state mandated that we make something larger six to seven years ago."



Cindy Brandt, center, is the cheerleader sponsor for Brackett senior and junior high schools this year. Photo by J.J. Guidry

Commissioners meet on Friday to discuss lease-purchase cars

The Kinney County Commissioners Court will consider investing in two lease-purchase cars for the Sheriff's Department Friday at a special meeting beginning at 9 a.m.

The commissioners will also consider a telephone contract and personnel changes for the Sheriff's Department at the meeting.

The agenda calls for the court to set the county retirement rate,

and to review the cancer and dental insurance costs.

The commissioners will consider a county-wide expansion of the Brackettville Housing Authority.

The court will examine all accounts, bills and department reports.

The commissioners will hold a budget workshop and will consider a tax increase.

Talking about school

This week, I want to talk about several topics that are on my mind as our countdown toward our first day of school - Monday, Aug. 19 - continues.

Registration

Elementary students who are new to the district should be coming NOW to the elementary school to complete registration.

If you are new in town and have a child who will be in PK through fifth grade, call the school and check it out at 563-2492. Susanna Castillo or Michael Schooler will help.

Middle school and high school students who are new to the district should report next Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 12-13.

Requests for teachers

Requests for teachers are allowed statewide since the adoption of Senate Bill 1.

Requests should be made now. Principals are completing registration into classes.

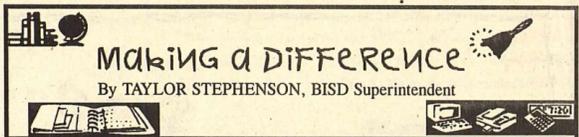
This statement applies primarily to elementary students. In most instances, there is little flexibility in a small district like ours as to who teaches what in the secondary schools (grades 6 through 12). However, those requests are also allowed.

Make your request in writing by Thursday of next week. The class lists will be sent to teachers, and it will be much more difficult if not impossible to make changes.

Football, volleyball, band and cheerleading

All these activities are kicking off this week. Cheerleading has been going on for a while. Football and Volleyball began their schedules Wednesday.

Our band program is a little slower this summer because we have a director who is working his way here from Canada.



He has met with students for a couple of days and has attended the Texas Bandmasters Association in San Antonio, but rehearsals will begin soon.

Make plans now to support the student activities at BISD. We will try hard to publicize our activities for Brackettville, Fort Clark and Kinney County residents.

Opportunities to learn

The Republican National Convention begins Monday. In a couple of weeks, the Democrats will kick off their convention.

My basic orientation into politics and into our nation's governance began in 1952 with the political conventions.

I can remember watching as Dwight Eisenhower and Adlai Stevenson were nominated by their parties.

I hope that families will take the time to look at convention happenings, to listen to some of the keynote addresses and to talk about how candidates are nominated.

It will be some high drama but, above all, it is a time to learn about our country and how it works

If there are adults who haven't watched conventions, it's an opportunity to become involved in the campaign of 1996. Hope you do it.

I'll miss you

I'll miss you, Bonne Jones, an outstanding educator for Jones Elementary School.

Above all, a fine woman who lived the Christian life. Her preacher said that he never heard her say anything bad about any-

one. Whoa, there's a grand lesson there for all of us. I hope to do better. How about you?

Inspirational service, with family participation! A fitting service.

Let's learn from Bonne's life. She believed that all kids could learn and she believed that learning could be fun.

She was ready every day with something new to inspire her young charges to come to school to learn. A good lesson here for all as we get ready to begin another school year. Thanks for your witness Bonne.

Teachers

Back to School. Staff development for Middle School and High School continues Aug. 8-9.

Elementary School staff will be working on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week.

On Thursday, I will have a new teacher orientation. Our general faculty meeting will be on Friday, Aug. 16.

School begins for our Kinney County children on Monday, Aug. 19.

We're doing fine at BISD We're working hard, but who is ever hurt from hard work?

Trying to keep a smile on our faces as the pace quickens. Trying to remember that we are here for the kids first.

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Have a good week.

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Additional VA transportation

The South Texas Veterans' Health Care System is announcing an addition to the VA/DAV Van Transportation Network originating from Val Verde County Court House in Del Rio.

Beginning next week, the van will depart on Tuesdays at 6 a.m. from Del Rio and travel to the Audie L. Murphy Division in San Antonio.

The van will depart on Thursdays at 6 a.m. and travel to the Kerrville Division.

If you have a scheduled appointment or admission, contact Veterans Service Officer Juan Mireles at the Val Verde County Court House at 774-7548 to reserve a seat.

Riders must be independently able to board and unboard. Other restrictions may apply.

Registration date approaches for Southwest Texas Junior College

Registration for the Southwest Texas Junior College 1996 fall semester will begin Wednesday, Aug. 21, at 8 a.m. Classes for the 1996 fall semester will start Monday, Aug. 26.

Registration for daytime classes will take place Aug. 21, from 8 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m.; Aug. 22, from 8 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m.; and Aug. 23 from 8 to 11 a.m. in the Matthews Student Center Ballroom.

Evening classes registration will begin at 6 p.m., Aug. 20, in the ballroom.

"It is very important that prospective students contact the registrar's office and receive an admission ticket prior to signing-up for spring courses," said Dean of Admissions and Student Services Ismael Sosa.

To be admitted to SWTJC for the first time, prospective students must submit a completed application for admission, a high school transcript, GED scores or a college transcript, and a health form completed by the student with an immunization record completed by a public health official.

Returning students need only to complete a re-

admission form that consists of five simple questions.

"Students who will be entering SWTJC for the first time and have not taken the Texas Academic Skills Program (TASP) Test must take the Local Placement Pre-TASP Test prior to registration," Sosa added.

The Local Placement Exam Pre-TASP TEST is scheduled for several days, beginning July 29, and ending Aug. 19, in the Espinoza Education Building.

Additional testing dates are scheduled for Aug. 20, at 9 a.m. and on Aug. 21, at 8 a.m. upstairs in the Registrar's Office.

For testing information, prospective students are encouraged to call (210) 591-7346 or 591-7275.

Students can pay a late registration fee and still register Aug. 26-27, only at the SWTJC Uvalde campus.

SWTJC holidays that will be observed during the 1996 fall semester will include Labor Day, Sept. 7; Thanksgiving holidays, Nov. 27-29; and the 1996 fall semester will close Dec. 13.

Mobile Eye Screening Unit available to area residents

The Lions' Club Mobile Eye Screening Unit (MESU) is available to the residents of 21 South Texas counties.

Each visit of the unit is sponsored by a Lions Club from District 2-A2.

There are 76 clubs in a region that extends south from San Antonio to Laredo, then westward along the border to Del Rio and loops eastward through the hill country through Kerrville, Fredericksburg, and back to San Antonio.

The screenings conducted on the MESU are not medical examinations.

They are designed to alert individuals to potential problems

with their eyesight or the health of their eyes, and then refer them to an eye care professional in their community.

The MESU is not a mobile clinic and will not dispense medicine or glasses. There is no charge for screenings.

In addition to conducting visual activity, glaucoma and blood pressure screenings, the MESU is configured to serve as a portable research platform in support of Sight Research Programs conducted by medical research personnel from the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio.

■ *Editor's note:* For more information, contact your local Lions Club or call (210) 820-3992.

Kinney County Sheriff's Report

The Kinney County Sheriff's Department is currently housing 26 prisoners at the County Jail, including 20 federal prisoners and six county prisoners.

Sunday, August 2
5:45 a.m., Benedicto Carcamo, 42, of Chatsworth, Calif., was arrested by Department of Public Safety Trooper Richard Slubar for tampering with

the identification number on a motor vehicle and for operating an unregistered motor vehicle. He was booked into the Kinney County Jail and later magisterated by Judge Alvin Hall. Carcamo paid a \$200 fine for no registration and was released at 6:20 p.m. after posting a \$1,500 cash bond for tampering with the identification number on a motor vehicle.

School Board hires two new teachers, completes staff

The Brackett School Board of Trustees hired two new employees Friday afternoon at a special meeting on Friday.

"Our teaching staff is finally complete, and I'm very pleased with that," Superintendent Taylor Stephenson said.

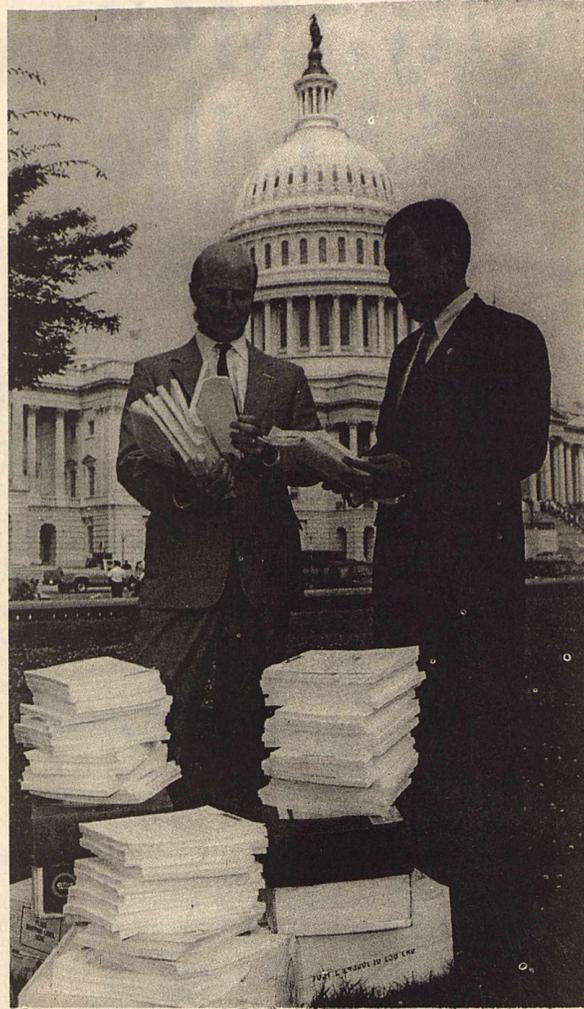
Mary Ellen Fuentes was hired as an ESL (English as a second language) teacher for the elementary

"Mary Ellen is a local person," Stephenson said. "She has substi-

tuted for the last three years. She substituted second grade for Bonne Jones for the last few months of the last school year. She is an excellent teacher."

Also hired on Friday was Ricky Creel who will teach secondary education and coach at the middle school level.

"He's young and enthusiastic," Stephenson said. "I think he will be a good influence on kids, and we're very pleased to have him."



Representative Henry Bonilla, R-Texas, right, hands Representative Pete Green, D-Texas, the petitions against the Endangered Species Act sent by citizens from South and West Texas.

Bonilla delivers ESA petitions

WASHINGTON - Congressman Henry Bonilla announced this week that he has delivered the petitions the citizens of South and West Texas have given him against the Endangered Species Act (ESA).

The petitions included 2,000 signatures from residents in and around Medina County.

"These 100 petitions are true examples of representative government in action," said Bonilla, R-Texas. "The folks of Texas are working hard to make a difference in the battle for ESA reform."

Bonilla has filed the bi-partisan discharge petition to release

the ESA reform bill that has been held up in the committee process for months. The process entails getting 218 of his House colleagues to lend their support and signatures to the petition.

"Although this is an uphill battle, it's encouraging to see other members of Congress sign on to this petition," Bonilla said. "We've got almost 50 signatures so far and that's great news."

"The true heroes in this battle, however, are the citizens of Texas who have come together and done their civic duty by communicating their support for ESA reform to Congress."

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6:30 p.m. - 12 a.m. Golden Anniversary Dinner & Dance
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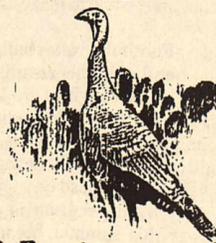
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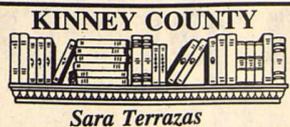
The Leona Ranch, located 15 miles north of Brackettville, Texas, in Kinney County, on FM 674, has an abundance of whitetail deer, javelina, turkey, quail, dove, rabbits and squirrels. Other non-game species include feral hogs, wild Spanish goats, racoons, ringtails, fox, bobcats and a few mountain lions.

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For information, write to Leona Ranch, P.O. Box 1039, Brackettville TX 78832, or call 210-563-2961.

Library Notes



Summer reading program successful

Our summer reading program was a big success. We had well over 75 students twice a week and we all had a great time.

However, we want to apologize for having to cut classes a week short. Due to my health it was necessary to do so.

We would like to thank all the students who attended the summer program and wish each and everyone a terrific school year.

We also want to thank all the volunteers who helped make this summer program such a success.

We really appreciated the time and interest you took in the children of this community. This is something the children will always remember. Thank you for making a difference.

We have been pulling books off our shelves to make room for new books, therefore, we now have a very large collection of books for sale. Some of these books will be great to have in your own library. Come take a look.

Once again, we have lots of overdue books, but since its summer and you've had other things on your mind, we are going to give you a break.

August will be amnesty month. Therefore, while you are getting ready for school, please check and see if you have any library books.

Thank you. As always, we invite you to visit the friendliest little library in Kinney County.

Guzman speaks to Rotary Club about international convention

By Francis McMaster
Contributing Writer

Brackettville Rotary Club has the distinction of having a member who recently attended the Rotary International Convention in Calgary, Canada. Mr. Tino Guzman reported on that occasion by presenting the club's program August fourth.

Calgary was the site of the winter Olympics, and the huge ice rink provided the setting of the opening ceremonies. One hundred and fifty eight countries were represented, and one by one each country's flag was carried across the ice by a skater. On a huge television monitor a map of the world was shown. As each country was introduced, its location was lit up on the map. Very few dark areas were left when the introductions were completed.

The projects that Rotary International adopt are world wide. The most notable is the Polio Plus undertaking. One billion children have received the oral vaccine since the program was introduced.

Malaria and other communicable diseases are also included in this project. Polio has almost been wiped out, and a target has been set to eradicate it by the year 2005.

Each president of the international organization has the right to select an area to be emphasized. The choice of the new president is to fight illiteracy.

Many training sessions for the work done by Rotary clubs are

"Build the Future with Action and Vision".

presented during the convention. Due to time restraints many of these overlap, and attendees must choose the ones they prefer.

Entertainment was provided at the convention. The presentation that impressed Tino the most was a four year old Chinese American boy who was a fine pianist. He was accompanied by a philharmonic orchestra. The orchestra also accompanied a country western singer, which Tino thought might be a first. Local



MIKE HOLLEY and TINO GUZMAN

talent from Calgary also was included.

The outgoing president of Rotary International was an American, and the incoming one is from Buenos Aires, Argentina. The theme for his presidency will be "Build the Future with Action and Vision".

Perhaps the most exciting news to the Brackettville club is that San Antonio will host the International Convention in the year 2001. Plans are already underway for this undertaking. Thanks to Tino, we have a glimpse of just how big a project that is. We'll be ready to take part.

Smoke From Nakai

Well, we have talked about the Plains Indians, the Coastal Indians, the Desert Indians, now we will talk about the Woodland Indians. The Woodland are the five civilized tribes and one of them is my tribe, the Cherokee, (C-Sa-La-Gi) Cha -Lu-Ki, meaning the Cane people. Yes, we were the first to adapt to the white man. From the woods we were spread upon the land all over the universe. The eastern states from Georgia to the Carolinas from East Texas to Northeastern Oklahoma. The ancient ones had the first Echota. It was signed in 1835. In 1849 in North Carolina the Cherokee settled and called the land Qualla. The ones that came with the Trail of Tears settled in Thalaquak. So from there I will tell you about the hunt and food of my people. The number one meat among the average Cherokee was and is squirrel, because that was the easiest prey that could be obtained during their long walk on the Trail of Tears or "The Cherokee Death March." Canuchi is another food that is still used. It is black walnut that is pounded, shell and all, until it is pounded into a paste, then little balls are made. To cook or boil you put one ball in water and it turns into an oily broth. Very nutritious for the weak and sick people, also excellent for children. To cook use no oil and let set until it starts to melt and turns to an oily substance and add any vegetable or meat. You can even stir fry.

Yet my people use blow guns to gather small game but when guns were available, their hunts roamed from the Blue Ridge Smokey Mountains of Tennessee, Kentucky, and the Virginias. Their hunts consisted of bear, deer and even buffalo, if they roamed far enough to find it.

Next week I will continue with the Woodland Tribes.

For Pete's Sake

"I'm afraid you have high blood pressure," Dr. Lee said to a new patient. "Yeah," the patient replied. "It comes from my family." "Your mother's side or your father's side?" the doctor asked. Neither one, Doc," the patient replied. "It's my wife's family." "Now come" said Doctor Lee, "how could you get high blood pressure from your wife's side of the family?" "You ought to meet them sometime, Doc the patient sighed. "then you'd know!"

Last time the circus was in town, we met a fellow who worked for it, traveling around the country cleaning up after the animals and doing other odd jobs. He was very depressed.

"I don't have a friend in the world," he sighed. "It's on account of this rotten job. I feed and wash the elephants, and clean up after them, and at night, I go home smelling like an elephant. Nobody will come near me!"

"Say," we asked, "have you thought of getting in some other line of work? A different kind of job?" "What," He screamed, indignantly, "and leave show business?"

Editor's note: If you enjoy these stories and comments, send for a free sample of Post Story Book. Write Pete, Box 712, Kingston, TN 37662.

Anniversary quilt completed

The STITCHERY group at Fort Clark, along with many other helpers, has recently completed a king-size quilt commemorating the twenty-fifth anniversary of Fort Clark as a resort community and the fiftieth anniversary of the closing of Fort Clark as a military post. The quilt consists of twenty three embroidered squares depicting scenes on Fort Clark and will be given away in a drawing later this year. The quilt is on display at the Member Services office, and tickets for the drawing are being sold at that office and at the Adult Center. The Art Club developed the designs, bridge players donated money for materials, and many others helped with the embroidery and with other phases of the project.

STITCHERY meets the third Thursday every month at 9:00 am at the Adult Center. Interested Fort Clark members and guests are invited to participate.

Schedule A
Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
GENERAL OPERATING FUND	\$ 205,000

Schedule B
1996 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
BONDS (expand as needed)	\$ 115,000.00	\$ 75,813.00	\$ 900.00	\$ 191,713.00
Total required for 1996 debt service				\$ 191,713.00
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A				\$ -
- Excess collections last year				\$ -
- Total to be paid from taxes in 1996				\$ 191,713.00
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only (line 36) % of its taxes in 1996				\$ -
- Total Debt Levy				\$ 191,713.00

Schedule C
Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax

(For hospital districts, cities and counties with additional sales tax to reduce property taxes)

In calculating its effective and rollback tax rates, the unit estimated that it will receive \$ _____ in additional sales and use tax revenues. For County: The county has excluded any amount that is or will be distributed for economic development grants from this amount of expected sales tax revenue.

Schedule D
State Criminal Justice Mandate (For Counties)

The _____ County Auditor certifies that _____ County has spent \$ _____ in the previous 12 months beginning _____ 19____, for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. _____ County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

Schedule E
Transfer of Department, Function or Activity

The _____ spent \$ _____ from _____ to _____ on the _____ The _____ operates this function in all or a majority of the _____ . Second Year of Transfer: Modify schedule to show comparison of amount this year and preceding year by unit receiving the function.)

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at _____ KINNEY COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT _____ Name of person preparing this notice _____ JOYCE S. FUENTES Title _____ CHIEF APPRAISER Date prepared _____ 7-31-96

1996 Property Tax Rates in BRACKETT ISD

This notice concerns 1996 property tax rates for BRACKETT ISD. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the school district used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the school district can set before it must hold a rollback election. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes and state funds by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:	
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 340,018
Last year's debt taxes	\$ 189,808
Last year's total taxes	\$ 1,029,826
Last year's tax base	\$ 123,277,315
Last year's total tax rate	\$ 1.2529 /\$100

This year's effective tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 967,388
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 76,354,263
- This year's effective tax rate	\$ 1.2669 /\$100

x 1.03 = maximum rate unless the school district publishes notices and holds hearing \$ 1.3049 /\$100

This year's rollback tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted operating taxes	\$ 778,837
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 76,354,263
- This year's local maintenance and operating rate	\$ 1,0200 /\$100
x Student enrollment adjustment	
- This year's adjusted maintenance and operating rate	\$ 1,0200 /\$100
+ \$0.08 cents = this year's maximum operating rate	\$ 1,1000 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ 1,2445 /\$100
+ Rate to recoup loss certified by commissioner of education	\$ - /\$100
- This year's rollback rate	\$ 1.3445 /\$100

For a school district with additional rollback rate for pollution control, insert the following lines:

+ Additional rate for pollution control	\$ - /\$100
- Rollback tax rate	\$ 1.3445 /\$100

Schedule A
Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
NONE	NONE

Schedule B
1996 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
(expand as needed)				
Total required for 1996 debt service				\$ NONE
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A				\$ -
- Excess collections last year				\$ -
- Total to be paid from taxes in 1996				\$ -
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only (line 36) % of its taxes in 1996				\$ -
- Total Debt Levy				\$ NONE

Schedule C
Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax

(For hospital districts, cities and counties with additional sales tax to reduce property taxes)

In calculating its effective and rollback tax rates, the unit estimated that it will receive \$ N/A in additional sales and use tax revenues. For County: The county has excluded any amount that is or will be distributed for economic development grants from this amount of expected sales tax revenue.

Schedule D
State Criminal Justice Mandate (For Counties)

The _____ County Auditor certifies that _____ County has spent \$ N/A in the previous 12 months beginning _____ 19____, for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. _____ County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

Schedule E
Transfer of Department, Function or Activity

The _____ spent \$ - from N/A to _____ on the _____ The _____ operates this function in all or a majority of the _____ . Second Year of Transfer: Modify schedule to show comparison of amount this year and preceding year by unit receiving the function.)

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at _____ KINNEY COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT _____ Name of person preparing this notice _____ JOYCE S. FUENTES Title _____ CHIEF APPRAISER Date prepared _____ 7-31-96

1996 Property Tax Rates in City of Spafford

This notice concerns 1996 property tax rates for City of Spafford. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:	
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 3645.78
Last year's debt taxes	\$ -
Last year's total taxes	\$ 3645.78
Last year's tax base	\$ 1,128,725
Last year's total tax rate	\$ 3.230 /\$100

This year's effective tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 3645.78
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 1,238,499
- This year's effective tax rate	\$ 2.943 /\$100

In the first year a hospital district or city collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, it must insert the following lines unless its first adjustment was made last year:

- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$ N/A /\$100
- Effective tax rate	\$ N/A /\$100

x 1.03 = maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing \$ 3.031 /\$100

This year's rollback tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function)	\$ 3645.78
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 1,238,499
- This year's effective operating rate	\$ 2.943 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$ 3.178 /\$100
- This year's debt rate	\$ - /\$100
- This year's rollback rate	\$ 3.178 /\$100

A hospital district or city that collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, including one that collects the tax for the first time this year, must insert the following lines:

- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$ N/A /\$100
- Rollback tax rate	\$ N/A /\$100

For a taxing unit with additional rollback rate for pollution control, insert the following lines:

+ Additional rate for pollution control	\$ N/A /\$100
- Rollback tax rate	\$ 3.178 /\$100



Tigers Defensive Coordinator Art Finkenbinder, center, talks to Jorge Rodriguez, left, and J. Wayne Ballew who are returning starters at inside linebackers
Photo by J.J. Guidry

Tigers begin preparing for gridiron campaign

By J.J. Guidry
Sports Editor

The Brackett Tigers hit the practice field Wednesday for the first time this year as they prepare for their upcoming gridiron campaign.

The Tigers will workout with helmets and shorts through Saturday before going through full contact drills. The players will spend most of the first four practices going through conditioning drills and lifting weights.

"We're going to be working a lot on conditioning," Brackett Athletic Director and head football coach Roy Rokovich said. "We will spend a lot of time on individual work. You can't do a lot of hitting, obviously, but you can do a lot of teaching during this time, working a lot of technique."

The Tigers will put on the pads for the first time on Monday as they begin full contact drills.

"Come Monday, we're going to crack the leather pretty hard," Rokovich said. "We'll be in full pads during the condition period and throughout the offensive and defensive practices."

Rokovich said he feels good about the upcoming season. Brackett is returning eight offensive and nine defensive starters from last year's 4-6 ball club.

"Last year, we had some young kids but I thought they performed well. These kids have grown up, they're older, and they're a lot stronger and a lot faster. As long as we stay healthy and our kids continue to respond well and work hard, I see great things for us."



Brackett Tigers head football coach Roy Rokovich, right, discusses technique with the Tigers' defensive linemen during workouts Wednesday.
Photo by J.J. Guidry

Returning to the Tigers' Wing-T offense this season are fullback Moses Hernandez, tailback Ramon De Leon, wingback Michael Meyer, ends Brian Flores and Jose Gonzalez, tackle Butch Lopez and guards Patrick Munoz and Xavier Toms.

Starters returning on defense for Brackett include Lopez and

Gonzalez at the tackle spots, Hernandez at end, J. Wayne Ballew and Jorge Rodriguez at inside linebackers, Demetrius Williams at outside linebacker, Flores and Michael Aguirre on the corners and De Leon at safety.

"We're going to change up our defense quite a bit," Rokovich said. "We're going to base out of

a split but we're going to be multiple up front. We're going to run some odd-man fronts.

"A lot of people say the split defense is weak up the middle, but it's really not. We have two outstanding inside linebackers to help us out there. A lot of teams like to run outside, and the split is a great perimeter defense."

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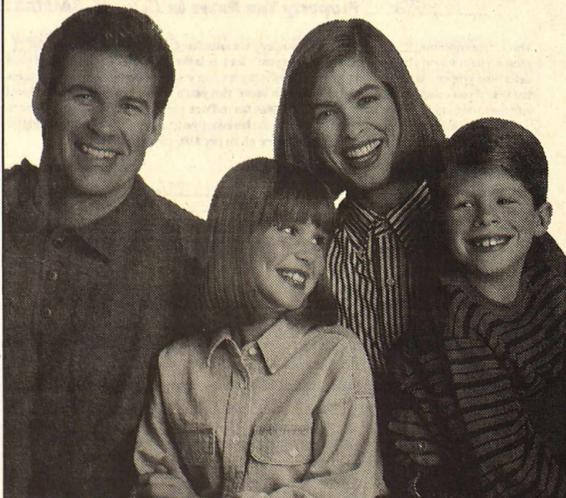


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Creel added to coaching staff

Ricky Creel has been added to Brackett's coaching staff as a junior high coach.

Creel is filling the position left vacant by Dutch Wardlaw, who resigned after accepting a job in Uvalde.

"I'm very excited," said Creel, who is in his first year of coaching. "Since I've been here, I've noticed that the people are real nice and the community is real supportive. Brackettville is a good place to be. I'm proud to be here."

Creel is originally from Garland. He attended Richland Junior College and East Texas Baptist University, graduating in 1994.

"I'm real happy with Ricky," said Brackett Athletic Director Roy Rokovich. "He's young and enthusiastic, and he's a hard worker. I think our kids are going to like him. I'm real excited about Ricky being here."

Creel will coach junior high football and basketball, and either baseball or track in the spring.

"Ricky has a tremendous amount of experience in baseball, playing at the college level," Rokovich said. "In the spring, he'll either coach baseball or

track, and we'll make that decision in the next week or so."

This fall, Creel will coach football with Chuck Hall.

"Hopefully, big things will happen," Creel said. "With Coach Hall and his expertise, maybe we'll win some games this year."

"I think they will both do real well," Rokovich said. "They hit it off real well. Both of them are very conscientious in what they do."

"Obviously, Chuck has a tremendous amount of experience and knowledge. He will be able to help Ricky in that area."

"All of our varsity staff will be working with the junior high during the athletic period. One of us will always be helping them out at their games."

"Some people think that the junior high comes second, but I don't believe that. I think all of our kids come first. They're a big part of our program and they're our future."

"I feel that I have two competent, professional men that are going to take care of the junior high and help them become good players, good students and good people."



Ricky Creel, left, and Chuck Hall will coach the Brackett junior high football team this season. Photo by J.J. Guidry

Gilliland claims first place finish

FORT CLARK SPRINGS - Luella Gilliland took top honors Tuesday at the Ladies' Golf Association's weekly tournament at the Country Club.

Gilliland finished with a net score of 32 in the tournament, which was best nine holes less half the player's handicap.

Flo Stafford came away with second place honors after posting a net score of 33 1/2.

Gilliland and Betty Lee finished the day with three skins apiece, and Stafford had one.

Leslie Houk had the shot of the day as she chipped out of the sand trap and into the hole on No. 14 for a birdie.

The Ladies' Golf Association will compete again next Tuesday, beginning at 8 a.m., in a low-ball twosome tournament.



Flo Stafford, left, and Luella Gilliland took top honors in the Fort Clark Springs Ladies' Golf Association's weekly tournament

Volleyball team begins workouts

Recently hired coach Dalia Vasquez has been in Brackettville for a month, and she's ready for volleyball workouts to begin.

Vasquez' Tigerettes will take the court for their first practice Monday morning. The girls will work Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 2 in the afternoon.

"I'm excited," Vasquez said Thursday. "I'm looking forward to Monday."

"We're going to focus on fundamentals and conditioning," she said.

Brackett will scrimmage Uvalde and Pearsall in Uvalde on Friday and Sabinal and Lytle in Sabinal on Saturday. Times for the scrimmages were not available at press-time.

Treat now for white grubs in your lawns

Now is the time to treat for white grubs in area lawns. White grubs are the larvae of the ordinary brown June beetles that we see buzzing around porch lights. They lay eggs in soil during the day.

These larvae feed on grass roots as they grow, making brown patches appear in lawns later on in the season.

They are the C-shaped white to cream-colored grubs that you see in beds and under a section of lawn should you take a shovel and cut a one-foot section and fold it back.

If you see more than four in one of these "test sites," then it warrants treatment. But do it now because once the grubs get big (as large as your little finger) they are almost impossible to control with insecticides. Always read and follow directions when using any insecticides.

Drought affecting all areas of Texas

I have just returned from two

weeks of Extension activities that brought folks from all over the state together.

The most common topic for discussion was how dry the weather is and how hard it is on the livestock.

Ranchers and farmers statewide are having difficult times. And, if things weren't bad enough, even the feed the producers are using to supplement livestock may be actually hazardous to the animals it's being fed to.

Reports coming from the state veterinary diagnostic laboratory are saying that one-third of the corn crop and portions of the sorghum crop being tested at the lab for toxins are hazardous for consumption by livestock.

Corn that was not going to make a crop but that was salvaged for hay or silage is being analyzed for nitrate poisoning, and about 30 percent of the corn 45 to 60 days ago was not suitable for livestock feed.

Sorghum planted for hay also

is being tested for nitrate poisoning, but only 10 percent of these samples are dangerous for livestock consumption.

Drought-stressed annual plants are at a high risk for nitrate poisoning because they are fertilized with nitrogen at an early stage.

Any time plants are fertilized adequately and then are placed in a drought situation, there is a high level of nitrate. The plant picks up nitrogen from the soil and stores it as nitrate until it is used for growth.

When growth is stunted because of a drought situation, the nitrate is left unused and high levels in the stalk are toxic to livestock.

Hay grazers that should get six and seven feet tall are only three and four feet tall so all of the nitrogen picked up to grow this tall plant is now sitting in the stalk as nitrate.

Along with sorghum, pigweed or careless weeds also contain hazardous levels of nitrates and

should be tested before fed to livestock or grazed.

Hazardous levels are greater than 1 percent nitrate on a dry weight basis and can cause death within two to four hours of consumption.

Symptoms of nitrate poisoning include muscle fasciculation or spasms, staggering, heavy breathing, brown mucus membranes and sudden death.

However, nitrate poisoning is not the only toxin producers need to be cautious of. During drought situations, prussic acid is also an extremely deadly toxin.

Prussic Acid is hydrogen cyanide that exists in all sorghum at a low level. Normally cyanide is lost during the curing process for hay, but if hay is baled quickly after cutting, the cyanide is trapped inside the bale and can be hazardous when consumed.

Most all sorghums have hydrogen cyanide. It is a normal part of the plant and as long as it is in a low level it doesn't cause any

County Agent News

by Alan L. McWilliams



problems. But when stressed situations occur, the concentrations can get extremely high.

If cattle are let into an area with sorghum, they should be watched closely for signs of toxicity such as spasms or sudden death.

Cattle will experience the same symptoms as nitrate poisoning except mucus membranes will be red at an earlier stage.

Since cattle only have 15 to 30 minutes to live after consumption of hydrogen cyanide and an average of three hours after nitrate poisoning, producers must do their best to prevent poisoning from happening in the first place.

The Texas Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory, as well as other forage testing sites across the state, can test forages for high lev-

els of nitrates and prussic acid. However, the test must be done within 24 hours of cutting.

A stalk sample can be sent in for nitrate testing in any container. A probe sample of a hay bale should be sent in for prussic acid testing in an air-tight container because hydrogen cyanide will evaporate.

Also, producers should send in samples of baled hay, because if nitrate levels are high at cutting, then there will likely be problems with nitrate poisoning in the winter months.

The cost of the test at the veterinary diagnostic lab in College Station is \$6. Samples can be sent directly to the lab at No. 1 Sippell Road, College Station, Tx., 77843.

Two-day planning seminar

"A properly drawn estate plan may save many ranch families over \$200,000 in estate taxes."

This statement made by Dr. Wayne A. Hayenga, a Texas extension economist and attorney, assumes a lot of information: a married couple who "likes each other" and wants to care for each other, who have a ranch worth \$1 million or more, and wants to pass it on to their children.

This is an eye-opening fact for many ranchers. In fact, many people only worry about estate planning if they hear of a friend's "problem" in selling a ranch to pay estate taxes.

"But, for many families, the estate tax savings are not as large as income tax savings if they have a properly prepared estate plan," Hayenga said.

A two-day seminar talking about these complicated tax topics will be held at College Station on Aug. 11-12 at Texas A&M University in conjunction with the Annual Beef Cattle Shortcourse.

The seminar is structured to help ranchers learn how to lower their tax burden and ease administrative burdens that affect passing their estates to their loved ones.

In addition to discussing the estate planning systems, tax saving possibilities will be discussed using corporations, partnerships and trusts when family members are involved in the business.

Making gifts to avoid estate taxes will be discussed also.

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Dr. Wayne A. Hayenga

"There are three problems with making gifts," Hayenga said. "The first is dying poor, the second is the adverse income tax consequences the gift can cause the recipient, and third is when somebody other than your intended beneficiary ultimately gets the gifted property."

Two problems that affect operations - planning for inflation and growth needs of the business - will be discussed.

Another topic, how to be fair among all children when one child is interested in the ranch and others are not, will be addressed.

Hayenga, who is a professor and extension specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, will be the speaker. He works extensively with farmers, ranchers and family-owned firms in financial, business and estate tax planning.

Hayenga is a member of the Texas and American Bar Associations and the American Agricultural Law Association. He is active in the Agricultural Law Committee of the State Bar of Texas.

The registration fee for the seminar is \$60. Registration information is available from Hayenga, Carol Sabo or Christine Eubank, Agricultural Economics Department, Texas A&M University, College Station, Tx., 77843.

Editor's note: For more information, call Texas A&M's Department of Agriculture Economics at (409) 845-2226.

Schedule A
Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
0	0

Schedule B
1996 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
REAL PROP. + CERT. OF DEP.	\$ 65,235.82	\$ 12,795.28	\$ 350.00	\$ 78,381.80
<i>(expand as needed)</i>				
Total required for 1996 debt service				\$ 78,381.80
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A				\$ 0
- Excess collections last year				\$ 0
- Total to be paid from taxes in 1996				\$ 78,381.80
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only (line 36) % of its taxes in 1996				\$ 0
- Total Debt Levy				\$ 78,381.80

Schedule C
Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax

(For hospital districts, cities and counties with additional sales tax to reduce property taxes) In calculating its effective and rollback tax rates, the unit estimated that it will receive \$ 0 in additional sales and use tax revenues. For County: The county has excluded any amount that is or will be distributed for economic development grants from this amount of expected sales tax revenue.

Schedule D
State Criminal Justice Mandate (For Counties)

The County Auditor certifies that County has spent \$ N/A in the previous 12 months beginning 19 for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

Schedule E
Transfer of Department, Function or Activity

The unit spent \$ 0 from N/A to on the . The operates this function in all or a majority of the . (Second Year of Transfer: Modify schedule to show comparison of amount this year and preceding year by unit receiving the function.)

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at KINNEY COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT
Name of person preparing this notice JOYCE S. FUENTES
Title CHIEF APPRAISER
Date prepared 7-31-96

1996 Property Tax Rates in KINNEY COUNTY

This notice concerns 1996 property tax rates for KINNEY COUNTY. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

	General Fund	Farm to Market/ Flood Control Fund	Special Road/Bridge Fund
Last year's tax rate:			
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 528.581	\$ 17.340	\$
Last year's debt taxes	\$ 65.642	\$	\$
Last year's total taxes	\$ 594.223	\$ 17.340	\$
Last year's tax base	\$ 84,048,445	\$ 2,917,075	\$
Last year's total tax rate	\$.7020/\$100	\$.0229/\$100	\$ /\$100
This year's effective tax rate:			
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 591,373.71	\$ 17,279.32	\$
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 83,493,976	\$ 2,446,147	\$
- This year's effective tax rate for each fund	\$.7082/\$100	\$.0229/\$100	\$ /\$100
Total effective tax rate	\$.7291/\$100		

In the first year a county collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, it must insert the following lines unless its first adjustment was made last year:

- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$ /\$100
+ Effective tax rate	\$ /\$100
x 1.03 = maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing	\$.7509/\$100

This year's rollback tax rates:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and including taxes for state criminal justice mandate.)	\$ 526,044.57	\$ 17,279.32	\$
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 83,493,976	\$ 2,446,147	\$
- This year's effective operating rate	\$.6300/\$100	\$.0229/\$100	\$ /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$.6804/\$100	\$.0226/\$100	\$ /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$.0916/\$100	\$ /\$100	\$ /\$100
- This year's rollback rate for each fund	\$.7728/\$100	\$.0225/\$100	\$ /\$100
- This year's total rollback rate	\$.7945/\$100		

A county that collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, including one that collects the tax for the first time this year, must insert the following lines:

- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$.0310/\$100
- Rollback tax rate	\$.7635/\$100

For a county with additional rollback rate for pollution control, insert the following lines:

+ Additional rate for pollution control	\$ /\$100
- Rollback tax rate	\$.7635/\$100

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Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
	\$ NONE	\$	\$	\$
<i>(expand as needed)</i>				
Total required for 1996 debt service				\$ NONE
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A				\$
- Excess collections last year				\$
- Total to be paid from taxes in 1996				\$
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only (line 36) % of its taxes in 1996				\$
- Total Debt Levy				\$ NONE

Schedule C
Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax

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Last year's tax rate:	
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 129,490.00
Last year's debt taxes	\$
Last year's total taxes	\$ 129,490.00
Last year's tax base	\$ 17,085,296
Last year's total tax rate	\$.7579 /\$100
This year's effective tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 129,276.48
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 17,085,093
- This year's effective tax rate	\$.7566 /\$100

In the first year a hospital district or city collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, it must insert the following lines unless its first adjustment was made last year:

- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$ N/A /\$100
- Effective tax rate	\$ /\$100
x 1.03 = maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing	\$.7792 /\$100

This year's rollback tax rates:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function)	\$ 129,276.48
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 17,085,093
- This year's effective operating rate	\$.7566 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$.8171 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ /\$100
- This year's rollback rate	\$.8171 /\$100

A hospital district or city that collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, including one that collects the tax for the first time this year, must insert the following lines:

- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$ N/A /\$100
- Rollback tax rate	\$.8171 /\$100

For a taxing unit with additional rollback rate for pollution control, insert the following lines:

+ Additional rate for pollution control	\$ N/A /\$100
- Rollback tax rate	\$.8171 /\$100

Miniblinds pose lead hazard to young children

Those small plastic slats keeping the sun out of millions of homes, schools and office buildings are colorful, inexpensive and, potentially, a danger to young children.

Tests on imported plastic miniblinds, the popular window coverings found in many major retail outlets and home centers across the country, show the presence of lead. The Texas Department of Health (TDH) is recommending that these imported miniblinds be removed from all areas where children under 7 years of age may be present because of a potential lead poisoning hazard. Neither metal nor cloth blinds have been found to pose this danger.

Lead has been added by manufacturers in China, Taiwan, Mexico and Indonesia to stabilize the plastic in the blinds. Tests conducted by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) indicate that exposure to heat

and sunlight causes the plastic to deteriorate, and a lead-containing dust forms on the blinds. Young children can ingest the lead by touching the blinds and then putting their hands or fingers in their mouths. The risk to adults and older children is not as great because they are less likely to ingest the dust.

Exposure to lead can be a particularly serious problem for children, said Dr. David R. Smith, Texas Commissioner of Health. "Elevated lead levels can cause irreversible damage to the brain and nervous system," he noted. "Children with elevated blood lead levels may form behavioral, learning and hearing disabilities as well as blood, nerve and kidney abnormalities. And lead exposure," he emphasized, "can cause a reduction in IQ by as much as 10 points."

TDH is conducting independent sampling and testing of imported plastic miniblinds.

"Initial testing by the TDH laboratory confirmed the presence of lead on the surface of new blinds as well as in the plastic," said Charles Branton, director of the TDH Product Safety Program. "Additional tests are being conducted to determine the risks presented by touching chewing or mouthing the blinds," he said.

Determining if the plastic miniblinds currently in use are imported may be difficult if all labeling has been removed. "Inexpensive lead test kits are available to individuals at major hardware and building supply stores," said Branton. "Blinds also may be tested by analytical laboratories and by companies that provide lead inspection services. However, TDH recommends that, if in doubt about lead content of the blinds, consumers - especially those with young children at home, and day care centers and schools - should throw them

away." The lead dust cannot be removed by washing the blinds.

People who live in apartments or other rental property should contact their apartment managers or property owners to request that the blinds be replaced or tested for lead.

Once the blinds have been removed and discarded, the window sills should be thoroughly cleaned with a solution of detergent and water. Floors under and near the windows should be wet mopped, and carpets should be shampooed. To avoid possible food contamination, water used in washing or mopping should be disposed of in the toilet or bathtub, not in the kitchen sink.

Parents who suspect their child has been in frequent contact with plastic miniblinds should consult a doctor about the advisability of having the child's blood checked for lead. As of July 1, manufacturers have agreed

with CPSC's request to remove lead from the manufacture of the blinds; and the new lead-free plastic miniblinds should be available in retail outlets over the next several months. Consumers are advised to look for labeling such as "new formulation," "non-lead formula," "no lead added" or "new non-lead vinyl formulation." New non-lead plastic miniblinds should sell in the same price range as the old blinds - \$5 to \$15 each.

TDH will monitor the removal of lead-containing blinds by retailers. New blinds labeled as lead free will be tested to verify that they contain no lead.

(For further information, contact Charles Branton, Product Safety Program, at 512-834-6773 ext. 2260; Environmental Lead Program at 1-800-572-5548 or 512-834-6600; or Emily Palmer, Communications and Special Health Initiatives, at 512-458-7400.)

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Super Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Turkish titles
 - 7 Unbroken
 - 12 Like kids at Christmas
 - 16 - es Salaam
 - 19 Obliquely
 - 20 Swiss miss?
 - 21 Leslie Caron film
 - 22 Slugger's stat
 - 23 Start of a remark by 112 Across
 - 25 At peace
 - 27 Actor Sparks
 - 28 Thirsty
 - 29 Elated
 - 31 Lead through the wilderness
 - 32 "La - aux Folles"
 - 34 Take away one's briefs?
 - 37 Reproached
 - 38 Mendel's field
 - 41 Plaid fabric
 - 42 Gab
 - 43 Put on guard
 - 44 Part 2 of remark
 - 48 Grazing ground
 - 49 Michener opus
 - 51 Absent
 - 52 Weasel
- DOWN**
- 2 word?
 - 34 She gets what she wants
 - 36 Without - (daringly)
 - 37 Esau's brother
 - 38 Range
 - 39 Mediterranean island
 - 40 Rig
 - 41 Sky stalker
 - 42 Part 3 of remark
 - 43 Spark in the dark
 - 44 Cheat at hide-and-seek
 - 45 Synthetic textile
 - 46 All legs
 - 47 Texas talk
 - 48 Mighty mite
 - 49 Nancy of "Flower Drum Song"
 - 50 Wind up
 - 51 Corporate VIP
 - 52 Anesthetic type
 - 53 Make budget cuts?
 - 54 End of remark
 - 55 Bald bird
 - 56 Just
 - 57 Anxious
 - 58 or law, for example
 - 59 Chandelier feature
 - 60 Door decoration
 - 61 Be a beach boy
 - 62 Milo or Tessie
 - 63 Soprano
 - 64 Ponselle
 - 65 Accomplished
 - 66 Simbal
 - 67 "The Sound and the Fury" author
 - 68 Speaker of remark
 - 69 Rep.
 - 70 Olympic troublemaker
 - 71 Salmon kin
 - 72 Poe poem
 - 73 "I told you so!"
 - 74 Declaim
 - 75 Reduce a risk
 - 76 Cries uncle
 - 77 DOWN
 - 78 Dupe
 - 79 Legendary Arthur
 - 80 Rosebud, for one
 - 81 Solo of "Star Wars" of Dr. -
 - 82 Old-fashioned
 - 83 Light carriage
 - 84 Slowly, to Schubert
 - 85 Unduly
 - 86 Mollusc
 - 87 "On - Old Smokey"
 - 88 Indonesian isle
 - 89 Put it in writing
 - 90 Between three?
 - 91 Treasure
 - 92 Out of control
 - 93 Spy org.
 - 94 London district
 - 95 Sourpuss
 - 96 Pretentious
 - 97 Sit and fuss
 - 98 Thyroid or pituitary
 - 99 Jan and Dean song
 - 100 Loser's "body" locale?
 - 101 Advise
 - 102 Boy bee
 - 103 Kruger or Reville
 - 104 SAT's big brother
 - 105 Challenge
 - 106 Orbison or Bean
 - 107 Simian
 - 108 Carry on
 - 109 Wheel shaft
 - 110 do-well
 - 111 Stallion's son
 - 112 Vane letters

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions-forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Art Ceramics Clay Fired
Glaze Harden Molded Oven
Porcelain Potter Shaped Sponges
Stoneware Tools Wheel

Vision Teaser

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Outfielder is missing. 2. Coach is moved. 3. Arm is raised. 4. Chest protector is larger. 5. Mask is added. 6. Cap is reversed.

Natasha's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A loved one is feeling somewhat restricted by you and needs some space. Be sure to do so this week. You've been a bit too overbearing and possessive of late. This weekend, you both enjoy getting together and sharing a good time.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your instincts are right concerning certain people you can't trust on the work front. All in all, though, it's a good time for interests of the heart. The weekend is favored for good times with friends and family.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Someone in authority is being evasive about a big project you've been asked to undertake. This is a deliberate ploy to test your mettle. Later, anything that concerns travel or education is favored. The weekend finds you relaxed and self-confident.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Someone close to you needs your help, particularly concerning a business matter. New opportunities arise to enable you to get ahead. Pay close attention to those details you usually have no patience for.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Tread carefully when it comes to financial dealings with a business partner this week. There are some rather deceptive trends occurring that could mislead you. All in all, progress is made on the work front.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A certain project at work has you puzzled and facing some unanswered questions. Seek help from an expert on this matter. Strengthening your position in business is a good idea, particularly where your status with bigwigs is concerned.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Despite what you'd like to believe when you're in your typical "Pollyanna" frame of mind, not everyone is being honest with you. At the same time, a loved one communicates well with you. Look for some high-stepping fun this weekend.

What Should Your Cholesterol Level Be?

These are the cholesterol levels recommended by the National Cholesterol Education Program

Risk Category	LDL Cholesterol	Total Cholesterol
With heart disease	100 mg/dL or less	160 mg/dL or less
No heart disease but with 2 or more risk factors	Under 130 mg/dL	Under 200 mg/dL
No heart disease and fewer than 2 risk factors	Under 160 mg/dL	Under 240 mg/dL

Super Crossword

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You are correct to feel that a loved one isn't being candid. Try to get to the bottom of this person's resistance to your pleas for more openness. In matters in the work place, it's wise to ground yourself in reality.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) On the one hand, you have some good news coming this week of a financial nature. Conversely, occurrences at work are a source of confusion. Share happy times with loved ones at home this weekend.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Before acting, be sure that the signals you're receiving are correct. Someone is being deliberately misleading, causing you some undue confusion. You have trouble later in the week making a decision.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Something you can't put your finger on is bothering you on the work front. People you need to reach aren't easy to get in touch with. At home, harmony reigns this weekend.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your financial picture isn't clear, as there are mixed trends affecting it. Later in the week, though, there's good news about money. Someone is trying to take advantage of your good nature, so beware.

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Frontier Baptist Church
Rev. Joe Townsend, Pastor

In talking of the pathway to heaven Mohammed said, "A narrow bridge the breadth of it being less than the web of a famished spider—a person of great virtue passes as the speed of lightning—others at the speed of a horse at full gallop—others still slower because of the weight of their sins. Many fall from this bridge to the pit below. Many of the "Virtues" he described are hideous sins.

In Isaiah God describes the way to heaven as the King's Highway. Jesus says "narrow is the way and straight is the gate and few there be that find." By the measuring rod of the Muslim's world none who walk in it will be found on the King's Highway.

The King's Highway is established by the King and used by his authority. It is a plain way. Any restrictions of rites, rituals, or ceremonies are not impediments. There is one admittance requirement, a simple faith in Jesus Christ. The Scripture says it is so simple and plain that a "way far-

ing man though a fool shall not err therein."

It is a safe way. "No lion shall be there nor ravenous beast," The King's Highway is the Holy way. "It shall be called the way of Holiness." It's Holy because God is there and because God gives Holiness to all his children who traverse the highway. The Holy one of Israel constructed it. It leads to a Holy place. None but the Holy walk in it. It is cast up especially for God's Holy ones—those who have put their faith in Jesus Christ as Savior. It can never deteriorate. It can never be destroyed. There are no toll gates. There are no detours. There are no "closed for repairs." Though it is a narrow way there is room for each and all who profess Jesus Christ as Lord and trust his redeeming power over sin in their lives.

There will be another message from God's word at Frontier Baptist Church Sunday morning at 11:00. Come and See.



First Baptist Church
Rev. Gil Ash, Pastor
"The Pastor's Pen"

A man stopped to watch a little league baseball game. He asked one of the youngsters what the score was. "We're behind eighteen to nothing," was the answer "Well," the man said, "I must say you do not look discouraged." "Discouraged?" the boy said, puzzled. "Why should we be discouraged? We haven't come up to bat yet."

An amazing story but full of truth. Many times outsiders looking in, at the life of a "Christian" (use biblical definition), see them as beaten down, destroyed, with no possibility of hope. But as a "Christian" I can assure you that in my darkest hours, when externally it looked as though all was lost, that the battle had been lost, that is when God was closest. He

knew I needed Him. He made Himself available to me through His Son, Jesus. I can sing with the Psalmist David, The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? David went on to tell the outcome of his enemies then shared his one desire. That is to dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of his life and to behold the beauty of the Lord and to learn of Him in His temple.

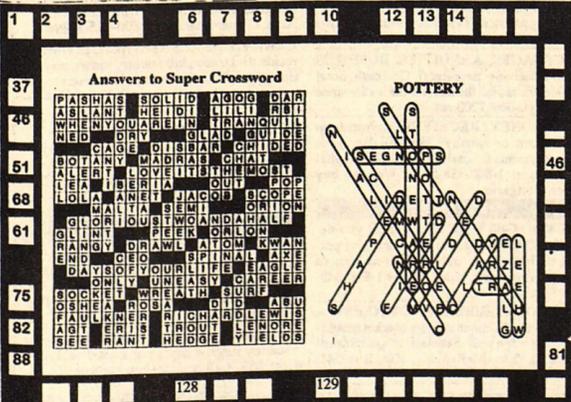
If you have had a disastrous week, or even if it has only been troublesome, why not seek God in His temple this Sunday and learn about Him. Be prepared to learn! Be prepared to Praise! If you seek Him, you shall find Him!

Church Directory

- St. Andrews Episcopal Church:** Henderson & Fort Sunday Church Service 10:30 a.m. 563-2071.
- Frontier Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church):** Sunday Services 11:00 a.m., 6:00 p.m., Joe Townsend, Pastor, 563-2158.
- First Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church):** 307 N. Ann St., Sunday School 9:45 a.m., Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m., and 7:00 p.m., Wednesday Worship 7:00 p.m., Gil Ash, Pastor, 563-2245.
- Baptist Hispanic Mission:** 307 N. Ann Street, Sunday 9:45 a.m.; Wednesday 5:30 p.m.; Friday, 6:00 p.m., Eugenio Duran, Pastor.
- Church of Christ:** N. Ann St., Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship Service 10:30 a.m., Bible Study Sunday 6:30 p.m., Wednesday 6:30 p.m.
- St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church:** Sun. Masses at 8:00 A.M.(Spanish) and 10:30 A.M.(English); Mon., Thurs. and Fri. Mass at 7:00 AM; Wed. Mass 6:30 P.M., Religion Classes Wed. 4:00 and 7:00 PM; Sat. Rosary 7:30 AM, Sat. Mass 8:00 AM and 6:30 PM. Confession Wed. & Sat. 5:30 PM, Rev. Donald R. Lavelle, C.M.F.
- St. Blaise Catholic Church:** Sun. Mass 12:30 noon. Adult Catholic Explanation and Convert Classes Thurs. 7:00 PM Rev. Donald R. Lavelle, C.M.F.
- First United Methodist Church:** "Celebrate and Witness" Fellowship 9:30 a.m., Church School Classes 9:45 a.m., Service of Worship 11:00 a.m., Choir Rehearsal Wednesday 5:00 p.m., Sheree Harris, Pastor.
- St. John's Baptist Church:** Crockett at Keene St., Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Worship 11:00 a.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m., Worship Service Thursday 7:00 p.m., William P. Adams, Sr., Pastor, 563-9175.
- Our Redeemer Lutheran Congregation E.L.C.A.:** Henderson and Fort St., Sunday 9:00 a.m. Worship, Bible Study every other Sunday 10:00 a.m., Rev. Nathan La Frenz, 563-2047.
- Templo Elim Asamblea de Dios:** North Street, Sunday 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., Wednesday and Friday, 7:00 p.m., Rev. Abundio Mancha, Pastor, 563-9237.
- Gateway Ministries (Non-Denominational):** 301 E. Spring St. (across from post office), Praise & Worship Fellowship Sunday 10:00 a.m., Bible Study Wednesday 6:30 p.m., Robert W. Corey, Pastor, Charolette Corey, Associate Pastor, 563-9331.
- New Jerusalem Temple Apostolic Church:** 514 E. Louise St, Sunday School 10:30, Church 11:30, Bible Study: Wed. 7 p.m., Mission: 3rd Thurs. of each month 6 p.m. Pastor Rudy Goodloe (563-9468)

Answers to Super Crossword

POTTERY



Obituaries

Bonne Jo Laman Jones

Bonne Jo Laman Jones, age 62, died July 31, 1996, at her residence in Brackettville Texas. She was born in Fort Hancock to Roland and Clara Laman on October 10, 1933. She was the third of eight Laman children. The family moved to Spofford when Bonne was a young girl and while living in Spofford Bonne met and married Ben S. Jones, Jr. a local rancher who preceded her in death in 1995. Bonne is survived by one daughter, Holly Wueste and her husband Ernie of Eagle Pass, Texas. Sons: Ben S. Jones, III (Bengie) of San Antonio, Texas, John Jones and his wife Melanie of Brackettville, Texas. Bonne will be greatly missed by her mother: Clara Laman of Brackettville, Texas. Sisters Patsy Haller, Betty Tidwell, Judy Burks of Brackettville, Texas, Jany Hoag of Waco Texas. Brothers: Johnny Laman of Katy, Texas, Bobby Laman of San Antonio, Texas, David Laman of Abilene, Texas. Grandchildren: Christopher

Wueste of Eagle Pass, Texas, Shawn Jones of Dallas, Texas, JoLee Jones and Sunni Jones of Brackettville, Texas. Also survived by many nieces and nephews, inlaws, friends, and students. All of whom will miss the gracious presence of Bonne in their lives. She was a very giving lady who has done many services for her family, friends and community over the years. She strove to live her life in a godly way at all times, even in times of sorrow and to let Christ shine through her. She leaves a great legacy of love and wonderful Christian example for us to follow. Service was Sunday, August 4, 1996 at 2:00 p.m. at the Church of Christ in Brackettville, Texas, with Rev. Ray Melton officiating. Burial followed at Kinney County Cemetery. Funeral arrangements were under the direction of the Del Rio Funeral Home dba Brackettville Funeral Home 114 North St. Brackettville Texas.

Antonio "Tony" Olguin Jr.

Antonio "Tony" Olguin Jr., age 61 died July 31, 1996 at the Methodist Hospital in San Antonio. He was born October 22, 1934 in Spofford Texas. Honorably discharged from the United States Army. Retired from the Texas Highway Department. He is survived by his sisters: Stella Guajardo of Brackettville, and Elisa Ramsey of Fresno California, Numerous nieces and nephews, Janie Caballero of Eagle Pass, Step children: Lorena Ester Guillen of San Antonio, Angie

Medina of Eagle Pass, and Francis Medina of Eagle Pass. A rosary was recited Friday at 7:00 p.m. at the Brackettville Funeral Chapel. Funeral Mass 10:00 a.m. Saturday August 3, 1996 at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church in Brackettville. Burial followed at the Spofford Cemetery with the San Felipe Del Rio Veterans Honor Guard conducting military honors. Funeral arrangements were under the directions of the Brackettville Funeral Home 114 North Street.

Concepcion R. Garza

Concepcion R. Garza, age 76, died August 6, 1996 in Del Rio, Texas. She was born January 1, 1920 in Brackettville, Texas.

She is survived by her husband: Juan Garza, Sr. of Brackettville, Tx. Survived by Son's and Daughter-in-Law's: Arturo and Nestora Towers of Denver Colorado, Raymundo Garza of Brackettville, Texas, Manuel Garza and wife Juanita of Brackettville, Texas, Frank Garza and wife Helen of Brackettville, Tx. Daughter and Son-in-law's: Enriqueta Gonzales and husband Armando, Sr. of Brackettville, Texas. 42 Grandchildren and numerous great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her son's Enrique Garza, Ricardo Garza, Juan Garza, Jr.

Visitation was Wednesday, August 7, and Thursday, August 8th, 1996 at her home in Brackettville starting at 10:00 a.m. at 418 Spring St.

Rosary was Wednesday August 7, 1996 at 7:00 p.m. at her home.

Mass will be Friday, August 9, 1996 at 2:00 p.m. at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church in Brackettville, Tx. with Father Cashin officiating. Burial will follow at Kinney County Cemetery.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Del Rio Funeral Home dba Brackettville Funeral Home 114 North St.

Mary O. Gonzales

Mary O. Gonzales, age 75 died August 5, 1996 at her home in Brackettville. Born August 27, 1920 in Brackettville, Texas. The Gonzales Store in Brackettville was first established by her grandfather and has continued under Mary's management.

Sister-in-laws: Bertha Gonzales and Alice Gonzales of San Antonio.

Visitation will be Thursday from 1:00 p.m. til 9:00 p.m. at the Brackettville Funeral Chapel.

Rosary will be recited Thursday 7:00 p.m. at the Chapel. Funeral Mass 10:00 a.m. Friday August 9, 1996 at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church. Burial will follow at the St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Brackettville Funeral Home 114 North Street



St. John's Baptist Church
Pastor Wm. P. Adams, Sr.
210-563-9175

Philippians 21-5
If there be therefore any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the spirit, if any tender mercies and compassion, full fill ye my joy that ye may be like minded having the same love being of one accord of one mind.
Let nothing be done through

strife or vain glory but on lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than themselves.

Look not every man on his own things, but on the things of others.

Let this mind be in you which is also in Christ Jesus.

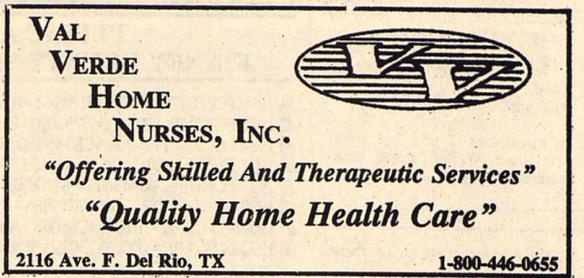
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John Quincy Adams was also known as the Old Man Eloquent.



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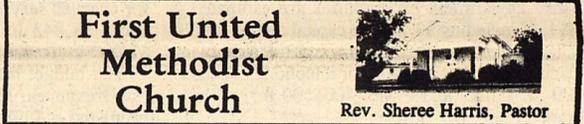
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Gateway Ministries
Pastor Charolette Corey

HUMILITY ... "Humble thyself in the sight of the lord and he will lift you up!" I have personally found that the position of down on my knees "is the best place to be." It certainly keeps me from getting puffed up with pride. My sovereign Father sits on His throne. He loves me dearly, but wants me to give every area of my life to Him. When I run out ahead of Him and endanger myself, He is like the parent who runs after, catches, and scolds His child... BECAUSE HE LOVES ME.
Yet, He is ever ready to forgive me when I repent. He is eager to give good things to me as I keep my eyes adoringly and obediently fixed on Him. He is all I want. He is all I need.
I am eternally grateful for all His blessings. Those blessings can even include chastening which shows me that I am His child. It is

then that I also have the right to crawl up in His lap and throw my arms around my Heavenly father and say "I'm sorry, Daddy and I love you! I'll do better next time!"
My Heavenly Father's love is so pure and holy that the glory of it overwhelms me. His peace that passes all understanding then fills every crevice of my heart and I rejoice in the strength of who He is and the promise that He will "complete that which He has begun in me."
I am confident that "His word does not return to Him void, but instead goes out and performs that which He sent it to accomplish. This means He is "faithful to complete that which He has begun in us" to His glory and His own honor. Because of who He is, I can rest in hope and so can you.
**STAND IN FAITH
REST IN HOPE
WALK IN LOVE**



First United Methodist Church
Rev. Sheree Harris, Pastor

"Mom it's not fair!"
"True"
"But, Mom, it's not FAIR!!"
"No, it's not."
So goes the banter, and I wonder who ever told my children that life is fair.
Life is not fair. It's that simple. It's really true. But at one time or another we all rail at that truth and our heart longs for justice, don't we? It's tough getting knocked around until we finally learn that lesson, and then it's even harder to accept it.
Our sense of justice or fairness is assaulted on every front. We watch innocent people being killed, children dying. People who work hard don't make it while others "luck out" on to the bigtime. Discrimination scars lives and fate crimes are on the rise. "By the waters of Babylon they sat and wept," and so do we.
So how do we teach our children to live in a world such as this? By grace. It's that simple. It's really true. I believe that we are called to work for justice for all persons and at the same time to remember that we live by grace and grace alone. Simple, yes, but not an easy balance to live out of.
We were not born because we had earned the right to live but rather because God created us. We do not live in the most privileged and resource-filled nation on earth because we are better than those who live in war-torn or famine ravished countries; we live here because God put us here. We don't have beautiful memories and high hopes because we earned the right; we have them because God gave them to us.
However we live, we live each day in grace. All life is a gift. Living as gift, we are able to endure injustices inflicted upon ourselves, and armored with divine love we are able to fight for justice for others.
**"Life isn't fair!"
"True. But grace happens!"
Grace and peace,**

Unsung Hero By Joe Townsend

Another dear friend and wonderful person of our community is now enjoying the presence with God in that great glory land.
Bonne Jones has bid farewell to family and friends here to join her husband, father and a host of relatives and friends around the throne of God.
Bonne was part of a very fine family. Her parents and sisters made up an exceptional family.
When she married, she became a part of an expanded family, equally fine.

As her children came along, there came to be another fine family.
Bonne was an exceptionally outstanding person. She was devoted to her family, her church and her community. She was friendly, compassionate and caring.
Traumatic physical problems did not dampen her friendly spirit. Surely God has a special place for her where she awaits her family and friends who will one day be reunited with her. Surely Bonne Jones is an Unsung Hero.

First Baptist Church hosts crusade

Hey, Kids! You and your parents are invited to attend the crusade at the First Baptist Church.
What is a crusade? Well, it is kind of like a Vacation Bible School. There are lots of fun things happening.
There will be great music, singing, puppets, skits bible stories, a craft project, and a special mission project to help one of the churches in town raise money for their church that is going to be built.
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The above NAMED registered owner has failed to claim his/her vehicle within the required time of being notified by certified letter to pay towing and storage charges resulting from placing the vehicle in custody and garagekeeper's charges for storage of vehicle.

These vehicles will be sold at a public auction at Southwest Service Co. HWY 90 east in Brackettville, Texas to the highest bidder. Viewing of vehicles will start at 9:00 a.m. and end at 3:00 p.m. August 14, 1996.

Viewing only

Bidding will start at 10:00 a.m. on August 15th, 1996.

SELF HELP

If you drink that's your business. If you want to quit that's ours. Alcoholics Anonymous meets on Monday and Friday, 8 P.M. at Slator Hall. Bob, 563-3080.

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BISD PUBLIC HEARING

The Brackett Independent School District will conduct a public hearing of the proposed 1996-97 budget at 6:30 p.m. on August 19, 1996 in the board room of the school administration building, 400 Ann Street Brackettville, Texas

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FOR SALE

2 tires 205 / 70 15 \$20.00 each 563-2052

City Council members to consider budget Monday

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ance, \$4,650 for audit expenses, \$4,500 for liability and property insurance, \$4,500 for utilities, \$3,200 for office expenses and \$3,000 for contract labor, among others.

Fire Department expenditures are estimated at \$13,134, including \$3,700 for capital outlay, \$3,500 for liability and property insurance, \$3,434 for maintenance and repair, \$1,400 for telephone expenses, \$600 for school and travel and \$500 for workers' compensation.

The proposed budget includes \$12,000 in expenses for street repair, \$16,000 for street lighting, \$1,000 for city park maintenance and \$500 for maintenance of the baseball field.

Total health and welfare expenses listed on the budget amount to \$64,700. That amount includes \$45,800 in Garbage Gobbler fees, \$12,000 for Citizen Collection Site salaries, \$1,300 for payroll taxes, \$1,200 for health insurance, \$1,000 for liability insurance, \$1,000 for maintenance and repair and \$1,000 for capital improvement of the dog pound. The proposed budget lists \$216,324 in tax revenues, including \$132,000 in property taxes, \$45,000 in city sales taxes, \$35,324 in gross receipt taxes, \$3,500 in penalties and interest, and \$500 in occupation taxes.

Other general fund revenues listed are \$57,800 for charged services, \$9,350 in miscellaneous revenue, \$8,842 in intergovernmental revenue and \$2,000 in license and permits revenue.

The budget has allotted for \$408,300 in utility fund revenues. Charge for services revenues are estimated at \$398,000, which includes \$160,000 in gas sales, \$152,000 in water sales, \$63,000 in sewer charges and \$23,000 in surcharges.

Gas purchases are estimated at \$80,000. Service and supplies expenses are estimated at \$31,400 and other costs are listed at \$82,100, which includes \$28,000 in utilities, \$9,300 for the lease or purchase of a backhoe loader and \$6,000 for contract labor, among other items.

Personnel expenses in the utility fund are estimated at \$214,800. That amount includes \$181,000 for salaries (up 9.1 percent from this year), \$18,000 for health insurance and \$15,800 for payroll taxes.

Did You Know?

(NAPS)—Ninety-eight percent of scientists specializing in radiation or nuclear science say they would be willing to have a nuclear power plant in their own community. The more nuclear power we use to create electricity, explain the experts at Westinghouse, the less fossil fuel we need to burn. Many scientists and others are writing the public utility commission in favor of nuclear energy. You can also communicate with Congress about it by writing the U.S. Senate, Washington, D. C. 20510 and the House of Representatives, Washington, D. C. 20515.

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Happy Birthday

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| August 8 | Sally H. Couture | August 11 | Sandi Vance |
| August 8 | Mildred Harvey | August 12 | Andrew Stephenson |
| August 8 | Louise Wood | August 12 | Elise Huntsman |
| August 8 | Mildred Borden | August 12 | Bernie Cervantes |
| August 8 | Adam Sandoval | August 13 | Nina Batson |
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| August 10 | Larry Groce | August 14 | Sarah Davis |
| August 10 | Vanessa Castillo | August 14 | Roland Boysen |
| August 14 | Audie Herrington | | |

Those witches and jerks that wake us just as we are falling asleep are called hypnic jerks, which occur when nerve fibers leading to the leg suddenly fire in unison. Each tiny nerve in the bundle of nerves produces a harsh tightening of a tiny portion of muscle fiber that is linked to it down in the leg, and when they all fire together the leg twitches as a whole.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF KINNEY

BY VIRTUE OF ORDERS OF SALE dated August 5, 1996, and issued pursuant to judgment decrees of the District Court of Kinney County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date, and to me delivered as Sheriff of said County, I have on the 5th day of August, 1996, seized, levied upon, and will, on the first Tuesday of September, 1996, the same being the 3rd day of said month, at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Brackettville, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on said day proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all the right, title and interest of the defendants in the following suits in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Kinney and State of Texas, to-wit:

vs. Juan Lumbreras, et al; South one-half (1/2) of Lot 1, Block 12, Original Town of Brackett;

No. 2977, Kinney County Appraisal District vs. Eddie W. Jantz, et al; Lot 5, Block P, Fort Clark Springs, Unit 27;

No. 2980, Kinney County Appraisal District vs. H.W. Feltnet, et al; Lots 9 and 10, Block M, Fort Clark Springs, Unit 27, subject to protective restrictions of record in Volume A-43, Page 615, Deed Records, Kinney County, Texas, and subject to protective covenants of record in Volume A-67, Page 125-130, Deed Records, Kinney County, Texas;

No. 2981, Kinney County Appraisal District vs. Feliciano Castillo, et al; North 1/2 of Lot 3, Block 42, Original Town of Brackett;

No. 2986, Kinney County Appraisal District vs. Carlos Frame and Aligning Service, Inc., et al; Lot 23, Block N Fort Clark Springs, Unit 27;

or, upon written request of said defendants or their attorneys, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgments, interest, penalties, attorney's fees and costs; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, at any time within the time and manner prescribed by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgements rendered in the above numbered and entitled suits, together with interest, penalties, attorney's fees and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

Dated at Brackettville, Texas, this the 5th day of August, 1996.

Leland K. Burgess, Sheriff
Kinney County, Texas

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