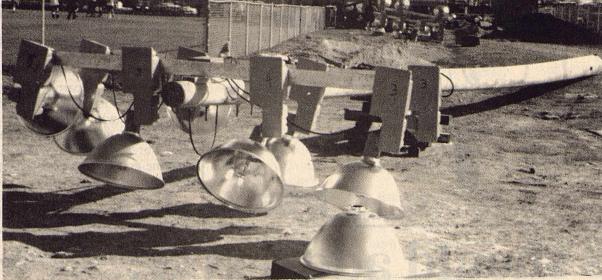
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Liteco Electric Company has been busy at the high school athletic complex this week putting up lights at the baseball and softball fields. See related story, Page 2.

Directors consider converting Seminole Hall into hotel rooms

The Fort Clark Springs Board of Directors acvert Seminole Hall into hotel rooms at Saturday's monthly meeting.

The recommendation of the adaptive reuse was made by the association's planning committee.

"The board is considering the conversion of Seminole Hall to hotel rooms without damaging the historical integrity of the building," Fort Clark Springs General Manager Bill Haenn said.

Also on Saturday, Ben Pingenot presented an amendment allowing directors to request information directly from employees without going through the general manager.

The first reading of the amendment passed 4-2, with Pingenot, Betty Gibbs, Santos Yerena and Mona Miller voting for it. Mary Mitchell and Frank Cheaney opposed. Michael Holley was absent.

In other business, the directors approved a mocepted a recommendation for further study to contion made by Cheaney to specify lots in Unit 27 for tors and piping. It will take them opting, and the board appointed Schuler and Schuler about two to three weeks to get as the association's independent auditors.

Requests for open-to-the-public functions were approved for the Kinney County Arts Council on April 25 and May 2, and for the Lions Club on March 15.

Haenn presented the general manager's report. Consideration of an appointment to the recreation committee was discussed, but the item was city, they have completed most, tabled until the next meeting.

Miller presented the financial statement, which was approved, and the minutes from the previous lift stations so we can tie the whole meeting were approved.

During member discussion, improvements to the 18-hole golf course and handicap-accessibility to buildings were addressed.

New sewer plant nears completion

The joint sewer plant project between the Fort Clark Municipal Utility District and the city of Brackettville is near completion, officials announced.

"The sewer project is about 90 percent finished," MUD General Manager Larry Sofaly said.

The \$3.7 million project includes a new treatment facility, lift stations and rehab of antiquated lines in the city and at Fort Clark

"The lift stations aren't complete," Sofaly said. "All of the pipe has been laid in the ground, but the individual connections aren't complete.

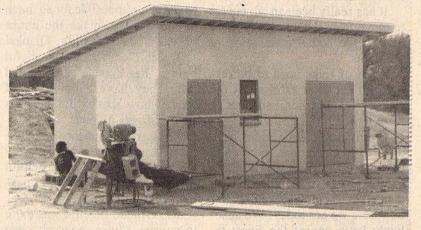
"They have the lift stations in, but they have to put pumps, mo-

"A lot depends on when we can get electricity out there," he said. "Rio Grande is working on that will be located in the southeast \$1,125,425 will be funded by sev-

Brackettville City Manager David Luna said, "Here, in the if not all, of the lines.

"We're fixing to pick up on the tion. thing together," he added.

The new treatment facility,



BRACKETT NEWS PHOTO BY J.J. GUIDRY

Pictured above is the operation and maintenance building at the new treatment facility.

"The sewer project is about 90 percent finished."

MUD General Manager Larry Sofaly

will be owned by Brackettville but percent. MUD will have the permit to run it. The property was donated by approximately six years in the the Fort Clark Springs Associa- making, was started as a result of

\$3,703,700 of projected expense 1990, by the Texas Natural Rewill be covered by grants obtained source Conservation Commission, consisting of four holding ponds from Rural Development, for- formerly the Texas Water Comcovering approximately 36 acres, merly FMHA. The remaining mission.

corner of Fort Clark Springs. It eral 40-year federal loans at 4.5

The project, which has been two consecutive annual reports of-Almost 70 percent of the non-compliance, in 1989 and

Commissioners Court agrees to raise rates of Civic Center

Civic Center Friday at a special meeting.

County Commissioners Freddie Frerich, Precinct 1; Joe Williams, Precinct 3; and Paul O'Rourke, Precinct 4; voted for the increases. Precinct 2 Commissioner Joe Montalvo was

"We haven't adjusted these fees in two and sion.

The hourly rate for the east wing was raised from \$60 to \$65, the west wing and the kitchen reimbursement of \$41,312. were both raised from \$27.50 to \$30, and the \$16.50 to \$20.

The \$60 deposit and the \$125 cleaning fee Springs. for the Civic Center stayed intact.

non-profit organization requesting free use at Fort Clark Springs. would have to appear in front of the court.

roof of the Civic Center, but no action was

a half years," Frerich said prior to the deci- Seargeant to sign a supplemental grant application and resolution regarding the narcotics radio frequency, there are blind spots." task force and the city of Eagle Pass salary

central downstairs room was raised from an additional arm on the county's communi- Kinney County Library, approved the appoint-

The Kinney County Commissioners Court The commissioners agreed that the EMS sible for Fort Clark to add an arm on to the unanimously agreed to raise the rates for the and the Fire Department would both be able present tower at no cost to anybody but themto use the Civic Center for free, and any other selves," said Charles Porter, head of security

> "They're contemplating buying a new ra-The commissioners discussed repairing the dio system," Porter told the court. "If we can get on that repeater tower, of course, then we will have the capability of having radio com-The court authorized County Judge Tommy munications. In the very back of Fort Clark Springs, where we don't have a full range of

In other action, the commissioners approved installation of a satellite system, and The commissioners heard a request to add necessary wires, in the Fritter Room at the cations tower for safety purposes at Fort Clark ment of Horace Troy and Sandy Herman to the library board, and agreed to revise a reso-"We're just trying to find out if it is pos- lution on Texas county and district retirement.

Army Band to perform at Fort Clark Springs

323rd U.S. Army Band in the Army's elite musical groups. Old Quarry Amphitheater at Fort Clark Springs at 5:30 p.m. presents an average of 240 peron Saturday, March 1.

ment.

available at the entrance to Fort combo "Crosswords." Clark. In the event of inclemwill take place in the Post The- cians to perform with a reater.

a professional group of soldier serving their country.

The public is invited to at- musicians, is one of the tend a free performance by the Southwest's and the U.S.

The 323rd U.S. Army Band formances each year. To fulfill This community sponsored its assortment of engagements, event is the third annual con- the band offers a concert band, cert at Fort Clark featuring the marching band, brass ensemble, soldier musicians of the Band jazz ensemble "The Jazz Conof the Army Medical depart- nection," Latin band "Corazon," Dixieland band, Ample free parking will be and the popular and country

The band provides opportuent weather, the performance nities for talented soldier musinowned group, to travel and to The 323rd U.S. Army Band, continue their education while

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Brackett falls to Navarro, 63-57, in bi-district game

CASTROVILLE - Navarro put together a fivepoint spurt in the second quarter and led for the the contest, but the Lady Panthers were 8 of 17 remainder of the contest Saturday night as the Lady from the free throw line and the Tigerettes were 2 Panthers defeated the Brackett Tigerettes, 63-57, of 3. in a bi-district playoff game at Medina Valley High

With the win, Navarro advanced to the area playoffs, where they lost to Karnes City, 53-42, Tuesday night.

Brackett ended its season with a 20-12 overall with a perfect 10-0 conference mark.

Navarro trailed 24-22 in the second quarter before closing the first half with a 5-0 run. Ashley Nicklas scored from inside the paint at the buzzer to put the Lady Panthers up 29-24 at intermission. Navarro never trailed the rest of the game.

Nicklas hit a turn-around jumper at the 1:12 mark and four steals. in the third quarter to give the Lady Panthers their biggest lead of the contest at 46-34.

After that point, Brackett couldn't pull any closer three rebounds, two steals and an assist. than five points.

Jamie Hildebrand led Navarro with 17 points, Jessica Regalado scored 15, Kim Vogel had 13,

and Nicklas added 11. quarter.

Brackett and Navarro both had 27 field goals in

Brackett shot 57 percent from the field, making 27 of 47 field goals, had 21 assists, and committed only 14 turnovers.

But, the Tigerettes had only 12 rebounds.

Amanda Meek led Brackett's scoring attack with record. The Tigerettes won the District 30-2A title 17 points, while Courtney Harrison, Lindy La Mascus and Tina Meek all had 10 points apiece.

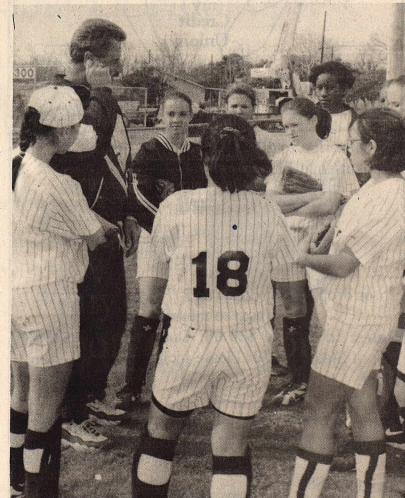
Amanda Meek, who was 8 of 13 from the floor, also had four assists and two blocks. Harrison made 5 of 6 field goals, pulled down

four rebounds and had four assists. La Mascus finished the contest with four assists

Tina Meek was 5 of 9 from the floor, scoring 8 of her 10 points in the third period. She also had

Chica Garza scored six points on 3 of 3 shooting. She also had five assists and five steals.

Sandra Hernandez and Reccia Jobe added two Regalado had 11 of her 15 points in the third apiece. Hernandez had two assists and Jobe picked



BRACKETT NEWS PHOTO BY J.J. GUIDRY

Only three days after ending the basketball season, Brackett coach Gregg Nowlin and the Tigerettes opened the softball season.



There are many to thank for new athletic facility

lights ready on the baseball and softball fields.

bids to the actual installation of the lights.

A lot of folks need to be recwant to begin to say thanks.

Jimmy and Cathy Bader have donated so much time, money and effort to this project that a simple thanks seems trite. Nonetheless, thanks! Without you, we couldn't be where we are today. We absolutely have one of the finest fa- to counsel, advise and work when cilities in Texas.

Education at Brackett ISD. They excellent service response in this have given support and encour- company. agement to the project. They have helped guide this project with area. Once the decision was made monetary support.

Thanks!

The city of Brackettville de-The council and mayor have known. helped from the beginning with this project. It is a facility that the players who have built a reputatown is proud of also. Thanks.

Ray Smallwood and a band of that our town could give. helpers have worked like "busy bees" to finish bleachers in time. Ray is so proud. He can do lots of things and, above all, he has pride in his work. Ray recruited work that went into it. the workers that we needed to get this job done. Thanks for a job see a first class ball park that was

Richard Terrazas, director of believe in kids. maintenance, and helpers Tony

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The big project the last two Negrete and Manuel Madrid have weeks has been getting the new worked putting in sprinkler systems, and making sure the dirt, sand and grass are just right. They It has really been an adventure have been responsible for so much to move from the awarding of the of the work to make the entire project a quality facility. Thanks!

Liteco Electric, our successful bidder, has done a professional ognized for their efforts. At the job. They have a boss named risk of leaving someone out, I Larry who works hard, knows his stuff and gets it done.

We have an outstanding engineer named Steve who designed the system and has been helpful in more ways than you can imagine. Thanks!

Rio Grande Electric was there we needed them. Nice to know We want to thank the Board of these folks are around. There is

CP&L ended up servicing the as to whose trade area we were in As with all school projects, we (by authorities far beyond Brackcould not achieve without a sup- ettville), CP&L has been very portive board. We have one. helpful. They have helped us meet our deadline.

I'm sure there are more. I serves to be thanked for its sup- should thank our athletic director, port. David Luna has been there Roy Rokovich, who works harder to help when the calls went out. than any two that I have ever

> Thanks to our coaches and tion that justified giving the best

Above all, thanks to the taxpayers of BISD who have made this fine addition possible. I am humbled by the facility and the

This week, take a drive by and put together by a team of folks that

Have a good week!



Congress should address more serious concerns

It's a sad fact, but true, that the government in Washington, from the President on down, is enamored with itself and the political future. Recent actions glaringly point this out.

They can't have integrity enough to solve overburdening problems of the nation, but they have time to fiddle with petty things that are of almost no real significance.

The co-president and her female compadries push legislation through the mill to require that women stay in the hospital two days instead of one.

They simply want to make waves about women, and the Congress bows to the whims lest they be charged with anti woman bias.

Whether a woman stays in a hospital one day or one year cerof the woman and her physician.

While some insurance policies by insurance, there is no limit to never be acceptable to these radi-

Between Us By Joe Townsend

hospital if the need is there. All the palaver about cutting health care cost goes out the window when political whims come into play.

It doesn't take a rocket scientist to know an extended day in the hospital means extended cost.

Two such inane actions regarding women can only be explained by political appeals to the female

There are far more women who die from cancer and heart attacks than die from breast cancer. Mastainly should be in the providence tectomy was chosen because only women are affected. Were cancer and heart attacks included this limit hospital stays to be paid for would include men. This would

how long a woman can be in the cal feminists.

spending huge amounts of our tax money.

will be adequately funded.

economy tomorrow.

South and West Texas.

Let's make one thing clear: The WIC program

Today's agriculture research advances lead to

Whether it is farm and ranch programs or food

safety or food stamps, the Appropriations Subcom-

To bypass medical findings that women need not take regular mammograms below age 50. Now, the Washington bureaucracy wants to drop the age to 40. This is simply another attempt to focus on female related problems.

These examples are more evidence that "the days of big government are over," ha ha.

If Congress would get serious about national concerns and turn a deaf ear to the co-president and other radicals, maybe, just maybe some meaningful problems could be solved.

Somethings should be left to the individual, like the length of hospital stays and personal physical

Capitol Comment

U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison

Timely tips on tax advantages

When you sit down at the kitchen table to prepare your taxes this year, you'll probably be thinking, along with a lot of other people, that the trouble with being a breadwinner nowadays is that the government takes such a big slice.

But there is a small bit of good news: Tax legislation enacted in 1996 may make Uncle Sam's slice smaller in the future.

Here is a rundown on several of those new provisions:

■ The Internal Revenue Code, in certain situations, now allows penalty free withdrawals from Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) for reasons other than retirement.

Withdrawals now are allowed to pay medical bills for you, your spouse or your dependents, but only for expenses in excess of 7.5 percent of your adjusted gross in-

Withdrawals also may be made without penalty by those who remain on unemployment insurance for at least 12 weeks; these withdrawals must be used to pay health-insurance premiums.

We're trying to add education costs and first time home purchases to the list of penalty free withdrawals.

■ The self-employed will enoy increased tax deductions for their health insurance premiums. For the 1996 tax year, the deduction is established at 30 percent of premiums paid.

This deduction jumps to 40 percent for 1997 and will rise incrementally to 80 percent in 2006.

■ Beginning this year, the terminally ill and chronically ill may obtain tax-free benefits, often reance policies. This provision con-Politicians are simply making themselves look tains strict guidelines defining good and compassionate to their special interests by chronic and terminal illness.

■ Medical Savings Accounts (MSAs) are now available to a We have the resources to take care of our neigh- limited number of individuals albors in need and ensure the future of American ag- lowing them beneficial savings riculture. But the big spenders must stop demand- plans to pay for their medical exing money without justification. It's just not responpenses.

MSAs are tax-deferred savings Every dollar that the subcommittee is forced to accounts which are available to from agriculture improvements in Texas and the rest groups of 50 or fewer individuals in conjunction with certain high-For example, unnecessary spending takes away deductible health plans (deducfrom agriculture research programs which ensure tibles of \$1,500 to \$2,250 per infamily).

Eligible individuals can con-Last year alone, the WIC program was funded at substantial savings and a stronger American tribute up to 65 percent of the amount deductible under their As you can see, balancing the interests of the health plan (75 percent for fami-They can't even spend what they have now fast different areas of the country is quite a challenge. lies) to an MSA, and use that con-As the only Texan on the subcommittee, my main tribution to pay for medical exresponsibility is to make sure that the subcommittee penses, including dental and eye understands what we Texans produce, especially in care.

> Money contributed can be deducted from the business owner's gross income for tax purposes, mon sense ways to keep American agriculture 'Numand accumulates tax-deferred interest. ber one' and that's good news for the farmers and

Last, but not least, one-income families now can benefit from the Homemaker IRA, which sponsored.

The Homemaker IRA raises the limit on IRA contributions for oneincome couples from \$2,250 a year to \$4,000 a year, \$2,000 for each spouse.

Finally, homemakers are gettirement savings.

A single-income couple that invests the new maximum amount annually into an IRA account beginning at age 25 will accumulate \$1.1 million by the time they reach retirement age at 65.

For more information on this, call my Dallas office at (214) 361-

It's not a perfect system, but we have made it better. I urge all Texans to investigate the advantages these new tax-code rules have to offer.

Agriculture: More than "meats" the eye ferred to as "accelerated death benefits," from some life insur-

By Henry Bonilla

U.S. Congressman, 23rd District

This year, I gained a seat on the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture.

The subcommittee is responsible for the programs that keep America the world's leader in agriculture. So I figured that the subcommittee was only about traditional agriculture programs. Well, guess what, it's not just crops and livestock.

Besides funding a wide range of important, traditional programs such as agricultural research, the unnecessarily spend is another dollar taken away self-employed and employer CRP program, the Animal Damage Control Program and the Boll Weevil Eradication Program, the of the U.S. subcommittee is also responsible for federal food stamps and the WIC program.

WIC stands for Supplemental Nutrition for that the American farmer is able to produce the best dividual, or \$3,000 to \$4,500 per Women, Infants and Children and is one of the major crops and livestock in the world. federal welfare programs.

\$3.7 billion. And now, the Department of Agriculture wants \$378 million more for WIC this year!

enough! In fact, WIC money left over at the end of each year has grown every year since 1990. This is a prosperous country and we can, and

must, provide a safety net to the needy, especially to the children. We have done that, and this Congress will continue to do that.

This is one of the big problems with Washing- mittee on Agriculture is here to find effective, comton: Politicians wanting more money for programs that sound good without showing the need for massive increases.

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ranchers of the 23rd District and Texas.

of the State speech, Gov. Bush announced a plan to reduce school property taxes by approximately rent state revenue would be chan-\$2.8 billion per year. Property tax relief would be provided in three

1) The state mandated homestead exemptions for school purposes would be increased from \$5,000 to \$25,000;

2) Business inventories would be exempted from school maintenance and operations (M&O)

3) School district M&O tax rate of 1 1/4 percent.

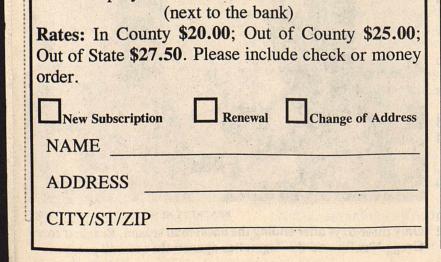
Gov. George Bush has been ad- rates would be reduced by 20 cents vocating a shift in the way public per \$100 value. Money to reimschools are financed. In his "State burse school districts would come ting equity when it comes to refrom 4 sources:

1) \$500 million per year of curneled to schools:

2) the rate of the state sales tax would be increased by 1/2 of one percent to 6.75 percent:)

3) the rate of the state motor vehicle sales and rental tax would be increased by 1/2 of one per- 3500. cent, also to 6.75 percent;

4) the corporate franchise tax would be replaced by a "Texas Business Tax" (TBT) levied at a



Briefs...

in fight against dump

DEL RIO - Spofford, successful at thwarting a company's attempt to locate a radioactive materials dump there, is preparing for another battle.

Del Rio, Spofford's ally in the previous fight, is ready for the enext bout. City council decided last month to include Del Rio as a party to the application for a solid waste landfill in Spofford proposed by Adobe Ecosystems Ltd., according to the Del Rio Sun.

The council's decision was made in the form of a motion by Lee Weathersbee following a 40 minute executive session. There was no discussion on the matter when the council reconvened in open session.

Meeks earns honors

AUSTIN - Brackettville's Brandy Meeks earned university honors at the University of Texas at Austin for the fall of 1996 ses-

Brandy, the daughter of Preston E. and Angie Meeks, has been offered membership in two national honor societies that recognize scholastic achievement, Alpha Lambda Delta and Phi Eta Sigma. Meeks' major is business honors and she plans a second major in management.

Butterflies featured

DEL RIO - Amistad National Recreation Area's weekly evening selling a million pounds of used by 50 percent at the prison units program on Saturday will be The kitchen grease for \$11,000 to sav- where food wastes are fed to hogs. Monarch Butterfly.

Sheriff's Report

Sunday, February 16

Victor Reyes Lara of Uvalde was arrested by Department of ity with TDCJ. Linking environ-Public Safety Trooper Tom Wylie ment, economics and efficiency for driving while intoxicated, first serves both the agency and the forts, according to Charles Morroffense. Lara was booked into the Kinney County Jail and magistrated by Judge Tommy Seargeant. Lara was released the grams, the agency's aggressive next day after posting \$500 bond. utility conservation programs

Brackettville's Schooler chosen to Del Rio joins Spofford participate in educational program

and selected to participate in The Academy V, a program offered by the Texas Elementary Principals and Supervisors Associaton.

Schooler is the Jones Elementary School Principal at the Brackett Independent School District.

"We are extremely proud of The Academy," TEPSA Executive Director Sandi Borden said. "Through this program, we have launched a new era in the professional development of educators.

'We have had an opportunity to direct change, not just react to it. We believe we've made positive on the match between their stated objectives and contributions to education and, ultimately, to children. That's exciting!"

The TEPSA Academy is an intensive training experience in which educators work collaboratively to become a professional cadre of highly skilled instructional leaders.

This gathering of minds fosters a "think-tank" forum for promoting creative problem-solving of current and future educational issues.

The structure of The Academy consists of a two-

AUSTIN - Brackettville's Michael Schooler is year instructional program that offers continuous one of 150 Texas educators who were nominated interrelated themes such as: the improvement of schools from within; the professional growth of school leaders; the school as a community of learners that fosters growth and learning for everyone; and improving schools to succeed in a world of

The Academy participants learn from nationally known educational experts during weekend workshops. This allows for personal and in-depth discussions of relevant educational issues.

Applicants for The Academy are selected based the goals of The Academy. In addition, an effort is made to ensure that participants represent a diverse group of school leaders from a variety of school

At the kickoff celebration, Dr. Terrence Deal. noted author of the books, "Leading With Soul," "Corporate Cultures," and "Reframing Organizations," will be the featured speaker. Deal is a professor of education and human development at Vanderbilt University's Peabody College.

Ricks Furniture prepares to show off remodeling project

Something new Del Rio has to the store," Ricks said. been looking forward to for a long time is finally here and it is hitting the Queen City by storm.

Ricks Furniture has been undergoing a massive remodeling project since June 1996 and is getting ready to officially open its doors to the public, very soon.

Ricks Furniture, says the remodeling took awhile, but it is something he and the Del Rio/Acuna community can be proud of. "We have needed something like this for a very long time. We had the a need in Del Rio to offer a wider brands. The building is professionally designed by Hubbard King, who came out with a floor plan that is wonderful. Everything is very up-to-date in style and it will

Because of the remodeling, Ricks Furniture is now able to give the public more of a selection. They carry name brands like Thomasville, La-Z-Boy, Broyhill, Kincaid, Lexington, Lane, Pulaski, Sealy Posturepedic, Philadelphia, and much more.

"People have been asking for it and the only way we could give them more selection was to expand. We now have approximately 30,000 square feet and we have added several special sections to our future."

One new area includes an expanded desk gallery. They carry a wide selection of roll tops and computer desks. The gallery also displays beautiful book cases and office chairs. Another addition is the Home Entertainment Center Gallery. It holds all the latest Lonnie Ricks, President of styles in furniture that will hold your television, VCR, and stereo. The store also displays it's bedroom and living room sets in such a way, that you will fall in love with the color combinations.

"We expanded to serve the opportunity to expand and we felt public better. We are very excited about the rich colors and are lookselection of styles and name ing forward to seeing how people will react," Ricks said

Ricks Furniture has researched and brought in beautiful, high quality items at a competitive price. Ricks hope is that people in give people great ideas for their Del Rio and the surrounding area are going to be surprised and like the idea of having a large furniture store like this in a small town.'

The public will be pleased with the high quality and of course Ricks Lowest Price Guarantee. The colors and design of the building are something special to see. You won't want to miss this grand opening event, that is designed to be only the beginning of Ricks 50th Anniversary year. Ricks motto is "Proud of our Past, look forward

Prison recycling saves millions

HUNTSVILLE- Conservation saved \$1.8 million, Scott said, and purchases by the garment factoprograms in the state prison sys- focused new emphasis on water ries by making reusable fibers of tem last year were worth \$4.5 mil- conservation during last year's lion to the Texas Department of drought. Criminal Justice in direct savings, to Gov. George Bush.

ing \$1.9 million in landfill dis-

"Conservation is a high priorpeople of Texas," TDCJ Execu-

tive Director Wayne Scott said. In addition to the recycling pro-

TDCJ cut landfill costs by feedcost avoidance an income from ing 33 million pounds of food selling recyclable waste, the wastes to its own hogs and selling agency says in its annual report another 22 million pounds of food wastes to other hog farmers. Hog TDCJ's benefits ranged from feed grain purchases were reduced

posal costs by recycling every- utility costs and helped save wathing from garbage to file fold- ter by recycling more than 183 million gallons of reclaimed water from hog farm lagoons.

> Prison textile mills and garment factories are major contributors to the success of the recycling efgan, TDCJ recycling coordinator.

> Morgan said a new scrap cloth recycling machine put into service less than a year ago has already saved \$147,000 in virgin cotton

worn out guard uniforms and inmate clothing which was previously sold for only pennies a pound or dumped into landfills.

Other prison industries this year sold five million pounds of aluminum and metal scraps for \$362,000, Morgan said.

The agency also saw a 50 per-The prison hog farms also cut cent increase in recycled steel cans, selling 3.8 million pounds for \$95,000, and increases in paper and cardboard recycling worth \$100,000 plus from units, offices, printing plants and the cardboard box factory.

The prisons also recapped 6,400 tires: composted 5,200 cubic yards of sawdust, limbs and brush; and sold 47,000 gallons of used motor oil for \$5,800 and 33,000 wooden pallets for \$46,000, Morgan said.



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Parsons addresses Brackettville Rotary Club

Council agrees not to fill vacancy until May

The Brackettville City Council declined to fill Alvin Stocks Construction Company's low bid the seat left vacant by Charles Bushart Tuesday night of \$77,160 was under the \$87,200 alloted in the

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Ann Hibler, left, was crowned Preceptor Theta Sigma's Sweet- experience emphasizing not heart and Barbara Miller was crowned Beta Epsilon Omicron's only what she had been taught,

Sorority Valentine Dinner

Preceptor Theta Sigma and cret sister gifts were exchanged. Beta Epsilon Omicron, chapters of Beta Sigma Phi, met for a Clark Springs, were the follow-Valentines Dinner at the Texas ing- Jan and Carl Chism, Nancy Rose restaurant, Del Rio, on and Tony Frerich, Luella and Friday evening Feb. 14th at Dwite Gilliland, Lou and Carl 5:30 p.m. The dining room was Green, Ann and Guy Hiblar, beautifully decorated by mem- Betty Inman, Doraline and Ken bers of the Sororities. After a Keller, Gaye and Roger Kurz, delicious dinner of chicken and Clara and Alan McCord, Pat brisket and all the trimmings, a and Clem McKelvey, Alicia and short program was held. Presi- Gil Raymer, Molly Schroeder, dents Nancy Frerich and Dee Mylo and Dale Unruh, Bobbie Curry gave the opening re- and Pack Waddill, Ruby and marks. Lynn McNew sang "My Frank Cheaney, Dee and Ken Funny Valentine" and Flo Curry, Dorothy and John Frank, Stafford read a sweetheart Opal and Larry Groce, Hazel poem.

Beta Epsilon Omicron's 1996 to the new Sweethearts and se- Lavena Clark.

Attending the event from Fort and Gerald Ivey, Betty and Gor-Preceptor Theta Sigma's don Mathison, Pam and Pat 1996 Sweetheart Luella Melancon, Barbara and Bob Gilliland crowned their new Miller, Lynn and Tom McNew, Sweetheart, Ann Hibler, while Helen and Howard Peck, Flo and James Stafford, Evelyn Sweetheart, Barbara Miller, Whitely and P.M. Moore. crowned their sweetheart, Betty Guests were Jean and Bob Slate, Mathison. Gifts were presented Betty and Vern Ebert and

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Rotary Youth Leadership award conference

By Frances McMaster Contributing writer

of Brackettville Rotary, presided on Thursday the 13th of February temporarily replacing Mr. Mike Holley who was recovering from an unexpected surgery. The program featured Rotary's efforts to develop effective leadership among young people. Superintendent of schools Taylor Stephenson presented two students who recently attended meetings out of town.

Miss Katie Hagler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rick Hagler represented Brackettville in San Antonio at the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) program. Through RYLA, young people from ages 14 to 30 participated in worships focused on leadership and professional development.

Miss Hagler reported on her lence. but the intangible rewards of interacting with students from different areas. She appreciated the opportunity to see things from a different perspective which she felt had broadened

her outlook on life.

Caleb Crumley, son of Mr. and Mrs James Crumley, re-John Ford, the Vice President cently participated in a meeting sponsored by the Rotary International Congress. Some of these meetings were held in Eagle Pass and some in Piedras Negras. The program was designed to foster better understanding between nations with an eye on developing informed future leadership.

Caleb echoed Miss Hagler's comments. He felt that meeting students with diverse backgrounds and experiences was particularly meaningful to him. He realized that coming from a small town is limiting in some ways, but the positive aspects stood out in his mind. He reported that students from some larger schools talked of having halls patrolled by security guards to protect against vio-

Both students thanked Rotary for the opportunity to attend presenters.



Caleb Crumley high school junior, Mrs Susan Harrison high school counselor, Katie Hagler high school junior.

the future and the contribution they will make through informed leadership.

Once the students had spothese conferences and having a ken, high school counselor, chance to discuss common con- Mrs. Susan Harrison reported cerns with other young people on some new courses available and to learn from the program at the high school which she is coordinating. They are available These programs encourage for students to take on their own

youngsters to plan and dream of for advanced placement when they enter college. There are dual credit courses in Trigonometry and English. Plans for expansion of this program exist for next year with Social Studies and Science to be added. At present six courses are available, and a student completing these can begin college with 24 to 30 hours credit already earned.

Golf News

Robinson to speak Saturday Charles M. Robinson III of contributor to various publica-

on Fort Clark Springs.

ing "Frontier Forts of Texas," "The Court Martial of Lieuten- dier General George Crook. ant Henry Flipper," "The Buf-S. Mackenzie.

Two other books, "Shark of Good Year to Die: The Story of be available for sale. the Great Sioux War," published tary Book Club selections.

Weslaco, has been a frequent gate admittance.

By Chuck Hall

A friend for life

I am saddened. Not so much that

a person has passed away, be-

cause I believe there is a reward

friend has departed. Departed

from among us. I always won-

der if I have been the kind of

I done all that I could to help

gone in his every day struggles

of life? Did I take every oppor-

tunity to show Christian com-

passion? In this tussle and bustle

world, the answer is all to often

no. Now is a good time to call

feelings of kindness and joy.

Don't wait until he or she is

on the loss of friends this week,

left this world considering me

Bridge Anyone

The Duplicate Bridge Club

met February 11, 1997 with 8

tables playing the Mitchell

The winners in the north to

south direction were Mac and

Marie McCandless in 1st. place.

Flo Stafford and Tina Bauguess

in 2nd place. Walt Geeze and

direction were Milo Unruh and

Peg Woolston in 1st. place.

Mary Edgar and Diane Daniels

in 2nd place. Alice Seargeant

The winners in the east to west

Bob Barnett in 3rd place.

and Joyce Bell in 3rd.

wrong.

Movement.

Every time I attend a funeral,

But,

I could

be wrong

San Benito will speak Saturday tions, and has been a profesat the monthly meeting of the sional consultant for municipal Fort Clark Historical Society at historical projects, as well as for 10 a.m. at the Palisado Building the Southwest Museum Associates of Houston. He is currently Robinson holds degrees from completing a book on the com-St. Edward's University and bined Army-Navy assault on tract to do a biography of Briga-

A Biography of General Ranald Clark's most colorful commanders during the Indian Wars the Confederacy: The Story of ography on Mackenzie, as well the CSS Alabama," and "A as some of his other books, will Mathison and Pat Nelson.

members. Non-members who 24-25 were discussed.

The Ladies Golf Association of Fort Clark Springs held its Scramble was held on Jan. 31 election of officers Feb. 11.

The following slate of officers was presented and accepted can and is the author of several 1865, a history of the Texas Chairman, Joyce Williamson; books on the Old West, includ- Rangers, and has signed a con- Summer Chairman, Mary G.B. Armstrong. Stephenson; Secretary, Barbara Miller; Treasurer, Robinson will talk on Ranald McKelvey; Social Committee, Julian Garza, Carl Green, Carol falo Hunters," and "Bad Hand: S. Mackenzie, one of Fort Lorraine Lundquist and Betty Mathison.

Volunteers for the following of the 1870s. Copies of his bi- committee's are: Publicity, Barbara Miller; Telephone, Betty

Plans for the Ladies Club

Robinson, who is an adjunct wish to attend should call Ben Because of the inclement did go out and play a few holes. date to the social to follow.

The End of the Month at the Fort Clark Springs Golf Course.

First place team with a net University of Texas-Pan Ameri- Fort Fisher, North Carolina in by the members. Winter Texan score of 61 was Lou Green, Tom Faulkenberry, Carl Jenson and

Second place was a three-way Pat tie with a net score of 63 with Benefield and Jeanette Hinton; Carl Garza, George Clark, Harold Kaufman and Frank Eckenroth; and Blake Hinton, Roger Stevens, Pat McKelvey and Kathy Jensen.

The Fort Clark Men's Golf The meeting is open at no Championship March 3-4 and Association has scheduled a by Random House, were Mili- charge to all Fort Clark Springs the Ladies Spring Fling March cross country scramble on Monday at 1 p.m. at the golf course.

All men's club members are instructor in history at South Pingenot at 563-2195 or Tom weather, there was no organized encouraged to sign up for the Texas Community College in Collins at 563-9947 to arrange play but several "hardy" ladies scramble and to invite their best.

Smoke From Nakai

By Nakai Breen





the automobile came to the res- move. There were cars parked ervations.

My mother Hobbs used to tell came very rich from the oil wells, everything changed for

teach the Indians how to drive a

start because they had a choke car up and sold it back to them. and a striker for a starter. They were cranked up and off the Indians went into the open counsomeone still here and share try

It just so happened that every man in the reservation ordered gone. Do it today! As I meditate a car. They drove all over the

The only thing that the Agent

didn't tell the Indians was that Today I will talk about the the car ran on gasoline. Once elders of yesterday, and when they ran out of gas, the car didn't

all over the reservation.

The agent would come by to waiting us in heaven, but that a me that when the Osage Indians check on the people and noticed out of Pahuska, Oklahoma, be- all the cars were parked here and there and every where.

The Indians met the agent and told him "Car no go! Get me The Indian Agent started to another one." The agent said, "Let me go to town and get you another car." The agent went The first cars were easy to to get some gasoline, fueled the

My mother told me that one of the elders said, "This car looks just like my other car and it even came with a hat just like mine."

So that's what happened on the reservation when cars came

to the Native American.

their friend. But I could be Local 'HAMS' establish regular meetings

By 'WD4ROE' Gil Raymer Contributing writer

Local amateur radio operafor coffee and social conversa- during disasters world wide. tion Thursday Feb. 13th at the Burger and Shake.

There were ten radio opera- would be held. tors in attendance.

sented at the meeting.

There has been very little amateur radio activity in the area in the past few years.

Amateur radio operators are tors (HAMS) from Fort Clark renowned for their participation Springs and Brackettville met and providing communication joy these stories and comments,

It was the consensus of the group that regular meetings

The next meeting will be at The States of KY, SC, TX, 8:00 a.m., Thursday February NE, WI and MN were repre- 20th at the Fort Clark Springs Golf Club House.

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ForPete's Sake

George's seven year old grandson was enjoying all the games at a children's party until they decided to play hide and

Little George was "it" and dutifully put his hands over his eyes and began to count to the required hundred. But he soon stopped and be-

gan to sigh deeply, and at last

"Why, George, what's wrong?" the concerned hostess asked.

"I've got a REAL problem," George replied. " They told me to count to a hundred, and I can't remember what comes after six-

The drive-in was advertising a special on milk shakes, and I offered to treat my wife. Knowing her preference in

flavors matched mine, I drove up to the speaker box and rolled down the car window.

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"Chocolate," I answered. ■ Editor's Note: If you ensend for a free sample of Post Story Book. Write Pete, Box

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BRACKETT NEWS PHOTO BY J.J. GUIDRY

Courtney Harrison closed Tuesday's game on the mound for Brackett as the Tigerettes topped the Hondo Lady Owls 15-6.

Brackett routs Hondo 15-6 in season opener

Patty Lopez pitched a one-hit-Hondo Lady Owls in softball ac- manding 15-3 advantage.

It was the season opener for nament on Friday and Saturday. in four more.

Lopez went 3 1/3 innings for walking eight batters and fan- Brackett. ning two.

pitched 2/3 of an inning. She Mascus had two apiece, and walked one batter.

The Lady Owls jumped out to La Toya Wright all scored one. a 3-0 lead in the top of the first

ter Tuesday to lead the Brackett runs in the second inning and Tigerettes to a 15-6 win over the seven in the third to take a com-

the Tigerettes, who will compete fensive attack, going 2 for 4, in the Natalia Invitational Tour- scoring three runs and driving Meyer (3-3, 2.33 ERA, .300).

Brackett. She gave up two La Mascus, Hilda Aguirre and

Bader scored three runs in the Harrison relieved Lopez and contest, Harrison and La Aguirre, Melissa Terrazas, Jessica Payne, Zandra Negrete and

Harrison, La Mascus and inning, but the Tigerettes re- Stephanie Terrazas all drove in sponded with three runs in the two runs apiece, while Bader, bottom half of the inning to tie Jones, Payne and Wright each had one RBI.

Tigers open baseball season with doubleheader at Uvalde

The Brackett Tigers will open the 1997 baseball season Saturday as they travel to Uvalde to battle the Coyotes' junior varsity in a doubleheader. The action begins at 1.

The Tigers, coached by Gary Grubbs and Ricky Creel, are coming off of a 21-7 season. Brackett won the district championship last year and claimed the school's first-ever playoff

Leading the Tigers into the season are all-state selections Ramon De Leon and Jorge Rodriguez. De Leon (16-2, 1.27 ERA, .371) is a senior pitcher and Rodriguez (.444) is a junior third baseman.

Other returning starters for Brackett then rallied for five Brackett are senior outfielder Beau Smallwood (.354), senior designated hitter Butch Lopez (.378), senior catcher Patrick Munoz (.367), junior outfielder Lopez led the Tigerettes' of J. Wayne Ballew (.275), and junior pitcher-outfielder Michael earned honorable mention.

Harrison, Amy Bader, Lindy Smallwood were first team all- nior outfielder Moses Her- catcher Wes Baker, sophomore outfielder Tommy Sandoval, district selections last season, nandez (.515), who made the outfielder Luis Rivas, and freshman pitcher Zack Davis, earned runs on one hit, while JoLee Jones also had hits for Meyer was a second team pick, all-district team as a sopho-sophomore first baseman Jacob and freshman third baseman and Lopez, Munoz and Ballew more.



Brackett baseball coach Gary Grubbs talks to his players Wednesday at practice. The Tigers will open their 1997 season Saturday at Uvalde with a doubleheader against the Coyotes' J.V.

Other returning lettermen for Mann.

Top newcomers include Expected to move into the the Tigers are junior outfielder sophomore second baseman De Leon, Rodriguez and starting lineup this season is se- Demetrius Williams, sophomore Matthew Smallwood, freshman Coty Williams.

> Bud Breen, cowboy, ranch foreman, western movie actor, then artist has been painting pictures that capture the beauty of the open country and ranch life that he loves so well.

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his studio, the kitchen table is

his easel and his experiences

are his inspiration.



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Guidry named regional sports writer of the year

Guidry has been named the spring, and served as chairman Texas High School Coaches for the All-SWTA football team Asso-ciation's Region VIII last fall. He is also a chairman nominee for Texas Sports for the Texas Sports Writers Writer of the Year.

The coaches elected Guidry, team. 23, at the THSCA regional meeting in Austin earlier this month. He was nominated by Roy Rokovich, Brackett High head football coach.

"This is a great honor for J.J. letic program here in Brack- Calvaryman. ettville, but throughout the region."

ever All-Southwest Texas Area ing school in late July.

Brackett News Editor J.J. baseball and softball teams last Asso-ciation's All-State softball

Prior to being named editor at The Brackett News, Guidry was the sports editor at The Del School's athletic director and Rio News-Herald and The Devine News.

Guidry, a 1991 graduate of and he is well deserving of the Brackett High School, began nomination," Rokovich said. writing while in school, cover-"He has done an outstanding ing local sports in The Brackett job of covering not only our ath- News and The Kinney

The Texas Sports Writer of the Year award will be presented Guidry compiled the first- at the THSCA's annual coach-

First Row from left- Allison J. LaMascus, Divina Pena, Philip Munoz and Chase Cole Neuman. Back Row Manuel Pena, Coordinator, Joe Goebel, Grand Knight, Grover Neuman, Helper.

Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest Winners

By Agapito Sanchez

Contributing Writer

Council 8223 of Brackettville Crumley. "Boys" 11-Philip held their annual Knights of Munoz, 13- Chase C. Neuman, Columbus Free Throw Champi- 14- Tannen Jobe. onship contest on Feb. 13, 1997 at the local gym.

them advanced to participate on Many thanks to all that made the District competition. They it possible.

were as follows:

"Girls" 10 - Divina Pena, 11-Allison J. LaMascus, 12-The Knights of Columbus of Michelle Bizzell, 13- April

The above winners will compete in the District contest on A good number of partici- Saturday Feb. 22 at 9:00 a.m. pants turned out for the event. District winners will advance to Ages are from 10 yrs. - 14 yrs. regional to take place in March, Of all the contestants seven of then perhaps to state in Austin.

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Bobcats ruin Tigers' playoff hopes

hopes of a playoff berth as the Bruns' turn-around jumper at Bobcats defeated the Tigers 53- the 4:23 mark put the Bobcats 40 Friday night.

The Bobcats, 19-11 overall, won the District 30-2A title with game-high 25 points. Phillip a 9-1 league mark. The Tigers Seidensticker had 10. finish their campaign with a 19-10 mark. Brackett was third in the conference with a 6-4 mark.

Moses Hernandez hit a pair of free throws with 3:39 remaining as the Tigers pulled at the break. within nine at 46-37, but Comfort put together a 9-1 spurt to scoring attack with 16 points. put the game away.

Micah Lindner hit a free double digits, scoring 11. throw with 1:10 left to give the Bobcats a commanding 53-38 lead, their biggest of the contest.

half, and then opened the third throw.

Comfort ended Brackett's quarter with an 8-1 run. Jimmy up 34-22.

Bruns led Comfort with a

The Tigers led 19-18 after the opening stanza, but Comfort outscored Brackett 8-2 in the second quarter for a 26-21 lead

Hernandez paced the Tigers' Ramon De Leon also finished in

Luis Guajardo had five points, Rene Luna scored four, Beau Smallwood had three, and Comfort was up 26-21 at the Demitrous Williams made a free



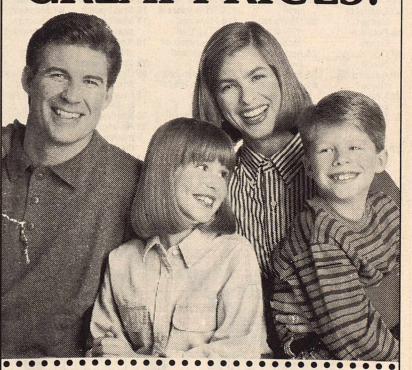
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Buffalo Soldiers curriculum offered to teachers for Black History Mon tion in a way many history books parks, universities, military bases, video was broadcast over the of six regiments of black soldiers, terial before presenting it to their

By Henry Lutz Kinney County Game Warden

teachers in time for Black History Month. By dressing up in Buffalo Soldiers uniforms, setting up community and in history." living history encampments and telling stories of Buffalo Soldiers and other frontier settlers, the re-

"What we are doing is taking AUSTIN- The history of the the legacy of the Buffalo Soldiers 19th century Buffalo Soldiers has into the cities and into the been making its way into class- schools," explains Pollard, Texas rooms across the state through liv- Parks and Wildlife Department ing history re-enactors, and now (TPWD) community outreach coa Buffalo Soldiers video and ordinator. "Understanding everyteaching guide are available to body has a part in history gives students a better chance of under- quests for his presentation has standing their own place in the

The re-enactors, employees spend much of their time traveling across the state presenting enactors grab the students' atten- their program at churches, state

tice centers and other special

In 1996, Buffalo Soldiers reenactors visited more than 50 schools, reaching approximately broadcast, the Buffalo Soldiers room program focuses on the In-42,000 students.

Word of mouth has caught up with Pollard and the numerous reprompted Texas Parks and Wildlife Department employees to produce a video and teaching guide for teachers to use in their class-

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TSTAR satellite network on Janu- slaves. ary 15, 1997, as a segment of the "Explore Texas" series.

the Texas Parks and Wildlife De- diers history. partment for approximately \$15.

classroom use on a loan-basis.

For those who missed the TPWD's Buffalo Soldiers classteaching package is available from dian Wars period of Buffalo Sol-

Topics include: formation of The package includes the video the United States colored regiand a curriculum guide. Buffalo ments, general history of the 9th Soldier uniforms and a set of his- calvary and 24th infantry, duty on toric photos are also available for the western frontier and contributions made by pioneers during the In 1866, Congress passed leg- 1800s. "It's important that teach-The Buffalo Soldiers classroom islation authorizing the formation ers take the time to study the madon't necessarily see it coming.

Texas Department of Juvenile Just Texas Educational Agency's many of whom were former students," explained Pollard. "We're not calling them heroes These soldiers have come to be or focusing on their accomplishknown as Buffalo Soldiers. ments in battle, but rather for what they accomplished for themselves and their self esteem."

Students seem to really appreciate and respond to the hands on program, added Pollard. "They enjoy coming up to touch and feel the artifacts that are part of the presentation. The girls enjoy the focus on the frontier women. There is an educational focus, but in the setting of living history they

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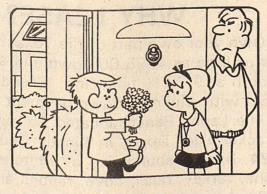
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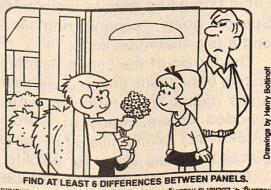
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Natasha's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Get out and visit those friends you haven't seen in a while. You're at your best presenting new ideas. However, some find themselves dealing with evasive types who are less than open. Toward the end of the week, you're ready for some muchneeded rest and relaxation.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) It's a great week for meetings with bankers and with real estate professionals if you're looking for a change in residence. Career interests go well generally. This weekend, avoid spending too much money on frivolous pursuits.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Couples should try to spend some quality time together this week, even if you need to take a day off to do so. Some soul-searching is in order. You've been a bit inflexible with certain people and overly critical of others.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You make an early start this week to get a jump on the competition which has been breathing down your neck of late. Keep your eyes open for new opportunities. Use discretion if discussing financial matters with an overly talkative friend.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You need some time alone this week to mull over personal concerns. This downtime leads to new insights and conclusions. Later in the week, it's a good time for shopping and gadding VIRGO (August 23 to September

22) Parents should seek out teachers and set up meetings this week. Partners are in sync, but you're bogged down with niggling details at work. Don't get caught up with inconsequential matters this weekend. LIBRA (September 23 to October

22) Early in the week, career developments are positive. Later in the week, you're running into a few obstacles to your progress. Special attention should be paid to details, especially when tending to domestic



chores this weekend.

SCORPIO (October 23 to: November 21) You're intrigued by a fascinating cultural interest this week. Higher-ups are feeling slighted, so be sure to show proper respect. This weekend, a compromise is in order on the social

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Leisure interests are highlighted this week. Some take up a new hobby, while others meet with an exciting romantic possibility. Over the weekend, while out and about, avoid spending too much money

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You make acceptable progress at work. However, a family member feels you're not being attentive enough and makes more demands for your time. Make an effort to reach out to this person over the weekend.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) The research you do on an investment concern leads you to correct conclusions. Behind-thescenes moves are best in business as you execute a low profile. Guard your tongue over the weekend.

PISCES (February 19 to March. 20) You and your significant other are in sync. On the social scene this week, it's a mixture of highs and lows. Friends disagree over where to go and what to do.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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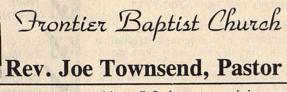
With the words, "This is my asked the man why was he tempted by Satan, surrounded into the sea, they'll die." by beasts who wanted to devour too are filled with the Holy beaches just like this one all Spirit. Then we too are thrust along the coast. Can't you see into the wilderness of life where you cannot possibly make a difthe temptations of Satan abound, ference?" The local native and where wild beasts of the two-smiled, bent down and picked legged variety are all around us, up yet another starfish, and as looking to devour us at every he threw it back into the sea, he opportunity. But gladly we are replied, "Made a difference to not alone nor abandoned by our that one!" God. He has sent angels, happily not of the John Travolta native, making a difference type, to guide, sustain, and help through individual acts of love, us. Let us explain who these caring, forgiveness, and mercy. angels are. One day a man was walking along a deserted beach. As he walked along he began to brothers and sisters, who just notice a local native kept lean- like us, are wandering around ing down, picking something up the desert amidst beasts who and throwing it out into the wa- seek to devour us. We can inter. As the man approached, he deed make a difference, even if noticed that the man was pick- just to one if we try. ing up starfish that had been washed up on the beach and, Jesus, "When you did it to the one at a time, he was throwing least of these my brethren, you them back into the water. He did it to me."

beloved Son with whom I am throwing the starfish back into well pleased," our Lord Jesus the ocean. The local native re-Christ was baptized and filled plied "You see, its low tide right with the Holy Spirit. Then im- now and all of these starfish mediately he went out into the have been washed up onto the desert for 40 days where he was shore. If I don't throw them back

The man replied, "I see that, him, but supported and helped but there must be thousands of by angels. Upon our baptism, starfish on this beach. You can't our God also announces that we possibly help all of them and are His beloved children and we there must be hundreds of

We can all be like that local We are the angels here on earth. We are called to minister to our

Remember the words of



son, it's a good time to call to mind the New Testament definition of "love". I Corinthians 13 delineates in exhaustive fashion the importance of love and the meaning of it.

Love is patient and uncomothers, showing mercy.

Love is unselfish; "seeketh not her own."

puffed up." Love is courteous; "acts in

the bounds of propriety." Love is charitable in judge-

ment; "thinketh no evil."

Love is pure; "rejoiceth not

in iniquity.

Love is trustful; "believeth all see.

Being in the Valentine sea- things." It is not suspicious of

people nor circumstances. Love is hopeful; "hopeth all things." It hopes for good, not expecting the bad.

Love is anchored in God. "God is love" says the Bible.

Sometimes it is hard to say "I plaining "suffereth long, love you" but it is a double bless-endureth all things." Love is ing. It blesses the one to whom kind; Willing to do things for it is said but also blesses the one who says it.

God defines love as He does so we can be the very happiest Love is humble; "is not possible. The degree to which we depart from love as a way of life, is the degree to which we miss real happiness in life.

There will be another message from the Word of God at Frontier Baptist church Sunday morning at 11:00. Come and

Gateway Ministries Pastor Charolette Corey

Don't pet it, shed it! It is so (Proverbs 26:2). easy for our flesh to take on an bring death to your soul. It robs you of your joy. It robs you of your rest. It robs you of seeking and performing your very best.

When you take it on as a pet, you chain yourself to it and before long you have so many pets, the tending of them takes so much time, you have no time to tend the soil of your soul and all your fruit begins to die, eventually ending in bitter death for forgives). If someone has comthe body as well.

ted against you has any grounds give it so you can get on with or not, it's up to you to let it tending your own fruit garden, drop.

Words are like a bird looking for a place to make a nest, you shall receive your reward shake it off, don't let it land and from your Heavenly Father. it will eventually return upon the head of the one who spoke it. walk in love.

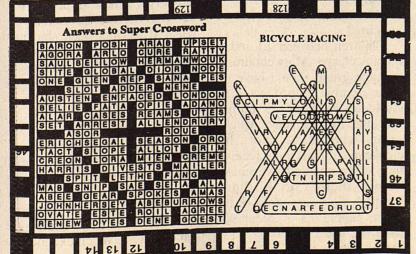
Remember, God is Soveroffense, to pet it until it grows eign. He is in complete control. and overtakes us. Each of us has He loves you and He will not done it, but it is a killer; it will allow you to be made ashamed. (Psalms 34:4-9, 37:18-19, Joel 2:25-29, Phil. 1:19-21).

Let the oil of the Holy Spirit be that layer of protection, just like oil on a duck's feathers allows it to float on the water instead of being drowned by it. The water becomes a source of blessing through the food the duck finds there.

If you've committed an offense repent of it (God quickly mitted an offense against you, Whether the offense commit- be like a duck and shed it. Forand enjoy the harvest of it.

So shed it, don't pet it and

Stand in faith, rest in hope,



Obituary

Dovie Jean Taylor

of age, passed away Sunday former Pastor of the First Bap-Hondo, Texas.

She is survived by her hus- grandchildren.

Dovie Jean Taylor, 66 years band, Rev. Preston Taylor, Feb. 17, 1997. The funeral was tist Church in Brackettville. Her Wednesday February 19,1997 son: Preston Taylor Jr. of San at the First Baptist Church in Antonio, Daughter, Marsha Millegan of Seguin, and 6



truth: It is expedient for you that them now. I go away; for if I go not away, unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.

reprove the world of sin, and of come. St. John 16: 7-13 righteousness, and of judgement; Of sin, because they believe not on me; Of righteous- is set in the Lord. ness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more;

Of judgment, because the Night 7 p.m. prince of this world is judged. I have yet many things to say known unto God.

Nevertheless, I tell you the unto you, but ye cannot bear

Nevertheless, when he, the the Comforter will not come Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth; for he shall hear, that shall he speak, And when he is come, he will and he will show you things to

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Pastor Charlie Tucker to speak at Men's Retreat

Pastor Charlie Tucker will be the guest speaker at a Men's life to a comprehensive study of Retreat sponsored by Grace Jesus and his teachings. The re-Community Church on Feb. 21- sult is a special insight into the 22 at Fort Clark Springs.

ter, husband, father, evangelist, speaker and author. During his 40-year walk with the Lord, he has served the local church as a Suzanne, have been married for pastor, elder, Bible teacher, 29 years. They have two grown small group leader and director daughters and are grandparents. of men's ministries.

rectors for the National Center men and women in seminars and for Fathering and is a Promise retreats around the world over Keeper Ambassador.

Tucker retired in 1992 in the world. rank of colonel.

ment, he was the director of advertising and promotion, comof \$12 million.

Tucker holds degrees from the University of Texas (BFA) and the American University

He has devoted much of his life of Christ that has been a A \$30 donation covers hotel, blessing to men and women who retreat expenses and two meals. have participated in his speak-Tucker is an ordained minis- ing and teaching ministries and travel to the Bible Lands.

Tucker and his wife,

Together, the Tuckers have He serves on the board of di- spoken to literally thousands of the past quarter century of ad-A veteran of 26 years of ser- dressing the issues challengingvice in the U.S. Air Force, believers in our changing

The Tuckers reside in San In his last Air Force assign- Antonio and worship with a local Hispanic congregation.

Between travels, they are demanding a squadron of 300 veloping a small ranch near people and managing a budget Austin as a place of retreat and respite for others in ministry.

> Editor's note: For more information about the Men's Retreat, call 774-5755.

True faith needs no signs

"Why does this generation seek a sign?" Ours is a most practical age. We accept nothing as true unless we can experience it through one of our senses. Such values as truth, honesty and decency run poor competition against more materialistic articles that can be treasured for their monetary worth. The Pharisees whom Jesus queried about seeking sighs would have felt right at home in today's society. Now, as then, they would believe nothing without seeing some concrete evidence of what Jesus was preaching. Yet true faith comes not through touch or sight. Faith is the belief that overcomes all doubts, an inner certainty that transcends visual or other sensory proofs. Such faith has no need of

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Our special thanks goes to Judge Tommy Seargeant, Rev. Joe Townsend, Sheriff Buddy Burgess, Deputy Warren Outlaw, Charles Granstaff, Sterling Evans, Mr. & Mrs. H.C. Hunt, Frank Morgan, Bobby Titt, Kinney County Aging Center, City of Brackettville, Buster Jamail, and the Chamber of Commerce. To Wes Robinson, Clyde Hepline, Tim Santos, Heath Childes and Scott, and to the other band consisting of Mike McGonagill, Chuck Sweigart, J.J. Guidry, John Hullum, and Pat, for providing music for dancing and listening. The bands did an out-

To Helen Smith, Joan Boutwell, Jan Salmon, and Christy. To our excellent Barbecuers, Bobby Titt, Danny Billings, David Seargeant, Johnny Smith, Wade Salmon, Plunker Sheedy & Robbie Salmon. The meat was delicious.

Our decorators Debbie Smith and Annette Smith. It was a job

A sincere thanks goes to all the businesses and friends who made our auction such a success, Fuentes Store, The Rose Petal, Krazy Chicken, Wool & Mohair, Pete and Debbie Bland, Jewel Robinson, Hair by Diane, Conrad's Video, Mi Lady Beauty Shop, Jean's Dry Goods, Sunshine Garden, Debbie Trant, The Coca Cola Company, Dorothy Salmon, Mrs. Orville Frerich, Jennifer Billings, Debbie Smith, Ora's, Jimmy Salmon, Martha Cornado, Sonny Girl Dimmery, Joe and Esther Cruz, Linda Malone, Alex, Sara, & Pantita Solis, Maria D. Cruz & Maria I. Cruz, Annette Smith, Joe Montalvo.

To Rob and Verdie Garcia for the banner. Last but not least. The Clean Up Crew; John Smith, Simon Smith, Tommy Ward, Jimmy Salmon, Debbie Smith & Annette Smith. We couldn't have made it without you.

God bless each of you who helped in any way to make our benefit a success. If we forgot anyone's name it was not done intentionally. Tootsie Herndon & Family

R.H. Salmon & Family The Billings Family Geovoni Wardlaw Family.

The Jones Elementary PTO would like to congratulate the winners of their Valentine's Day Cake Raffle. Over \$330.00 was raised by the elementary school by selling 50 cent tickets for a chance to win a heart shaped cake baked by Mrs. Honeybee Gomez. The winners were: 1st. place - Patty Ortiz, 2nd place - Dorothy Compton, 3rd. place - Salvador Pacheco III:

Thank you to all who participated from the community. The next fund-raiser will be in March for St. Patrick's Day at which time a meeting will also be announced.

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THANK YOU

The Fort Clark Days '97 committee wishes to thank all that made the "Feb. 1st Bake Sale" a success. Special thanks to the telephone committee,

Joyce Bergey, Mary Meek and Rosie Mattingly.

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Chickenpox Vaccine: What you need to know

By: Mathew V. Hadley CPNP Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Uvalde Family Practice

What about the disease chickenpox (varicella)?

Varicella (chickenpox) is a common disease which can be serious. It spreads when germs health care provider before pass from an infected person to the nose or throat of others. cine? Chickenpox causes a rash, itchlead to pneumonia, brain damage, or death. A person who has

What about the vaccine?

best way to protect against chickenpox. About 70 to 90% of people who get the vaccine are protected from chickenpox. chickenpox vaccine? If vaccinated children do get lower fever, and recover more quickly.

vaccine?

Children between 12 and 23 months of age: Most children in this age group should have one dose of chickenpox vaccine. Children between 23 months and their 13th birthday: All chilginning of your seven month however you can delay your player plan, whichever comes dren who have not had If you do not enroll by the the vaccine should be vaccinated bumps (3-4 out of 100 doses). If you are age 65 or over end of the eight month period, before their 13th birthday, fever (15 out of 100 doses). People 13 years and older: Some people 13 or older who one who gets a rash from the ter you have received Social are held January 1 to March 31 spouses' current employment, which begins January 1 of the have not had chickenpox or re-vaccine to give chickenpox to ceived the vaccine, should get another person.

two doses of the vaccine 4 to 8weeks apart. If you have any questions please consult your provider health care Chickenpox vaccine may be given at the same time as other vaccines.

Who should alert their receiving the chickenpox vac-

Tell your health care proing, tiredness and fever. It can vider if the person getting the vaccine has ever had a serious allergic reaction to chickenpox had chickenpox can develop vaccine, neomycin, or gelatin, zoster (shingles) years later. now has a moderate or serious Shingles causes a painful skin illness, is unable to fight serious infections because of, a disease (like HIV/AIDS), treatment with Chickenpox vaccine is the drugs such as long term steroids, any kind of cancer, cancer treat-

> ment with x-rays or drugs. What are the risks from the

As with any medicine, there chickenpox it is usually very are very small risks that serious mild. They have fewer spots, problems could occur after getting the chickenpox vaccine. However, almost all people who Who should get chickenpox use the vaccine have no problems. It has not been shown to cause any serious problems. The risks from the vaccine are smaller than the risks from the disease. Side effects of the vaccine are, soreness, redness, or swelling where the shot was given (about 1 out of 5 doses); chickenpox or have not received very mild rash or several small

It may be possible for some-

U. M. H. Board assumes responsibility for Hospice Uvalde Memorial Hospital's this opportunity and believe that rather than cure. Hospice pa- and spiritual services to termi-

Hospice Uvalde to assume man- able to bring the Hospice in due long as they are able." agement responsibilities of the lo- to negative financial exposure

cal Hospice program. Fund Raiser. Even though Hospice will be managed by the hostheir portion of Thrift Shop pro-

local Hospice patients.

The Hospice Advisory Board However, since the last time we met with hospital administration to were approached we have ex-

type of care." pital all donations, memorials and Community Services said, "Hos- for the program. The hospital's personnel to make this a smooth pice will add a new dimension to success in home health will extend transition without any disruption ceeds will continue to benefit the Home Care Services by providing very naturally to the hospice prospecialized care for the terminally Hospital Administrator Ben ill and their families in the home. Durr stated, "We appreciate the It differs from Home Health be- Hospice program is to provide the Hospice Volunteer Auxil-

Board of Directors during their Hospice will fit well into our out tients and their families are en- nally ill people and their famiregular meeting held January 28 patient programs and the con- couraged to live life to the full- lies in order to encourage and approved the request from VNA tinuum of care that is accessible est enjoying family and friends enable them to live fully and creand Hospice of South Texas and locally. In the past we were un- and their normal activities for as atively in comfort during the ill-

VNA and Hospice of South cording to Edwin Sasek, Hosassociated with Hospice care. Texas President Fred Hines said, pice Bereavement Coordinator "We were pleased to be able to and Chaplin, "We feel the improvide services for nearly three portance of holistic care at the begin the transition and to discuss panded outpatient services and years in the Uvalde area. We have end of life and we are confident future goals and plans including added home health which gives made many friends in the commu- the new management will conthe Second Annual Happy Trails us the avenue to provide this nity, but as the health care industinue this philosophy." try continues to change, we felt it Phyllis Dodson, Director of was time to expand local support working closely with the Hospice

Hospice approaching us with cause the focus is on comfort medical, nursing, psychosocial iary

ness and grief experience. Ac-

Durr said, "The hospital is and their families. We also want The mission statement of the to keep a strong relationship with

Enrollment in Medicare, How and

gram."

handled in two ways: either you months. are enrolled automatically or

you have to apply. you are already getting Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits when you turn 65, you do not have to apply for Medicare. You are enrolled automatically, your Medicare card is months before your 65th birthday. If you do not want Part B, with the card. If you are disabled, you will automatically get your Part B coverage. a Medicare card in the mail af-

Enrollment in Medicare is Board disability benefits for 24 age starts the following July.

Medicare.

Social Security Administration ter how late you enroll for cov- begins the month employment office. Apply three months be- erage. mailed to you about three fore you turn 65, that's the befollow the instructions that come applying early you'll avoid a ing to pay higher premiums. possible delay in the start of

Applying for Medicare: If months to sign up, your premi-current employment of any famyou are not receiving Social Se- ums generally will be higher. ily member you have a choice: Automatic Enrollment: If curity or Railroad Retirement Part B premiums go up 10 perbenefits three months before you cent for each 12 months that you while you are covered by the turn 65, you need to apply for could have been enrolled but group health plan, or; You can were not. The increase in the enroll during a special eight You apply by contacting any Part A premium is 10% no mat-month enrollment period that

initial enrollment period. By Part B enrollment without hav- first.

Security or Railroad Retirement of each year and Part B cover- or if you are disabled and have next year,

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ends or the month you are no Under certain circumstances, longer covered under the em-

have group health insurance you'll have to wait until the next General enrollment periods based on your own or your general enrollment period,